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# Action taken on overseas students

Measures are to be taken to create a new Union major sub-committee (of Union Council) to cover overseas student affairs. The move came at an informal meeting on Wednesday evening, designed to revamp interest in the Union's ailing Overseas Students Committee (OSC):

The meeting was convened by Academic Affairs Officer Paul Ekpenyong and External Affairs Officer Hugh Barrett, both of whom had become deeply concerned that the OSC's nine elected posts were all vacant. These should have been filled in March.

#### Low level of activity

The two were also perturbed about the absence of an Overseas Students Freshers reception and the low level of activity among overseas students on the issues affecting them. This they found disturbing in the wake of increasing constraints on overseas students studying in the UK. 'IC is one of the few colleges not openly involved in fighting these constraints and supporting the NUS campaign on overseas students' said Paul Ekpenyong.

The unanimous decision to scrap the existing committee was taken by an invited group of foreign students comprising leaders of ICU's national societies and others interested in promoting overseas student activity. Under the plan devised on Wednesday, these societies would come under the jurisdiction of the new sub-committee.

#### New proposals

The plan would effectively fuse the aims and organisation of the SCC national societies with those of the existing Students Committee, to produce a cohesive voice for overseas students. The meeting acknowledged that the present system failed to bind individual active national societies together on the issues common to all overseas students.

The sub-committee would be represented on Council by its chairman. Its composition would be the chairmen of the national societies and elected representatives of overseas students.

#### **Executive backing**

The proposals have yet to be finalised and will have to be approved by Union Counçil and General Meetings, Initial Union reaction has been favourable and informed sources believe the idea will receive ascent, in principle, at next week's Executive meeting. President Nick Brayshaw and SCC Chairman Alan Lodge have already welcomed the proposals.

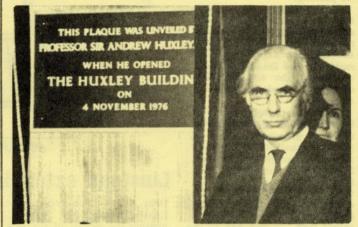
#### Action committee

An ad hoc 'Overseas Students Activists Committee' was set up at the meeting. This body will decide the exact formal structure of the new sub-committee and present its proposals to Council. It is hoped the Activists Committee will also instigate new enthusiasm in cverseas student affairs, publicise the main issues affecting these students and devise preliminary arrangements for next year's freshers' reception.

# Food prices to stay constant

The College Refectory Committee decided last week to recommend to the Governing Body that refectory prices remain at their present level after Christmas. Suggestions that the Committee look deeply into what the customer wants from the catering service were welcomed by chairman, Professor Eilon. He has asked the Union to conduct a survey to determine this.

See Editorial (page 3) and Pres Cuttings (page 10).



Professor Sir Andrew Huxley, FRS, who last Thursday opened the new Huxley Building in Queensgate. The building is named after Thomas Huxley, a professor in Biology, who was Dean of RCS and RSM from 1881 — 1895. Sir Adrew is the grandson of Thomas Huxley.

The new building houses the departments of Maths, Physics and Computing & Control.

# Brunel reject Izzy

Izzy, the six foot high fibreglass dinosaur captured by IC students over the summer, will not be returning to its original owners, Brunel University Students Union. The Executive of Brunel Union has told Izzy's captors that his Union does not intend to meet the conditions laid down for the mascot's return.

These included the payment of £50 to the IC Rag charities and the donation of 150 pints of blood by Brunel students, all by November 1st. The mascot's captors had been prepared to extend the deadline, but this suggestion was rejected by the Brunel Executive.

Another College has shown interest in borrowing the dinasour for their Rag procession and negotiations are now underway to sort out the details.

These developments weren't the only mascotry activities in the last week. RCS Union tried unsuccessfully to steal Spanner and Bolt, the Guilds mascots, at last Thursday's Electrical Engineering Freshers' Dinner. RCSU sealed all the entrances to the College forcing Guilds to keep their mascots on the campus until the RCSU groups groups had dispersed. Spanner and Bolt finally left College

via the Chemical Engineering building at about 10.20pm. No trouble was reported.

Another mascot, Phineas, which was acquired last year from University College by Guilds is due to be returned to UC at this Sunday's Guilds bar night.

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# letters to the editor

Dear Editor, — May I make a few comments on the proposed Linstead Extension. Firstly, on reading last weeks article, the most elegant and appealing scheme was clearly that of the Knightsbridge Association. Besides providing accommodation which normal human beings would enjoy living in, as opposed to the 'rabbit warrens' which students are expected to live in, the scheme also provides for extending the present sports facilities and maintaining the space available for parking.

Unfortunately the scheme

Unfortunately the scheme has many equally clear disadvantages. The cost would probably be prohibitive, and the low rise aspect does not meet with the DAPWCC's idea of boxing the Gardens into another of London's typical(?)

squares.

Although clearly aimed at keeping within the budget, the College proposals seem to show a complete absence of any new thoughts in design. It appears to mirror the present Linstead design — with the top chopped off to save the expense, and the exterior tarted up a bit to give it a newer look — and add to the expense.

The final scheme, proposed by Wiggins and Gardiner, I feel is totally ludicrous. Having been privileged enough to see their plans — which appear to be newly incomprehensible — I shall point out my main

points of objection.

a) The tennis courts and car park are used indiscriminately without any thought of replacing these facilities.

b) The space available would limit the size of the courtyards, making them into unsocial wastages of space and only useful for accumulating litter.

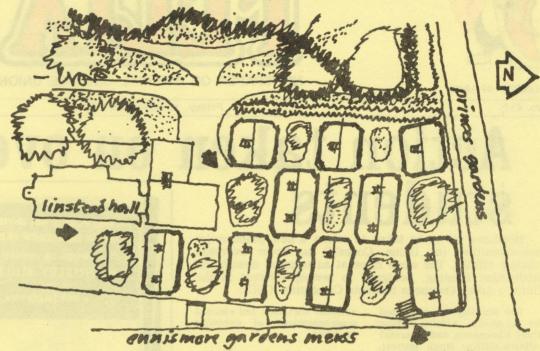
c) The courtyards could only be centres of social activity if warm and well lit — impossible in the population density suggested.

