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## ENTS HAVE A BALL!

ENTS weathered some very awkward moments at Friday Night's May Ball when Kytes had to cancel their engagement at the last minute and Brian Auger was over an hour late in arriving. However, apart from one or two uncomfortably long pauses, the continuity of the entertainment was good, although the timing of events was so badly affected that the Scaffold only put in one appearance.

The standard of the entertainment was very good (an unbelievable improvement on last year) The Scaffold did a 45 minute cabaret which included songs (protest and otherwise); "poems" such as :

Got up  
Shaved

Did the "Times" crossword  
Shaved,

a risque adaptation of the Bible story complete with "three wise guys bringing a golden frankenstein to the mayor;" and an exclusive interview with Ho Chi Minh. Brian Auger was well worth waiting for, and his organ playing together with Julie Driscoll's spectacular singing drew a large audience to the Concert

Hall. In the lower lounge "The Shevells," Fairport Convention" and "The Glass Cartoon" were a great success, so much so that a large number of people were dancing to "The Glass Cartoon's" rock as late as 3 a.m., after which the evening ended to the mellow tones of the "Splinter Group."

Mr. Mooney seems to have acquitted himself adequately. At any rate, the complaints heard were about the service and the lack of coffee after the 2nd and 3rd sittings, so the meal can't have been bad.

ENTS can afford to be well pleased with themselves. Considering the difficulties encountered, the May Ball's Success was quite remarkable.

JOHN LANGLEY

This is not Carnival Week but . . .

**ALL WEEK :** Hot Dogs on sale in Union Arch, lunchtimes 1/3 each.

**THURS. and FRI.:** Dram Soc Revue, "Sweet Corn" or "Southside Story." 8 p.m. Concert Hall. Tickets 3/6, on sale in Union and Southside, lunchtimes or at door.

**SATURDAY :** Carnival Fete 2 p.m. Princes Gdns. Come and soak the Exec. Many stalls and sideshows, also raffle draw.

**SATURDAY :** Carnival Super Hop with Traffic and supporting groups. 8 p.m. Tickets 10/6 in advance from Union cloakroom or 12/6 at door.

**ALL PROCEEDS TO CARNIVAL**

Don't forget to return your raffle tickets to Union or Southside before Saturday

## INQUORACY SAVES UGM

Once again the I.C. Publicity Officer got it wrong. Last term it was "the crazy world of I.C.'s Quorate Union Meeting"—an unlikely prospect if ever there was one. Last week it was "the Union Meeting to decide I.C.'s future. Be there." 200 people were there, a quorum is 300. Only one decision was taken—by President Phillips—of no earth-shattering significance. It was to reconvene the meeting for next Friday—when, it was piously hoped, the publicity from this FELIX would be enough to push the attendance over the 300 mark. So I repeat—there will be a Union Meeting this Friday at 1 o'clock, this Friday, May 10th, a Union Meeting, this Friday, 1 o'clock. . . .

### Trivia

The last one lasted half-an-hour. It was a restless affair with the audience poised to dash out the instant Phillips gave the word. Rory Redmayne's revolutionary motion was not discussed. Matters that were, included the Dow Chemicals affair, following Phil

Painter's letter in the last FELIX claiming censorship of the affair. Phillips cleared up the matter to the temporary satisfaction of Painter. Frank Fuchs suggested a bus to take demonstrators to last Wednesday's R.S.A. Grants Meeting at Lincoln's Inn Fields. Sensibly the proposal was rejected. (In the upshot, two people went. Frank Fuchs did not; nor did Babs Hedge, I.C.'s External Officer, it being a Radical demonstration.) Fiery Spooks Duckett cracked a topical joke about paying to send Mackman, RCS President, home. There was nothing else to the meeting, except that the Quorum was challenged by the President. Top brains in the Union question the constitutional validity of this procedure. How important a point that is must remain a matter of individual taste.

### Friday

Rory Redmayne's motion to be (hopefully) discussed next Friday aims to do away with Union Meetings on the grounds that nobody ever goes to them. They would be replaced by meetings of departmental representatives and council. If such is your wish, come along and say so, next Friday. Here is a final plug. Next Friday—a Union Meeting! 1 p.m.—the Union concert Hall—next Friday. (This advertising space was kindly donated to the Union by FELIX).

## BEECHING RUFFLES RCS

Lord Beeching's speech at the RCS Dinner last Thursday has provoked a wave of criticism over his implication that students at IC are not involved in protest movements.

His address, notable for its brevity, reached an all-time low for after dinner speeches in the College.

Beginning with remarks about what was expected of an after dinner speaker, to talk on either his own activities of his hosts depending on which was the more notable, he then made a few remarks on the problems of retiring from a highly successful career.

From this he went on to speak of student protests and expressed pleasure that IC had not become involved. He wound up by commenting that people seemed more shocked by the childish behaviour of children than the childish behaviour of the adults they were copying. His remark was highly ambiguous and no-one is sure how to interpret it.

In another poorly delivered speech R.C.S. President Bob Mackman thanked Lord Beeching and called upon RCSA to help bridge the gap between a university education and industry. The first good speech of the evening came from Mike Tait, who introduced the guests in an amicably insulting manner.



Lord Beeching, Bob Mackman and the Rector at the R.C.S. Dinner

The last and best speech was given by Mr. Buchanan, President of RCSA, who was cheered when he told the audience that he only got a lower second degree, made suitable denigrations of Mines and Guilds and told a number of good stories.

### Emergency

After approaches had been made to him by a number of members of RCS General Committee, Bob Mackman called an

emergency committee meeting at which Spooks Duckett demanded that strong letters be sent to Lord Beeching and The Times. He was supported by Dave Wield, and Pete Dolwin. Most other members of the committee did not think that a letter to the Times was advisable and in the end a fairly mild letter was sent to Lord Beeching informing him that "there are in fact, numbers of students at Imperial College who are actively concerned in protest movements . . . without detriment to their academic work."

After the meeting Duckett expressed his intention of writing to The Times personally.



# Please sir, . . .

For the graduate or prospective graduate thinking of taking up teaching as a career, a vast range of opportunities and salaries present themselves. But it is not only this that can make teaching attractive, it is as much helping children of all social backgrounds in the complex process of growing up and making the best of their varying and developing attitudes. Some graduates may prefer to teach sixth formers, others a range of subjects to the less able secondary pupils and yet others to teach in primary schools. At all these levels, teaching offers more scope than many other careers for graduates to employ their knowledge of their chosen subjects, and there is more encouragement to go on studying them.

## Pay Scales

Basic salary scales for untrained graduates start at £900 p.a. and for graduates, with six years training, study or research behind them, at £1060, rising to a maximum of £1600 and £1650 respectively. Good honours graduates, however, may expect to get £120 p.a. more, all the way up the scale, plus a £70 allowance if they teach in the London area. This is not all, for the structure of graded posts and headships of departments and schools is an important element in the graduate teachers' career prospects. 80 per cent of men in their late thirties or older, with reasonable qualifications, have risen at least to the position of head of department and a fifth are headmasters. Graded posts carry allowances from £125 to £315, heads of departments from £210 to £700 and deputy heads from £125 to £1055, depending on the size of the school. Headmasters' salaries range, once again, according to the size and age-range of the school, from £1710 in the smallest primary schools to £4110 in the largest comprehensive schools. No additions are applicable to heads' salaries, except, where appropriate, the £70 London allowance. Looking ahead, retirement benefits are also paid in the form of an annual allowance and a lump sum, calculated on the average salary for the last three years of service.

## Special Schools

There are less well known opportunities in special schools for handicapped children (both physically and mentally handicapped), and in approved schools. Training is available for teaching in these special schools, which provide a satisfying career for the right person, with an extra allowance of £130 a year. Approved schools are residential establishments providing academic and vocational education for children and young people who have been sent because they have committed an offence or are beyond control at home or because they need care or protection. The aim is to prepare them to take their place again in society and to cope with its responsibilities and strains.

## H.M. Inspectors

Careers are also available, after necessary experience in some aspect of education, in H.M. Inspectorate of Schools. Inspec-

tors are usually recruited through public advertisement and salaries start at £2390 p.a. rising to £5950 for the highest posts. The work includes inspection of schools, preparation of pamphlets and liaison work between the Department of Education and Science and Local Education Authorities.

## Equality of Sexes

The L.E.A.'s also offer occupations in administration with salary scales rising from a low of £1850 a year for the lowest paid borough education officers to over £5300 for chief education

officers. Other openings exist in the forces, industry, youth work and adult educational, research, education journalism and careers overseas.

One of the advantages for women is that it offers them equal opportunities with men. Even marriage need not be a deterrent, for schools are glad of their services as long as they are available and will welcome them back if they decide to resume their professional careers.

