





THE NEWSPAPER OF IMPERIAL COLLEGE UNION

O/S Students' Fees Up 20%

Huge cuts in education expenditure and yet another massive fee increase for overseas students are the order of the day following the first Conservative Budget on Tuesday.

Instead of the 9 per cent fee increase for home and overseas students announced by the previous Government, overseas students will now be faced with a 20 per cent rise on this year's fees. Overseas postgraduates will now be paying over £1,100 to attend British Universities.

There is no further rise in home students' fees which remain as listed below. This means that the fee differential which the College is pledged to oppose is now even greater than before.

Union President Mary Attenborough is to meet the Rector on Friday and is hoping for a joint statement opposing the increases.

Among the cuts is a massive reduction in university capital expenditure from £17.6 million to £9.9 million, part of a total capital expenditure saving in the whole of the education sector of £14 million. Mary Attenborough is worried that the College may now be forced to delay furnishing the Linstead Hall extension.

A £5 million cut in the research council grants is bound to have its effect on postgraduate grant awards and research projects.

The Union are also worried that the 1 - 1.5 per cent reduction in universities' general expenditure will mean a further cut in the IC Union budget for next year.

With these devastating announcements coming just two weeks before the end of term the Union will find it difficult to organise the mass protests which should be every student's response to this Government.

But Mary Attenborough says that the Union will continue to oppose discrimination against overseas students stepping up their campaign. She had warned that a Tory Government would attack overseas students but was shattered by the extent of the education expenditure cuts

This Conservative Government came to power on a platform of opportunities for all. Just six weeks after their election they have totally given the lie to that claim as far as higher education is concerned.

Imperial College Sessional Fees 1979-80

Undergraduates: UK Students ... £595 Overseas Students ... £770 Postgraduates:

| UK Students | | £890 |
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| Overseas Students | | £1,010 |

The College will operate a Hardship Fund to assist students still on courses who entered the College before October 1978 and who have been adversely affected by the increases in fees in October 1976, 1977 and 1978. No allowance will be made for the October 1979 fee increase. Assistance will be in the form of partial remissions of fees and will be restricted to those students who are responsible for paying their own fees.

Students proceeding from a first degree to a higher degree or from MSc to research in session 1979-80, will not be eligible for assistance from the Fund.

Forms can be obtained from Mr J Bevan, Rm 344, Sherfield Building.



Michael Arthur - the Union Welfare Adviser

ACCOMMODATION PROBLEM

Imperial College students are likely to face an even worse accommodation problem than last year when they return to London in September, and according to Welfare Adviser Michael Arthur the College is doing next to nothing about it.

While many other London Colleges are contacting Local Authorities, taking on head tenancy schemes and setting up housing associations, Imperial College have only taken on one head tencancy scheme in Lexham Gardens, and that only after considerable pressure from the Union.

Michael Arthur is worried that if the College sit back and do nothing IC students will lose out as other Colleges take up the limited housing available.

The College attitude is summed up in a statement by the Administration quoted in the Union's 'Alternative Prospectus'.

They say: 'Care should be taken in conducting publicity campaigns about the scarcity of accommodation for Imperial College students in order not to discourage potential students from applying to the College'.

And a senior member of Administration is quoted as saying that so long as students can find somewhere to live no matter what or where, there is no problem.

Michael Arthur believes that College have no idea what rent students are paying and in what conditions they are living. In an accommodation survey carried out last term he found that 40 per cent of students responding were paying over £15 per week in rent alone.

Many students are living far from College like Hackney and Streatham and large numbers live in flats and bedsits where there are inadequate working facilities.

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LETTERS

Dear Sir, - I was amazed and suprised, etc, to read in last week's Snooker club article that Kit Nair not being a committee member was the best thing to happen to snooker Club in a long time. What has this poor creature done that Mr Teelock, Sanjit, President (2nd class) should victimise him so?