I have been unable to see any advantages in their scheme whatsoever. One final point on the

One final point on the present, and proposed density of population: whilst high density is obviously favoured financially (especially when space is limited), a density even as high as at present can only lead to a feeling of impersonality and a lack of respect for the property. This leads directly to vandalism, or at least misuse of the available facilities, and a corresponding reduction in useful lifetime.

Please Messrs Wiggins and Gardiner and whoever is responsible for the college plans, rethink and consider the quality of life of all Students and Mews residents alike.

H. CHEETHAM Met Post Grad.



### Linstead extension A plan view of the scheme for the Linstead Hall extension as submitted by David Wiggins and Stephen Gardiner.

Dear Sir, — You report that I have "extensively lobbied... against the height of the new building and the density of student numbers".

The truth is that I have made argued representations in writing, all of them accessible to Imperial College, and not against numbers the right number in my opinion is the largest number compatible with good environment and good architecture – but architecture solely against the suitability of the proposal to all human inhabitants of the neighbourhood, whether student or non-student. Evidently every councillor was persuaded that the building would aggravate and reinforce the harsh and overpowering quality of what is already in the square; destroy the light and air which demolition on the east has fortuitously created in a potentially dark place; and result in a massive infringement of daylighting regulations at Phase Three (not given in your pretty picture), an infringement from which IC students would principally suffer. My low-rise (3½ storey) alternative could house more students for your £350,000, and could house more students more cheaply and more quickly in subsequent phases.

If the College had heeded properly the summer meeting of the Town Planning Committee, it could have predicted the refusal it has suffered.

DAVID WIGGINS Professor of Philosophy Bedford College 8 November 1976

#### Discount follies

Dear Sir, — There has been much debate over the attempt by Imperial College Students' Union to sell the National Student Discount Scheme below the NUS recommended price of £2.00.

We are just one of many small colleges who have invested a considerable proportion of our total income into the NSDS scheme. We are attempting to increase the income of our union by selling these cards and receiving commission from NUS for the cards that we sell. If Imperial College Students' Union begin selling their cards cheaper than we can, (If we sell them at that price it is not worth us selling them), then we will be unable to sell our cards to the students from our college because they will just go to Imperial.

Our total investment in the NSDS scheme is £500 and we cannot afford to have unsold cards and handbooks. I sincerely hope that Imperial Union decide to forget about this idea because it will cause severe financial difficulties to small unions such as ours, and that they accept that NUS had their reasons, (this is only one), in fixing the price of the NSDS Cards at £2.00.

Yours sincerely,
STEVE WILLIAMS,
President.
Hammersmith & West London
College Students' Union.
8November 1976

#### Your paper?

Dear Sir, — As the three students who share the writing of FELIX Theatre reviews, may we reply to Mr Davey's extraordinary attack in last week's issue?

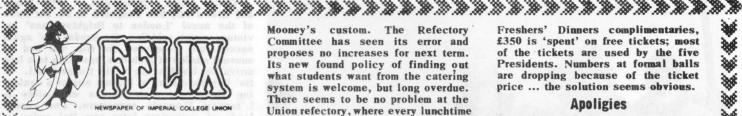
We would not seek to disagree with his contention that better qualified critics can be read in the national press. What we aim to do is to give a students' eye view of productions; if we sometimes sound pretentious then we apologise, it is unintentional.

It is unfortunate that Mr Davey should draw comparisons between our aspirations and his Olympic qualifications. We do not pretent to be world class critics. We are solely reporting events as we see them just as he does, with the difference that we do not digress into praise of the beer consumed and the public houses visited. I'm sure you would be pleased to receive a report of any public sporting occasion which Mr Davey has visited, which would be of interest to readers.

In conclusion may we applaud the sentiments, expressed in your editorial, that the tastes of FELIX readers cover a wide range, and thanks all those who contribute to FELIX in any way, particularly those who cover IC events, which must on any consideration be the prime concern of the Newspaper of Imperial College Union.

Thomas Stevenson Eric Stovell Steve Grove

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#### Overseas Students

I was disheartened that no member of the Union Executive attended the Overseas Students meeting on Wednesday (see front page). It was doubly sad, since over the summer vacation, I had heard many ideas from the Exec. aimed at increasing overseas student participation in Union. Overseas students form 25% of Union membership. They now face special problems which threaten their community at IC. The situation deserves closer attention from ICU. It is hardly encouraging to active overseas students to see no lead given by the Executive, three of whom sit on the ailing Overseas Students Committee.

#### Refectories

In October 1975 a 40% refectory price increase dramatically

Mooney's custom. The Refectory Committee has seen its error and proposes no increases for next term. Its new found policy of finding out what students want from the catering system is welcome, but long overdue. There seems to be no problem at the Union refectory, where every lunchtime the queue trails out of the refec, door and across the foyer. Congratulations to Mr Mooney on this one, at least.

By the way, if you don't like the queues, the Union Bar serves sandwiches in the Lower Lounge at lunchtimes. Hot meals at weekends are also on the cards.

#### Returning the Compliment

The RCS Union General Committee decided on Monday that the ICU, ICWA, C&GU and RSMU Presidents would only get a single complimentary ticket to the RCS Silwood Ball. Formerly they had received a double ticket. At, say, £15 a double ticket for this year's formal balls, double complimentaries add £60 to the event's bill ie: £1 to each double bought for Silwood, the ICWA Ball & Mines Ball, and at least 50p a double for Guilds Dinner and Dance, Including

Freshers' Dinners complimentaries, £350 is 'spent' on free tickets; most of the tickets are used by the five Presidents. Numbers at formal balls are dropping because of the ticket price ... the solution seems obvious.

#### **Apoligies**

Sorry about the state of last week's editorial, the rush to get FELIX to you prevented accurate proof reading here. Apologies too to Mr Davey, whose name got spelt three different

Due to a slight cock-up by myself the Rag edition of FELIX will now be sold on 3rd December. Next week's edition will photo-preview Rag Week.

Thanks to Omega, the Herriot-Watt University paper, for allowing us to use the dalek cartoon last week.

Many thanks to Gill McConway, lan Morse, Jen Hardy-Smith, Mark Kuse. Howard Cheetham, Chris Palmer, Duncan Suss, Trevor Poole, Terry Westoby, Andrew Evans, Dave Crabb, Alison, Mike Slone-Murphy, Jon Lor --, Tony Jones and John O'Leary. Ta too anyone else l've forgotten.