## Teaching on how to Teach

One year P.G. courses of training are provided in universities and colleges of education which benefit the teacher by enabling him to practice and experiment under experienced eyes and also to pick up an extra £50 a year when he starts work. A Graduate Teacher Training Registry exists at 151, Gower St., W.C.1, to process swiftly applications for admissions to these courses.

Further details can be found in a booklet "Careers in Education for Graduates" available from the Department of Education and Science in Curzon Street, W.1.

# CAREERS

## Banking

Today, the term 'banking' means much more than the process of receiving and lending money. Banks have many ancillary services, and are adding more to their operations each year. They can do almost anything for a customer from keeping his valuables, to helping him make his will, and supervising his estate when he has died. They assist in foreign currency transaction, advise in tax matters, and help in the purchase and sale of stocks and shares.

by the Institute of Bankers—these cover subjects as far apart as geography and economics to monetary theory and accountancy. It's not too difficult to put all the necessary exams behind you in five years. Obviously a manager must know the whole sphere of banking, and most of the theory he will need to know is contained in the diploma course.

Managers have to deal with a cross section of people, face to face, giving them advice or warnings. They have to maintain close contact with the commercial and industrial communities, both locally and nationally. They need a far shrewder judgment and a far wider knowledge than most professional men.

## Wide Horizons

Anyone joining one of the main 'Clearing banks' as they are called, has roughly a fifty per cent chance of becoming a manager (and there are women managers). As with all the professions, there are exams set and hard work is involved. Theory and practice are mentally and physically very tiring, and the first few years served as a bank clerk or cashier are not always enjoyable. But it's a career with wide horizons and high standards.



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## SCRUTINY for SCC

SCRUTINY, the magazine started by the Huxley Society, then taken over by SCC "as a forum for political, moral and religious discussion," has reappeared under the banner of the Huxley Society as, presumably, a forum for humanist discussion.

This, the first issue of what might be termed in non-Humanist terms, its present incarnation, is devoted almost exclusively to the Humanist basis to the ideas of various political beliefs, although only Glen Wellman successfully establishes a continuous link between basic Humanist philosophy and a recognisable political doctrine, in this case Conservatism. Of the others, Peter Watts, on Liberalism, leaves his case only half-complete, Chris Yewlett never even gets to the basic principles of Socialism, let alone produces a working policy, and Derek Boothman starts with Communism and begins to work backwards, one presumes to Humanism, but never gets there, shooting off for a revolution about a quarter of the way.

## Why Humanists Differ

The two other articles are an introduction to the political contributions by David Flint, in which he examines the reasons for Humanists holding different political opinions whilst holding both the same fundamental beliefs and aims; and an article on whether the Universe had a beginning, by John Matthews.

SCRUTINY is on sale around the College at 1s. and can be obtained from Ron Bass, Tizard 632, Pete Watts, Tizard 645 or Chris Yewlett, Keogh 368.

## SIMON DO YOU CARE?

You may have noticed this forlorn poster in College—and not cared. Some of the people who do care heard Jim Fitch, leader of the Simon community, talk about their work on Tuesday last. Jim Fitch talked expansively about the work of the community, which is dedicated to helping social drop-outs who are beyond the effective reach of the "welfare state"—alcoholics, junkies, drug addicts, misfits, kleptomaniacs—the 90,000 people (about 5 times the official estimates) which society is ashamed to notice.

## Six Stages of Simon

Simon's social action takes place in six stages: (1) Survey of area to be helped (2) Provision of a rough shelter for overnight rests (3) A house with an unstructured organization, for recovering alcoholics etc. to "dry out" (1st tier recovery). (4) 2nd tier recovery—a more organized house. (5)

3rd tier recovery—a form run by recovered core-cases. (6) A village; this is the next stage and is not yet in existence for complete recovery. The village, when it appears, will hold about 500 recovered social rejects, drop-outs, undergrounders, etc., and will be in effect an experiment in living largely (but not completely) independent of the rest of society.

## Simon Walks and Soup Runs

Simon needs help—publicity, a London-Brighton walk for money, surveys, workers. The first stages of the work are most important—establishing contact—every night in London the soup run van goes out to make contact with social rejects, giving them soup, and bread and conversation. You can help here—come on a soup run, read the OSS notice board. Sign up if you care.

Information on Simon is available from Tizard 621.

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## EDITOR'S Comment

Once upon a time many years ago a number of colleges and Universities came together and, with the help of a good Fairy, set up a big organisation called the National Union of Students. And Imperial Cinderella was asked to join the N.U.S. and as she liked all and things she did, and for many years she and all the other colleges and Universities were very happy together.

Then one day the big nasty ogre, Communism, came along and frightened away nearly all those happy colleges and Universities. But the few who were left were brave and fought the big, bad ogre and threw him out.

When they heard what had happened all the other colleges and Universities crept gingerly back, all, that is, except for Imperial Cinderella who had by this time decided she could survive on her own and obstinately refused to come back. No amount of wooing with cheap travel and student concessions by Prince Charming N.U.S. would persuade her. Not that you could blame her. Prince Charming had warts all over his face and was so incredibly inefficient and became avaricious, wanting 1/3d, then 2/6d, and then 5/-d. per year per student.

But then Prince Charming began to realise about the warts on his face and decided to do something about them. He split his organisation into regions and decided it was time he actually did something for the colleges whom he had attracted.

Then when the big, bad Department of Education and Science thwarted all the Colleges with a Grants Cut, Prince Charming went out to fight him. And Imperial Cinderella, being unable to find a Quorum, did not know what to think about the Grants Cut. So she asked Prince Charming, and Prince Charming welcomed her help with about a dozen people at the Battle of Trafalgar Square and twenty at the Battle of the Houses of Parliament.

The point of all this is that N.U.S. is changing, but is our attitude to it? I.C. has always been insular, but I think that in the past we have been right to stay out of N.U.S.

We must guard against being isolationists, but on the other hand let us be sure that if we join, and someone is due to bring it up next session, the money invested is worth it.

Much good work is at present being done by them. They have produced numerous pamphlets on subjects affecting students, for instance the Rent Act, and are recognised as the voice of students in Britain. They will shortly be publishing an important report on student housing, and are currently investigating and negotiating on grants, length of degree courses and many other subjects which affect students directly.

Of course they are still incredibly inefficient. Letters are seldom answered and over half of their income goes on administration, while their conferences seem to be more a succession of procedural motions than anything else.

Although we will probably be able to get the affiliation fees added to the Union Fee there will be other expenses like conference fees.

I hope that this will stimulate people into thinking rationally about the N.U.S. question without the red herrings of travel concessions which, as Martin Lack last year showed, are no better whether you belong to N.U.S. or not.

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# PROFILES

## BOB PINE

Bob came to Guilds as a Civil Engineer after a year in industry. In his first year he was the scrum half for I.C. Ist XV and played for Guilds in the Sparkes Cup. For his part in Guilds victory in the Athletics Sports he was awarded Guilds Sports colours; this year he is the secretary of Guilds Athletics Club.

At the end of his first year he was elected year rep. and then captain of I.C. Rugby Club. The club has had a successful season and Bob has worked hard to help all the teams not just the Ist XV. Bob feels that this has been a good proving ground for a job as the President of Guilds. It has tested his organisation; the Rugby Club is the largest club in I.C. and as any such position in sport would do it has tested his leadership. He has also had the opportunities to meet and to get to know people not just from the constituent colleges but from outside Colleges and Universities as well.

Bob has not confined his interests solely to the Rugby Club but he is on the executive committee of A.C.C. and as such has had a say in the general and financial organisation of the whole sports structure of I.C.

Bob is unashamedly a sportsman in the widest sense of the word and although he has not been much involved in the politics of Guilds and I.C. he does not feel that this would be a drawback to his becoming President of Guilds. He believes that this post is not a political one but rather the mouthpiece for the Union which in turn has been formed mainly for the material and intellectual benefit of Guildsmen.



If elected Bob has several plans for strengthening the union. He hopes to establish a more dynamic initial contact with the first year Guildsmen; this done, would aid the union in years to come. He would also like to increase the range of entertainment provided by Guilds by getting Departments to organise new events for themselves and the rest of Guilds. This would also increase the contact between years within a Department and by organising it on an interdepartmental competitive basis would increase the Guilds "spirit."