On a more serious note, I was glad to see under Rag that next years minor charities will include Alcoholics anonymous rather than the national organisation, Alcoholics Anonymous. I personally welcome a move such as this, which will benefit the average student, self included.

Yours sinecurely,

KJ Fenning.
Physics, sort of.
P.S. Justin Newland could make a fortune writing American TV.

Dear Sir, - On behalf of India Society I would like to condemn the attitude of the Independent Observer who wrote about India Soc Elections (FELIX, 8th June).

The observer, though wellinformed in some aspects, wrote about events which occurred three weeks ago. The situation had changed considerably by the time he wrote his letter.

After the elections there was still an outstanding post in the committee. Mr Purewal stood for and was elected to that post after which the situation was back to normal.

The 'Independent Observer' apparently did not care enough to find out what was happening. It seems to me that all he has succeeded in doing is stirring up trouble amongst society members intentionally or otherwise. He did not even have the courage to write his letter openly.

Yours faithfully,

A Gujral, (Sec) India Soc.

Dear-Sir, - I was disgusted and appalled on reading a letter about India Soc elections, written in bad taste, by a self-styled independent observer, since the contents of the letter clearly reveal that the person who wrote the letter was completely biased. I utterly refute his claim of 'independence', since I know that the author of the letter is Mr Vinodh Dhanak (Chem) who has made an issue of the election out of personal animosity.

Immediately after the election, I admitted defeat but soon afterwards some of my supporters pointed out that the two persons (who were supporters of Mr Chakravarty) who did the counting had deliberately counted wrongly. It occurred to me that this was a distinct possibility.

My supporters suggested I should get signatures of people who were dissatisfied with the way the election was conducted. The motive for obtaining signatures was to register a protest not to force a re-election. I could have forced a re-election since I had more than enough signatures.

The nameless observer likes to cower in the security of his anonymity. If he had the guts he would have revealed his identity.

Sincerely yours,

Satinder Purewal Chem Eng

Dear It.

I feel I must correct the errors in Sonia Hochfelder's correction of Rich Archer's errors last week. Firstly, (to take the points in the order she took them) the motion did not mention the stripper, and if Chris Fox said that the motion would 'probably' (Sonia's word) entail the exclusion of the stripper, then he was talking out of his arse as he commonly does (Hi! Chris). Rich was merely putting forward a statement of intent, namely to drag the Smoking Concert up out of the shit which I and my preceding officers had allowed it to sink into. He reckoned (quite rightly) that the standard of sketches in recent years has fallen far below the standard acceptable to the Union, and has decided that his way of getting decent entertainment value is to completely redesign the concert, starting with the name. Though I disagree entirely with the name change, I applaud his motives for proposing the motion, and wish him great luck in his crusade against the rest of the world as Ents Supremo. To return to last week's letter, if Ms. Hochfelder had actually attended Smoking Concert, she may have noticed several pissed-up persons who certainly tried to disrupt it, though not through idealistic principles, but through straightforward cussedness. We (meaning I) had no cause for complaint from the protesters. In fact I thought they behaved quite restrainedly (actually I never saw them). Is this a sign of paranoia?

Oh, and one other thing, isn't it amazing how two people's memories of the same meeting differ? I am, of course, assuming that our correspondent of last week was actually present at it.

Mick Maghar

P.S. I bet the next line is 'This correspondence is now closed'

Dear John,

Much though I eschew continuous boring columns appearing in FELIX week after week, I am prompted to reply to Sonia Hochfelder's insane letter of last week, referring to Rich Archer's most commendable letter of the week before referring to Sonia's article of the week before that.

Firstly, she complains that her report did not say that the motion mentioned the stripper, this is highly unlikely because it didn't, and anyway Rich agrees with this. Also she complains about Mr Archer's interpretation of undemocratic minorities'. She seems to think that women protesters were the only such group in Mr Fox's mind at the time. If Sonia can divine Chris' thoughts, good for her. I see it only as Rich trying to explain the changes taking place.

