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## Carnival Calamity

Pressure of work has forced John Evans to resign his post as this year's Carnival Chairman. This, together with the failure of Dick Reeves, editor of the Carnival rag, to return this term to College leaves the remnants of the Carnival Committee sorely depleted.

Both Evans and Reeves had been thoroughly trained for their posts, for they acted as deputies to these posts in last term's Carnival. Consequently none so able remains in the College to replace them.

Last year's Carnival organisers lacked experience. This year, too, it seems that some people who are prepared to devote all of their spare time to the cause are desperately needed to learn the ropes of their trades and pull off an even more successful Carnival. We wish them all the luck in the world.

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## Around the Colleges - p.7

# GATECRASHING MUST STOP

## MORE TICKETS TO BE MADE AVAILABLE

Concern has been aroused in the Entertainments Committee at the number of people who got IN FREE to the Freshers' Hop on 10th October.

The Committee's chairman Phil Dean was dismayed by this fact. Both the Upper Refectory and the Gym, he said, were locked.

He was aware, however, of gatecrashing through the Billiards Room and Upper Lounge; but this entry was soon sealed off. Entries were also forced via the Upper Refectory.

Mr. Dean added that he considered the hop a great success. But the experiment in swopping the sites for the beat group and the dance band failed. The group will return to the Concert Hall and the band to the Upper Refectory for the Saturday Hops.

Greater security against non-payees will be provided. The ticket release is to be raised from 420 to 500. D.I.W.

BACKGROUND STORY—

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while men drink . . . girls dance



## Gunpowder, Treason, and Plot



As usual Guy Fawkes Night will be celebrated at Harlington. All entertainment is provided—bonfire, fireworks, dancing, eats and drinks. Transport out is supplied and all one has to do to get in on this great night's entertainment is to buy a ticket (price 5/- double).

Coaches leave Union 6.15 p.m. Don't miss this chance of the great night out. There is no reason why Nov. 5th should be forgotten.

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There will be a meeting tomorrow, Thursday, 22nd October, at 1 p.m. in the Press Room (top of Union, opposite lift). Everyone is invited to attend.



## FILM SOC

## Black Death

The next show is on Friday, 23rd Oct., and features Ingmar Bergman's "The Seventh Seal." The story takes us back to the days of the Black Death. The Knight and his Squire are on their way home from the Crusades. When a day's ride from home the Knight plays chess with Death, the stakes being a short respite of life. From then on the story alternates between stark drama and tragedy, the strange fate of the Knight and his friends being woven into an amazing sequence of supernatural happenings. This film is a winner of the Jury's Prize of Honour at the Cannes Film Festival. Also showing is "The Bespoke Overcoat," directed by Jack Clayton and starring David Kossoff and Alfie Bass. The films will be followed by an Extraordinary General Meeting which has been called to elect officers to fill vacancies on the Committee.

On 30th October, in our Special Season, we shall show Hitchcock's "Psycho." Starring Anthony Perkins, this film is as terrifying and shocking as possible. Admission will be all one price, 2/-.

## JAZZ CLUB NEWS

For the last 5 or 6 years I.C. Jazz Club has been basically a club for musicians. The result has been a very high standard of live Jazz in the Colleges, as anyone who went to the U.L.V. Jazz Competition or the South Side Stomps last year will recall.



Last year's Big Band have a practice blow.

This year, however, the Jazz Club is opening its membership to non-musicians—in fact to the majority of people who like jazz and want to know more about it. This term record recitals will be given on specific jazz topics and personalities, and there will be an integrated Jazz and Poetry concert and one or two jazz evenings with records and live jazz. Next term, of course, we will be holding mid-week jazz dances again.

You will be able to join the club at any of the meetings, and if you like jazz I hope you will find the programme for this year both interesting and informative. Our aim will be to develop and to broaden interest in jazz, and if you have any suggestions or would like any more information come and see us any lunchtime in the Jazz Room (above the Union Bar).

AL. HIGSON, OLD BEIT 20.

## DRAMSOC

## A Man For All Seasons

We made a mistake on Freshers Night. We sent a poster to Bedford. It was quite a party.

The Christmas Production is to be "A Man for All Seasons" by Robert Bolt. This is the most ambitious production we have done for many years. It will tax us all, in acting, staging and effects.

Bedford Camaraderie

There will be a play visit during the next few weeks to one of the West End Theatres (as yet undecided). By booking large numbers of tickets we get them cheap. These visits are open to all members of the College. We shall try to get Bedford along too.

I am very keen to form a Revue and Cabaret Group in close association with Dramsoc. To this end I am forming a library of such material as a stimulus for ideas. If anyone is interested please get in touch.

Our most ambitious and exciting plan is to make a film in place of our usual Easter Production.

H. I. FRAZER.

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FRESHERS'  
HOP

## THE CATTLE MARKET

PETER  
CARTWRIGHT.

One of the Union's least illustrious, sacred cows is the Freshers' Hop. The purpose of this assembly seems to be to convince the Freshers what a wild, swinging time they can have in the great Metropolis. In fact, it must surely drive them back to the realms of Brown Baggerdom.

This year's was typical: On arriving you found hordes of people milling round the entrance, looking for somewhere to go. Because sign-posting was inadequate or non-existent, only pre-knowledge or word-of-mouth could enable you to deposit your coat.

## BEAT v. SWING

After fighting their way upstairs, people were allowed to trickle into

the Hop. On turning right into the Concert Hall you were confronted by the sight of the Phil Jennings band, whose members outnumbered the audience. No doubt "Tea for Two" and "Small Hotel" went down a bomb at the 1934 Freshers' Hop, but tastes change.

You saw some people drifting upstairs and aimlessly followed them, to find the real hop in the upper refectory. The Saracens were making up any deficiencies in quality by sheer volume.

The Upper Refectory was jammed with seemingly hundreds of people. The thought of the great open spaces in the Concert Hall made you wonder why the organisers knew no better.

## DISMAL FAILURES

As expected, the boys outnumbered the girls, but happily the Brown Baggers were out in force—supervising but not deigning to take part in the dancing. So there were a few girls in circulation. Unfortunately, most looked as if they had been brought by a relay of horse-boxes from Bedford College.

The Saracens were belting out Rolling Stones numbers—some were quite well done, but the butchery they made of "King Bee" had to be heard to be credited. Significantly, Beatle numbers—all last year's rage—were now unheard.