## letters continued ... L-plates for lunacy

Dear Sir, - With reference to your article headed "Mascot Wrangles", in FELIX No. 432, we would like to make several points.

John Elkin, guildsheet itor, did drive his vehicle guildsheet editor, at the RCS freshers, and continued to drive backwards forwards, hitting numerous people. As Mr Elkin was reversing, presumably for another attempt at the crowd, a wine waiter removed his ignition keys for the safety of all persons present. Theta then entered the dinner across the bonnet of the guide as it was now blocking the

after Immediately incident, guilds maintained that Mr Elkin had not rammed the freshers and that he always drove at speed around this area at that time of night of overwhelming evidence to anyway. However in the light the contrary, he later told RCS that he 'DELIBERATELY RAMMED THE FRESHERS BECAUSE HE THOUGHT THAT HIS FRIENDS WERE IN TROUBLE.

whole incident was The by a least two of the guilds exec., viewed members Vice-President, Dave Lord and Hon Sec, Mike Wheatley, who were both waiting, along with a number of guildsman, in the Lyon-Playfair library. On noticing that minimal on noticing that minimal damage had occured to Mr Elkin's car, Mr Wheatley said 'RCS are going to pay for this'. We would like to point out that damage to cars can be paid for (although the have no intention of doing we have no intention of doing in this instance) damage to people cannot.

have been Things may had an attitude, similar to Mr Elkin's, been taken by RCSU, and the J4 van been used to prevent Mr Elkin from ramming RCS freshers escorting Theta. freshers escorting Theta. Mr Elkin may not have been quite so happy had the J4 (a somewhat larger vehicle) rammed him when the driver 'saw that his buddies were in trouble'!

The Royal College Science Union feel that the whole point of Mascots attending Freshers Dinners has been put in jeopardy by continued aggravation during this year's events. During the first dinner, road blocks comprising 50gal oil drums, comprising 50gal oil drums, breeze blocks, milk-crates, road signs and scaffolding poles were placed across college roads in an attempt to prevent Theta from leaving college, they would have worked had they not been noticed during the dinner, as they were placed in such positions as to be likely to Members of guilds, who have driven spanner to and from that this was blatened, dangerous and could have caused serious injury and

At the third dinner (Life Sciences), Mr Elkin was seen on more than one occasion to be driving past the window the of dinner at speed, spoiling the atmoshpere of the dinner for many people.

do not Although we object, in principle, to efforts by guilds to valid Theta, we feel that steal definition, mascotry be good-humoured with no real violence should activity, definately no actions could endanger life which

limb. RCS will continue or follow these guidelines, may we hope that guilds come to their senses before the thing gets out of whole proportion.

We would like to close with a 'warning' quote from a guildsman heavily involved with spanner at a subsequent guilds dinner: 'We'd better

not have any trouble tonight or we'll call the police'.

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Yours in anticipation of many rumblings from Mr Lord and crew. Steve Braund VP RCSU Dave Dodge Assist. Hon Sec

#### Right groove

Dear Sir, - How glad I was to read your expose in the October 21st issue. It was refreshing to see reality in print. popular music scene definitely, sadly anti-truth, pro-illusionist and a continuing negative in a progressive world.

Let us see a more detailed expose of where it's really at with the music industry - how sales of advertising space in music papers is linked with reviews of gigs, concerts, singles and albums releases, and how double-page spread "editorials" are sold at a price.

And let us have an expose of the singles market hype where chart material is manufactured with certainty success, with full awareness of bad content disregarded in favour of the knowledge of financial profit to be gained along the routes of planned marketing cons. Not forgetting the vulnerability of childrens' minds, nor that they have no choice in what they buy, for links exists between discos, retail shops and the charts. The recording companies have got it all in their control.

I would be glad to see you reveal the existence of the multitude of good, professional musicians in London and around, and the true artist who struggles against all odds, of whom the public are hardly likely to hear of because of the company-policy-directed, restricted, hype-minded, frustrated, psuedomusical dreamers who front the recording companies, who will not lay then selves on the line for fear of losing the job.

K.M. Girdler (Miss) Chemistry Dept Oct 26, 1976

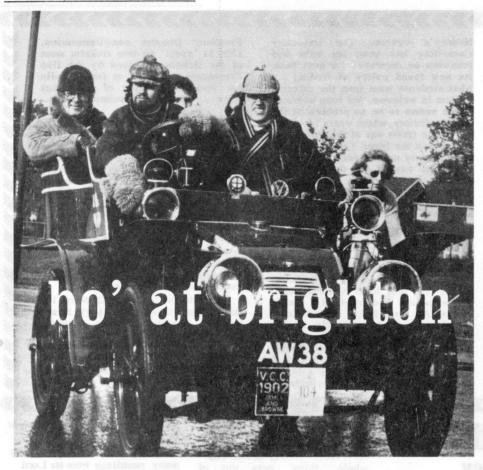
#### Inconsiderate

Dear Sir, - Everyday I come into College by car, and to date have had no problems in parking (I do have a College Parking permit). I was rather amazed to find a car displaying a disabled person's sticker fetter with an orange dayglow 'Thou Shalt Not. Park' label stuck on its windscreen.

The nature of the (car) disability made it owner's

impossible for him to remove the sticker without a great deal of help from the College road sweeper. I realise that car parking is limited, but surely compassion should be shown in certain cases.

Yours sincerely, Ron Parker Messenger Old RCS Building



Bo' on the road to Brighton; the Rector is on the far left. The two drivers are  $(L\ to\ R)$  Paul Bentley and Dave Willey

Guilds Union's Boanerges, a 1902 James and Brown car, has competed in all but three of the anual 'London to Brighton runs' for vintage motor vehicles. On Sunday Bo' again successfully completed the trip, but had an unusual number of problems, resulting in a late arrival for lunch at the Nevill House Hotel. Bo' left Hyde Park at 8.20am amidst a deafening Boomalaka from hordes of Guilds & L'Institut Francais supporters. Two coachloads of supporters later saw Bo' arrive in Brighton.

Despite the initially warm and sunny weather, trouble was soon at hand. Engine overheating caused Bo' to stop at Streatham for more water. His (Bo's) passage was further hampered by a surfeit of spectators who caused long delays and traffic queues.

A mysterious lack of engine power, which restricted the use of the two top gears, also

slowed the party down.

