In a poll held by Consoc this term 50-60% of those asked whether they were satisfied with the performances of these people as sabbaticals answered "Don't Know". The full results are on page six. Incidentally, they are (left to right) Rae Snee, ICU DP, Liz Lindsay, ICU Hon Sec, and John Passmore, ICU President.

Who cares?

"Junk Food"

LAST TUESDAY afternoon a computing first year undergraduate found a piece of metal in his Sherfield Refectory meal.

He had been eating quiche, chips and sweetcorn when he discovered a chunk of metal in his mouth. His friend, who was also eating the same food, found a piece of metal in his meal as well.

The person concerned took the pieces to Mr. Mooney, Catering Manager, who asked what the students had been having to eat. On hearing sweetcorn mentioned, he went to the can-opener in the kitchen to inspect it. He said that the blade was old and had to be replaced.

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"Steady on Chaps, my contact lens has fallen out!"

"Hockey win league"

FOLLOWING an excellent all-round performance this season, IC 1st XI finished top of their Saturday league — Middlesex Division 2 — collecting sixteen points from a possible eighteen points and were unbeaten in the league all season. This ensures a return to top class hockey for the side which will remain virtually unchanged and hopeful of success amongst some of the big guns of hockey.

Last Wednesday saw further success for the side in winning the ULU Division 1 titles at their first attempt. In sweeping aside all other colleges on their way to this title the team dropped only two points all season — a narrow last minute defeat by old rivals City & Guilds, who look set to finish the season in second place.
Dear Sir

We feel much ashamed to be members of a College whose "newspaper" publicises such malicious insults as contained in your last editorial. From your description HRH Princess Anne seems to be a much more respectable person than yourself.

Whatever you may think of our new Chancellor it was very wrong of you to malign one member of our Royal Family as if this is also a direct insult upon other members for whom we have reason to have much respect and regard.

We find it hard to comprehend that your editorial is a true thermometer of the feelings of the I.CU Exec and even less of the vast majority of students at IC.

We think that the Exec would be well advised to remove you as editor of FELIX before you cause any more mud to be splattered over us all.

Yours faithfully
David Pinnegar & 46 others
Physics 2

Dear Sir

You may hold the opinion that Princess Anne is not suitable for the Chancellorship of this University, but there is no cause to be downright abusive.

Yours,
John Mornemen
Civ Eng 1

Dear Sir

One of the golden rules of good journalism is that individual members of the Royal Family are not "fair game".

One of the hallmarks of bad journalism is sensationalism. It is the last resort of the uninspired and tired.

Yours faithfully
Mark Clegg
Mech Eng 3

Dear Sir

Not content with the repetitively atrocity of Mr. Moonen, we reach the point of utter tedium and printing racist and generally insulting cartoons, you have now lowered your standards of journalism even further with your pathetic and puerile attack on Princess Anne in your editorial last week.

Whatever your views of our new Chancellor (my own are hardly complimentary), there can be no defence against your using FELIX as such vehemence abuse against any individual without the slightest attempt at providing justification. Your cheap attack on such an easy target was neither clever nor amusing, and I must presume that you did not consider the harm that would be done if a representative of the mass media, searching for student reaction to the appointment of Chancellor, were to seize upon your remarks as being representative of the student body at IC. The public would surely conclude that it is us, rather than Princess Anne, who possess the 'intellect of a cabbage'. Or perhaps you were encouraged by such thoughts, since you appear to enjoy cheap publicity.

If you manage to complete your term as FELIX Editor, I hope you will continue to express your opinions, but please refrain from using unjustified and highly personal abuse.

Yours faithfully
Andy Tye
Civ Eng 3

Sir

With reference to the article entitled Operatic Diversion Diversion, I note with more than a little trepidation that the dates given for this opera clash with the dates already booked for the HAM DRAM 81 (Home Counties Amateur Dramatic Festival) Finals. As this is the first time such a prestigious festival has been hosted by Imperial College it would be tragic if it were marred by a bookings oversight. Is there some mistake? We would hate to disappoint those who have already purchased tickets for HAM DRAM 81 (available from the Bookshop or IC Dramsoc members) and hope that last week’s article was incorrect.

Geoffrey Barber
HAM DRAM 81
Liaison Officer

Sir

I write in response to D V Moleworth’s foolish display of patriotism in his letter of February 6 for FELIX.

Let me quote two of his sentences: “I am not so naive that I believe there is injustice in the Republic”. To D V Moleworth, the obvious injustice is not so important to be condemned... these firms especially some of them... are probably leading the way to narrowing the gaps between ‘blacks’ and ‘whites’ standard of living”. If D V Moleworth is aware of the different living standards based on colour, then he ought to be aware of the injustice in the system he admires so much.

Perhaps, we will forgive D V Moleworth for being so naive to realise that being white in South Africa, he was in such a privileged position — E class wages, lots of incentives, etc. — as to pay no attention to the injustice meted on others. He is now being used (from the tone of his last paragraph) to augment the white population and to offset the population imbalance if not white majority. What he should bear in mind is: South Africa can never be another Australia or North America.

Has D V Moleworth been a black South African and seen his wife for only two days in a month and had seen his little sister gowned down over a protest in the Soweto-clash, he won’t believe that to have been a justic.

Maybe D V Moleworth will be happy to hear of Botha’s latest promised to improve the position of Blacks by allowing a few Blacks’ black-proprietaries in Parliament. I rephrase his statement as the creating of Muzorewa’s (black puppets) to undermine the liberation movements. I assure him and Botha that the liberation war continues unabated and that paying a lip service to democracy does not weaken the efforts. If he wants to be a disciple and a propagandist of an Apartheid (he should be prepared to claim responsibility for the very difficult times yet to come.

Let us be frank, D V Moleworth is not becoming anti-Apartheid as he claims. He is for the Apartheid regime. To be an anti-Apartheid is to be pro-Apartheid, there is no middle term. He tries to hide his boldness by a long phraseology.

Reading his letter, I can now understand how the holocaust of the Jews, the genocide of American Indians, the slavery and the dominated economy of the blacks, etc., have been possible.

Yours truly
F Amandle
N Yaw
Civ Eng 4

Dear Mr Marshall

The remarks which you made in your FELIX Editorial last week about HRH Princess Anne are utterly despicable. Even if you hold these views in private it is completely disloyal to publish them. As for criticising Princess Anne for her hobby (at which she was very good), it smacks of the lower middle class intolerance that we have come to expect from FELIX this year. Princess Anne does a good deal of charity work (e.g. National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children) for which she receives inadequate credit from gutter press editors like yourself. In closing I would suggest that you apologise and then do the honourable thing.

Yours sincerely
Frank James
Humanities PG

Sir

With reference to your comments of Princess Anne, you Sir are obviously excluded from the 23,000 students "with brains".

For one who can express himself in such a childish and insulting manner should never have been elected to edit the College or any other magazine, and as regular readers of FELIX, my colleagues and I are disgusted by your obnoxious inference to the Princess (sic). J Mathier and telephonists: H Loribond, J Sketch, K Franks, A Mitchell, P Croad, P Chandler, D Walker, P Rule, J Longdon, and W Jacks.