If you wanted a drink upstairs, you were disappointed—there was no bar in the upper refectory. You had to fight your way out and downstairs to the bar in the Crush Hall. This was in such demand that the beer ran out early.

## SO THIS IS LONDON!

The only way to get a break from the overpowering heat and crouching in the Upper Refectory was to go to the Concert Hall, where a very few people were waltzing to the strains of Phil Jennings. You felt sorry for this band, but "gig" musicians must be pretty insensitive.

All in all, the Hop cannot be recorded as a great success and only give Freshers a false view of College life and London life generally.

What went wrong? The sign-posting was poor. The boards should have interchanged—this could have been done at an interval. Most people were upstairs, but there was no bar there—and the downstairs bar ran dry early.

## VITAL CHANGES

Let's face it, organising a dance is far from easy. And precious

little thanks the organisers received for their work, too. The greater pity, therefore, that so much of their efforts should be wasted.

Surely some lessons could have been learnt from last year. Bands of Phil Jennings style, however good, are just not appreciated. Their hire was surely almost a complete waste of money. Are two bands necessary? Would it not be better to hire just one better-known group. Manchester and Liverpool Universities do it—why can't we? This group could play in the Concert Hall with sound "piped" to the upper refectory. Any unused costs could be met by increased entrance and better checking—too many came to this year's Hop for nothing.

Although it is difficult to find volunteers, surely it is worth the effort in order to man a bar in the upper refectory. It has been done before—your reporter has served at such a bar.

Judging by the hordes of hand-painted posters be-spangling the college, people would be found to write a few simple direction signs.

## WIDEN THE NET

Must the dance be such a cattle-market? The girls look like the dregs of Bedford College Life (with one exception). There are far nicer girls—not just the eternal students either—at the hostels around Cromwell Road. Yet there were very few girls from round there. Some more advertising there would introduce some variety, at least.

We do not say the organisers could have put more work into the Hop—it should, instead, have been better—devised. And before any cries of "armchair critics," don't forget that many a problem is best solved by people with an impersonal outside viewpoint.



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Executive  
Completed

Elected at an extraordinary Council Meeting were Barry Mair (above) and Barry Utting (left) respectively to the ICU posts of Deputy President and Secretary.

## FOCUS on Wellsoc

The first meeting of the session was an outstanding success for Wellsoc. This bodes well for the society, which is only now entering its second year. Attendance at meetings last year was fairly good, and it is to be expected that with such a wide choice of possible subjects the H. G. Wells Society will continue to expand during this year.

The key to this expansion is the programme of speakers, and in this respect the future of the society seems assured for this term at least. The programme could hardly be more varied, with talks on subjects ranging from Forensic Science to venereal diseases, from films on the American Space Research Programme to Professor Buchanan talking about traffic. An eminent doctor is to discuss his attempts to reproduce the conditions prevalent at the time of the birth of life on Earth, and Mr. R. M. Ogorkiewicz of the Mech. Eng. Dept. of I.C. is to speak on H. G. Wells and the invention of the tank.

Whether the society will attract the attendance it deserves is a matter for some speculation. Last year it received a certain amount of bad publicity because it appeared to revolve around Tizard Hall. However it is perfectly possible for anybody to take an active part in the running of Wellsoc. In any case in a society of this sort it matters very little who is actually responsible for the organisation of the meetings. If the members want a particular speaker or subject for a Wellsoc meeting then it is up to them to say so.

No doubt there are still many people in the College who don't attend Wellsoc meetings because they don't really know what the society is. **If you are in doubt, it would be worth your while going to one meeting to find out for yourself.**

M. EDWARDS.

## Evil Eye

Magic or Science? This question was raised at the first Wells Soc. meeting of the year on Monday, 12th October. Dr. F. J. Nahapiet, a consultant hypnotist, aroused considerable interest in his short talk, during which he described the growth of hypnotism as a medical science and how, in past centuries it was considered evil and magic. A great number of questions from the large audience were asked, including one about the possibility of enhanced learning under hypnosis! Dr. Nahapiet then demonstrated the basic hypnotic phenomena, including anaesthesia and age regression, with his subject with whom he has appeared on television. The talk was followed by further discussion over coffee.

Next Monday the speaker will be Dr. W. D. Furneaux, Director Research & Statistics Group, L.C.C. and will be speaking on University Entrance Procedures.

## Invitation to a Hop—or Will you Bacchus?

Those who were wise enough to join the beer and wine making soc. on Freshers Day, and who survived baptismal half pint will have a busy term ahead of them. If they can bear the thought of commercial stuff after brewing their own nectar, they will have the chance to join no less than *five* brewery visits this term alone.

They will be held at the rate of one a week from next week on. Unfortunately the tedium of looking at brewing plant must be undergone before the free hand-outs begin, but begin they will, and on one of them free lunch will be provided.

Be ready (members that is) to put your names on the lists which will appear soon.

## ART

There is now a college Art Club which meets regularly on Wednesday and Thursday evenings at the Royal College of Art (behind the Huxley building). Everybody, whether absolute beginner or expert, is encouraged to attend and we hope they will have an enjoyable and creative evening making use of the free tuition and model provided. If you have never had the thrill of squeezing oil paint out of a tube now is the time to do it, for the very reasonable cost of 2/6d per evening—or by yearly subscription.

We hope to organize an exhibition of members work towards the end of the term. So please would anybody with potential exhibits get in contact with either Miss Connie Fenn or myself (M. C. Wooldridge, room 43 Garden) as we should like as many entries as possible.

## SMALL ADS.

The charge for Small Ads. in Felix is 6d. per line. All advertisements to be sent to the Advertising Manager Felix via the Union Rack by the Wednesday prior to publication.

All I.C. men, and women too, are welcomed at an informal debate to be held at Bedford College at 7.30 on 28th October, when the motion will be "This house believes that the cost of belonging to N.U.S. is justified by the benefits derived from membership." Come and show how I.C. feels about this; refreshments provided, etc.

## KINGSIZE



Dear Sir

Dear Sir,

I watched with great dismay the attempts of all the societies to destroy the newly decorated interior of the Union on Freshers' day. Isn't it about time that the Union publicity officer tried to exert a modicum of control over the flood of advertising?