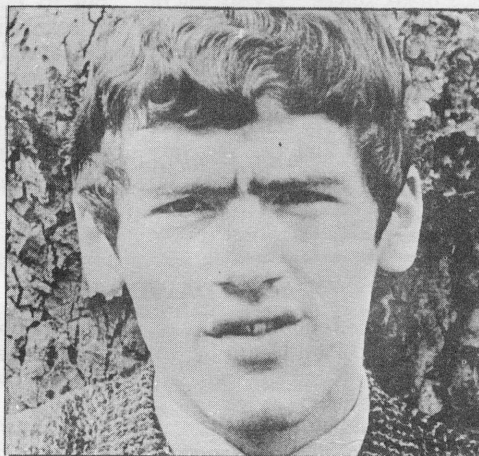
Bob would also like to see the old favourites of Morphy Day, the Field Cup and the Swimming Gala revitalised. Finally he would continue to push for more financial support and continue the good work achieved by Guilds in the staff-student relations.

# GUILDS

## DERMOTT CORR

Guilds Union Meetings are quite well known for their "sport." Guildsmen who have bothered to attend them could not have failed to notice a broad Irish voice in the midst of the organised disorder. This voice belongs to DERMOTT CORR, one of this year's Guilds Presidential candidates.

This year Dermott has been Guilds rep on I.C. Council, which also involves being a member of Guilds Exec. From this vantage point he has been able to get a very clear impression of what the President's job entails. He says it is rather like an iceberg as one only sees about a tenth of it. There is a lot of committee work, representing Guilds on both exclusively student committees and on I.C. ones like the Refectories Committee and Athletic Committees. It is in the field of academic affairs, however, that he feels that the most valuable work can be done.



This work involves anything from arranging coffee machines to suggesting changes in lecture content and examination timing. Obviously the success of academic affairs work depends on a steady flow of information from the departments. Dermott hopes to be able to improve this feedback by strengthening the year rep. system.

One of the more obvious jobs of the President is a figure-head in all meetings and discussions with the staff, and it is in this field that Dermott is strongest. He has been active in Guilds affairs for two years and is fairly well known by the Staff and knows how to approach them.

Many people might still feel that anyone who appears to mess around at Guilds Union meetings in such an obstreperous way would not be suitable for the presidential post. If these sceptics had attended an I.C.U. meeting last term they would have seen Dermott proposing a motion in a most eloquent manner. Then he was being serious and was speaking for something that he believed in; although the motion was narrowly defeated he created a very favourable impression even on those who opposed the motion.

Dermott has both the ideas and the experience to make a good President; he has shown himself to act as a leader across the broad spectrum of work that the post involves. Dermott Corr must be the obvious choice for next year's Guilds President.



## Anita Furniss

# R C S

YOU may have seen diverse posters advertising "Nita," who is standing for president of R.C.S. YES! she is a woman YES! she is serious. 'Nita arrived at I.C. three years ago and has been in the chemistry department ever since. Next year she is staying on to do an M.Sc. course in analytical Chemistry. She writes the Mackmania column, often to be seen gracing these noble pages. Hence she has inside information on the running of R.C.S. However she has not been a committee member of R.C.S. but feels this an advantage rather than a disadvantage because she knows how the ordinary member of R.C.S. feels towards the executive. 'Nita is an experienced organiser and has performed useful service as secretary of the Carnival. She produced the programme for the folk-concert single handed. Besides the above she has managed to write I.C. words and folk-club reports for Felix.

Why does 'Nita want to stand for president??!

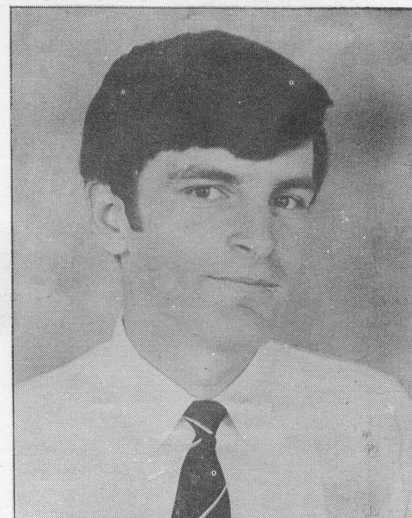
She is representative of a new wave of opinion in R.C.S. and it was this group which persuaded her to stand. The basic thesis of her policies is to encourage individual participation in the Union. Her idea is that it is the members of the Union who are important and not the executive committee and they would do well to remember this. She feels that too many people regard the Union as a prerogative of the few and do not join in its activities because of lack of encouragement. 'Nita thinks that the president should rouse people into activity and has been quoted as saying: "If the mountain won't come to Mohammed, Mohammed must go to the mountain" (sounds familiar). Her ideas on how to achieve this are many and varied. They include departmental parties where people can meet and talk to the officers of R.C.S. ("The present freshers tea is a fiasco as regards finding out anything about R.C.S.") and interdepartmental activities such as sports fixtures, parties and debates. This is to prevent the present isolated nature of Chemistry and Maths. She hopes to improve the lot of post-graduates especially those who were not undergraduates at I.C. This group tend to get neglected by the Union. She would like to see an enlargement of the entertainments committee to about 20 to 30 in an "Ents. action group." This would involve more people in Ents and make the organization of social events easier.

On the non-Social side 'Nita wants to carry on the good work done by the Staff-Student committees and the academic affairs officer. She would like to promote staff-student relations by organizing more social functions with the staff. She also supports management studies and would like to see the addition of non-science subjects in more courses.

Does she think that being a girl will hinder her in being president of R.C.S.? On the contrary Anita believes that a girl can do the job as well as a man. In fact she believes that it may encourage girls to come to I.C. and help dispell the image of a ruthless male dominated society. The main point about Anita is that she is prepared to go and meet members of the Union on a personal basis.

(P.S. She isn't bad looking either).

## Roger Webb



In the past, Presidents of R.C.S. have run their campaigns with great fervour, but after their victories have become recluses hardly meeting anyone outside of the General Committee. Rog Webb feels that the strength of R.C.S.U. must lie in the campaign. How does he propose to do this?

President being approachable both before, and more important, after his election Rog Webb realises this is a difficult task but feels that it can be done by having informal gatherings of the General Committee and year reps. He thinks that at committee meetings ideas are less forthcoming than at informal gatherings where people tend to air their views with more confidence and conviction. This way he believes he will be able to hear the problems of both individuals and whole departments. In addition he intends to go round the laboratories and libraries talking to people because he knows that many people have problems and do not talk about them unless directly asked.

This sounds rather an ambitious boast by an ignoramus. On Union affairs Rog Webb cannot be described as that. This year he has been Secretary of RCS, and in this role he has tried to implement several ideas like the rearrangement of fresher's dinners and reforming the constitution. On this latter task Rog spent many hours demonstrating that he is capable of hard work in the Union cause.

The knowledge that he gains from these informal meetings will be put to good use. Rog has a great interest in academic affairs, a subject on which he has several ideas. These have been set into motion this year and will be pushed forward next year. They will not be allowed to drop because the main advantage of choosing Rog Webb as President will be continuity in the running of the Union.

Many people know that Rog intends to get married this year and may doubt that he will have the time to live up to his pledge of being more approachable. This will not be so—as Rog is in Maths he does not have to spend lengthy hours in the labs and so will be able to spend time during the day carrying out his duties.

Rog Webb has all the attributes of a President. He is known by and knows many people, and is fully aware of the requirements of the Presidential office. He has shown the drive and enthusiasm that is necessary for the post. With these attributes who can become the President of RCSU but Rog Webb.





A series in which articles are invited on subjects dear to the writers' hearts.

## A Plea from the heart

Once upon a time, and not so very long ago at that, I met a girl who was cast in the mould of Aphrodite, had eyes as cool and beautiful as a mountain stream on a warm spring day, a face as warm and smiling as a harvest moon in the autumn midnight, a mind as still and as deep as the midsummer twilight—and she thought I was sloshed.

To remedy this small defect in our relationship, I decided to write her a letter. This, dear reader, is where the problem starts! Would you tell her she was a Grecian goddess, as mellow yellow as the yellow mellow marshmallow moon and still expect her to take you seriously? Could you, leaning heavily on your brash boyish charm, think she would take you as you want to be taken? And you, madam, ignoring innuendos, would you mistake love for lust? The problem becomes apparent, HAS ROMANCE HAD ITS DAY?

Bowing to the pressures of the Sensual Sixties, the notion of romance is being slowly torn to shreds and tossed piece by glorious piece into the litter basket of life. How otherwise can it be when the population accepts "Up the Junction" as the norm of human behaviour. This film, above all, shows how the romantic notions of the Chelsea heiress are swamped by the gross materialism of her lover and her friends. Nowadays, a great proportion of people (both male and female) sacrifice their virginity on the premarital bed, and I would venture to say, not primarily because of

love but because it is fast becoming the accepted thing to satisfy the basic sexual instincts as early in life as possible and then as often as possible until the day of impotency arrives. All this is pushing romantic love to the back of the stage. You, dear reader, probably scorn these thoughts, but is it really worth throwing up all the happiness of traditional romance just because you think your friends will laugh themselves silly at you?