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from front page.
Mr. Mooney told FELIX that the metal could have come from saucepans or cans. When he found out that the meal had included canned sweetcorn, he went to the can-opener. The piercing nail on it was blunt, and it ran up a rim on the can. As soon as he knew about it, he had the nail changed straightaway. There was a similar incident earlier in the week, but no one had brought it to his attention. He had apologised to the student concerned, but as he had made such a 'song and dance' about it he would not get a refund.

On the subject of College food generally, Mr. Mooney said that he would have to take people's word for it if they thought the food was getting better, as a suggestion which FELIX put to him. Asked about the better change in terms from the Union. Reelectory, he said that the supply had been changed, and as this was found acceptable it was decided to continue it.

**UC Sit-in on Overseas Fees**

STUDENTS at University College London started an occupation of their College's administrative block, in an attempt to persuade their college not to increase fees to overseas students.

An emergency UGM motion three weeks ago noted inter alia "the introduction of full cost fees, which would result in the introduction of so-called 'full cost' fees for overseas students of £2,000 for Arts courses, and £3,000 for Science courses... served only to further enhance the elitist and racist nature of higher education in Britain. The Government had to give colleges a special exemption from the Race Relations Act 1977 before they could implement these increases."

The motion went on to instruct the Executive to obtain an assurance from College not to increase fees next year. "The college did not give such a guarantee, but did agree not to impose a previously decided extra 10%." An emergency UGM motion a week later noted, inter alia "the full cost fees are driving overseas away. There is no financial argument in favour of full cost fees, and college cannot therefore claim that it is under financial obligation to charge these fees'." A motion on them called for "A total boycott of lectures on February 24, pickets of all entrances/main departments." This was declared "the beginning and not the end!"

And emergency UGM motion a week later resolved, inter alia "to go into immediate occupation of college until college take a stand against full-cost fees. To support the NUS National Lobby of Parliament on March 11". In a statement issued by the Union, students were urged to support the boycott. After outlining why it was thought the increase in fees was discriminatory and incorrect, it said "only if we say boldly and clearly that the fees are wrong, wrong, wrong, will there be any change. An occupation is the only way open to us now to make that message clear. Other colleges will follow if we take a stand. Support the occupation!"

**LAST FRIDAY'S Links Carnival**

was attended by about 600 people. Most seemed to have been there to see Otway and Barrett the headline act, since many left at midnight, before the final band. When everything is sorted out the event is expected to "just break even". Unfortunately there was no profit to donate to Nightline. Andy Dixon

**Gulds Trip to 'Tomfojery'**

 Criterion Theatre, Piccadilly Thursday, March 5 Tickets £3 (normally £5.50) Notices on notice board in Gulds office by Tuesday

**THE INTERNATIONAL PARTY,** the culmination of International Week, was highly successful. The evening included Dinner, with Indian, Chinese, Sri Lankan, and Greek foods. Afterwards there were stage performances in the JCR. This included Greek, Latin American and classical Indian dances, a karate demonstration by a group including eight black belts. Bangra dances were performed by a student group who have only been practicing for a few months.

The Rector and 600 other people attended the event, which was regarded as the best international party so far, and the most popular event in the JCR this year.

**Carnival**

**THE ANNUAL Gulds Field Cup**

Competition was held on Wednesday evening. About sixty people grouped in twelve teams took part.

The winners were Barry's Bashers, and they will be presented with the magnificent trophy at the elections UGM. During the competition, two participants were arrested and charged with theft.

The purpose of the competition is to visit ten specified pubs, and gain points by drinking and finding treasure on the way.

**Council Report**

ICU Council met on Monday evening. The Deputy President's proposals regulating finance, namely, to restrict the grounds on which clubs could claim extra money, were defeated.

It was decided that John Pasmore should become Returning Officer for the coming sabbatical elections as it was alleged that Liz Lindsay's friendship with one candidate might make her a prime target for attacks in FELIX.

The motion allowing the Handbook Editor six weeks in Hall over the summer vacation, paid for by ICU, was passed. If anyone else really wants to know any more, then it will be published next week.

**Hustings Shocker**

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Letters to the Editor

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is a shameful matter, dear reader, that in spite of your long experience of farting you still do not know how you fart, or how you ought to fart. It is commonly thought that farts differ only in size and that basically they are all of the same type. A gross error" (Dali, op cit, p217). The analysis of Mr Simons is faulted by the same error.

As the learned scholar points out, farts can be divided into vocal and mute or silent creepers. Vocal farts may be further divided into: (i) the Pleuro-Vocal or Big Fart (further sub-divided into simple and dipthong or double-barrelled farts), and (ii) the Semi-Vocal or Little Fart (further sub-divided into Clear, Medium and Aspirated). Mute farts, vulgarly known as silent creepers, have no sound and comprise a small amount of very damp wind. In Latin they are called Visia, from the verb visire; in German Fiester; and in Engsah, *fitch or vetch" (Dali, op cit, p234). They may be either dry or soury.

The Count further classifies according to the social status of people (followers of Max Weber ought to be pleased), going largely by the subtle differences in smell. The categories he lists are: Provincial Farts, Household Farts, Maiden’s Farts, Fencing Masters’ Farts, Young Ladies’ Farts, Married Women’s Farts, Bourgeois Women’s Farts, Peasant Women’s Farts, Shepherdesses’ Farts, Old Women’s Farts, Bakers’ Farts, Clay Potters’ Farts, Whores’ Farts, Cockolds’ Farts, Clerks’ Farts, Actors’ and Actresses’ Farts and finally, Learned Men’s Farts. I am sure even Mr Simons would agree that this is definitely a more definitive guide to the art of farting than his.

scant attention to the olfactory nuances inherent in the raison d’etre of the fart.

A certain individuality is always imparted to the bouquet by the particular gut flora of the performer. This enables afficionados to pinpoint the origin of a virtuoso rendition when modesty or unconsciousness prevents the owner claiming it. There are however several substances which will lend distinctive reproducible flavours to one’s emissions. Many traditional beers have their own recognisable odours for instance, Wadsworth’s Old Timer, known as Old Fart by regulars, which can be identified in minute concentrations two hundred yards downwind of many Wiltshire pubs not to mention the Anglesea Arms. The combination of the calcium sulphate and yeast content of Bass found in many outlets produce an emanation common to many IC students. I am surprised that the ‘high’ quality of food in the College refectories does not cause more motions to be passed at UGMs.

Well known aromas (not necessarily attributable to the substance after which they are named) include:

The eggy one: this variety linger longer than Murray mints.

The cabbagey one: savage! A real swine. Airwicks the only answer.

The buttery one: combined with the burnt ring syndrome and the dead rat — charcoa l underpants.

The bony one: backwards and Transcendental Soc. I am therefore drafting this short note to point out to your readership that farting should be looked on with PRIDE, and not denied as a sly perversion.