Again Ms Hochfelder seems to think that adequate reason for the name 'Headlights Revue' was not given. However, Rich Archer explains at length the reasons for the change. The name itself is selfexplanatory but perhaps Sonia has no 'esprit de camaradarie' with our provincial colleágues.

In case anybody really is wondering to whom Rich is referring when he said 'the people who go to disrupt and drink free beer', well I think he meant the people who go to disrupt and drink free beer.

Further, I can detect no untoward references to women

protesters in Rich A's letter, but I do detect bees in the Hochfelder Bonnet, which seem to be the raison d'etre of the whole letter.

I do not mind people airing their (misguided) views in public except when they try to twist the meanings of a sensible person and the views of a democratic body. In other words 'up yours'.

Sean O'Boyle, RCSU President-elect

Dear John, - I feel that I owe your 'ace reporter' an apology. Whilst attending to my daily chores, some time ago, she approached me and asked for interpretation of a motion passed by an RCSU Joint General Committee that I had seconded. (Un) fortunately, like life itself, a motion passed by a caucus of nearly 50 is not without its ambiguities. This, combined with my rather inept use of the English language, led to Sonia's misunderstanding. I would like to close with a fun but wouldn't know how to have pun. (Brought to you by 'Smoking Concert sketches the world never saw inc.').

Yours (Un)repentantly ambiguous,

Mr Fox (but you can call me Chris)

The Huxley Club

A small but significant number of IC graduates and postgraduates enter the teaching profession each year, mostly, of course, to teach science in secondary schools. In the belief that it might be both useful and enjoyable to meet from time to time, a small group arranged an inaugural dinner at the College in February 1979, the outcome of which was the formation of the Huxley Club.

The objects of the Club are to establish and maintain contact between IC graduates now teaching and to create a closer and more abiding link between their schools and the College than otherwise exists. Membership is open to an ex-IC graduate or postgraduate now teaching. An Annual Dinner is to be arranged during the winter, usually in London, and in addition there will be a more informal gathering in the summer outside London, at which guests are welcome (in June 1979 this took the form of a buffet luncheon at Clifton College, after which those present were shown round the Science department).

There is no membership subscription, but an appropriate charge to those attending is made to pay the cost of each function. Plans are now being made for the next Annual Dinner, to be held early in 1980, which will probably take place at Dulwich College.

Any ex-IC graduate or postgraduate now teaching, who would like to join the Huxley Club is asked to write to the Chairman,

Mr David Rossell, 21 Mallard Road, Selsdon Vale, South Croydon.

(telephone 01-651 2819)

The Club would also like to be of assistance to any present IC students intending or contemplating a teaching career. Any such are cordially invited to get in touch with the Club's IC Correspondent, Mr John Thole, at 53 Princes Gate (internal telephone 2659).



editorial

Fees Increase

I was horrified by the 20% increase in fees for oversees students. This was much more than necessary and also far greater than imagined. It is about time College stopped **saying** that they're against fee differentials and started doing something about it.

Well Done Again

Yet again Day By Day was delivered on time despite another Wednesday afternoon exam. and I am very grateful to Colin for proving so reliable. I wish I could say the same for the mystery girl from IF who didn't get her article to the FELIX Office in time to decorate page 4 this week. Short of printing a signed photograph of Simon he's back Milner I realised that we would have to do without a photo just this once.

Lifelines

Sorry to say that John S. has just informed me that the Registrar wouldn't be able to mail out a Pre-freshers issue of FELIX this year; what with all this cut back in spending etc. so there will be little point in producing one. If you were saving your society article for this, rather than putting it in the handbook, **or** if you just plain missed the deadline then all I can suggest is, "Put it in the Freshers' Issue."

There may still be an issue in July for anyone around College at the time and the copydate for this is the July 20th. A second PG issue will appear in August and copy must be in by the 10th of that month. Articles for the Freshers ish. **must** arrive before 21st September.

There, I got through all that without once mentioning the words Copy Deadline!