As students, we are generally viewed to be in the forefront of the sexual revolution, but how many of us have, as a by-product of this revolution, thrown romance out of the door. Don't get me wrong friend, I'm not trying to preach Victorian morals! By all means sleep with your bird or bloke of the moment, but let words from the heart be the beckoning red light to promiscuity between the pure white hall sheets. Don't shun romance—culture it, and then make love all you want. Just don't let sex cease to be partner to romance.

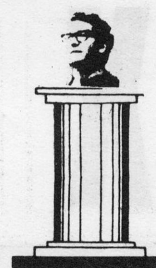
That's my message. Campaign to bring back romance into our everyday lives and loves. Don't let's get stifled in sterile computerised love. Don't think like a girl who told me the other day that holding hands was "pukey." Don't just make love—make romantic love and be all the happier for it.

Meanwhile, this girl is still cast in the mould of Aphrodite, with eyes as cool and as beautiful as

PAUL HEATH

It took Fred Smith about 80 years and £500 to discover that he wasn't a TIMES reader.

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## Andy Jordan sitting on a column

If you cruise up the river like I did the other weekend, somewhere below the Albert Bridge you'll see the Palace of Westminster. As you go higher up, put away your posters of "I howl for Powell" and "Black Enoch" and try to dismiss his ideas on the race problem as those of a Grand Nationalist. Look on the other side and you'll see a sign which says: "Thousands of pounds wasted every year. Save your waste-paper." It was of course explained by the barges full of waste-paper lying beside the wharf. Nevertheless, it would have been more appropriate to have finished with "Don't waste paper." But the bits of paper will always pour out: bits of unnecessary confetti for somebody's archives.

My desk lies perpetually littered with bits of calculations; engineering reference books; record sleeves; a pile of letters that I must get round to replying to some time; various political tracts such as the Economist whose facts I usually accept and whose conclusions I never do and the Tribune whose facts I treat with scepticism and whose conclusions I usually accept; and occasional scraps of poetry, called verse by everyone else. To do anything, one has to consume vast quantities of paper. I wanted to find out what the Robbins Report—that Government paper on Higher Education—had to say about IC. "I'm afraid it's rather large," said the librarian, producing twelve volumes of facts and statistics and evidence.

To get people to listen to you, you must be verbose. And sometimes obvious. Like that Yardley advert which says "Girls are coming back." So before every Council meeting one is regaled with mountains of words. I'm doing my bit, I admit. I hope I shall be brief and to the point.

But I doubt that people absorb ideas—as opposed to facts—without having them hammered home paragraph by paragraph.

I even got two complimentary copies of PHOENIX last week. Why two? Last time I got one. Are they trying to get rid of it? Or am I supposed to read it twice? Perhaps the literary qualities of members of IC need to be hammered home, copy by copy. Or advert by advert. As you walk through the Union foyer, it would seem from them that, after lectures, the average student has an hour of political discussion, an arty film, a night of orgy, followed by repentance at early morning Hall Communion.

And now it's the mad season when manifestoes and profiles pour out. "Frederick Block-knocker appeared in a waste-paper basket at the age of three years. After twelve years at Much Wallowing in the Marsh Primary School, he scrambled out to Nether Wallop Grammar School where his nether was wallowed 25 times in his first three weeks there. His humour and masochism should make him a good Guilds Vice-President." The humour of these things is consistent—it's bad. My favourite profile is of the guy who master-minded the campaign of Birmingham's new president Ray Phillips: "Three years' hard and BINGO—he's in! And you have the utterly depressing sight of Ray Phillips keeping his sweating bum warm in the hot seat."

Maybe you consign these manifestoes straight to the bin. I was gently surprised to find the other day that all my six election points of last year have been acted on. This year I would say "Don't waste paper." But most people believe what they write. They just write too much.

Who said "Look who's talking"?

## The Charge Of The Light Brigade

There can't be many among us who haven't heard of The Charge of the Light Brigade—the one at the Odeon, Leicester Square, of course.

Leaving the cinema after the performance there were no vivid memories of flashing swords and shining buttons but rather of what one can only take as pure realism.

The men's boots had just the right amount of dust on them and their jackets were as tatty as they must have been at the time. The incompetence of the officers must be somewhat downheartening to all romantics but on reflection strikes a very true note. Even the Light Brigade itself didn't strike me as particularly courageous. The film showed admirably the pointlessness of the fighting in the Crimean war, and the

stupidity of the tactics employed.

As a story the film is worth little. It is a series of events vaguely connected by the lives of various characters. The reaction to the war back at home was virtually unexplored, a rather important omission, I think, as the whole film, to my mind, was meant to be only an accurate historical account of the events surrounding the Charge, and if anything made it memorable, it was the contemporary British newspapers.

However the film was most enjoyable and if not quite as memorable as the actual event, one can hardly blame today's newspapers. Despite all this it is, as they say, "well worth seeing."

CHRIS SLEE

## Elections in Britain

"Elections in Britain" by R. L. Leonard is a comprehensive review of the principles and methods of elections in Britain. Originally entitled "Guide to the General Election" and published first before the 1964 General Election as an attempt to acquaint people with electoral methods in this country, it has been completely rewritten and expanded and gives both details of the mechanics of elections and comment upon them backed up by statistics of recent elections.

In particular I found the chap-

ters on the organisation of the political parties and on opinion polls very interesting, with perhaps the passage on selection of candidates (drawn from experience of trying to become adopted) the most lively.

All in all the book is a positive mine of information for anyone who is likely to be involved in an election, whether as candidate, canvasser or voter. It is published by D. Van Nostrand Co. Ltd. and costs 12/6d. paperback and 35s. hardback.

DAVID COOPER

# REVIEWS

## Elektra's Beautiful Sons

The Hangman's Beautiful Daughter (Elektra EUK 258: 39s. 11d.) is the third LP to come from England's very own Incredible String Band. The Observer sang its praises; Melody Maker raved over it; the Sunday Times called its songs "incredible: loose knit poetry, antiurban, pantheistic, imaginative, complex, using strange harmonies... convincing, beautiful, idiosyncratic, yielding more with each playing..." All of which is accurate. Now FELIX joins in the glad tidings although it can do little more than endorse the opinions of the aforementioned organs in stating that the LP is very good and a worthy purchase whether your taste be for "folk" or "progressive" music.

The tracks, ten in all, are penned by either one or other of the Band; the majority coming from the more obviously creative of the two, Robin Williamson, his songs tend to be meandering and personal with lines of great beauty; the songs of Mike Heron, on the other hand, are more direct and forceful, simpler to comprehend and touched with a dry humour. The longest, a ten minute opus by Heron, called "A Very Cellular Song" embodies the preoccupation of the LP with the mysteries of life, (Mother)

### by Spoons

nature, Christianity; it also shows the initially disconcerting habit of the Incredibles to change tempo and accompaniment almost in mid-sentence. The accompaniment itself is something of a surprise involving (to name a few instruments) guitar, sitar, whistle, hammer dulcimer, pan pipe, oud, chahani and water harp (this is a pail of water with a string across it). The singing too is curious; Robin Williamson lingers over his songs, squeezing four or five notes into a single syllable with ease. The whole effect is unique and the LP is capable of repaying a lot of listening; it's also beautifully packaged.

Two other recent issues from Elektra are "Good Time Music" and "Select Elektra," both anthologies off their catalogue. The first is a mixture of white blues and jug band music, and features the Loving Spoonful, Paul Butterfield, Eric Clapton, with the Powerhouse (whoever they are), also Al Kooper, and Tim Rose. If you like the white blues, John Mayall-style scene (I don't), this LP is good value for money with

14 tracks. "One More Mile" by Butterfield is good, and their version of "Spoonful" is one of the better ones; Clapton performs well on "Stepping Out;" the Spoonful tracks are rather ordinary and include "Almost Grown" and the all-time favourite "Searchin'." A good piece of background music, the LP is "Good Time Music" (EUK 260).