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Yours sincerely
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Dear Sir

For those, who even in this day and age, persist in their prejudice against farting, there is a chapter on Ways of Disguising a Fart (chapter 12). This work of art is rather more pleasurable to read as the author points out. "It is indeed more important than people normally imagine, to know how to fart in the right way at the right time.

A fart that tries vainly to come out, and then turns back in fury to send the flanks, often causes death.

For the life of a constipated mortal through the dark portal entering, By a FART let out in time might well have been saved."

(Emphasis as in the original, Dali, op cit, pp 217-8).

Yours sincerely
Bharat Bhushan
DSES PG

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Yours M R Fisher, et al.

Dear Ed

We went rigid when we saw the photograph of our plate with a bolt of fruit from the blue.

We didn’t realise that the message had ever existed. However, we know it must have appeared as FELIX is such a truthful, honest, upstanding organ of the press, and would not print a pack of filthy lies.

Although we agree you have the intellect of a cauliflower and the ability of a mollusc, a short glans at your articles reveals a depth hitherto unknown in College (except in the catering field).

Hope you’re well

The Dicks Club

Sir

We are writing against WIST being allowed to put on their picket on Imperial College ground. Both men and women attend this College and both should be allowed the same rights and status. Presenting women as mere pickets is both degrading and insulting to the normal women at this College (the ones who don’t look like bus-conductors). Mines thrown out last year. They also pointed out that a male stripper was ridiculed in the event, which would thus not be viewed as sexist. However, from an RSU survey previous to the event, we found out that the women in the audience viewed the female stripper as a bit of a joke and found the male stripper’s chopper tantalising. We are well aware that the men to women ratio is rather larger (are most of the women) but would like to point out that this problem will diminish if IC doesn’t continue to offer services which enhance the image of women.

Women who cannot cope with the problem ought to join WIST and go picketing at Mines events and on field trips to Yorkshire. We agree that men should not actually have to pay to see a woman naked; it should be free.

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Exc. I feel the 'views' expressed in the aforementioned letter do not represent the views of the majority of the members of RS M Union, but merely those of a select few, and therefore should most definitely not be signed in the name of the union.

After all, would it not be better to defend the Miner Review for what it is? That is, a union event, designed to generate funds for the Union, which will be supported because the majority of RSM students will want to go. So why all this needless slander and backbiting by our exec?

John Eagleson
RSM Newsletter Editor

Small Ads

- Ford Escort van, 1300, MOT, good condition, £625. Contact Dave Roberts, ME3.
- Pedalling: Swimmers to represent C&G in the Intercollegiate Gala (Monday, March 9). Contact Dave Roberts, ME3.
- Mike in this week, so I won't bother — Andy
- Raymond Baxter, ex-RAF pilot and BBC TV presenter was guest speaker at the Aeronautical Society Dinner last Friday. The Dinner was well attended and Mr Baxter's speech much appreciated.

Voyager scientist at IC

DR GARY HUNT, the only British scientist currently involved in the Voyager space project, gave a lecture last week at IC on his work in this field.

The purpose of the Voyager space craft is to investigate and compare the two giants of the solar system, Jupiter and Saturn, and their satellites, in particular Titan. Dr Hunt outlined the path of the Voyager II spacecraft by the use of some truly remarkable slides taken by the Voyager crafts. The data obtained by the spacecraft has given a wealth of information on the geophysical nature of Jupiter and Saturn. Dr Hunt was particularly excited by data taken of Titan, a satellite of Saturn. Voyager II has shown that Titan has a planetary atmosphere similar to that of primordial Earth, and perhaps more important, simple hydrocarbons have been detected indicating the possibility of life.

Dr Hunt said that space had to be developed and that the returns were only just beginning to trickle in. Advances have been made in instrumentation allowing satellites to be used more efficiently in meteorology. Dr Hunt predicted that very soon, by means of the space shuttle, zero gravity space laboratories could be used to build things such as perfect crystals which would be useful in microelectronics. Dr Hunt then added that he would be prepared to justify space on purely academic grounds. "We must go out there and explore. We are the Columbus and Magellans of today and we must maintain our pioneering spirit".

When questioned on what would happen next Dr Hunt said that Voyager would arrive at Neptune in 1989 but that all future programmes, such as the Galileo Jupiter probe, would have to be reviewed in the light of the recent Reagan spending cuts.

Raymond Baxter at IC

Raymond Baxter, ex-RAF pilot and BBC TV presenter was guest speaker at the Aeronautical Society Dinner last Friday. The Dinner was well attended and Mr Baxter's speech much appreciated.

Giles Shaw speaks

Former Northern Ireland Junior Minister Giles Shaw, MP visited the College last Tuesday at the invitation of the Conservative Society to give a talk on 'The Last Eighteen Months in Northern Ireland'. Mr Shaw, who became a junior Environment Minister in Mrs Thatcher's recent reshuffle, began by outlining the background to the present situation, and then proceeded to comment on the security and political issues in the last eighteen months.

He said that the level of terrorist activity overall was steadily declining, with terrorism confined to limited areas. The police force was gradually taking over security duties from the army, with the eventual aim of restoring normal policing and the rule of law to the province.

More North/South cooperation is coming about on security, and Mr Shaw said he believed there was a greater understanding by the Republic of the North's problems and a willingness to work together to defeat terrorism.

On the political front, Mr Shaw said it was almost impossible to distinguish a route to compromise solutions in Northern Ireland's complex problems, but that governments must continue along the "thorny road" in an effort to find a solution because the troubles are not going to go away. The audience of about fifty was then given a chance to question Mr Shaw.

Min and Met Soc
2nd Robert Pryor
Memorial Lecture
British Steel in the 80's and Beyond
Mr Ian MacGregor
Chairman, BSC
Monday, March 2
6:30pm in ME220

CONSOC SUPER SPECIAL
Meet THE Cabinet
Come and hear
Rt Hon Mark Carlisle, MP
Secretary of State for Education
on
TUESDAY, MARCH 3 at 1:00pm in Huxley 213.

Pedalling for 24 hours

LAST WEEKEND, thirty Guilds people went to Bristol for the annual 24-hour Pedal Car Race.

The new car, "Snogboller", was built at great speed, but, unfortunately, could not continue in the race for more than the first four laps. The men's team came fifth and the ladies team came in eighteenth overall, and were the top ladies team.

The journey to Bristol did not prove uneventful, as one driver fell asleep whilst cruising along the motorway, however, no accidents occurred.

Tony Heales, Pedal Car Club Captain, expressed his thanks to all those who raced, cooked, and helped, particularly the department of Mech Eng.
writes plays
The Edinburgh Festival Fringe is a showcase for original productions, and this year IC Dramsoc is to be on display. If you wish to consider one of your works then contact us on internal 2858 or in the storeroom (Union East Staircase) by March 11. The plays must be for a small cast (up to eight) preferably in one scene with a minimum of props (we have to get it Edinburgh!). It would help if costumes are cheap (e.g. modern dress).

The meeting where the plays will be chosen will be on the Lower Refectory on Tuesday, March 17. Good Luck.