Tube Strike

I bet you were all hoping to use the planned tube strike as a good excuse to miss your last exam or hand your project in late. Sorry to disappoint you but it was a bit obvious. The Brain Drain thought of this and he will be opening up Crash-Pad for all of the last week so you won't be able to get away with it. You really must be more imaginative.

PG Trips

...and everyone just stood and stared!It's the infamous Joy ride for Post-graduate students (and Sabbaticals) to the City of Cambridge in, of all places: Cambridgeshire taking up more space in my Editorial this week. Need I say, "Don't forget!" The trip is on Friday 20th not as advertised in the last edition of PG Tips.

Bound Editions

If you want your set of FELICES bound into a handsome volume then just pop them into the FELIX Office sometime soon as we can then complete the set on the last day of term and take them straight to the binders. Last year the charge was £11 and I sincerely hope this will not be increased too much. We can complete a limited number of sets from our files but we are still very short of issue nos. 492, 495 and 497 and any spare copies of these would be appreciated. Cheers,

John.

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Volunteer Work At WUS (UK)

WUS (UK) requires volunteers to assist in the operation of our Refugee Student Scholarship Programmes.

We operate a number of scholarship programmes for refugee students from Chile, Uganda, Ethiopia and several other countries.

During the summer vacation we will be looking for a number of volunteers to help with our various programmes. The work will involve letter writing, compiling information and providing back-up assistance to the secretariat. A working knowledge of Spanish would be an advantage, but is not essential.

For Further Information Contact: Field Unit, 20 Compton Terrace, London, N1 2UN. Tel. 01-226 6747.

Sub-Wardens Wanted

Sub-Warden of Selkirk Hall

Applications are invited for the post of Sub-Warden of Selkirk Hall, which will fall vacant later this year, due to the departure from College of the present Sub-Warden, Hugh Barrett. The Hall is one of the Southside Halls of Residence with, at present, 28 women and 44 men students.

Normally the post would be held by a full-time student of at least one year's post-graduate standing. However, exceptional applicants falling outside this category will be considered also. Rent-free accommodation in the form of a small self-contained flat will be provided.

The essential duties are to assist the Warden in the running of the Hall, which is organized as a community. All residents who wish may attend community meetings at which decisions affecting hall life are taken. Further details may be obtained from the Warden or Sub-Warden. Written applications, containing all information considered relevant, should reach the Warden, SH Perry, as soon as possible.

OF LONDON

Exhausted after my effort of a fortnight ago I decided to carry on avoiding John Harris for another week and leave another article until this week. Not that John is particularly terrifying but it was hand written on unlined paper with crossings-out and insertions and so forth to the extent that he drove me out of the FELIX office to get this article typed in the Union Office, (he will be sorry) and it went on for ever! However, judging by the contents of last week's issue (size, editorial and page 4 article) he is really pushed for copy so here goes for this week's ego-trip (which is the only kind of trip I am going on this year).

Enough of the above rubbish, exciting things are happening at London Student Travel, For a start we have a new advertising slogan, which runs 'For a choice of 500 make 117 the first' (117 Euston Rd, geddit!). If you want to see the complete poster there are four copies around IC, one at IF, and one at RCM so get looking.

Secondly we have signed a sole-suppliers contract with Transalpino for European rail journeys. This benefits LST in so much as we get higher commissions, and benefits you, our customers, in so far as LST stipulates that Transalpino must be competitive (against Eurotrain mainly).

Thirdly, the Head Office (117 Euston rd) has started producing a weekly news sheet outlining the journeys and prices LST has on offer for distribution around Union Common Rooms in the London Colleges. Moreover they are keen that someone at Imperial College should produce a similar item for distribution at IC and environs and Chelsea College, QEC, ETC. (did you know that people come from Hammersmith Polytechnic to use the IC office of LST?). Now, dare I plead 3rd year student? (I have this kind of death-wish that pushes me on to face the virtual inevitability that I will be a 3rd year next year) And that I can't type, or use a Gestetner and where is QEC anyway? What I'm saying is that, if a news sheet is to be produced next year I would appreciate some help. So any keen body reading this who would like to help, will you please go into the LST Office and tell Cathy your name, year and Department and I shall try not to forget all abgout you and contact you early next year.