There should be regulations enforced preventing long term advertising, the Art club were the worst offenders last year! There should also be an attempt to keep the size of posters small and stop Guilds from plastering every hoarding with hideous adverts for union meetings and other beery activities. Size is not the ultimate aim of an advertiser, it is to produce an eye catching poster. Can't the Union Executive do something about this?

Yours faithfully,

D. Jones

## Radios

Dear Sir,

I would like to bring attention through your columns to those in charge of the Union that it is time that the radio in the lower Lounge was replaced; its reception is atrocious, many midget transistors are far superior; tuning is an art which takes months to achieve, and if the continuous high pitched whine continues much longer the glasses in the bar may well suffer.

A good radio is essential to listen to any music and very good radios do not cost a lot these days.

Yours faithfully,

ANTI T.V.

## Bar

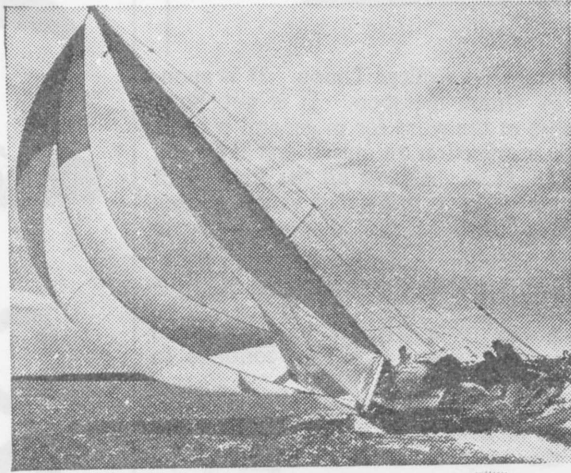
Dear Sir,

Dissatisfaction has been registered in many quarters concerning the abysmal service that is given in one of the plusher I.C. bars. It is felt that no longer must it be regarded as a privilege to be served here, let alone be treated with some civility. Sufficient people must be interested enough to, if not bring about a radical change, make the place a little more amenable.

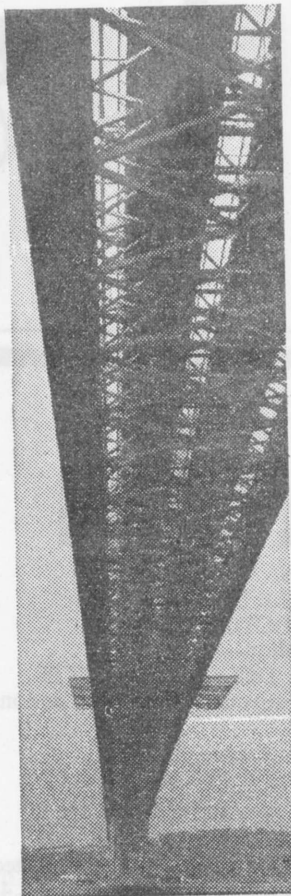
Yours faithfully,

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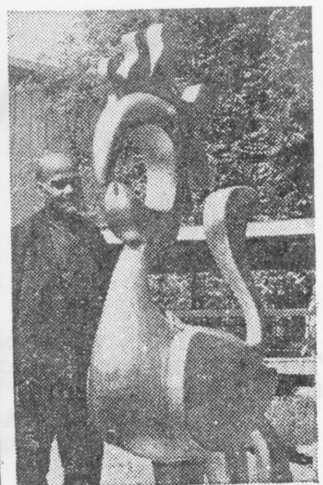


# HAPPENING



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Exhibition Road will be in view to visitors till 7 p.m.  
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and which will be served in the South Side Refectory may be obtained  
at 12 p.m. Tickets for  
without tickets at

## EDITORIAL

Felix is the Newspaper of Imperial College Union. It is sponsored by the Union and read by Union members. It is not, however, a newspaper in the true sense of the word for in general it lacks news. Some may say that this is a reflection on myself and the Felix Staff. But I don't agree with this view. **Almost all the Felix Staff this year are undergraduates and all have important exams during the year, so they haven't unlimited time at their disposal to ferret out news from all corners of the College.** They do, however, spend as much time as possible, some even to the detriment of their academic work.

Felix over the years has grown from strength to strength, in content, presentation, sales and advertising. It should continue to do so for this year and many years to come.

However, if a better balance is to be attained more news of any kind is needed. **It is up to you to help us to achieve this by you making the news and passing the word on to Felix via the Union Rack.**

N. J. WALKER.

### FELIX

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# C O L L E G E C U T

### COMMENT

Editor Walker, made a good job of the first Felix, especially considering the lack of copy which some recruit-hungry clubs presented him with, "Squash is also played"—but of course sceptics may be forgiven for failing to see any dramatic quality whatsoever in the page one photograph.

This year seems to have brought a particularly beautiful band of long-haired scruffily dressed teenagers to the College. I know that many people maintain that Fresher intakes get mentally younger every year, but whoever registered his date of birth as 5th Oct. 1964 surely must have been joking.

### SCARVES

One or two observant people may have noticed that the type of scarf that 90 per cent of I.C. students wear, cannot be purchased in the Bookstall at all. Sad to say, no one appears to mind about this enough to complain to Council, who run the place. It must be the attraction of the bus ride to Irvings in Leicester Square that does it! Perhaps just a little notice in the Bookstall warning freshers off purchasing scarves they may never use, might be in order.

### UNION BUILDING

While the old Union was being repainted in the Summer, why didn't those almost illegible signs on the doors receive the same treatment? In addition, the introduction of some signposting of essential facilities might help Saturday night hop-goers among others. Anyway, the uncontrolled poster billing orgy on freshers day ruined much of the painters hard work. "First prize" again to Wells Soc. for gumming stickers over the Union Clock—its about time someone told them when to stick their posters and where.



# IMPERIAL COLLEGE COMMEMORATION DAY

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### Special Visitor—

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The ceremony will be preceded by a short service in the Holy Trinity Church, Prince Consort Road, at which the preacher will be Canon Edward Carpenter of Westminster Abbey.

Associates and Diplomats, Honorary Associates and Fellows are honoured by the College at the ceremony in the Royal Albert Hall.

Present students and their guests are admitted without tickets at the Main Door and are asked to be seated by 2.45 p.m. Tickets for tea, which will be served in the South Side Refectory may be obtained from the Union Office, free of charge.