Graham Brand
President, Dramsoc

Consoc Opinion Poll

Between January 28 and February 11, members of Consoc have been asking residents of Falmouth and Tizard Halls their opinion on matters both inside and outside College. We visited 101 people (consisting 65 first years, 28 second and third years, 8 PGs) and asked them 17 questions divided into 5 sections.

Section 1: Sabbatical Officers' Popularity
The most remarkable feature of this section was that nearly half those questioned were unable to give an opinion on John Passmore’s performance, and nearly two-thirds on Rae Snee and Liz Lindsay. Of those expressing a view, people were more or less evenly divided on Passmore and Snee, and strongly in favour of Lindsay. Ignorance certainly wasn’t a problem with Steve Marshall, with only one sixth of the people not giving an opinion. The remainder approved of his performance by a majority of a little under 2 to 1. It is worth remembering that the poll was predominated by first years who had no standard of comparison by which to judge the sabbatical performances. Thus further analysis of the results (ignoring don’t knows) shows first years slightly, in favour of Passmore and seconds and thirds slightly against. Firsts were slightly against Snee, and second and thirds against even.

With Lindsay both groups approved of her performance, the second and thirds to a much stronger extent. Both sections approved of Marshall, the first years more strongly so.

Section 2: Performance of Marshall
This section aimed to find out whether people approved of Marshall playing the controversial ‘New Year Honours Shock’ in FELIX, January 9. As expected, most people had read the article, and of these, nearly two-thirds approved of him printing the article, humourously intended or not. Having said that, most also thought Pub Board were correct in asking Marshall apologise publicly, and privately to Mr Mooney. A substantial minority (one third) felt, however, that Pub Board was too harsh to do this.

Section 3: Reapplicants in IC Halls and Houses
Here, we wanted to find out what students feel about the problem of whether or not some people should get second years in residence, and it produced some of the clearest responses of the poll. (It is worth remembering that the respondents were Hall residents, and the results should be interpreted with that in mind). Over three-quarters felt there should be re-apps in residence. Lesser, but still clear-cut majorities, felt that students should have the main say in who the re-apps are and that the warden should have the power of veto on re-apps.

Section 4: Student Loans
This part was designed to assess (i) the level of ignorance about the possibility of student loans being introduced in the next couple of years and (ii) whether the minority of those of the idea. We discovered that 20 of the 101 hadn’t heard of the proposals, and a further 25 didn’t know what that could entail. The remaining 56 split roughly 4 to 1 against the idea.

Section 5: Nuclear Weapons
Here, Consoc wanted to know what students felt about various aspects of this controversial subject. Firstly, excluding don’t knows, more than two-thirds felt Britain’s national security would be threatened if we undertook unilateral nuclear disarmament, and over three-quarters thought that such a course of action wouldn’t encourage other countries to discard nuclear weapons. Again, after getting rid of don’t knows, small majorities approved both of Cruise missiles being here and of Britain building Trident submarines.

The poll obviously has limitations, namely that the respondents were mainly first years, and all were in a Hall. However, given round Halls means you get to see a random sample of students, that you don’t do the same person twice, and that usually you see the student individually, so that you get a single person’s view rather than a group’s view, which you might get going round the JCR at lunchtime, say.

This article aims merely to present the results, not to interpret them, and interested people and groups can draw their own conclusions about them. Thanks are due to John Wleby, Ian Straw, John Fairbrass, Mark Gregg, William Cortazzi and Geoff Knox for giving up their spare time to help.

Tim Laure
Maths 3
Campaign Coffee

WHEN YOU BUY a jar of instant coffee, only about 37% of what you pay will get back to the country from which the coffee beans came. About 10% will go to the retailer, and the rest will go to the multinational companies (MNCs), who may object to "unfair" competition. When Brazilian soluble coffee companies captured 15% of the American instant coffee market, the developing countries complained to the US Government with the result that the Government threatened to cut off aid and to renew the International Coffee Agreement (ICA). These companies can have more power in shaping some countries destinies than their governments — but, as in Britain, a lot of the leading coffee buyers have a board of company directors, which is why the MNCs never come under effective fire.

Although the producing countries only receive 37% of what you pay, it makes up more than a quarter of the export earnings of eleven out of the fifty producing countries, all Third World. In Burundi, it accounted for 87% of export earnings for 1977.

Coffee, whilst in no way essential to the survival of its consumers, nor the MNCs, is crucial to a producing nation's economy. Although various ICAs have been made to try to get a better deal for the producing countries, this non-essentiality to the consumers coupled with the fact that coffee beans are often left on the shelf for too long, means that the producing nations cannot withhold the coffee until prices go up, as is done with oil (although, after oil, coffee is the most valuable commodity traded internationally).

Also, as the 1977 crisis showed, most of us start questioning our "need" for coffee if shop prices rise by more than a few pence. We can live without these — for example, in 1977, Brooke Bond Liebig's profits only dropped from £49 to £41. Nestle is the second largest food company in the world (Liebig is the largest) and, although its profits fell for the first time in 1977, about £580m — larger than the gross international product (GIP) of 51 out of 53 African countries and 21 times the size of Tanzania's total sales.

In 1963, soon after independence, the Tanganjika government decided, in conjunction with the coffee producers, to provide, as a condition of growing coffee, the machinery to process the coffee itself. But, along with equipment problems, they have also had marketing ones. Although Nestle's were called in to provide management and marketing skills training, Nestle's "assistance" has still not found adequate outlets for Tanzania's admittedly more expensive, but high quality instant coffee, nor for helping to train Tanzania's continuing coffee growers.

The cost of Nestle's expertise to a country which still has a clean water supply and a dispensary, as priorities for every village is immense. Tanganjika cannot afford to do without it as it is the western nations who have the necessary technology and access to markets.

Until recently, Tanganjikan instant coffee has only been marketed in Zambia, Kenya and Tanzania itself as "Africafe". It is now available in Britain as "Campaign Coffee" and can be bought from Co-Op, 103 Marylebone Lane, London, W1. On Friday, February 27, there will be a stall in the JCR selling the coffee during lunchtime. Also on Tuesday, March 3, at 6.30pm in the Green Committee Room on the second floor, "Campaign Coffee Co-op" will be giving a lecture in the exploitation of workers in the coffee plantations and how we should stop supporting the multinationals and help ourself instead.

The cost of the coffee will be £1 for a 100g packet.

Jan Czernusza

ICCAG

EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT at about 10.30 they used to pack into Falmouth Kitchen as best they could the workers from the nearby factories, souping runners. Some were old hands. Some were "socially aware". Others still were third years who'd never heard of a soup run. Some just didn't want to go to bed, while others wanted to meet different and interesting people. And some just came for the drive round London.

But whatever their reasons, they've stopped coming except for a small handful who obviously can't be expected to come every week.

Why don't you come? In case you don't know, people on the Soup Run go to various locations in London in a van, armed with urns of hot soup, bags of bread, and packets of biscuits, which they distribute to those who sleep rough, perhaps chatting to them for a while as well. Normally back at College before 1.00am. It's certainly an eye-opening and interesting night out.