In the meantime, Malcolm Brain would like to see a flood of people booking their holidays through LST next week because he wants to become a Director (so do I but don't tell anybody) so don't disappoint him.

Christopher D Hunt.

Sub-Wardenship Tizard Hall.

Applications are invited for the post of sub-warden in Tizard Hall, effective from September, 1979. Preference will be given to post-graduates or post-doctoral staff who intend remaining at Imperial College for a period of at least two years.

The function of the sub-warden is to assist the warden in the running of the hall and to take an active role in the promotion of social activities. The successful applicant will receive free accommodation and an honorarium.

Applications with details of relevant experience should be sent to Dr MHR Hutchins, Tizard Hall before 30th June, 1979.

Linstead Hall Subwardenships

There will be vacancies in Linstead Hall for a Sub-Warden to commence in October 1979, another to commence early in 1980, and a further appointment in October 1980 with responsibilities in connection with the new extension opening at that time.

Applications are invited now for Sub-Wardenship commencing in October 1979. Closing date for applications is July 1st.

The duties of the Sub-Warden are to assist in the functioning of the Hall as a community, by active co-operation with the student residents, and under the general guidance of the Warden. The accommodation (rent free) is suitable for a couple without children, or for a single person. There is an honorarium of £260 pa (subject to review from 1.10.79).

Enquiries would be welcomed from members of academic or research staff, or from postgraduates (particularly if they can forsee spending more than one year in post). Transfer to take extra responsibility in the extension (October 1980) will naturally be a possibility, and a person of greater age and experience might be particularly interested in that development.

Please apply to the Warden, MD Carabine, including a curriculum vitae, or seek further information from him or from the present Sub-Wardens

Elk's Last Stand

Well folks, only one week of term left now - soon you can all disappear into the depths of Britain and earn thousands of pounds working 24hr shifts, 7 days a week in factories or walking the streets of Earls Court saying to random passers-by who look at you with lust in their eyes 'Hello Sailor - would you like an 'orrible time?'.

Enough of these sordid ways of earning a living. I've got a couple of things to plug this week.

PARKING PERMITS (of the temporary kind)

Well, after I'd got all the applications in for temporary parking permits I found that there were more places than there were applications for a July permit. That is, everybody who applied gets a place, proving perhaps that this scheme was a little futile - it was College's idea, not mine. Anyway, as there are spaces left over I'm not sure whether it's worth issuing permits or not just for July. I'll discuss it with John Fuller, traffic warden at the Exhibition Road entrance, and if we decide to issue them then I'll send them to individuals and they should arrive sometime in the last week of term.

PARTIES, COUNCILS, CAMPING EQUIPMENT,SEX AND VM

Here comes another plug for

the Exec. Party. Bring a bottle (to drink after the end of the bar extension). It's on Thursday 21st June in the JCR and I've been told it's going to turn into one helluva orgy with naked bodies writhing all over the floor and spilling onto the walkway. Oh yes, bring your own fetish.

Joint Council is taking place this Monday at 2pm in the Union Dining Hall, observers welcome.

The chap who runs the stall which occasionally appears in the JCR and sells cheap camping equipment says students are welcome to call at his factory over the Summer and actually buy stuff there. His address is 48 Rawstone St., London EC1. Tel: 837 2201/2, so just call there if you want to get some cheap camping equipment. If you're lucky he might sell you some cheap bondage equipment as well.

Right, now that this article is almost over I can frolic naked in Beit Quad, giving everybody in the FELIX Office a turn-on and go and sell my body in the Sherfield Building. Pity there's nobody there in the evening - I might have to give it away for free.