Our next misfortune was the weather; by Redhill heavy rain showers (and hail) had soaked and frozen the bedraggled crew, which included the Rector. The latter had thought of such eventualities, and lessened our sorrows with a bottle of 'purified water', which looked & tasted suspiciously like whisky. Another helping hand came from an umbrella passed delicately by Dave Willey's wife from her Austin Seven to Bo'.

Another stop to check the water-level and Bo' managed to crawl into Brighton. At this point the engine started behaving itself and top gear was used to take Bo' triumphantly across the finishing line at 30mph.

The Bo' crew collected their medal, went for lunch and met three previous Bo' drivers, who'd arrived three hours earlier. Then came the traditional team outing on the dodgems, the return journey — with Bo' safely on its trailer — and the traditional drink in the Union Bar. We're now looking to next year.

Bo's crew comprised of Paul Bentley (Bo' Driver) and Dave Willey (guest co-driver). Passengers were The Rector, Sir Brian Flowers; Bo' Belle, Sue Winterburn and Guilds President Steve Dearing.

Paul Bentley & Andy Deacon

# WANT TO WIN TWO TICKETS TO THE IC ENTS'

# The questions

- 1. What band wrote '25 or 6 to 4'?
- 2. Who wrote 'The Laughing Gnome'?
- 3. What's the name of Ritchie Blackmore's Band?
- 4. Who was lead singer in The Doors?
- 5. Where are you led by the Hand in the Famous Ralph McTell song?

Answers should be addressed to Tim Fowler, c/p The Ents Office, IC Union, together with your own address. These should arrive no later than Wednesday 17th November 1976) lunchtime. The winner will be chosen by Ents, whose decision is final and binding. The winner will be notified the following morning.

# ralph mctell

CONCERT, IN THE GREAT HALL, SAT. NOV.20th

THEN JUST ANSWER THIS SIMPLE CONTEST & YOU COULD BE GOING FREE

Tickets for Ralph McTell are available in advance from IC Ents in the Union Building, price £1.60 (IC advance £1.50)



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	HURSDAY 18TH NOVEMBER - SATURDAY 27TH NOVEMBER			
date THURSDAY 18TH 20.00 hours	event  RAG & DRAG COMPETITION & DISCO	Venue  JCR, SHERFIELD BUILDING	Cost 25p	Comments Entries on the evening
FRIDAY 19TH 19.00 hours	THREE-LEGGED PUB CRAWL	SOUTH KENSINGTON; LES ENVIRONS	Club Activity  Club Activity  Socialist Society: Public meet- ing with Tom Litterick, MP  Keowamic Policies of the Cuts,	Meet in STAN'S BAR, Southside
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MONDAY 22ND 18.00 hours	DRINK-A-PUB-DRY	A MYSTERY PUB IN GREAT BRITAIN (!)	pm, Free to members, 700 non- members, This is a Guildes Motor Club meeting, Popm Jum Quiths IC dancing club! 7.30pm Jum Quotes Ith Common Room, 200 for evenings 1 often	Meet in STAN'S BAR, Southside
TUESDAY 23RD 20.00 hours	BAR-B-QUE & DISCO	UNION QUAD & LOWER LOUNGE	Miscellaneous q001 anno Film Talk with Leslieq000 Film	Tickets sold on the evening
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THURSDAY 25TH 19.00 hours	RCS SMOKING CONCERT	UNION CONCERT HALL	50p	Includes beer, stripper and drag artist(e) (?)
FRIDAY 26TH 20.00 hours	GUILDS' CARNIVAL	UNION BUILDING	220p 190p on evening in advance	Featuring SASSAFRAS, ALAN WHITE and the FOSTER BROTHERS BAND
SATURDAY 27TH 11.00 hours	CHARIOT RACE	SPEAKER'S CORNER, MARBLE ARCH	<b>Op</b>	Meet in CCU Offices ( Cart



# THE FELIX WHAT'S ON SUPPLEMENT

#### FRIDAY 12th NOVEMBER

#### Club Activity

Orienteering Club: Lunchtime meeting. 12.40pm. Union Senior Common Room. Meeting and cheap lunch.

IC Christian Union Friday meeting with Rev Ron Davies on Psalms — praise' 6.30pm. The music Room, 53 Princes Gate.

#### Film

2 Films: Moral Re-Armament. 8pm. IC.W.A. Lounge Free. Titles of films: "A Man For All Peoples" and "What are you Living For?" On one of South Africa's great black leaders, the founder of the A.N.C. Youth League, and on student life at Edinburgh and.. Imperial.

#### Disco

IC Ents disco: 9.00pm. Union Lower Refec. Only 15p.

#### Gigs

Rahsaan Roland Kirk at Ronnie Scotts, Frith St.
Strutters, At the Rochester Stoke Newington High St.
Linda Rondstadt at New Vic.
Gonzalez/Pekoe Orange at Middlesex Poly, Hendon.
Larry Coryells Eleventh House at Hammersmith Odean.

#### SATURDAY 13th

#### Disco

CWA Disco: 8pm - Midnight. Union Concert Hall. 10p.

#### Gigs

Cado Belle at Westfield College, Roogalator/Phoenix at Queen Mary College, Mile End Rd. Rag Ball.

Linda Ronstadt at New Vic. Collosseum II/Razorbacks at London School of Economics, Houghton St.

Horslips and Alfalpha in concert 8.00pm. Great Hall. £1.00 IC advance, £1.20 on door. Special Brew/Derelicts ICA, Nash House, The Mall. Moon at The City University. Flying Saucers, at the Chelsea College of Art and Technology, Manresa Rd.

#### Miscellaneous

Lord Mayor's Show. 11.00am. Garidhalkto Mansion House. Free.

#### SUNDAY 14th

#### Disco

QEC disco: 8.00pm. Union Bar; Campden Hill, W8 20p. SU cards required. Nearest tube — High St Kensington.

#### Club Activity

Jazz Club presents Sunday session 'Prohibition' 8.30pm Sunday 14th. Lower Union Lounge Bar. Free. Prohibition are a great 'Trad' Jazz Band.

#### **C&G** Union

The Phineas Bar Night. 7.30pm. Union Bar.

#### Gias

Thin Lizzy at the Hammersmith Odeon.
Stranglers at Terrington, North Finchley.
Flamin' Groovies/Troggs/
Damned at the Roundhouse,
Chalk Farm.
Cado Belle at the Nashville,
North End Road.