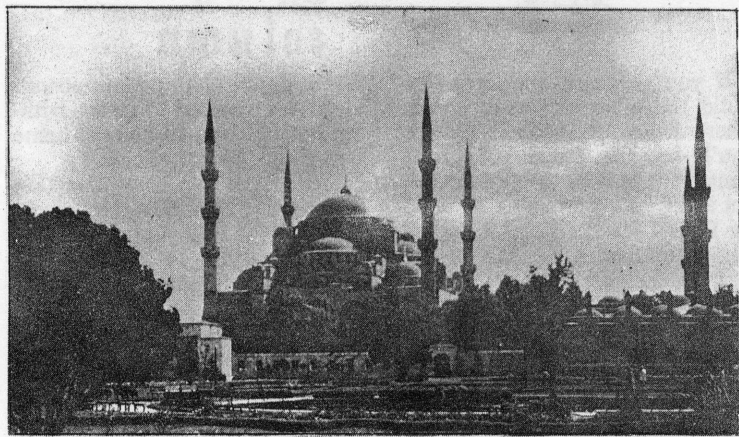
The other album, replete with sycophantic sleeve notes by John Peel, is more wide ranging, being 11 "progressive pop" tracks. Standouts are "Suzanne" (Judy Collins), lyrically beautiful, well sung; "Morning Glory" (Tim Buckley) a good example of his work; "She Comes in Colours" (Love), off the da Capo LP; and a short version of "Light My Fire" by the demonic Doors, omitting the classic four minute instrumental break of the LP. The Incredible String Band are represented by "First Girl I Loved," a poor track, and crap tracks are "Aries" by Cosmic Sounds (what can you expect with a name like that) and "Home of the Brave" (very sick) by Earth Opera. In general, though, it is another good anthology, worth hearing if you can ignore the bad numbers. Select Elektra (EUK 261).



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The Blue Mosque at Istanbul  
with its 6 minarets



## TURKEY — HALLMARKS TO ORDER

The main attractions of Turkey are the climate and the price, and of course the exotic East. To give some examples, a three course meal for two, with a bottle of wine and twenty cigarettes, costs about 10/-, the biggest peach you can buy costs 2d., and a hotel can cost 6/- a night. The usual temperature was 80 and our one day of rain in a month was just average.

Most people head first for Istanbul, the city half in Europe and half in Asia. The main tourist sites are St. Sophia, sometimes said to be one of the wonders of the modern world, the Blue Mosque which stands out with its six tall minarets, and Topkapi. Topkapi was the old Sultan's palace, and it is now a museum. The inner palace contains the treasury where almost everything is made of solid gold, including the washbasins—a change from the usual sanitary arrangements. The other big attraction is the Grand Bazaar where you can buy a lot of junk, or some real bargains. Care is needed when buying jewellery especially. A hallmark is usually a good guarantee, but once after we refused to buy something without a hallmark, the shopkeeper offered to find a stamp and mark it for us.

One of the most enjoyable things is bargaining for what you buy. You may be asked just a little more than the true value, or up to five times as much. By bargaining in several shops the correct values can be discovered and the longer you spend the lower the price usually is. Bargaining can be a real battle of the wits, but always remember to

offer less than you think a thing is worth.

## COACH TRIPS

A journey outside Istanbul into Asian Turkey can be very rewarding. Long distance coaches are fairly cheap at around 10s. for 100 miles, and they always hand round bottles of water from an ice-box at regular intervals, almost a necessity at that heat. A trip along the coast can take you through Bursa, Cannakale, Troy, Pergamon, Izmir, Ephesus, and down to the Aegean Sea and can be done in a few days at a fairly leisurely pace.

We found that the Turks were always a very friendly and generous people, and it was very easy to sit down in a cafe and chat. A surprisingly large number of them spoke some English, and they all use it at the slightest opportunity. Also you seem to meet quite a lot of English people throughout the country, especially large numbers of students from IC.

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# RUSSIA EASY TO GET THERE

I do not believe that of the readers of this newspaper there can be a single person who has not heard of the Soviet Union. I am sure that some of you must have been there, that others have already decided to visit during the coming summer, and that many others dream about seeing the country that was formed as a result of the success of the Great October Socialist Revolution in 1917 but feel that doing so would be rather difficult. However thousands of British tourists have already visited the U.S.S.R. and can testify how easily their dreams come true.

As the Soviet Union is such a large country practically every climatic condition, except tropical exists. There is one feature however which is common to the whole country and this is the marked difference between the cold and hot seasons. Summer temperatures in parts of the U.S.S.R. reach 30°C (86°F) and higher while in winter the mercury can fall to minus 30°C (and lower). The summer temperature in Moscow and Leningrad is usually between 25 and 30°C, in Siberia it can be hotter than Italy, while the Black Sea has a Mediterranean climate.

## Travel in Groups ....

You may travel in the Soviet Union either individually or in small groups. You can choose your own route or take advantage of the very wide choice of travel arrangements offered by "Intourist," the U.S.S.R. company for foreign tourists. Tours organized by "Intourist" last between eight and nineteen days during which you will be able to see different regions and tours. For example if you were to join the Central Asian Tour (14 days) you would be able to visit five cities and towns, Moscow, Leningrad, Tashkent, Bukhara, Samarkand. Another tour (this one for 9 days) includes Moscow, Kiev and Leningrad. The Siberian Tour (13 days) would take you to Moscow, Irkutsk, Bratsk, Novosibirsk, &c. Some tours have a fixed starting

date and some not. It is possible to use any kind of transport—air, rail, boat or coach.



## .... or on Your Own

One of the best ways to travel is by car. You can take your own car to the U.S.S.R. or hire one on the spot (self drive or with a driver). There is the Volga 5 seat saloon or the Moskvitch 4 seat saloon. You can get to the Soviet Union by car via Finland,

Poland, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, or Rumania, or you could take your car by ship to Leningrad or a port on the Black Sea. There is a large network of camp sites available for private motorists. At each camp site you will be given a parking space and a place to pitch your tent. You can also hire camping and sports equipment. There are cafes and small restaurants and for those who prefer it, kitchens with gas or electric stoves for doing your own cooking. Provisions can be bought on the spot. A gallon of petrol in the U.S.S.R. costs from 2/7 to 4/3 depending on octane rating. Diesel fuel is 1/- a gallon.

## Getting There

Now, how else can one get to the Soviet Union apart from in one's own car? There is a large choice. If time is important you can fly from London to Moscow in less than four hours by Aeroflot or BEA jet. There is also an air route direct to Leningrad.

A comfortable Soviet sleeper-coach is a solution that will bring you to Moscow in two days, during which time you will cross Central and Eastern Europe, and it will only cost you half the air fare (return second class £62).

Those who like cruising can enjoy a fascinating voyage from London to Leningrad which lasts about 5 days. The voyage itself is a pleasant holiday and on the way you will be able to see several other parts. The cheapest single ticket costs £23 inclusive of full board. From April of this year it has been possible to go from London to Moscow by coach. The journey lasts three days and this is the cheapest way to get to Moscow.

Finally I would like to give you the address of "Intourist" in London.

292, Regent St., London, W.1.  
01-580 4974 where you can get full information about holidays and travel in the Soviet Union.

DR. ORLOV

Food again is cheap except of course meat but carp, bred in local fish farms, provide cheap protein. Citrus fruits are plentiful, of excellent quality and also cheap.

As I mentioned earlier, I consider a period on a kibbutz a must and there are a good many that will welcome you if you just turn up. In return for work you will be given accommodation, your keep and probably a small amount of credit to spend in the kibbutz shop. The ones to try are the ones with a large fruit crop which is picked by hand.

As for touring Israel, the places of Biblical reference are of course the best bet, whatever your beliefs, as they are undoubtedly the most interesting historically. For students, Jerusalem is an extremely good place. There is the massive Hebrew University Campus and an exceptional international folk club which attracts students of all nationalities as well as many well-known folk singers.

The one point about Jerusalem is that hostel accommodation is already stretched and it is advisable to book as far in advance as possible. Jerusalem is also a strategic place to run out of money—you can sell your blood for a very good price!

I think that whatever your feelings about Israel those considerations should be laid aside and you should embark on an experience which should not be missed at any cost.

TONY LAKE

# ISRAEL SUMMER IN A HOTSPOT

Israel is an unbelievable contrast of new and old. The difference in attitudes between the more religious generation and the now pioneering young Israelis anxious for the rapid development of their country even if at times they might seem frighteningly nationalistic.

If you are wealthy you can of course fly to Tel Aviv, but a cheaper way to go is to travel overland to Nice, Marseilles or Venice from where you can get a boat to Haifa. Of these last alternatives the favourite on a limited budget is to hitch to Venice and travel across the Mediterranean on the passenger ferry, which in itself is quite an experience. A point which might be important if you subsequently wish to visit an Arab country is that you must either not get your passport stamped when entering Israel or get a second passport for use in Arab countries.

Having got there, Israel has a good network of youth hostels, which vary in standard from the ultra-modern one at Beersheba to the insect-infested shacks of the hostel on the Dead Sea, and if you've ever tried to sleep on camp beds in a humid atmosphere at 1,000 ft below sea level to the

accompaniment of a couple of fluttering praying mantises you will know what I mean.



Travel in Israel is quite cheap by bus (most of which are British, you will be glad to know) but it is also very cheap to hitch and even army wagons will stop for you.