Hope to see you in the last week of term, in my shower if nowhere else.

> Mike Elkin ICU Hon Sec.



Day By Day

A ROUND-UP OF LAST WEEK'S NEWS



Wednesday 6th

DC-10 loses US air certificate

All British-registered DC-10 airliners were grounded by the Civil Aviation Authority shortly after the American air authorities took the unprecedented step of withdrawing the plane's certificate of airworthiness.

Both British Caledonian and Laker Airways insist that there is nothing at all wrong with their planes.

Troy wins 200th Derby

Troy won the Derby by seven lengths. Willie Carson burst through the field to win at a price of 6-1. Dickens Hill was second at 15-1 and France's 66-1 outsider Northern Baby finished third.

Chinese annoyed over Taiwan anthem

After a Brazilian band played the Taiwan national anthem by mistake to welcome a touring Chinese volleyball team, officials in Rio de Janeiro scrapped ceremonies for the rest of the tour to avoid further embarrassment. The Chinese team stormed off the pitch when the band struck up the wrong tune.

Thursday 7th

European Elections

2 in every 3 voters failed to send a kiss to their Euro candidate. Those that did vote found the polling stations empty except for bored staff who were only too glad to have a chat.

Jeremy Thorpe not to testify

The announcement that Jeremy Thorpe will not be giving evidence in his defence, though not totally unexpected, caused a stir in the closing minutes of the 21st day of the trial at the Old Bailey.

Friday 8th

Letter bombs at Birmingham sorting office

Four letter bombs exploded in two sorting offices in Birmingham injuring five postal workers. Several more bombs were found and this has resulted in the sorting of mail in the Birmingham area being brought to a standstill. Several complaints about postal delays have been voiced by many students at Imperial.

Half of Day by Day is written in the Midlands and is sent by post via Birmingham during certain weeks of the year but this week it has had to be written entirely in London.

Water found on Mars

Large areas of water have been discovered on Mars increasing the likelihood that life in bacterial form exists on the planet or beneath its surface.

Two wet regions have been located by a water-detection device on a Viking

spacecraft orbiting the planet and by an earth-based telescope using a spectrograph.

The lakes are likely to be underground. If life exists on Mars it would have to be under the earth protected from the sun's deadly radiation wich penetrates the thin Martian air.

Saturday 9th

England beat Australia in Prudential World Cup

A settled and united England side beat Australia by six wickets. After their 60 overs Australia had scored 159 for the loss of 9 wickets. After a shaky start England scored the necessary runs in 47.1 overs.

Sweden 0 England 0

A brilliant solo run by England's captain, Emlyn Hughes, ended with his shot hitting the bar. Apart from a few other half-hearted attempts at scoring, the match looked a certain no-score draw.

Russians win milk race

Urei Kachinine won the 22nd Milk race which finished at Blackpool today.

Ray Lewis won the final stage for Britain but after sustaining a five minute penalty he had to be content with an overall position of 14th. Britain came 6th in the team listings.

Sunday 10th

European Election Results

A sweeping victory in the European elections has established the Conservatives as the largest national party group. The Tories will occupy 60 of the 81 British seats in the 410 members assembly. Labour won 17 seats and a single seat went to the Scottish Nationalists.

Records broken to-day

Michael Cairney established a dominotoppling record, touching off with a finger-flick a chain reaction which toppled 169,713 pieces at the weekend. The dominoes fell for nearly 45 minutes in the civic centre at Poughkeepsie, New York.

Michael designed an intricate blueprint for the challenge - dominoe outlines of the British and American flags, a huge peacock, bridges and zigzags. He had hoped to set up 200,000 dominoes, but there were numerous setbacks. A gust as a door was opened knocked over several thousands.

Sounds like a great rag stunt for the JCR but where do you get 170,000 dominoes?

Richard Rodrigues completed 140 hours of riding on Blackpool's Big Dipper to increase his own endurance record by 12 hours.