#### MONDAY 15th

#### Club Activity

IC Dancing Club: 7.30pm Junior Common Room, Sherfield Building, 20p for evening's tuition. For those who have danced before.
WELLSOC: Lecture 'Will The
Sun Explode' Prof I Roxburgh.
7.30pm. Mech Eng 220.

#### Miscellaneous

ICWA General Meeting: 1pm. ICWA lounge. Meeting includes election of Mr ICWA.

#### Gine

The Movies, at the Nashville. Thin Lizzy at the Hammersmith Odeon. Linda Lewis at Ronnie Scotts, Frith St.

#### **TUESDAY 16th**

#### Club Activity

Socialist Society: Public meeting with Tom Litterick, MP
'Economic Policies of the
Tribune Group'. Tuesday Nov
16 at 1.00pm. Maths 340.
Science Fiction Club Meeting:
Talk by Dr Brian Stableford
entitled "Science-Fiction &
Sociology". 6.30pm. Mech Eng
220. Free. Membership 40p.
Members may use the book pool
to borrow, loan, donate or
return SF books and other
publications at this and all
other meetings.
A Talk by L.J.K. Setright:
Freelance Motoring Journalist.
19.30. Mech Eng Room 702.
Free to members, 10p nonmembers. This is a Guilds
Motor Club meeting.
IC dancing club: 7.30pm Junior
Common Room. 20p for evenings
tuition. For beginners only.

#### Miscellaneous

Film Talk with Leslie Phillips 13.00 JCR Union Southside. What's on entries are free: Just take to FELIX Office. Hall Dinner 7 for 7.30pm. Sherfield Building. £2.55. All applications to PAT by noon today.

#### WEDNESDAY 17th

#### Club Activity

Joint ICWA and Women in

Science discussion. 1.00pm. ICWA Lounge. Kathryn Mullar of the Rape Crisis Centre will give a talk followed by a discussion about the work done by the centre, helping rape victims with legal advice and emotional support, and also on the reasons why a body of this sort should have to exist in our society. Please give your support, all welcome, coffee provided.

#### Film

QEC Film Society: 7.00pm. Queen Elizabeth College, Campden Hill Road, W8. 25p. SU Cards required.

#### Miscellaneous

National Demo 1pm. Beit Archwan National Demo on grants and cuts.

STOIC General meeting. 14.00. Ring Int 2637 for details What's on entries are free: Just take to FELIX Office.

Arts Research Syndicate Exhibition. Mon — Fri 9.30 — 5.30 Consort Gallery, Sherfield Building. 4RS — a loose-knit association of plasticians, composers, architects, writers, scientists.

#### THURSDAY 18th

#### Club Activity

ICYHA. Weekly social gathering the buttle session. Lunchtime. Southside Upper Lounge. Model Aircraft Club: meeting. 1.00pm. Southside Upper Lounge IC Art Club. 7 — 9pm. Zoology Common Room.

#### Film

"The Front Page" (Jack Lemmon). 6.30pm ME 220. 15p.

#### Miscellaneous

STOIC Lunch Break — news/ magazine programme rounding up the more unusual aspects of IC. 13.00. JCR Union South side Repeated 18.00 Union Southside

# PROF. BREMSSTRAHLUNG Scene: An agar plate somewhere in IC... Oh God! Feeding time again! Look out... Look out... Believe me, when I get out of here I'll give him the biggest gut-ache he's ever Likely to have... The comes Bremsstrahlung with his mouthwatering, nutritious broth! Look out... Believe me, when I get out of here I'll give him the biggest gut-ache he's ever Likely to have...

# HONGARS

# Exiled boys a Croydon hit

Wishbone Ash at Fairfield Halls, Croydon (October 31st)

At 10.11pm on Sunday evening Laurie Wisefield raised his hands in the air, looked aloft at the large crowd rapidly festooning itself around the stage, and asked everyone to clap along to the first of two encores 'Bad Weather Blues'.

He had no need to worry, Croydon had proved a good gig for Wishbone Ash, whose 'year of exile' in America has produced a tighter and more hard hitting 'Ash than I had

hitherto seen.

The lads play with more vehemence now than when I last saw them, at Reading Festival in 1975. They can turn on the tender tones when needed but somehow managed to lose the essence of 'Time Was'. The menacing moments of this crowd warmer were certainly there, but the delicacy was done sacrificied to a rough rock 'n' roll treat-

The rest of the evening was a different story. The more earthy and simplistic approach the band now take to their music certainly adds fire and excitement, although I remained unimpressed with the new numbers in the set (from the 'New England' LP due for 'New England' LP due for release soon). The first song managed to recognise was 'The King Will Come' from the Argus album, Here the heavier, more involved guitar work has reinforced the introduction, whilst more collaboration within the band on vocals has produced a harsh, gutsy, sound that somehow remains penetrating and strangely melodic.

A torrrent of guitar riffs from the bands guitarists introduced 'The Warrior', another crowd-pleaser. The track does have some tender vocal work, and Martin Turner

proved more than adequate treatment here.

It was not until half-way through a new number 'Laura Live', when I was becoming disinterest in their new work, that I realised how well drummer Steve Upton had been playing. Trouble was he'd been so on top of the songs from the start, that I'd almost forgotten him!

'Persephone' from the There's the Pub LP was Andy Powell's first chance of the evening to excel. Andy and Laurie play musical jesting, each one vieing for a better guitar riff. In this song Andy had the better themes, managing to straddle the song well with a mixture of interwoven guitar licks and bland up front guitar work.

Laurie, in a thick 'pinstripe demin' trouser and waistcoat combination is equally talented as he showed on 'The King Will Come' and 'It Started In Heaven, But Finished With Rock 'n' Roll'. Despite the r 'n' r nature of the latter, it does possess enough variation to let Laurie put the band's indelible stamp on it. As its sounds bounced around the hall, adding an enthralling echo to the band, the mirror ball started spinning at it looked like the end of the evening.

Not so; 'Time Was' was followed by a dazzling version of the ever-popular 'Blowing Free'. And then came the encores as the crowd spawned around their heroes, and Martin Turner started to undress between numbers. Just think, another encore and he'd have been down to his pants!