Meet in the kitchen, Falmouth Hall, Southside at about 10.30 every Friday — at least give it a try!

Phil Lloyd Appeal

Phil Lloyd was an undergraduate at Imperial College from 1969 to 1972 and a postgraduate from 1972 to 1976. To those of you who don't know, Phil Lloyd as a student at Imperial College, the news of his accident and the resulting permanent disability came as a great shock. Phil was one of the brightest students in his year, and during his time as an undergraduate, followed by postgraduate research, made many friends at Imperial College. His individual talent was automotive engineering. This expertise is not bottled up in his mind; ideas are waiting to find a way on to the drawing board as Phil is totally paralysed from the neck downwards.

We can help Phil by raising money to purchase a mouth-stick operated X-Y plotter (£460) plus any other computer aids for the severely handicapped that are available. The experience he gains in developing techniques in this new field will help others similarly handicapped.

I intend to run in London's first People's Marathon on March 29 1981 (26 miles) from Greenwich to The Mall. Sponsorship on a mileage-based cover could raise the money he needs to get this project moving.

If you would like to help to raise money for the Phil Lloyd Appeal I would like to hear from you.

Peter Saunders Mech Eng Dept

SF Sock

IT WAS AN early afternoon in February and the clocks weren't striking at all. Fortunately, neither were the authors of the SF Soc Bulletin, which this week is the official organ of Scottish SF. The reason was from "Campaign Coffee Co-op" giving a lecture in the exploitation of workers in the coffee plantations and how we should stop supporting the multinationals and help ourselves instead.

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Amnesty International

EARLIER THIS MONTH, the IC Amnesty International Group learnt that its adopted prisoner Najmib Mhaki was released from jail in Zaire. He was arrested in March 1980, probably for attending illegal meetings or for belonging to an illegal political party. The group pressed that opposition political parties are banned under the Zaïrean constitution. He was not charged nor brought to trial, although detention without charge or trial is permitted for five days, and Amnesty International have reason to believe that political prisoners in Zaire are routinely ill-treated and beaten.

As he was the adoptee of the College's Group, letters were written to senior government officials in Zaire requesting further information and asking them to look into the matter, and the cards were carried out together with an Amnesty Group in Austria, was ended when news was received of his release. Last year the Group had two adopted prisoners released (from Zimbabwe and Indonesia).

Anyone who is interested in the Amnesty International Organisation, is welcome to the weekly meeting on Tuesday, 5.30pm in the Green Committee Room, top floor of the Union Building.

Patrick Moore will speak to Astrosoc on The Planet Mars 6:30pm Friday, February 27 in Physics LT1

BE THERE!
Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme

The Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme is a programme of spare-time activities available to young people between the ages of fourteen and twenty-five, designed to encourage a spirit of voluntary service, self reliance and perseverance, a sense of responsibility to the community and the acquisition of vocational skills.

The Award Scheme relies upon adult help for its implementation and promotion — adults who are not necessarily connected with schools or youth organisations.

For overseas students currently in the UK wishing to learn more about the Award Programme overseas and for those people intending to spend some time in a country other than the UK (perhaps on teaching contracts or Voluntary Service Overseas), two training courses are being held this year near London.

Monday, 13 to Wednesday, 15 July: Green Park Training Centre, Aston Clinton, Aylesbury.

Wednesday, 16 to Friday, 18 December: Easthampstead Park, Wokingham, Berkshire.

Both courses will be residential with a nominal charge of £15.00 per person including all meals and accommodation at the course centre.

If you would like to attend please write to Adrian Goodworth, Overseas Executive, Duke of Edinburgh's Award, 5 Prince of Wales Terrace, Kensington, London W8 5PG (telephone 01 937 5205) before May 31, 1981.

Antimalarial Prophylaxis

The advice on the dose of Maloprim (Pyrimethamine and Dapsone) has been changed since the original advice which was given in October 1980.

Until further notice, take one tablet of Maloprim a week before going to Kenya, Central and South America and Asia (including Asia Minor), and then take one tablet every Sunday, and continue for six weeks after you come home.

IC Baha'i Society
Inter-Calary Days Celebration in Sherfield Great Hall at 7:30pm Saturday, February 26

Mozart Requiem From Scratch
Join ICOSO and IC Choir on Sunday, March 8 from 10:30 to 4:00 in the Great Hall.

Do join us. You'll enjoy singing with us, you'll be made very welcome.

Natural History Society

A DAY TRIP to Virginia Water this Saturday has been organised by the Natural History Society. Virginia Water is a flooded valley which is used as a West London reservoir. It is on the edge of Windsor Great Park and is a managed estate comprising of areas of deciduous trees and common land.

The area is of particular interest to the ornithologist and botanist. The valley gardens contain foreign plants, many of which are labelled, and there is a possibility of observing Mandarin ducks, Hawfinches and other winter migrants.

A walk of about five miles is expected and walking boots or strong shoes are advised. A packed lunch may be taken or food may be obtained at the pub. We shall meet at Virginia Water Station at 10:00am and later at the Wheatsheaf Hotel car park (map ref: TQ 952562) at 10:30am for the start of the walk.

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Student Railcards halve the cost. Return trains from Virginia Water, ten minutes past every hour.

If you have any enquiries see Nick Grattan, Life Sci 3, S. J. Slade, Life Sci 2.

Aunt Deidre Visits Friends

In the street the last revellers were wending their various ways home. The public house was shut; its clientele well satisfied. Zacharee Hellebore climbed over the stile on the path which led down to the railway. The seasonal rain had made the ground treacherous and as he passed the Curious Stones he slipped and fell, covering himself from head to foot in slough. His inebriation did not allow him to register his state and his wife was thus caused to make derogatory remarks.

The railway line; Zacharee has crossed some time before and all that is left to show where he has passed are a few spots of mud on the silvery rails. Here by the Une it is quiet; a lone fox scurries down the bank to the fence and hops over the lowest rung. Just a slight sulphurous odour indicates that the train has been here. And now it has gone, Aunt Deidre too, and the village is at rest.

The very last episode
Committee on Academic Organisation

The drop in income will be about this time last year within the non-medical side of the university to consider and recommend in broad terms what redeployment of resources available for non-medical studies within the University of today's adopted in order to maintain academic excellence in its teaching and research, having regard to the need to make financial economics and to attempt to ensure the future of all staff employed within the University.

The committee have recently produced a 'Discussion document' which is fairly detailed in its financial estimates and in the options available. It is unfortunate however that throughout this document the most references and statistics are made about the non-medical side of the University (excluding Imperial College). This happens because IC is funded directly from the University Grants Committee (UGC) while the other colleges which are funded by the UGC through the Court of the University.

Thus the document would appear to have little direct relevance to IC but on reading through it, it becomes obvious that the problems that face the rest of the University are the problems that face IC also, although to a varying extent.

The Discussion Document outlines the financial prospects which have resulted from various Governmental decisions.