# GREECE

## DAYS OF FUTURE PASSED

Greece is a land where the sun shines so bright that the whole land looks golden and the sea is as deep a blue as one could ever wish to see and it makes the English Channel on the brightest day look like an autumn mist. It was a perfect setting for one of the greatest intellectual Empires that has ever held the stage. To-day, as Byron's poem tells, the grandeur of those days is no more.

The isles of Greece, the isles of Greece!  
Where burning Sappho loved and sung,  
Where grew the arts of war and peace,  
Where Delos rose and Phoebus sprung!  
Eternal summer gilds them yet,  
But all, except their sun is set.

What remains is a land where the people who made Greece the shining pearl in the Mediterranean oyster, live on in the crumbling ruins and in the attitudes of these common people. Through countless centuries, war has left its mark not only on the visual splendours of the classic era but also on the traditions of the Greeks. It is not surprising then, that after centuries of Turkish occupation, that the food they eat, the games they play and the clothes they wear resemble those of the Turks, whom they hate so much. Indeed their animosity towards the Turks is so great that if one should mention that one is contemplating travelling in Turkey they visibly quiver. To the Greeks they are vagabonds or gypsies and nothing is safe in their midst.

The cheapest way to reach Greece would be to travel by train on a Brian Hughes Party to Athens and take enough food to last for the whole journey. It is a long journey, exactly three days, but although uncomfortable at times with six to a carriage, this is entirely compensated for by the unstinting friendship of the many people of different nationalities that one meets. If one travels this way on reaching Athens one usually finds oneself migrating towards the Hotel Marion in Plateia Vathis where for 15 drs one can sleep on the roof and have a hot shower. It is advisable to bring

your own sleeping bag or else you are likely to have a very uncomfortable night. Every night there are usually about 80 English people there and it's rather like being at a boarding house at Clacton.

## Beaches

If one's idea of a perfect holiday is to sit on the beach all day and let your body imbibe the sun and then live it up at night, Greece will prove rather limited, for the night atmosphere is less that of the fast moving luxury of St. Tropez but more of the gay slow moving sensual atmosphere of a tropical island. As regards beaches Greece has plenty to offer. The humid island of Corfu with its acres of Cypress trees has miles of soft sandy beaches and shady inlets. The suburbs of Athens too have fine beaches, but these are usually expensive and always crowded. The best beaches I think to be found on the mainland are near Kavalla in Northern Greece, which is one of those rare parts which unaccountably lie off the tourist map. Kavalla is a town rebuilt from the ravages of the Nazi occupation and its people, like all Greeks are warm and friendly. They can be seen in their most charming attitude in the evening as they stroll down the quayside drinking and eating as they go. For in Greece television has not yet reared its ugly head.

The loveliest place in my mind in the whole of Greece is Crete. It is much less arid, it attracts far fewer tourists and therefore is less commercialised and has a character all its own. It is as different from the rest of Greece as Provence is from the rest of France.

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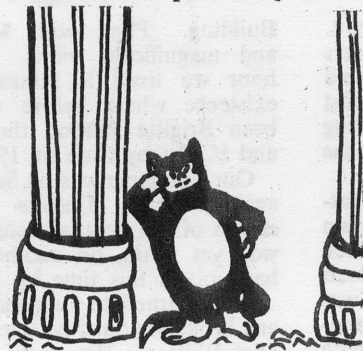
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I shall never forget the great kindness and hospitality that was accorded me wherever I went. One particular instance comes to mind when one night in the little village of Mallia a friend and myself had just finished a very enjoyable meal and settled the bill when the proprietor, who always looked as if he was smiling, asked us to come and sit with him. He then presented us with an endless supply of the local wine and little garnishes like cucumbers, feta, the typical Greek cheese and kebabs and watermelon until at about three a.m. more than a little inebriated we returned to the Youth Hostel. This performance was repeated every night that we were there.

## Far from the madding crowd

No journey to Crete would be complete without making a pilgrimage to Matala in the south of the island. There can be found not only the fascinating Roman burial caves but also large numbers of seemingly innocent hashish smokers. Not far from Matala is a tiny village called Aghia Gallini and if you want to spend a quiet holiday in a secluded spot with the minimum comforts of life then this is the place for you. It



was said by the inhabitants that once people came they never wanted to leave, which seemed to be quite accurate, for of the twelve people there at the time, none save myself had been there less than three weeks and there were two Americans who'd been there nearly two years. But I think the question really was not that they did not want to leave, but that they couldn't. For there is only one bus each day and that leaves at 4.30 in the morning and since there is no electricity it is virtually impossible to find out the time. If you do manage to catch the bus to Heraklion then you are more than likely to have your spine fractured as the bus bumps along on the twisting boulder-strewn track. Should you eventually reach Heraklion you must visit the palace of Knossos where Sir Arthur Evans spent £250,000 of his own money in excavating and rebuilding the Minoan palaces. If Knossos fires your imagination there are many other impressive sites to be visited, including Phaistos, Aghia Triada, Gortys and Mallia, and it would be worth paying a visit to the museum at Heraklion to see the reconstructed frescoes and mosaics from the various palaces.

Greece then is a place of great contrast; from the dry arid landscapes of Mykonos and the Cyclades to the lush green valleys of Crete and Rhodes. If you should once set foot in Crete you will never want to leave for if you were to ask me to choose a paradise on earth then it would be Crete.

CHRIS LEWIS

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# INSTITUTE of CONTEMPORARY ARTS

Many people would say that London is already sufficiently well-endowed with art galleries, considering that there are the National, Tate, Royal Academy, Courtauld Institute, the Whitechapel, the smaller public galleries and all the commercial ones. The first reaction when one finds that another one is to open is that its presence is hardly necessary.

And then one finds that the new premises of the Institute of Contemporary Arts are to be more than just a conventional art gallery, although much of its activity will be, in a broad sense, that of an art gallery; the provision of a place to show works of art. The works of art in question, however, will not be confined to paintings and sculpture, though these will not be neglected, but will include films, television, theatre, dance, poetry and other art forms which lie between or beyond the conventional boundaries.

The ICA was founded in 1947 by Sir Herbert Read and Sir Roland Penrose among others. Its first exhibition was entitled "40,000 Years of Modern Art" and was designed to show the essential similarity of prehistoric, archaic and tribal art and the avant-garde. Soon afterwards, it moved to permanent premises in Dover Street, where the first London exhibitions of Dubuffet, Cartier-Bresson and Matter were held.

## New Home

In December 1967 the lease on the Dover Street premises ran out. A part of Carlton House Terrace had, with the aid of the Arts Council, been acquired and while the exterior of the magnificent John Nash-designed terrace was left unaltered the interior was being gutted and converted into a gallery, a cinema-cum-theatre, workshop and offices. At the same time, Michael Kustow, who had previously worked on Centre 42 and had spent four years with the Royal Shakespeare Company where he organised the Royal Shakespeare Club, was appointed director. The new premises are shared with four other societies of art and design: Society of Industrial Artists and Designers, Designers and Art Directors Association, Design and Industries Association and Institute of Landscape Artists.

## Opening Ceremonies

The official opening of Nash House as the property is being called, was by Jennie Lee, Minister of the Arts, on April 10th, but prior to this two events were held there. One was the "housewarming" party with 2,000 guests, wine, food, fantastic Mark Boyle lightshows, a band of African drummers, two beat groups and an experimental dancer, and the other an address by Buckminster Fuller, inventor of the geodesic dome, designer of the US pavilion at Expo '67 and winner of the Gold Medal of the RIBA.

The present exhibition, which is the opening one at Nash House, is called "The Obsessive Image," the image being man himself. It is, when one looks at future plans for the centre, almost a conventional exhibition of painting and sculpture executed since 1960. The choice of theme seems to have been inspired by the need to find a sufficiently broad topic relevant to the aims of the ICA, and by confining the exhibits, except for three films and a work consisting of a succession of colour slides, to paintings and sculptures which are the oldest and best established art forms, it demonstrates that it has not rejected any of the old in search of the new.

Robbed of the novelty which surrounds, and is one of the attractions of, new art forms, the exhibits must stand on their own merits and stand comparison with, for example, the best the Tate has to offer in its modern section. This they do very well.

As may be expected when the subject is such a complex topic as man, the exhibits show a wide variety of interpretations. Some, such as Niki de Saint-Phalle's "Clarice Again," are unashamedly fun, others are concerned with love and hate, with suffering and grief, some celebrate man's freedom and others his increasing mechanisation and conformity.

To single out any particular exhibits would be to prejudice their evaluation by anyone else. However, if you can take time off from revising and can afford the price of 2/6 for members and 5/- for non-members, "The Obsessive Image" is worth a visit as a fairly comprehensive up-to-the-minute review of "conventional" painting and sculptures. The exhibition is open until 29th May and is open Tuesdays to Saturdays from 11 a.m.—6 p.m., Sundays 2-6 p.m., closed on Mondays.