Clive Dewey

# National's actors nearly conquer trivia

'Il Campiello' by Carlo Goldoni (Olivier Theatre)

In presenting 'II Campiello' the enormously talented, and heavily subsidised, National Theatre have attempted to make entertainment from what can only be described as Trivia. They almost succeed.

Venetian-born Goldoni wrote more than 200 plays, most of them between about 1750 and 1770, and if 'II 'Campiello' is a typical example, it is easy to understand why his work is almost never performed nowadays. Although in his time he was responsible for transforming the Italian theatre by changing the Commedia dell'are from improvisation to written plays, his writing is now so far removed from us in space, time and culture, that 'Il Campiello' is of little more than passing historical interest to a modern audience.

Very little actually happens in the Vetetian square of the title: lovers quarrel but soon kiss and make up, neighbours argue but eventually apologise and wicked guardians relent.

There is a magnificent opening to the play, with cast, musicians and sundries converging towards the stage from all corners of the auditor-

ium, complete with gigantic puppets and live animals. Beryl Reid and Peggy Mount do much to raise the production (Miss Reid's frequent 'ad-libbing' was one of the best aspects of the evening) and I also enjoyed Stephen Rea's wild Irish pedlar.

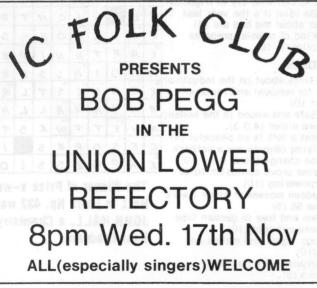
Choreography and costumes must also be mentioned, since they contributed well to the Italian carnival atmosphere: there was a gay natural abandonment about the scenes in which anything actually happens.

Unfortunately it's all, a bit like the music of Wagner: there are some beautiful moments, but dreadful quarter-hours. The dialogue is generally uninspired and rather boring (except when the translator permits one or two Anglo-Saxon phrases), and the ending of the play was sentimental to the point of embarressment.

I think the director intended (as did Goldoni) to present a realistic portrait of the Italian working class, but with such poor material the result is hollow and inconsequential.

Steve Grove





# Executive Mutters

Imagine ... sometime in the future when the refectory and bar empire is working smoothly. No great losses are ever incurred, prices are stable, and most importantly, the empire is catering for your needs, ie the service is tailored to fit the consumer and not vice-versa (as is the present position). For those who haven't yet managed to explore the whole of the empire, all trading outlets are listed at the end of this article.

### CUTTINGS by IC Union President

Nick Brayshaw

Now, the purpose of this exercise is twofold. Firstly, to set the record straight regarding opening times of areas and the service provided therein, and secondly, to set in motion a survey about the empire. By reading the list of services above, you now know exactly what is on offer and

# Refectories-Are you being served?

you are free to sample the wares at your leisure. But whilst you are tucking into your meal or your drink, spare a thought and consider exactly what it is your want from the empire. For instance, do you want hot snacks in the bars, real ale, coffee bar in the evening, pizza/hamburger bar, five-course set lunch with waitresses? What the Union intends to do is to conduct a survey within the outlets to try to find out if there is a common requirement for any particular facility, or even whether the present facilities are fine but are open at the wrong times!!

Whatever your personal likes or dislikes, have a think about it and then let's try and get some constructive discussion going as to what is exatl required from the exactly required from the refecs and bars.

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Some London School of Economics students will be available for consultation next Wednesday at 14.00 in the Welfare Centre If you have an urgent legal problem please contact the Millian LEGAL ADVICE 3rd Floor, Union Building.

Welfare Centre any lunchtime between 12.30 and 13.30.

you who For those of missed it last week, here again is the Treasure hunt clue!

NOT BLACK BUT WHITE IN CAPITAL CONFUSION FOR THE CURRENT UNIT CLEAN-ING UP THE CITY (6 letters)

The only extra thing I will say is that the clue is in two parts, both with the same answer. All answers must be sent with the 20p entry (all money to RAG) to reach Room 98 Beit Hall not later than lunchtime this Thurs. (18th).

#### Cheap coffee

Another quick reminder that the ICWA lounge is now serving coffee at only 3p per cup. A kettle etc are provided, along with a newspaper and some magazines. The scheme is currently running quite well. The only drawback is that the lounge is no longer available for lunchtime meetings.

Finally I would like to mention the ICWA disco mention the ICWA disco which will be held next Saturday in the Concert Hall. Entrance a mere 10p. So if you have a spare Saturday night why not come along - 8pm

till midnight.

Isobel Donnelly

#### Across

1. Nip in this heater may give hot temp with strain (10).

9. Tore out by repetition (4). 11. Currently starting 18dr (3) 13. Flour in repas? Tasty (5).

14. See turn out of nouns (7). 15. Drain the juice (3)

16. Prose made from these and read (5).

17. The Fulham delta super star's stylist feet! (5).

19. Before, it was the middle of French after (3).

21. Less clear, more cloudy; on 23. Opt on the even smaller advertisement means take

24. Eke out with cry of fright(3) 25. Be idle! It's the very last letter about the bad ale (4) 26. Kind of spaniel prepares the prints? (10)

#### Down

1. Rants about on the industrial site for removal and replacement 10)

2. Safe and sound in the house; not we either (4,3,3). 3. What's left is so peaceful (4)

4. Flying objects are a setback on the changing one item (10). 5. Spies prove confusion to be overpowering (10)

6. Sudden movement since Pam's in the SS (5)

7. One and free in german time to keep out cold (10) 8. Jogs liquid and makes one

10. Inquire after half the Blacks (3).

12. Young animal upon the 16th (3).

18. German lights are almost enough (5).

19. Somethings cooking; now the end of the pier's gone (3). 20. Misery to stop, we hear (3). 22. Angle of the pinball table. (4).

\*PLEASE NOTE: The grid contains a number of unclued 2-letter words; all of which should be in chambers dictionary.

#### Solution to Prize X-word No. 2 in FELIX No. 433.



The Winner of Prize x-word No.1 in Felix Np. 432 was JOHN HALL, a Chemistry Post Graduate.