Sussex University make the Nationals again

Press coverage of Sussex University Student Union activites has reached new heights this month. Today a 300 strong student rent protest was given wide coverage in the national press. They played football on the Vice Chancellor's lawn, sang

revolutionary songs and set up a stand publicising the plight of the homeless.

Crossroads script to be written by computer?

In a scathing attack on Crossroads and similar ITV serials the Daily Telegraph comments that computers can be programmed to create novels and TV scripts, but their plots are still too crude and predictable even for a run-of-the-mill television series, but it suggests TV programs that could improve with some artificial intelligence.

Monday 11th

Bingo jackpots are lost

A pensioner won the two main jackpots at a Bingo hall in Bristol. His extraordinary luck ran out when a thief stole the money from his flat

More boat people for Britain

The 293 Vietnamese refugees aboard the British freighter Roachbank are to be allowed into Britain if Taiwan refuses to take them. The Roachbank refugees are in additon to 1,003 Vietnamese rescued by her sister ship, Sibonga, who are being flown in from Hong Kong on Tuesday.

Tuesday 12th

John Wayne dies

John Wayne fought a 15 year battle against cancer. Today in a Los Angeles clinic he sank slowly into a coma. Doctors and nurses were amazed at his cool defiance of death. He shrugged off doctors' offers of pain-killing drugs so that he could talk to his children.

The Budget

Next Monday VAT goes up to a standard rate of 15%. Income tax has been drastically cut ... Basic rate down from 33% to 30% ... Top rate down from 83% to 60%.

A rise in the minimum lending rate to 14% will mean that loans will cost more. Prescription charges are increased to 45p. Spending on education will be cut by £55 million which will affect university building programmes.

First non-powered flight across Channel

Bryan Allen pedalled his 96ft wingspan Gossamer Albatross across the English Channel to win a £100,000 prize offered as a challenge by British industrialist Henry Kremer. It took Bryan less than three hours to make the first non-powered flight to France.

Matchless Great Train Robbery

The publishers of a book about the Great Train Robbery wanted to distribute matches plugging the paperback edition on inter-city buffet cars.

Railwaymen, remembering that driver Jack Mills died after a long illness following his coshing during the £2,500,000 raid in 1963 bitterly opposed the plan.

A Summer Episode

Peter strode up and down the quayside, expecting his wife's arrival at any moment. Just before they had departed for Samos harbour to begin their return journey to Athens and finally onto England, Susan had insisted that she complete some last-minute shopping.

The harbour was a hive of frantic activity: passengers bustled to board the Athens-bound boat while groups of fishermen fought their way toward their night's work.

The end of the day was nigh, its imminent death awaited only by the night. The sun, like a translucent orb of fire, hung low in the clear evening sky, its shimmering rays bathing the sea in streaks of violent orange.

As she watched this glorious spectacle, Susan heaved a great sigh of relief. She feared that she would never be rid of her circumspect husband, yet now she was just moments away from realising her deam of dreams. Free from Peter, she was still subject to the judgement of her conscience. How could she desert him just when his father had died, in his moment of dire need! Was her children's need the greater? Of course, she told herself as her mnd recoiled from the thought of spurning them again. To Susan, they were a panacea, her raison d'etre. Even if her life with Virgil was doomed to failure, her children could complete it, perfect it for her. Besides, Peter was a mature man-he wouldn't sink under the emotional distress of his father's death.

Susan wondered whether he had received the note she had sent the hotel porter to give to him. Meanwhile, the taxi drew up outside Virgil's hotel, where they had rearranged to meet.

Anxiously, Peter looked at his watch. God, she was always late. He couldn't summon the energy to gird himself to anger, for his father's demise had been like an anaesthetic to his emotions.

The commotion on the quayside redoubled when an announcement warned all passengers of the imminence of the boat's departure. As a melee of people surged toward the gang-plank, Peter was knocked to the ground. Just then, a hand from the crowd stretched out and pulled him erect. It was Yani, the young hotel porter who had appeared at their door earlier in the day. As if he sensed its contents, the boy handed Peter the letter, smiled brusquely, and departed. The boy had obviously been directed not to wait for a reply.