# SPORTS NEWS

## RUGBY CLUB HITS BELGIUM

Judging by the difficulty some of the party had in awakening at 9.30 a.m. on Saturday 23 March, the ICWA Formal the night before must have been quite a success.

At this early stage the (already) careworn Captain was worried about his team. The original party of 20 had been gradually whittled down to 17 players by injuries and calls made by examiners. As four matches were to be played on rather hard ground this seemed a somewhat scanty body of men—in numbers, that is.

However, the 17 were smoothly away from Victoria at 11 a.m. and after a bracing boat trip from Dover to Ostend during which Dick Willcox distinguished (or was it extinguished?) himself with a bottle of Drambuie, and an hour-long train journey, we arrived in Brussels at six p.m.

We wandered down the Rue du Marche to an abode for the week—the "Hotel des Touristes"—where "all the Rugby teams stay." We were to wander down this street many more times during the weeks as it was the very heart of Brussels' red lamp district.

On Sunday we were taken to a ground at Kelle where, against a side we took to be the National Team, we won 59-0. Of course it wasn't the National team!

After two days of sightseeing and other entertainments we met the National Team at 9 p.m., under floodlights. This was the first game played by IC under floodlights and it seemed to suit us well. We won 16-3 against really quite good opposition. John Kelly was in brilliant form scoring two great tries, much to the delight of the home crowd and the ire of the National team.



The I.C. party with friends

We enjoyed Tuesday night, some more than others. Messrs Kelly, Ballard, Harding and Smithies arrived for breakfast from the outside of the building in a condition unusual for the hour.

The high cost of food in Brussels made the financial situation rather irksome but in between "evannigs" we beat Brussels University 34-0. This game was played on the Thursday at midday and it was the hottest March day in Brussels for 135 years. To test our stamina even further our hosts had arranged a visit to the "Wieleman's" Brewery for us straight after the match. After an exhausting tour of inspection we were delighted to find that we could drink as much of the brew as we liked—what a challenge!

Friday morning was spent being entertained by our hosts, the Belgian RFU on the 28th, 29th and 30th floors of the Martini

Building. Plied with Martinis and magnificent views, for an hour we lived a James Bond existence, where before us had been Brigitte Bardot, the Spurs and IC Rugby Club (in 1962).

Our last game was on Saturday against Avia. Despite valiant efforts of the Scottish referee we won yet again, on another very hard pitch, this time by 27-3.

We returned to England, tired and broke, on Sunday, celebrating Dick Willcox's 21st on the boat—poor devil!

Our trophies are to be seen in Southside bar (a pennant) and the Union bar (a bowl). Those who went on the team were:

R. J. Pine, J. Lum, M. Dodson, J. Ballard, J. Kelly, P. Cox, A. Duke, R. Willcox, D. Bell, C. Harding, B. Kettle, T. Stephenson, C. Cattell, M. Riley, J. Wild, J. Jackson and J. Smithies.

BOB PINE

## WONDERBAR KOBENHAVN

Not to be outdone by the professionals, IC footballers left Liverpool Street station on 24th March for a taste of European football, plus a taste of other, usually less vigorous continental pastimes. Twenty-six hours of travelling to Copenhagen were ahead of them, containing a fair share of incidents, both desirable and undesirable but usually concerning "desire" of some sort. Most of the evening on the boat was spent sampling Danish beverages; later the team demonstrated some British traditions and then one R. J. Horlock demonstrated some Ancient British traditions as he went for an evening stroll on deck wearing only a bandage on his left ankle.

On arriving in Copenhagen, a pleasant surprise was waiting—no accommodation had been arranged. A temporary stay in one of the cheaper hotels in the centre was sought and found but it turned out that most of the guests in this hotel were young, heavily-made-up ladies who appeared to spend much of their evenings standing on the pavements of the cold street outside. However, blind eyes were turned to this practice except those of R. J. Horlock who was greatly interested in all that went on.

The first game was against a team from the Copenhagen AB Club (who are Danish champions) but all the players were students

at Copenhagen University. In a close, hard-fought match IC got two early goals and led by this margin until the last ten minutes when AB scored two quick goals to tie the match. A good performance, as the match was under floodlights and on an all-weather pitch, both completely new to the IC team. The ground was rather loose but on limb-contact very hard unfortunately—the players came off minus a few square inches of their knee-cap skins, all having had quite a few falls except for R. J. Horlock who, perhaps due to the films he saw in the afternoon, managed to keep erect throughout the game.

The second match was against another Copenhagen league side called Bronshoj, this time in the afternoon and on grass. IC won 5-3, due more to youthful fitness than to skill, perhaps, as the Bronshoj team contained some very good players including two ex-Danish internationals, but they were getting on in years. One of these internationals was against IC's inside-right, R. J. Horlock, who had a hard game.

The third and final match was again under floodlights and on an all-weather pitch, against the Shoskavad reserve side who are in the Danish National League, second division. This was easily IC's best performance; they

played a very fast and clever game and ended up convincing 5-0 winners. R. J. Horlock had a very good game but complained at being stiff at the finish.

On the whole, a very successful tour, marred mainly by Danish taxation producing a pint of beer costing ten shillings on average, but educational trips round the Carlsberg and Tuborg Breweries helped to reduce this anomaly.

## ICWSC

On Friday 26th and Saturday 27th of April, the U.L.U. Athletics championships took place at Motspur Park.

ICWSC fielded a large team which by sheer strength of numbers, won the Imperial Challenge Cup for the winning ladies team.

Success was mainly due to Ann Burrell, our captain, who won the Long Jump, High Jump, and 80 metres Hurdles titles to score 18 of our 49 points, although all members of the team were successful in gaining points in their events.

The team was:—

Ann Burrell (Capt.), Dorothy Atkinson, Thelma Brown, Joyce Butcher, Lilas Campion, Susan Long, Margaret Lumley, Janet Manfield, Jane Pugh.

# WHAT'S ON

## WEDNESDAY

8th MAY

**University of London Quaker Society.** David Barlow, who works in the BBC Indian Section and who was brought up a Friend but became a Roman Catholic at 21, will give a talk entitled, "From Quakerism to Catholicism" at the Friends International Centre, Courtauld Hse., Byng Place, W.C.1 (north end of ULU) at 20.00. All welcome.

## THURSDAY

**R.C.S. (in Physics) and Guilds (Mech Eng A) Union meetings.** Hustings.

## FRIDAY

**I.C. Union meeting, in the Concert hall.**

## SATURDAY

**Hop with Traffic—In aid of Carnival.** 10/6d. in advance. 12/6d. at door. 8.00 p.m.

## TUESDAY

**University of London Humanist Society** is holding a meeting on the situation in Greece at 19.30 in ULU.

**R.C.S. Union A.G.M. in Chemistry.**

**School of Oriental and African Studies, Malet Street.** Indian Music Concert "Ustad Inayat Khan" playing Sitar with Tabla accompaniment, at 19.00.

## THURSDAY

**Guilds Union elections.** Mech. Eng. A.

## ALSO

**FELIX Staff meetings.** Tuesdays and Thursdays 12.45. Press room. News reporters, photographers, general helpers required.

**Folk and Square Dance Club.** Fridays 19.30 Union snack bar. Men desperately needed.

**Catholic Soc.** Mass 14.35 Tuesdays, 11 Princes Gardens.

**ULU English Folk Dance Club.** 19.30. School of Pharmacy, Brunswick Square every Wednesday.

**Gliding Club.** Thursdays 17.45 Aero 254.

**Judo Club.** Tuesdays 18.00 Union gym. Beginners and graded members.

**ULU Flying Club.** Biggin Hill every Saturday. New members welcome.

**Dancing Club.** Beginners Ballroom and Latin American. Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays 19.30 Concert Hall. Intermediate classes on Tuesdays.

**Jazz Club** every Sunday night. Lower union lounge. FREE.

**Sunday Services—** Baptist 11.00 and 18.30 Bloomsbury Central Baptist Church, Shaftesbury Avenue, WC2.

**Church of England.** St. Augustine's, Queen's Gate. 9.00. Eucharist. 19.30 Evensong.

**Methodist.** 11.00 and 18.30. Hind Street Methodist Church, Manchester Square, W.1.

**Roman Catholic.** Little Oratory, Brompton Road. 19.30. Students' Mass followed by social.

**Huxley Soc.** Monday lunchtimes 13.10. Discussion group.

**I.C. HOPS** on Saturdays. On 11th the TRAFFIC.

**Professor A. R. von Hippel** will be giving three lectures on **Aspects of Materials Design** at 17.30 on 7, 8 and 9 May in Mech. Eng. A.