#### 10 13 11 14 16 15 18 20 22 21 23 25 26

X-WORD No.3 by Alice

A prize of £1 will be awarded to the person submitting the first correct answer drawn from the Editor's hat Thursday lunchtime

# FELIX SPORT

Cross-Country Club

# Andy's Dazzlers make most of variety

On Wednesday the ICCCC team led by their captain, the self-styled new Andy Davey now wearing kit by Adidazzler completed in a race against UC and LSE over UC's home course at Shenly. The two lap course across a farm featured a ploughed field up a steep hill, which slowed/utterly destroyed some of the runners.

Andy, resplendant in matching flourescent orange T'shirt and shorts, lead the team of Tim, Ian, Phil, Alan and Martin to the finish. nameless individuals failed to complete the course. In future non-finishers have promised to

buy the team a jug.'
Saturday's fixture - the Priory Relays at Reigate was run over a long 21/2 mile classic course. It had plenty of variety, Most of the course was over mud/grass with a sprinkling of hill. Martin Cooper, running the first leg for the 'A' team, got over enthusiastic with is

warming up and missed the start by some 2 minutes. He ran round bravely, and fortunately reached the changeover before the 'B' team runner.

The other legs followed smoothly; Mark Sykes, running in his usual ventilated shorts, did well under the threat of 'The Jug', and ran a very fast 4th leg for the 'B' team.

Martin Cooper, taking his second time around, then ran the 5th leg for the B team. He made up for his earlier mistake by running the fastest ICCCC time of the day. Unfortunately both teams were lapped by the eventual winners, we are not amused by nor accustomed to such treatment.

One final point, we hold training sessions on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 12:30 for any interested people. Meet at the bottom of the union stairs by the ICCCC noticeboard.

# French fight back

The IC Water-polo team their first taste of international competition this year when they played host to a team from Marseilles. The final score was Marseilles 4 IC 2 - a creditable performance against the French Champions. Indeed IC took the early initiative and were at one stage 2-0 in the lead.

#### **Under Pressure**

The scoring was opened by Rory Lewis with a fine long-range shot and he had a second goal disallowed shortly afterwards. Unfortunately, however, IC did not capitalise temporary two-man advantage and towards the end of the quarter it was the IC goalkeeper, Ian Bales, who was at the receiving end of the attacks.

#### Quick Reply

A quick team shuffle in the interval brought Kosta Ribar in goal to replace Ian. The vacant outfield position was then occupied by Dave Lowther

Rory, Cliff Spooner, Paul This time it was Cliff's turn to penetrate the opposition's defence. However Marseilles quickly replied with their first goal. Then some loose marking left a French player free with the ball and so the teams entered the second half level at 2-2.

#### Equaliser?

For the final two quarters Dave Lowther was replaced by Ian Forrest. Marseilles took lead in the third quarter and IC again failed to take advantage of a 'man-up' situation. However IC came close to scoring at the end of the quarter - unfortunately, the whistle went to change sides as the ball was travelling towards the goal. Finally Marseilles rounded off the score from the penalty spot. Hindle and the two McCartneys playing for the whole of the game. Deapite Marseilles continuing to apply the pressure, IC again produced the first goal of the quarter.

#### Cotter passes help IC win awkward game

C 1st 27 - 8 Middlesex Hospital 1st

After a good win against Esher, the 1st team looked forward with trepidation to their match with Middlesex Hospital. So much so that S Aspden disappeared 15mins. before the match to put his corset on.

Early in the match, Cotter put over a penalty. A few minutes later, Cotter, who created a personal record in this match by actually passing the ball, beat several opponents to score a fine try, which he then converted. Middlesex scored a try near the end of • the half to make the score

after the Just restart Williams was carried off after injuring his knee. Turley moved to the wing, leaving the pack with 7 players.

Nevertheless the forwards began to dominate their opposition, and from a set scrum, scrum-half Price-Stevens made a break on the blind side to put Gresory

through for a try.

Meanwhile, Gilbert was crash tackling anything that

moved, even his own side. Heath, in his first match back after injury, scored a good try by running 50 yards, jumping on their fullback and falling on the ball (!!-Ed). Middlesex then hit back with another try. Following some great possession from the pack, Devaney chipped ahead, and Gregory gathered the ball for his second try. Cotter converted. An average try by Turley made the final score

#### EXTRA'S AVERAGE WIN EXTENDS UNBEATEN RECORD

IC Extras 1st's - 42 Middlesex Hospital 2nd's 0.

With an unbeaten run of six wins to their credit IC Extras hoped to make it seven. IC started strongly and it was not long before Ray Parkinson scored a try after deft handling by backs.

The second try came when Alan Armstrong gathered a stray pass on the burst and dashed over the line, leaving the Middlesex backs flat-footed, Soon it was the forwards' turn and after close support from the break John Fishburn scored a try which was converted by Rocky Hobbs.

Rocky Hobbs created and scored the next try with a dummy which left the Middlesex defence watching. A simple try by Gibson (converted by Dunleavy) brought the half-time scored to 24-0.

Once over their customary lull after half-time IC were once again on the score sheet. A perfectly judged kick into space by Pat Dunleavy, left Ray Parkinson only to dive on the ball, having caught the Middlesex backs totally off guard.

Useful scrum errors

5-yard scrums produced the

next two tries, the first coming when Ronnie Howard forced the opposing scrum-half to drop the ball which he then touched down for a well-deserved try. Rich Jenner scored a similar try.

A penetrating run by Rod Porter, followed by a smart pass to Joe Foley, pushed the final score to 42–0.

#### Repeated harrassment.

Although IC lost a lot of the set scrums, Ronnie Howard scrum-half continually deprived Middlesex of possession by repeated harassment of his opposite number. IC forwards, however, dominated the loose-rucks and mauls and set up good second phase balls for the backs to use with flair and determination (!!-ED) These produced many breakthroughs.

IC's points' tally now stand at 287 for and 39 against: hence 42-0 is only average. Team:- Armstrong, Parkinson, Block, Hobbs, Rust, Dunleavy, Howard, Zawarotko, Fishburn,, Porter, Foley, Brunnen. Jenner, Farr, Gibson.

Mike Gibson (Capt).

Orienteering

#### DAMP BUT ENJOYABLE

The 'November Classic' in the New Forest was a rather damp, but nevertheless enjoyable experience for those IC Orienteers who competed. As it was a 'Badge Event', most people attempted slightly longer courses than usual and

this led to one or two taking rather more than two hours to

complete their courses. Ian Isherwood had a good race' and completed the M21B course in 93-26, to put him in 19th position, well inside silver standard (badge) time.