The drop in UGC income to the non-medical University (excluding IC) will be 17.6% by 1982/3. This will occur because the Government is removing part of the Treasury Grant to the UGC which has in the past kept overseas students tuition fees at the 'full cost' rate.

Thus all overseas students must renounce and pay the 'full economic cost' to study here the grant would not decrease.

Overseas student numbers have dropped and it is assumed by the Committee that they drop by 50%. The Committee estimates that the drop in student numbers in London will be about 10% and that in Oxford 19%.

The other main threat to income is in orthopaedic which produces a consequent drop in numbers of eighteen-year-olds, so that by 1995/6 the number of orthopaedic students will be 69% of today's number. This fall is mainly in the lower social classes which are less likely to send students to University.

A cash limits policy which presently applies will cause a reduction in real grant if price increases are above the percentage recommended by Government.

The Committee task if their assessment is correct and if so how are the problems to be solved.

There are constraints on any action taken. Firstly the schools of the University are constitutionally autonomous but the financial decisions can be taken by the Court. Secondly there is the principle of 'academic tenure' i.e. where a lecturer is appointed he can remain until retirement — that is the basis of the contract and as such, reduction or redeployment of staff is difficult to say the least. Lastly there is a natural resistance to change.

The possible solutions are:

1. Do nothing! This is not really viable.

2. Distribute the diminished grant equitably among schools, thus those who have a high proportion of overseas students would be cut most e.g. SOAS.

3. Cut each school equally by about 15-20%. This is a policy of 'pernicious anaemia'.

The implementation of either of these solutions would lead to a possible 15% reduction in wages and salaries expenditure. The choice being between fewer and smaller departments. Smaller departments are undesirable primarily for academic reasons i.e. same number of lectures for fewer students, isolation of staff, replacement of staff in specialised fields, etc.

The methods by which staff can be reduced are Natural Wastage and freezing of posts; Voluntary Retirement or Redundancy. Natural wastage would take a long time to implement and mainly senior staff would be affected. This would mean that senior staff would account for less than 40% of all staff as is laid down by UGC. Voluntary retirement would cost too much.

Redundancy might be least harmful. But again the question of Academic Tenure arises. Termination of contract may lead to court action for wrongful dismissal. A special fund would be required. Already the HVCP (Ciske Vice-Chancellor and Principals) has asked the Government to set up a special redundancy fund for universities.

How it affects IC

The Discussion Document itself refers to IC very little but the financial problems faced by the University are faced on a lesser scale here. At Finance and Executive Committees staff redundancies were discussed; one problem being that the time will be taken when the College does not have the money to make redundancies. This time is not far off.

Overseas student numbers here have fallen to 771 (994 in 1979/80; 1,074 in 1978/9). The proportion of overseas students now at College is 16.9% (21.3% in 1979/80; 23.1% in 1978/9).

Numbers will continue to fall for at least a further two years by which stage the 'full cost' fees will have been implemented. In effect the lack of overseas students (and their fees) and the lack of money from Government will have a serious effect on the College and on the University. The Government does not realise the seriousness of the problem which its own policy imposes on universities.

What happens in the rest of the University will not affect IC financially. Perhaps we are better off as our future is in our own hands unlike some of the smaller colleges who may face closure by the University.

The discussions in IC which have been initiated by the Swinnerton-Dyer discussion document are those which would lead to independence from the University. This would remove the University administration and leave us as a University in our own right validating our own degrees, etc.

For IC Union it raises the question of facilities which we share as part of the University particularly sporting facilities. It also raises the problem of the voice the Union has in student matters which has been channelled through ULU in the past.

Responses to the Discussion Document must be submitted by March 31. It will be discussed in College at Board of Studies and Governing Body before then. We will discuss it at External Affairs and Council with the odd OPEN Meeting for good measure on Wednesday, March 4, in the Lower Refectory at 7.00pm.

TONGNIGHT!!!!

Mines Revue
JCR 7.30p.m.
BAR EXTENSION
Tickets on the door £1

Saturday, February 28
Inter CCU Monopoly, 10.00am, ICU Office
Monday, March 2
Electronics Voting and Assemblies, Tuesday, March 3
Rendez UGM, 1.00pm, Physics LT1
Friday, March 6
Rag Race starts 2.00pm.

DUE TO the success of the breakfast before St Valentine's Rag, another breakfast will be provided in the RCSU Office between 9.00 and 10.00am before the Monopoly for all RCS competitors. Cost will be minimal and everyone will be able to participate in the monopoly well nourished.

I hope everyone who came to the Hastings UGM yesterday has decided who they are going to vote for. Voting will be on Monday and there will be a ballot box in each department. You must have your unioncard in order to vote.

The Swimming Gala is coming up soon. If anyone is interested in swimming for RCS please contact Rich Archer in the RCSU Office or 388 Reugh.

See you for breakfast.

P.J
last week en saw the masses heathens from a certain Mining polytechnic in Cornwall send back west with little more than a narrow victory in one out of six events. The competitions began well on Friday evening with a resounding 5-0 victory in the squash. It's been several years since RSM came out top, and there was certainly no better way to get things back on the right track. Congratulations to the team led by Dave Molesworth and ably backed up by Ralph David, John Stocks (repeating third year for the eighteenth time), Rich Thompson, and Mark Petterson.

No problems were had in the table tennis with the Fifteenth (lightblue) team (12-4) beating the way. The only criticism is that CSM won two out of ten games. The one disappointing event of the evening was the badminton held in the Great Hall. Hard luck to the six RSM players who were narrowly edged 4-5 into second place.

With the tension gradually mounting, the football and hockey teams with the more dedicated RSM supporters left the Union early on Saturday morning. CSM decided, unlike previous years, to bring a hockey team with them. After a quick start by RSM and a gradual takeover of control the result was never in question after RSM went two up midway through the second half. With several players having to play out of position the final performance was quite creditable. Maybe the CSM will think twice before bringing another team up to Harlington.

By one o'clock the number of supporters had grown sufficiently for there to be a cup-like atmosphere during the football. The CSM were revoltingly noisy after a first minute goal, but were soon shut up by an overwhelming barrage on their defence. By half-time RSM were three up. Was it complicity or sympathy that allowed CSM to pull two goals back? No, it just made their inevitable defeat that more disheartening. RSM, captained by Tom Hanke, performed magnificently.

Every game was followed by a 41 up in the match results, the success of the whole weekend hinged very much on the result of the Bottle match. The tension before the game in the main hall was unbearable and the atmosphere electric. The game proved to be very hard indeed, as can be seen in the number of injuries received. Two CSM players had to be taken off concussion and one with a broken jaw. Furthermore the CSM winger flaked out after the game; he was also concussed. Doug McIntosh had to be led off with ten minutes to go with a twisted ankle.