The work and the buildings of the City and Guilds College in Exhibition Road will be in view to visitors till 7 p.m.



## Phoenix needs staff

Were you editor of your school magazine or did you write way out arty material that the editor did not understand or can you write good interesting material? If so "Phoenix" the college magazine is waiting to hear from you, and we can assure you that we are a lot more progressive than your school magazine ever was!

We need short stories, feature articles, poetry, even an occasional joke has been known to appear in our learned pages. We also require organizers, particularly an advertising manager, painters of posters, drawers of

artwork, takers of photographs, and sellers of copies.

We should also be pleased to hear from any of our past contributors, as well as any other non-freshers who may be interested in writing for us.

Copy date for the next issue is the 26th October, so please give your copy to any of the following people:—

Carol Thompson, Editor

Paul Rogers, Sub-Editor

If they are not to be found, send it via the rack.

P. R. HALL,  
Business Manager.

## RCSerama

Another year is under way with new undergraduates and new Union officers. Each year we set out to live up to, or better still, improve upon the actions of our predecessors.

Cynics may regard tradition as simply an excuse for doing the same old things ad nauseam. When asked why they don't come to RCS Union meetings some people say it is because they are just not interested. **We can't cater for such people unless they speak up; after all, it is your money we are using to maintain this Union.**

If you want to do something new then, for heaven's sake, say so—at a Union meeting for instance. These are informal and somewhat lighthearted, so you needn't worry about looking a fool. (Some people purposely act the fool). If you want to propose a motion, just let the Secretary know beforehand.

**Maybe you have an idea that you don't want to expound in public.** If this is so, then why don't you just drop in for a chat with one of the Union officers. The new executive have a difficult job to do, and any way that you can lighten their burden will be greatly appreciated.

**Who to see and where to find them—**

Kish Sadhvani (President)  
57 Weeks  
Chris Evans (Vice-President)  
432 Tizard  
Pete Walton (Secretary)  
678 Selkirk  
Dave Christopher (Asst. Sec.)  
153 Falmouth  
Peter Finch (Publicity)  
88 Beit New

### Coming Events:

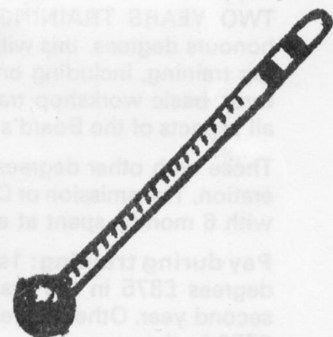
**Hallowe'en (31st Oct.),** RCS Entertainments Committee will be organising something out of the usual run of Saturday night hops.

**Morphy Day (4th Nov.),** Festivities at Putney with guilds and

mines which leads to all parties missing the boat race. Come along to join in the fun, but wear your grots.

**Smoking Concert (26th Nov.),** your great chance for some original work. Get some friends together to work out some good acts.

Other entertainments crop up—**like borrowing Spanner or Mitch.** The word will be given in due course.



## Men of Mines

Gentlemen of Mines take heed! Here is a breakdown of the Mines Social Calendar for the Christmas term.



## Guildfinger

The column born of our age,  
replacing the old Spannerama.  
The column that gives you the  
news and views of Guildsmen.

### Freshers' Day

Freshers Guildsmen (and the two Fresher Guildswomen) had a good opportunity to see Guilds Union in operation when C & G T.V. produced two and a half hours of programme on Freshers Day. Our thanks to the Radio Soc. and the Drama Soc. for their help in this highly successful venture.

### Union Meeting

President Dave Bishop opened the first Union Meeting at precisely 1.15 in Room 542 of the Mech. Block on Tuesday, Oct. 13th. When asked if the minutes should *not* be signed, there was a unanimous "No" from the floor. Hence the President was forced to sign the minutes. The Hon. Sec. then announced the Co-responsibility, and elections were held.

This was followed by a strange gentleman, who claimed he was a Peeping Tom in the French Army, and proved it by giving details of Morphy Day on Nov. 4th.

Despite screaming jets and a train, Pete Moss elatedly informed the meeting that Bo would again "run" to Brighton for his annual weekend.

There was a good response to the plea, on behalf of the Lord Mayor, for Guildsmen to carry eight foot tools in the Lord Mayor's show on 14th Nov.

An immaculately dressed "Monsieur Groté" then showed his Autumn collection of fashions for Freshers. Especially attractive was the Sporty Morphy Day ensemble, featuring the new shorter booties with pre-stressed concrete soles arc-welded to ceramic uppers and obtainable in five pretty colours. The Yak haired

underwear featured by R.C.S. tickled most people's fancy, (especially the model's).

The climax of the show was the Guildsman's coming out evening dress for the Engineers Dinner Dance, produced in armour-plated trinitro toluene, with spectacles by Focal.

The meeting then closed, with the President undressing and successfully, if precariously, dismissing the Herculean task of Boom-laking. The meeting was then adjourned till Morphy Day, on Nov. 4th.

Next Freshers' Dinners . . . .



The new Spanner

### Union Meeting Thursday, 15th October

By the time you receive this Felix the first Union meeting will be over. This is a significant meeting because it involves important elections including the posts of Honorary Secretary and Mines Rep on I.C. Council and changes in constitution. A report of this will appear in the Late News.

### Freshers' Dinners

This year two Freshers' dinners will be held. The first is on Friday 16th October and is for Undergraduate Metallurgists, the second on Friday 23rd October is for Miners, Mineral Technologists, Mining Geologists, and Oil Technologists. All Minesmen are invited to attend the "activities" in the bar after the dinners.

### Brighton Run November 1st

As usual "Clementine" will be in attendance on "Bo" and we wish them both a successful journey.

### Morphy Day November 4th

After last years appearance of 60 dynamic Minesmen, R.S.M. is now firmly established on the tow-path. This year it is hoped that at least twice the number will appear and completely rout Guilds, R.C.S. and the attendant Bules. Minesmen are reminded that the object of this outing is to cheer the Mines boats to victory.

### Foreign Students' Visit

Following last years outstanding success when students from 4 European mining schools were entertained by the Royal School of Mines Union, this year the invitation has been extended to a fifth school. They will be coming to London for the week preceding the Mines Ball on December 18th, which will climax the visit.