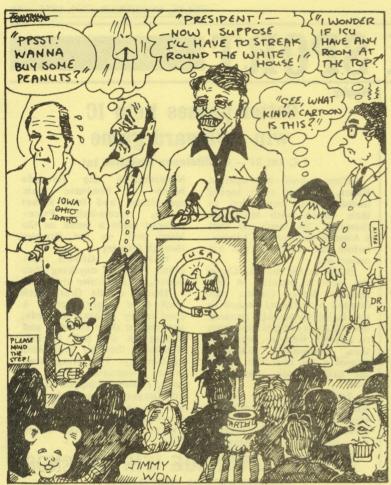
On the 11 kilometre 'A' course, David Rosen made several small errors and could only manage 5th place, throminutes down on the winner. three

Saturday showed some promising performances from Saturday newcomers to the sport, and it should not be long before freshers start climbing into higher echelons of the results

table.

If you would like to try Orienteering, come along next Sunday (14th November). To reserve a place in the minibus, come along at 12.40pm to our Friday lunchtime meeting in the Union SCR and put your name down.

David Rosen



# Aston

Aston University Students Union has decided to stay in NUS. The decision by 603 votes to 454 (14 spoilt paper) was taken at a general meeting of the Union on Tuesday lunchtime.

On 25th November 1975 the Union had decided to quit NUS as of January 1977. The voting then was 893 for disaffiliation and 332 for staying in. Since the Union had at that time paid its subscriptions for this year, disaffiliation could only be from Jan 1977. Tuesday's decision means that Aston Union will not in fact have quit NUS at all, despite last year's vote.

#### DARTS COMPETITION

The 1976 Harp Lager Darts Competition is currently being organised. Preliminary rounds will be held on Friday Nov. 26th in the Southside Bar, starting at 6.30pm.

The competition is open to teams of four. There is a 40p entrance fee per team (towards refreshments costs on the finals night). Teams must be entered by Tuesday 23rd November and entries, with entrance fee, should be directed to Stan (Kearns) at the Southside Bar.

Each game in the com-

Each game in the competition consists of the best of three legs of 401, semi-finals will be three legs of 501 and the final 601.

# NUS Travel re-opens

The NUS Travel office in the Union Lower Lounge reopened for business this week. In future the office will be open from 12.30pm to 2pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

As well as selling cheap holidays, flights are railway travel the office is the nearest place to obtain the Student Railcard. This retails at £6.50 (including VAT) and enables students to travel at half price on most British Rail routes.

#### WANTED

One cashier for the Union Refectory. Hours 12 noon to 2pm. Rates negotiable. Anyone interested see Nick Brayshaw.

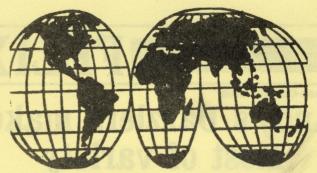
#### I.C. DARTS CLUB

Entries are now invited for the Whitbread Double Cup. Entry fees 30p per person (10p club members) with names and departments to Brendan behind the Union bar. Closing date for entries 2.00pm. Friday 26th November.

#### PARKING PERMITS

ANY PARKING PERMITS NOT COLLECTED BEFORE 17.00 ON FRIDAY 12TH NOVEMBER (TODAY) WILL BE REALLOCATED.

Copy Deadline for next issue MONDAY 2PM.



# STUDENT WORLD

#### **Hunger Strike**

When Central London 'Polly' put the kettle on last Thursday at the Regent Street and New Cavendish Street canteens, she soon had to take it off again — they'd all gone away! The canteen boycott, organised by the Union as a protest against an 18% price-rise and the abolition of the cheaper meal of the day', cost the canteens between £100 and £200, according to the catering manager. A similar boycott was staged at the Wells Street canteen the previous Thursday (see last week's Student World)

# (McGarel) Fees Foe

Lancaster University Senate last Thursday declared its opposition to the Government's proposals to increase tuition fees next September to £650 pa for undergraduates and £750 pa for postgraduates. The Senate also expressed dislike of any quota on Overseas students studying in Britain. No similar 'formal' opposition has been declared by IC's Governing Body (The Times)

#### **Teaching Lessens**

Up to 30 more colleges of education are threatened with closure, according to a confidential D.E.S. document, that has been leaked to the national press. The cuts in the number of teacher training places will reduce the entire system to a mere 45,000 places by 1981, compared with 114,000 three years ago.

The document, 'Teacher Training in the 1980's', which mentions no colleges by name, blames public expenditure cuts and a falling birth rate. There are also plans for phasing out the Certificate of Education.

(Guardian & THES)

#### T.U. Bid At Aberystwyth

When the Court of Aberystwyth College meets this week to discuss the report by its charter committee about admitting TUC and non-academic representatives to the court, it will be faced with a yet more ambitious bid, to admit four TU representatives to the decision-making Council. The four would be from the Association of

University Teachers, the National and Local Government Officers Association, the National Union of Public Employees, and the Association of Scientific, Technical, and Managerial Staffs. The bidhas the backing of six Welsh MP's in the court.

At IC campus trade union representation exists only on a number of college and local safety committees. The Unions have so far refrained from attempts to get on IC's Governing Body.

#### Fee Facts

Mr Gordon Oakes, minister overseeing higher education, has predicted a drop of between 3,000 and 7,000 home postgraduate students and between 1,000 and 3,000 overseas postgraduates, owing to the rises in fees in the next year.

(THES)

#### Sweden

Swedish Immigration Board proposals may make it compulsory for foreign students in Sweden to obtain residence permits before entering the country, and to promise that they will leave on completion of their studies. This will affect 3,000 foreign students, chiefly Finns and Americans. (THES)

#### P.N.I

Recruitment at North London Polytechnic is up 6% this year with a total of 3,682 full-time and sandwich students.

#### Apartheid At Birmingham

Twenty-six first year O.N.D business students at West Bromwich were split into a home and an overseas group by Mr Alfred Grimes, their course tutor who is known for his right wing views. But not for long: on 21st October the academic board repaired the breach, and the students are now asking for intellectual discrimination. (Brum Student)

#### New papers

Student journalists heard last weekend that two more area student papers have been set up. These are Brum Student, covering the Birmingham area, and North Yorkshire Student,