The only scoring in the first half was an excellent penalty goal by Keith Maynard. Keith had an excellent game and his kicking was superb and did much to inspire the team to go forward.


good defensive work in the second half saw RSM soak up a lot of pressure and gradually more into attack. Mark Daniels and Ray Parkinson were stopped just a yard short in a period of sustained RSM pressure. Eventually a line out on the CSM line led to McIntosh going over for the first try, beautifully converted by Maynard. From the kick-off a certain CSM prop reverted to low flying head-butts and succeeded in breaking his jaw and stopping the game for six minutes. The result was never in question now and only complacency allowed CSM to score an unconventional try in the last minute. Although the game was a bit scrappy at times it was hard fought with total commitment from both sides.

The Dinner to follow was a rather rowdy affair with CSM proving what animals they really are. The Bottle was duly returned to the Union Bar on Sunday and now RSM can say: "Didn't we stuff Camborne".

Cambridge

Football Sixths

WITH one minute of the game left the referee awarded the Sixths a penalty. The crowd was roused as Barton stepped up, the atmosphere was electric. Slowly Dick moved towards the ball as the Westminster goalkeeper fidgeted nervously on his line. Then Dick struck the ball sweetly towards the corner of the net but the Westminster goalkeeper leapt to his left and palmed the ball off for a corner. However, the Sixth managed to hold on to their six goal lead until the final whistle.

In fact this was the Sixths biggest win of the season. Chamberlain scored the first after the Westminster goalkeeper could only parry Martin's shot. Haberlin was the next to score with a fine header from a corner. It was following another corner that Chamberlain scored the third goal after Haberlin headed against the bar. The Sixths continued to dominate the game with Martin outstanding in mid-field. Roche added a fourth with a header from close range but despite further pressure the score was four-nil at half-time.

In the second half, playing against the wind, the Sixths created fewer chances. After a quartan of an hour Coussens scored the fifth goal following a fine solo run. The game then stagnated for a period and all credit should be given to Higham, Haberlin, Bradley and Davies in the defence for coping admirably with Westminster's occasional breaks. The sixth goal came midway through the second half when Roche's powerful cross was deflected into the net by a Westminster defender. IC continued to press forward but did not add to their score.

TEAM: Hampton, Higham, Bradley, Haberlin, Davies, Tinkler, Martin, Garstide, Coussens, Roche, Chamberlain.
Football Seconds

Football Fourths
IC took the field with three changes from their regular team for the top of the table clash. The Fourths started well, gaining control of the midfield and should have taken the lead, but both teams admitted to lack of confidence. The afternoon had not started well when only nine players arrived in the Union Lounge. The goalkeeper problem was solved however when Ali Brotiak who had returned to IC for the previous night's Aerocoo dinner, walked in and accepted the job for a game.

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Cambride
Congratulations to Mines on retaining the Bottle.
Take note of front page photo, and lengthy article.
Please send Mines Half-Colours in plain brown wrapper forthcoming.

Consoc Opinion Poll
The Consoc opinion poll, while not necessarily representative of IC as a whole certainly contains some very interesting results.

By far the most interesting result is that a substantial majority "don't know" when asked about John Passmore, Liz Lindsay, and Rachel Gnee. The main way they are likely to get "known" is through the pages of FELIX and unless they do something to alleviate the stagnant state of ICU soon, they are liable to be forgotten completely.

It amazes me that it is just these type of people who are awarded pots and UGAs at the end of the year for "their unflailing devotion to the Union".

I think Scaramouche is gradually taking over the back page. Aaarright!!!!

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More problems for Primelia College Orchestra. They have been planning an informal musical evening for the week after their concert, but apart from a general consensus that it should consist of five pieces, the third being for oboe and piano, everyone has a different opinion over what music should be played.

Nevertheless, after much discussion, the following has been agreed on. There must be a piece for clarinet and piano immediately before a piece by Beethoven. Something by Mozart should immediately follow a piano trio. There must be a string quartet, which cannot be played next to the piano trio, but must go next to a work by Brahms. And there must be a piece by Schumann, and a piece for horn next to, but on opposite sides of, a piece by Saint-Saëns.

Now there must be a way to please everyone. But how?

Solutions, comments, criticisms to me c/o FELIX Office. There is a prize of £5 (donated randomly selected at 1:00pm next Tuesday.

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Cambridge Orchestra concert for the correct entry randomly selected at 1:00pm next Tuesday.

Last Week's Solution

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Imagine the can divided into two identical cylinders, and consider the top cylinder. After the first pouring, the empty part of this cylinder is the same size and shape as the part which contains beer. Thus the first student gets a quarter of the beer.

An identical argument applied to the whole can shows that half the beer remains after the second pouring. So the second student gets a quarter of the beer.

Now to calculate the fourth (and thence the third) student's share, I'm afraid you do have to use calculus, but there's one easy approach and several hard ones. The easy way is to take volume elements parallel to the axis of the cylinder. The FELIX typesetter won't do mathematical symbols, so we'll have to change typeface here.

\[ \text{Volume of the whole can is } \pi r^2 h \text{, the last student's share is } \frac{2}{3} \frac{2}{3} \text{ and the third student gets } \frac{2}{3} \frac{2}{3} \]

The winner is A Shiek.

There can't be many students at IC who don't have A-level maths, and so Ibad no quibbles about setting a puzzle which needs calculus even if it did cause several people to pour coffee over their lecture notes last Friday.

This week's puzzle, in case you haven't guessed, is a plug for IC Symphony Orchestra's concert: on March 6, not to mention their informal musical evening on March 12. Next week's puzzle is a plug for IC Choir. Mend-a-Bike are still offering discounts to FELIX readers. And I feel more like an advertising agency every week.

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What's On

Friday, February 27
- Socialist Society Bookstall, lunchtime, JCR.

Saturday, February 28
- Froebel Students' Union Raq Ball, with Eddie and the Hot Rods, 8:00pm, Montefiore Hall, Froebel Institute.
- Forum on Singapore's Development - a model for Malaysia?, 7:00pm, LULU, Maier St.

Sunday, March 1
- Wargames Club Meeting, 1:00pm, SCR.

Monday, March 2
- Socialist Society 'Your Local Candidates for the GLC Elections', 6:30pm, Union Upper Lounge.

Tuesday, March 3
- IC Hockey Club AGM, 1:00pm.
- Mark Carlisle, Secretary of State for Education, 1:15, Huxley 213.
- Chris Price, MP on 'The Tory Education Cuts', 1:00, Maths 341.
- Gerry Bennett from Campaign Co-op, 6:30, Green Committee Room.
- Photoscot: Lecture: Northern Italy, 7:30, with AGM at 6:30pm.

Wednesday, March 4
- Indsoc Trip to CEGB Power Station at Dungeness, meet 12:00, Beit Arch. For further details contact Mark Skeates, DOG.
- Wargames Club Meeting, 1:00pm, SCR.

Thursday, March 5
- United Nations Society, 1:00pm, Union SCR. With 'Shield in the Shadows of the Gun', a talk by two Palestinian students from Bir Zeit University.
- Lunch hour concert, the Music Room, S3Princess Gate.
- Hanging Gliding Club, 1:00pm, above Stan's Bar.
- STOCIC transmitters, 1:00 and 6:00pm, JCR and Halls.
- Gliding Club Meeting, 5:30pm, Aero 254.
- IC Hockey Club Dinner, 7:30 for 7:45pm, Southside SCR/SDR.
- Real Ale Society Meeting, 7:30pm, Crash Bar, second floor, Union Building. Beers: Tidbury bitter, King and Barnes mild and Ringworn bitter.
- LULU Gayacot Meeting, 8:00pm, Room 2D, LULU, Maier Street.