Other important events to be noted by Minesmen include:—

Mines-Guilds Carnival—

Nov. 17th.

Swimming Gala—Dec. 11th.

Mines Ball—Dec. 18th.

"General Studies" as is obvious from the profusion of pamphlets and notices that flood the college once a week, is an all out attempt to fill many of the yawning gaps in our college education. In the three lectures that are given twice a week, something will be found to interest nearly everybody. The emphasis is naturally on the arts and current affairs; the standard has always been excellent, and literary lectures and music recitals are particularly to be recommended.

As a follow up to the lectures, there are particularly invigorating weekend discussions groups chaired by eminent speakers. These are held in the sultry atmosphere of Silwood Park, with its stimulating surroundings, and sparkling inhabitants. People seem to go to more than one of these so-called "Touchstone" weekends, so they must be worthwhile.

"Touchstone," as a further sop to the arts, also organises theatre visits which include a healthy supper to which a leading theatre critic is usually invited.

All you have to do is to go to some of these lectures, and read the extensive hand-outs, and, if you are facing a particularly dreary weekend in dismal Battersea, you might find yourself down at Silwood Park, with lots to talk about, and astound your friends during the following week.

## Freshers' Hike

Fourteen members of the crew, including a record number of Freshers assembled outside the "George and Dragon" at Farnborough, Kent, on the fine sunny morning. Chris. Waterman led the way in the general direction of South, heading for Cudham, which was eventually reached after one or two questionable pieces of map reading and traversing the usual quantity of footpaths, private property (what garden?), and golf courses (4 Dunlop 2 Penfolds).

The party were suitably refreshed at the "Blacksmith's Arms" and set off at a much greater pace to the top of the downs and then through Chevening Park to Chevening. It was decided to rest in a cemetery and discuss the graver issues of our forthcoming activities (giving the elder members of the party a chance to recover). We eventually gained the Polhill Arms and despatched two members of the party to Keogh galley by car to construct a meal whilst the rest of the party followed by bus.

By the standard procedure of maps and string we estimated the distance we covered to be 12 miles. We are still calculating the mileage per pint.

# TOUCHSTONE



Silwood—I.C.'s "country house," discussion centre for the weekend of 31 October—1 November.

# HI-FI

At the end of last session the Tape and Hi-Fi Club was formed. A few meetings were held and a lot of people showed interest in the Club—a few even paying subscriptions (5/-).

The Club generally aims to satisfy the interests of those with the "hi-fi bug," a well known and rampant disease with an unpleasant tendency to consume large sums of money. It was mainly for the poverty stricken student with an interest in this expensive hobby that the Club was formed.

The Secretary has put in many writing hours this summer trying to arrange a programme for the 64-65 session with limited success. We hope however to arrange a number of activities this year and a meeting will be held on Friday 23rd October at 5.15 p.m.—Room 342, Mech. Eng. Department, to discuss this years programme. Freshers and others not quite so fresh should come along to this meeting if they wish to join.

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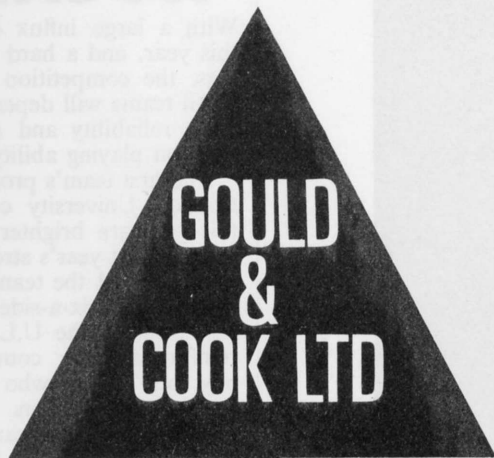
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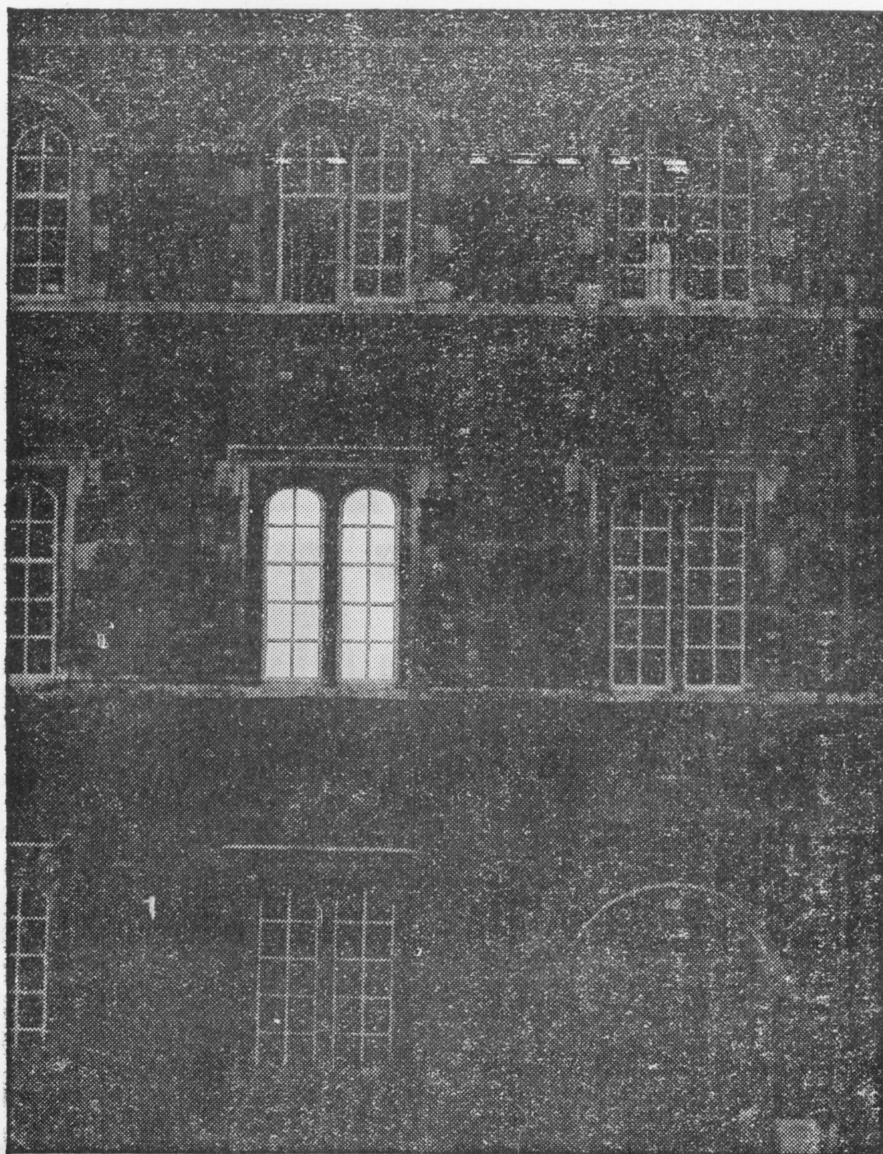
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## PROSPECTS

### HOCKEY

With a large influx of Freshers this year, and a hard core of old lags, the competition for places in all teams will depend as much upon reliability and enthusiasm, as upon playing ability.