**Professor Peter W. Whitton** will be giving three lectures on **Applications of Stress Analysis** at 17.30 on 14, 15 and 17 May in Mech. Eng. A.

## ALL WEEK

**Hot dogs on sale under Union Arch 1/3 each; proceeds to Carnival.**

**Intermediate Technology exhibition** in Mech. Eng. Concourse.

## SMALL ADS

**Durex (brown)** used only once; normal sensitivity; 10/- for 1200 ft. Ring internal 2854; S. F. Morrisky Chem. 1.

Anyone who would like to learn life-saving etc. but does not particularly want to join the Swimming Club should drop a line to Mr. Spooner (Baths Manager) at the Union Office as soon as possible. If there is sufficient demand he will try to arrange a period each week for them when the pool opens in October.

**1960 Triumph 5TA**, as advertised last issue is still for sale. Still with 1965 specification, still in fantastic condition, still no GS stamps, still £75 or offer. Probst ME II via rack.

Raines







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# INDEX LATE NEWS

EDITOR  
Dick Reeves  
WITH:  
S. Chittock  
Paul Miller  
Ken Simpson  
and Linda

## TECHNICIAN GET RISE: STRIKE AVERTED

At yesterday's meeting of the technicians' Union in Mech. Eng theatre A it was decided to accept the University's offer of an increased London weighting thus averting a strike that the technicians claim would have halted the examinations this year and brought all research work to a stand still. As a result of this settlement, technicians now receive a greater London weighting than academic staff.

In November the PIB report recommended a London allowance of £125 for the non-industrial civil service. When this was published ASTMS, the technicians' Union claimed for the same. The University recognised the justice of this claim, but having no money had to apply to the Government for the necessary funds. The Government eventually gave an unfavourable reply, and the University claimed that it could not pay the increase. However, the ASTMS, the new, stronger, Union formed from the old ASCW and ASSET threatened strike action and the University suddenly found that it could pay the increase from its own resources.

Those working within 4 miles of Charing Cross now receive an extra £65 pa.

The Imperial College branch of the Union was foremost in taking the strong line that achieved the rise. There may well be trouble ahead because of anomalies unresolved by the recent settlement in particular TE's and EO's receive no rise and those at College Field Stations outside London do not get the rise awarded to similar people in the same College, but working in London.

## PIRATE PARKER

Tuesday afternoon: A mini was parked in the Rector's Car Park, halfway across a lockable bollard, with a notice in the window "I am attending lectures at Imperial College and therefore consider I am entitled to park here." S.C.

## JEZ WINS PRIZE AT BRIGHTON

Last Sunday, RCS Motor Club took Jezebel on the Historic Commercial Vehicle Run to Brighton. Setting off from Battersea at 6.30 a.m. (such hours do exist, even on a Sunday) she behaved superbly, the only trouble being that the fuel tap closed itself twice en route.

Unfortunately, the mini tender vehicle of Dick Gentle was not quite so well behaved, and gave up the ghost. But Jez continued to Brighton regardless.

In the Concourse d'Elegance Jez was awarded 2nd prize, a plaque for pre-1920 fire engines (Guilds please note - Jez wins prizes) and she then stormed home, revitalised, in only 3 hours. In honour of Jez' achievement the College flag will fly today.

## BE BLOODY GENEROUS

The last session of blood doning in the Union building in November enabled the National Blood Transfusion Service to collect 444 pints of blood, in fact enough blood for a bath!

Blood is still urgently needed and it would be a tremendous achievement if this figure were increased at the next session starting on May 21st.

Provided that you lie in comfort with a pretty nurse holding one hand and a cup of tea in the other, there will be no after effects, excepts perhaps, an increasing desire to do it again.

There are no qualifications necessary to become a donor, in fact any type of bleeder will do, so please don't hesitate in signing up on the notice board in the Union.

In spite of this flippancy, it cannot be overstressed how important blood is. It is not uncommon for operations to have to be postponed because of lack of blood for a necessary transfusion. The doctors in charge of the session have stated that there are no after effects at all and doning will have no deleterious effect on examination performance. In fact the sight of all those nurses will probably increase your performance, so please, if you possibly can, give your blood at the next session in the Union.

Leslie Webb Botany PG

## NEW BAR FURNISHINGS

South Side bar is to get 12 new chairs and 3 new tables plus a £250 carpet. £100 of this is to be paid for by the staff as they use the bar.



LADIES! DON'T FORGET IOWA ELECTIONS ON THURSDAY

### SWINGING SOUTH SIDE COFFEE BAR

This week a Mooney-run coffee bar opened in South Side snack bar. It is being run by Lesley, who was South Side barmaid. The coffee bar remains open to 10.30 and is intended to provide a meeting place for students in the evenings.

### CARNIVAL: HEADING FOR K85

Saturday's Carnival Fete in Princes Gardens will be the last Carnival event this year, apart from the Carnival Dance which follows. The Fete will have the usual side-shows and events and in particular there will be a Cabaret by Greek-Soc. The main event will be the raffle draw; Leukaemia may be able to supply Hattie Jacques to draw.

All the raffle prizes will be on display in the garden, especially the colour television which will be working. The Fete starts at 2 o'clock and all raffle tickets must be in by 4 o'clock on Saturday to 642 Tizard.

Under Chris Palmer's leadership the Carnival has so far totalled \$4,400 and is confident of making \$5,000 possibly \$5,500 this compares well with \$3,400 last year.

The TRAFFIC are billed for the Carnival dance.

### TELEPHONE DIRECTORY DIRECTIONS

As new directories are now coming around, you will no doubt be wishing to tear up your old ones. Amateurs always complain that they are sure they could do it if only they could get started. The trick is to grasp the book by the spine and break it: this starts the tear. This is a FELIX information note.

### SOUTH SIDE TO BE GLUED MORE STRONGLY

Investigation by the maintenance department has shown that some of the masonry facing blocks on the outside of the building are not as securely fixed as would be desirable. Work will proceed to put this right. In the meantime a scaffolding has been erected which is intended to act as a barrier to keep students using the lower gallery within the overhang of the building.

Dr Butler has asked maintenance to see that there will not be too much noise during exam time.

### NO CENSORSHIP AT I.C.

As reported in the main issue Ray Phillips cleared up the question of the calls for IC Peace Action Group. The Union received a phone call from the Press wanting information about the Dow Chemicals affair. Phillips gave instructions that it, and any other calls on the subject, should be diverted to Miss Nolan, the IC Press Officer. Consequently when Pam, the Union receptionist, received a call asking to speak to a member of the Peace Action Group about this subject, she had the call transferred to Miss Nolan. No censorship of any kind was intended.

### LETTERS

Dear Sir,

Surely, my honorary award of the "WC and chain" must go to the organisers of the May Ball for the chaotic and disorganised affair last Friday night.

A mixed up programme can be forgiven, but not the admission of numerous informally dressed people, and the high level of pop music that reduced the evening to the level of a "Hop".

When I and most other people pay 5 guineas to go to a formal function, I expect to see everyone else in formal dress and a greater degree of classy ballroom music instead of common or garden pop churned out all night.

Yours sincerely,

Paul Mellor EEL

Dear Sir,

Could we please point out that the ghetto-like mentality of 'Angelicus' in the latest edition of Phoenix is neither the attitude of the Catholic Society nor of the Church as a whole. We assume that it was meant as a joke, in very poor taste. We hope that it will be taken as such by its readers.

J.K. Wilkinson

C.J. Washington (publicity officers-  
Cathsoc)

Dear Sir,

I write with reference to Mr Redmayne's proposed motion abandoning the idea of UGM's.

I cannot help thinking that this motion is bowing to the present apathetic trend. The net effect will be to place power even more firmly in the hands of a few, and to increase disinterest in (or alternatively increase dissatisfaction with) the Union.

So, the way to tackle the problem is to combat the apathy. Reverse the present trend. I suggest better publicity; for example, verbal announcements via year reps before lectures, etc. Moreover, I think that publication of UGM full agenda and full minutes on all departmental notice boards would stimulate interest in ICU affairs.

At present, there is far too much dithering at Union meetings. A more lively, less boring procedure might attract some members.

The policy of appealing to students to attend the meetings has been shown to be a failure - no wonder why when one looks at the meetings as they are held at present! Instead, make it worth one's while to take an interest in Union affairs. Then, perhaps, we may see an improvement.

A.J. Kirikham, Physics I

DO NOT FORGET YOUR UNION MEETING ON FRIDAY 1 p.m. CONCERT HALL  
LATE NEWS CONSIDERED OPINION: The motions by Phillips, Redmayne and Mackman should be passed. This is biased editorial opinion creeping in D.R.

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