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Study in the Shadow of the Gun

Bi Zeit University is a Palestinian institution that has been situated in the occupied territory of the West Bank. More than 1,000 students are currently taking degree courses in both the Arab and English departments. Bi Zeit is known as a "hotbed of nationalism," often conflictive with its own ambitions for the West Bank, and a venue for political demonstrations. The students, faced with the continuing denial of their political rights, on occasion go out onto the streets to demonstrate. The resulting clashes with the Israeli military authority add to the cycle of tension.

The Youth Council of the United Nations Association is hosting a speaking tour of two student representatives from Bi Zeit. They are coming to this College on Thursday, March 5 to give a talk in the Union Senior Common Room starting at 1:00pm. This is a unique opportunity of hearing first-hand about the situation facing fellow students studying under military occupation. Don't miss this opportunity to become aware.

The following is a very brief background to the Palestinian problem:

The History of Palestine

In very early times, Palestine was inhabited by Semitic peoples, the earliest being the Canaanites. After the division of Canaan by the Egyptians, and after their captivity in Egypt, they were united into one kingdom by King David in 1000BC. This kingdom was divided into two kingdoms by King Solomon's death. However, after Solomon's death, the history of the People of Israel (or rather of the two kingdoms of Israel and Judah) is a record of civil wars and struggles with alien tribes.

720 BC: Assyrians destroyed the Kingdom of Israel, and carried its inhabitants away as captives.

600 BC: The Babylonian king, Nebuchadnezzar, attacked the Kingdom of Judah.

567 BC: Jerusalem and Solomon's temple were destroyed by Nebuchadnezzar. Most of the inhabitants were taken captive.

517 BC: Jews were able to return to Palestine.

332 BC: Domination by the Macedonians, who treated the Jews harshly. Following the Macedonian rule was a period of certain independence.

63 AD: Roman conquest under Pontius Pilate.

2 AD: Emperor Hadrian prohibited the Jews from entering Jerusalem. From this period dates the dispersion of the Jews throughout the world. Science lists the division of the State of the State of Israel in 1948, the Jewish Government has existed in Palestine. Although some Jews have returned since 1948, their numbers have fluctuated depending on the tolerance of the successive rulers.

67 AD: Titus destroyed Jerusalem.

70 AD: The partitioning of the Roman Empire. Palestine under Byzantium's rule until.

1517 AD: Turks conquered the country and ruled it until the end of the First World War (forming part of the Ottoman Empire).

Therefore it can be seen, except for the Crusader interregnum, Palestine was ruled by Arab emperors until the Turks, for 3,000 years followed by Byzantium era.

The Recent History of Palestine: \"The Palestinian Question\"

The recent events of the Turkish armies during the First World War, with the assistance of the Arab uprising (some Arab leaders at the time were suspected of being French spies), resulted in the break-up of the Ottoman Empire.

The administration of Palestine was handed to the British Government. However, two contradictory promises had been made during the campaign to defeat the Turks. One was to assure ultimate independence for the Arab peoples of the region, in return for assistance in defeating the Turkish army. The other was the Balfour Declaration of 1917 which granted the wish of the Zionist leadership in Europe to establish a Jewish homeland in Palestine. In the following decades, Jewish immigration came into direct conflict with the livelihoods of the Palestinian peasantry, razing them with the help of absentee Arab landlords to the Jewish National Fund, which in turn led to the displacement of Arab tenants as the Jewish settlements were established. Through the twenties and thirties, frequent clashes between the communities took place sometimes resulting in many deaths.

At the end of the Second World War, the British Mandate was replaced by the UN. Under increasing pressure to allow large numbers of Jewish refugees from Europe to settle in Palestine, and an increasing awareness of the plight of the Palestinians in the refugee situation, they decided to hand the problem over to the United Nations. The UN decided upon a partition plan dividing the territory into two areas, one with a predominantly Jewish population, the other predominantly Arab. Whilst acceptable to the Zionist leadership, albeit a compromise with their wishes, the Arab states refused to agree with partition and with the ending of the British mandate in 1948, it broke out between the newly-created Israeli state and the neighboring Arab states.

As a result of the war, and the conflict leading up to it, most of the Arab population of Palestine fled, with the British Mandate clearing the land for the Israeli settlements. The 1949 armistice agreements involved only a thin strip of the Israeli authorities, as shown by the recent harsh action against student demonstrators. The recent moves towards the universities (Bi Zeit and the three other Palestinian universities) are only the latest of a series of problems experienced by the universities as a result of operating under occupation.

The problems include the invasion of campuses by the military, the closure (Bi Zeit was closed down for months in 1979), the refusal of the Israeli authorities to allow the entry of certain Arab books and periodicals, despite the fact that they are available to students at the Palestinian universities. Staff difficulties and difficulties over obtaining work permits for foreign members of staff.

Although these problems caused headaches for University administrators, they did not affect the University's basic freedom. Order No 854 was issued by the Jordanian Military Governor in July of 1980 was thus particularly ominous, as it was aimed at curbing that freedom which any student institutions are supposed to have. Its aim is to make it impossible for the Jordanian military authorities to enter a University. This is seen as placing the Universities under permanent threat of closure.

In the past, all faculty members and students must be approved by the occupation authorities, in order to 'weed out' those who would question the security or offenses held for questioning - and almost every Palestinian West Bank family has members who fall into this category. All courses of study are subject to the approval of the military governor again, an entirely new kind of restriction. University students are kept in mind that in recent weeks their notebooks have been seized and scrutinized by the occupation authorities.

The universities have refused to comply with the new decree, which aims to 'undermine the University's status, its independence, its legitimate functions and its academic freedom,' as a statement issued by Bi Zeit said. The statement pointed out that the decree, by amending the Jordanian Law of Education and Culture of 1964, contravened the Fourth Geneva Convention of 1949 which prohibits the occupation authorities from using the occupation power does not have the right to introduce changes in the laws of the country under occupation.

The situation today is also a source of growing dissatisfaction. As Dr. Ibrahim Addulhag who headed the Palestine Open University recently study team says: The Palestinians in higher education have been educated in accordance with a curriculum over which Palestinian authorities have absolutely no control. Since these curricula have been designed by the national authorities in other countries, they were designed, if they were designed at all, in the light of the needs of those societies. The curricula in all these countries have nothing to do with the identity of the Palestinian, with his heritage, with his future aspirations. They are not designed to serve a Palestinian state, they are not informed by Palestinian heritage and culture.

Bi Zeit University is frequently seen as an oasis of freedom in an otherwise constrained West Bank. Come and hear two students from this University on Thursday, March 5 at 1:00pm in the Union Senior Common Room.
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