The first team's prospect in the London University competitions this year are brighter than most years. Last year's strong defence which helped the team to victory in the U.L. six-a-sides and near first place in the U.L. league, is reinforced by a county school-boy, one of two who are joining the team this season.

Highlight of the year will be the return visit of the Groeningen University team at Easter. They will be staying with us in London for a few days, prior to joining us at the Lowestoft Hockey Festival over the Easter weekend.

### BOAT CLUB

At the Freshers' reception the Boat Club has recruited a smaller number of new members than usual. However, from first sight it would appear that their quality, both in experienced oarsmen and novices, more than makes up for their reduced numbers.

Many of the freshers oarsmen are at present rowing in their constituent college Morphy and Lowry boats. Morphy training has been approached with even more attack than in past years, and crews are at present training five days a week for the race. Guilds are resplendent with their new blades. The Mines have the strongest crews we have seen from them for a long time while R.C.S. are at present an unknown quantity under the practised eye of Dr. Cameron.

**One serious disadvantage the club has at the moment is a shortage of coxes and anyone experienced or novice, provided they weigh less than 10 st., will be welcomed to try their hand.**

Are you small, quick and intelligent, if so you could become a cox in the Boat Club. All training is in eights added to which coxes have full use of the boat club facilities including hot showers and bar all at reduced subscriptions. If you wish to cox contact any member of the boat club, or pin a note to the notice board.

### CAPTAINS

please note that all copy must be submitted by Wednesday even on week preceding production to Dave Hunt, Sports Editor, Felix.



# GLIDING CLUB IN BRUNSWICK

Four members of the gliding club, after arousing considerable interest en route and cries of "impossible" from customs officials seeing a 30ft. glider trailer for the first time, arrived in Brunswick, Germany with the Slingsby "Dart," potentially one of the world's finest 15 metre sailplanes. This had kindly been lent to them by the manufacturers for the duration of a flight testing course attended by student groups from all over the Continent.

In the ensuing fortnight, the members of the group were able to fly 14 different types of gliders varying from exotic one-off constructions by German students to a tailless French glider. They were initiated in the art of appraising the gliders quantitatively as well as qualitatively, the diversity of gliders available ensuring that each member of the group was able to make assessments against a background of experience rarely obtainable.

Needless to say the enjoyment did not end with the excellent gliding available, and such items as the moonlight barbecue in which steaks were grilled over the burning remains of a glider that did not stay the rigours of the course, and the many evenings in which they were able to chat and sing with students from other European countries over a jug of ale and a "Bockwurst," immediately spring to mind. The many friends and contacts made resulted in such a number of invitations to come and glide all over Europe that the gliding club could be kept busy with continental tours for many years.

The gliding, the superb hospitality shown and the experience gained made the expedition truly worthwhile.

KARL DOETSCH



Members relax at Brunswick ?

## RUGBY

### FFAGINS FFLOUNDER

With fanatical enthusiasm I.C. Sports Team "ffagins" got off to an early start in September. The first game resulted in a win for ffagins 25-3 against St. Marys. The next three games were not so successful, two being lost and one drawn. These misfortunes were possibly due to the presence of some guest players from the first team. However, under new captain Tony Filips, training has been in progress and some of the team are fairly fit. On trials day ffagins (without Peed Cunningham) slaughtered Silwood Park 68-0 and look forward to a fantastic season.

### FIRST BEAT POLICE

Score : I.C.16—Police 0

Both teams played attractive Rugby but I.C. impressed as being a side with much potential. For the first match of the season the forwards and three-quarters combined well, and this win over a side which has beaten London Irish second 15 must be regarded as an encouraging pointer to our Guttridge Cup quest. The win was achieved with only 12 fit men. Ray Harris and Jenkins both being off the field at some time or other. Collins obtained much of the possession from the tight and the back row seemed to be permanently where the ball was. Tries came from Chappell, Place and Turner, Molem goalling two of them and kicking a penalty.

## PROSPECTS SOCCER

The Soccer Club expect a successful season as most of last season's 1st XI have returned, and there are also some very useful Freshers. The Freshers' Trials were well attended, and there are already three Freshers in the 1st XI. The season began with a good draw (2-2) against Borough Rd. who are always one of our best opponents. The club looks forward to a successful season.

## CROSS-COUNTRY

The club got off to a promising start to the season, with almost all runners in the first half of the field in the first U.L. trials. A vigorous training programme is in progress, and performances should improve further during the season. The second trials take place on Saturday 24th October, and anyone interested should contact Tony Bishop, Room 311 Falmouth Hall, or via Union Rack.

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Dr. Weale ready to pounce ! ?

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## SHORT TAKES

David Reich, who last term was elected Chairman of Debates, is continuing in this post although he has unexpectedly had to leave College for a year. He is working in Kingston but is coming to College two afternoons a week to keep the Society running. Let us hope that the Society will, this year, rise off its knees.

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The Union Blue Book, the Freshers' Guide to Societies, has still not materialised. It was first promised at the beginning of September, but, due to a variety of causes, the printers cannot give a definite date for the delivery.

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It is reported that Dr. Cameron, Warden of Tizard Hall and Reader in the Mechanical Engineering Dept. of C. & G. is coaching the R.C.S. Morphy Crew. (See Page 11).

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Teething troubles:—six times in one week a lift in the new Mines extension has come to grief between floors.

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At the Tizard coming-up dinner, alcohol failed to reach any table other than that of the Warden.

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Saturday, 10th October saw the start of a new round of South Side parties lasting well into the early hours of the next day. This was in celebration of the 21st birthday of Norman Price; the President reported a total absence of complaints regarding noise, having attended a meeting that very morning concerning this danger.

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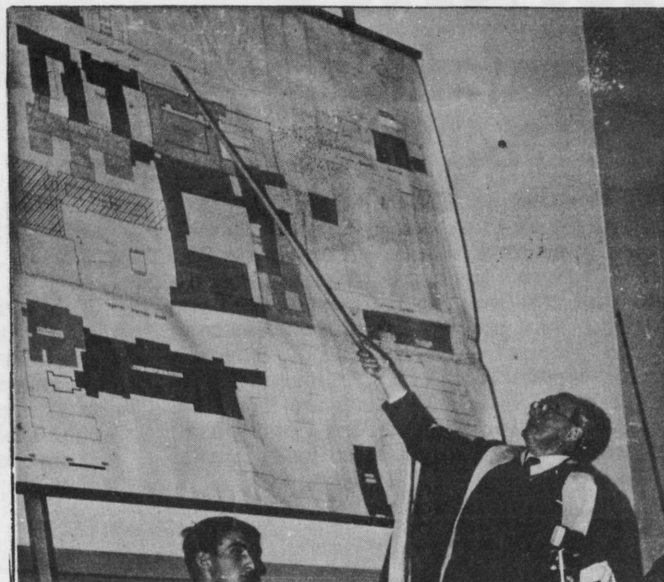
The freshers arrive, and are assaulted by Felix Sales Staff. Below, the traditional Mooney queues.



### C & G TV—A PRIZE

Monday, 5th October—yet another Freshers' Day; more spectacular perhaps than last year's event, with exhibits in the Concert Hall, out in the Quad and right through the top floor of the Union, plus the Jazz Club in their room, heard more than seen. And everywhere a litter of vague stickers.

C & G tv was impressive, if only as proof that those concerned could maintain a good-quality picture throughout the afternoon—a worthy consolation prize for their dismal failure at the President's Ball last term.



Left, The Rector outlines his plan of campaign. Above, food at last. Below, auctioneering at the exhibition.



### 1,200 ELUSIVE FRESHERS

In spite of widespread satisfaction in the clubs on their day's work, they will soon realise that they will have to step up the pressure of their salesmanship on new blood. For the 1200\* freshmen and freshwomen appear to have been generally well briefed on the dangers of "all play and no work" to the extent that many aim to totally avoid any extra curricular activity.

More was on display than on any previous Freshers' Day. But the Union may find it more advantageous in future to spread its tour de force over 2 or 3 days, and so wean freshers into a balanced college life rather than in an hour or so rush them with a "take it or leave it" impression of the Union, jolted hypnotically the next day into "work, work . . . and nothing but work."

D. I. WILLIAMS

\* This estimate was quoted last week by the Deputy Registrar; an exact figure was not available due to many late registrations.



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## EDITORIAL

This is probably the most important sheet of paper that will be appearing throughout the year, for it is a vital supplement to our Union Newspaper Felix. In the past it has combined the essential freedom of comment within the Union ( for which Felix itself has been notorious ) with up to the minute reporting of all the events within the wider framework of the college itself.

One of the obvious disadvantages of Felix is that, due to problems of typesetting etc., copy must be in a clear week before Felix is finally sold to the college. The LATE NEWS, however, will be printed on the MONDAY before the Wednesday Felix is sold: it therefore fills this large gap in Felix's coverage of college events.

There is no danger though of stealing the thunder from the main issue, because all reports must of necessity be brief. Sports results, for example, are printed: only in exceptional cases can actual reports be included.

Thus, in this sheet of paper, there is the potential to be of great service to the college. It is up to you all to produce newsworthy items in the Pressroom on the 3rd. floor of the Union by 6.30 pm. on the Monday of printing. Also all comments on the balance of reporting will be welcome, as long as it is realised that in the two sides of this sheet it is extremely difficult to cater for all tastes.

Editor : .....Ted Needham  
 Typist : .....Penelope Williams  
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 : .....Mike Scott.

## I.C. AND THE ELECTION

Those members of the college who take a deep interest in the political events in this country were all to be found in the Union bar or South Side on election night. The fact that the bar had an extension until 2a.m. on Friday Morning gave them a fine opportunity to follow the changing events of the political scene. A good supply of liquid hops ensured a keener interest and fast reactions, such as " ----- " everytime the Tories won a seat.

Interest in the events was heightened by a party of Guildsmen who turned up in South Side bar after their Freshers' dinner. Several of their stout fellows were so surprised at many of the results that complete loss of equilibrium overcame them.

The closure of the bar at 2 a.m. saw the departure of many of these keen students of politics, fully satisfied with the events of the evening. Some stalwarts however were still to be seen in unusually prostrate positions in the front of the television when it closed down at 4 a.m.

The Conservative Society canvassed for the Speaker in his Westminster constituency, thus confirming his intention to stand as a non-party candidate. The Communists, hotly denying financial assistance from Moscow, and protesting against the unjust provisions of the television Act, helped to disseminate propaganda, and canvassed in Stepney, North Battersea, and St. Pancras North. The Liberals worked in S. Ken., Wimbledon, and inevitably Orpington. The Socialist assisted in North and South Ken., North Paddington, and Norwood, and helped to take Baron's Court from the Tories.



GOSSIP

ICWarian to Editor of Late News  
 "Darling, this is the first time  
 I've seen you with your pyjamas on!"  
 "Same ICWarian on sex :-"

I learn't mine from animals.

Secretary of Union :-

"I'm a bum."

An ICWarian has written a letter to Mooney demanding the cost of cleaning her clothes, a regrettable consequence of one of his tomato sauce dispensers exploding all over her.

HOOTENANNY

The Wayfarers have a new line up. Janet has "r tired"; fiddler Dave Lambert made his debut last Friday; and singer Ann Hay will join them on 29 October in the Folk Song Club's Bluegrass Night.

A few groups have entirely survived the vacation. The Chris Wright Blues Group was resurrected at half-strength. A duo was formed specially for last term's record has broken out into the better Trev and Wilf act.

Friday's hootenanny was started to discover new talent. And new voices showed exceptional promise. While Mike Maquire fretted over being his own grandpa, Steve Grant gave impressions of Bob Dylan. From across the seas came Canadian Dougal McCreath and German Roger Cerff.

There were also two red revolutionaries, familiar faces around college, but previously unheard in the Folk Club. Chris O'Hagen appeared a fine follower of Chris Hornblower. D.I.W.

GUILDS BID FOR BEDFORD

Last Thursday Mr. Yogi Bishop led his crew of engineering hearties in an attempt to remove the last vestiges of an academic life from this college and make it a place fit for mechanics to live in. Proposing "that this house would exchange R.C.S. for Bedford," he claimed some 300 reasons for this course of action, but was unable to tell us more than 3 of them. He released his frustrations emptying his pen into his glass of water.

Attendance was encouragingly good, less encouraging was the partial eclipse of the I.C. speakers by our Bedford guests. Freshers must be lured to add fresh talent to the Society.

Since Guilds packed the house, the motion was passed overwhelmingly.

GATECRASHING CONTINUES

On arrival at last Saturday's Hop the Felix reported was greeted by the Chairman of Ents. who said that there will be no gatecrashing this week. At first sight this appeared to be true, for the gym was barred, and security men were swarming all over the place. However, ten minutes later Felix photographed three gentlemen crawling underneath the curtain in the Upper Refectory. The Ents. Committee duty member complained that we made no attempt to stop them (how could we, and still get the photo?). We regret that we have to withhold publication of the photograph until a very much later date.

GROTTING

At 6.30 pm on Friday night, about 25 grotty youths set off in a green van bound for Mendip on the caving club freshers' meet. Eventually we arrived at our luxurious hotel - a large well filled Dutch barn - and bedded down for a few hours kip.

The Saturday was a day of caving in which the freshers were introduced to mud baths and ice cold water. Spirits were restored in the evening, when their hearts were warmed with "Scrumpry" and, remarkably, the pub was dry by the end of the evening.

The next day the vice-president chickened out of caving, having broken his nose on a stalactite the day before (editor's note - he hit an iron bar in the roof of the barn as he staggered in a drunken stupor to his bed). The rest of the party went down Swildons, where they met 1952's president of the I.C. Mountaineering club - he is now, of course, a confirmed caver.

SPORTS RESULTS 17th. Oct.

Hockey : I.C. 1st. 2 - 2 West Essex

Soccer : I.C. 1st. 2 - 2 King Alfred's

Rugger : I.C. 1st. 27 - 0 Newland Park.

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Mines dinner: Mitch wasn't there.

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## EDITORIAL

### HOOLIGANISM

WE HAVE NOT COME TO UNIVERSITY to act like guttersnipe hooligans from the back streets of Birmingham. Unfortunately, however, there appears to be an ever-increasing number of students who think that they have.

During the past week four Freshers' Dinners have been held. The Unions concerned have made great efforts to improve the tone of these occasions, and, so far, they seem to have succeeded.

But those whose only thought in college life is mascots - other college mascots - have undone all the good work that their Union execs have done. Last Thursday, R.C.S. men let down the tyres of a Guildsman's car, ripped a pair of trousers, stole a shoe, and ruined a car aerial.

In return, Guildsmen have ruined one pair of R.C.S. trousers.

With the second Guilds Dinner on Monday there was no trouble. But on Tuesday 14 R.C.S. men broke into a flat where they thought the Spanner was kept (it wasn't), hit a girl who was in the flat and generally disgraced themselves.

PEOPLE HAVE BEEN SENT TO PRISON FOR BREAKING AND ENTERING.

### EXPLORATION BOARD

#### Proposals for Expeditions, 1965.

This year, the Exploration Board will hold 2 meetings in the Autumn Term to consider proposals for expeditions for summer 1965. As in the past, final decisions on all proposed ventures will be made at a meeting to be held during the 1st. week of December. In addition, however, there will be an opportunity for all parties to put preliminary details of schemes to the Board at an earlier meeting to be held at the beginning of November. The purpose of this meeting will be to give pro visual opinions on suggested schemes so that applicants may learn how to stand with regard to eventual approval.

Short previews of proposed expeditions for consideration at the first meeting should reach the Assistant Secretary, H.T.Lovenbury, Civil Engineering Department, by 4 November and more detailed applications for the second meeting by 27 November.

### Mascots in the News

#### DINNER ACTIVITY

THE TERM HAS STARTED WITH A BANG - for mascot-minded men. The four Freshers' Dinners have all had prying eyes watching the proceedings.

WEDNESDAY. R.C.S. Freshers' Dinner. A handful of Guildsmen were in the Union spying out the land. Theta arrived escort-less, and left without trouble.

THURSDAY. C&G Freshers' Dinner. Despite hordes of R.C.S. men, weight of numbers ensured the Spanner's safe arrival. At 2145 hours the Spanner surrounded by Guildsmen reached the Union first-floor exit.

The tyres of the Guilds van had been let down. An R.C.S. man lost his trousers. The Spanner made a safe getaway in a red Mini, which was followed by a C&G motor bike and an R.C.S. sports car. A roundabout chase led R.C.S. to follow a different red Mini at Hammersmith. Rumour has it that they were led off to Leicester.

Meanwhile, the Spanner was safe, and the owner of the blue Guilds blue van had his trousers ripped off and his shoes removed in the middle of the quad.

FRIDAY. One shady Guildsman was in attendance at Mines' Freshers' Dinner. But there was no sign of Mitch.

WEEKEND. Resting.

MONDAY. Guilds Freshers' Dinner. A few R.C.S. men monopolised the phone booths, but the Spanner left safely. But on arrival at its overnight home there were suspicious onlookers.

TUESDAY. Knowing the occupants to be at L.S.E., 14 R.C.S. hooligans decided to ransack the Spanner Bearer's flat. But they had not reckoned on a girl friend being in the flat. Hearing the row, and knowing who they were and what their intentions were, she locked all the doors. Undeterred Four broke in by the kitchen window to get in the rest by the front door.

Once inside these R.C.S. men made a half-hearted attempt to search the place. Unsuccessful, they forced their way out, punching the girl as they went.

The Presidents of I.C.U., R.C.S.U. and C&G U. have deplored the incident. Mr. Sadhvani is identifying the fourteen. Strong action will be taken.