Peter read the following:

'Peter, I will be honest with you, just as I always have. When you read this I will be with Virgil and my Jade and Augustine. For just as tranquility follows the tempest, I must follow my children. It was imperative that I take this opportunity which I am sure is my last. I must confess too that I did tell you a white lie about Augustine: someday I will explain to you why. But she is Virgil's daughter, not yours.

I am deeply sorry about your father; I know you revered him. Indeed, I feel that I have betrayed you. Remember that understanding begets foregiveness: I must be with my children. I don't know if you'll ever want to see me again, but Virgil and I ...'

Peter could read no more. In a fury, he tore the letter into tiny shreds and scattered them to the wind. Immobile, he stood on the quayside, his arms hanging limply by his side. The dying rays of the sun traced out his solitary shadow. Finally, the sunset bequeathed the night. The world was cast into an eerie twilight.

The boat's whistle heralded its departure. The last person aboard, he stumbled onto deck without really knowing where he was or what he was doing. Suddenly, he felt as vengeful as Achilles. He would strangle them both in their sleep then drink a long, refreshing draught from that cup of hemlock. As they had lived and loved together, they would die together. And to think that her poisoned womb had begun this avalanche of wor!

Then he would recall fragments of his union with Susan: each one a bitter-sweet reminder of the ineffable joy he so frequently experienced with her, and the horrible lonliness which awaited him without her. Next, he began to lampoon her: her ridiculous hook nose, her neurotic habits, the shrill tenor of her voice.

Alternatively, love and hate, respect and contempt, swelled in his heart like the ebb and flow of the ocean.

The night was sweltering. For most of it, the boon of sleep evaded him. Like a fugitive desire, it tantilised him with its offer of relief from anguish of consciousness.

Eventually, his eyes did close, and he awoke with the feeling that he hadn't slept at all. The hustle and bustle of Pireus, the Port of Athens, rose to his ears. For some

unaccountable reason, he remembered the last time he had approached Athens...yes it was then that he had hatched his scheme to avenge himself on his 'adulterous' wife...it was then he had thought of Lucy!

What an enchanting, exquisite English Rose, yet a reluctant adult like all adolescents. Yes, and it was she who carried his child, of that there was no doubt. After prolonged deliberation, he resolved to see her as soon as he returned to London. But, no. On second thoughts, that would be disrespectful to his father. He would wait until after the funeral, then, yes then he would propose that they live together. She would be his hope, a hope that would not abandon him.

A heavy gloom shrouded the cemetary. It was a fitting day for the old man's funeral, Peter thought to himself. His mother stepped out of the car behind his. He greeted her coldly, almost as if she had been a stranger. They barely spoke - Peter absorbed in his sombre melancholia, his mother weeping profusely. This air of mourning was almost claustrophobic.

The family group were kept waiting for over an hour. By now the slight drizzle had become a light rain. Apparently, earlier that morning, due to the slippery surface, one of the grave-diggers had fallen into a freshlydug grave, and twisted his ankle. The vicar, effusive in his apologies, assured them that a replacement was being sought. With the Grace of God, he added, and the assistance of the local Labour Exchange, one would be found.

At long last, the ceremony took place. Peter listened to the tedious monologue of religious euphemisms with disinterest. Perhaps some day their meaning would become apparent to him.

Immediately the vicar had completed the ceremony he offered his condolences, then rushed back to the church with the air of a man who has the devil at his heels. Peter thought it would be apt if he was about to prepare for a christening. As his family departed, Peter wandered aimlessly round the grave-yard, enshrined in his own silence.

After a while, he heard the distinctive toll of wedding bells, and, feeling refreshed, he walked back in the direction of the church. There, a sea of cheerful faces washed over him, dispelling the pathos of his thoughts. A group of about forty wedding guests had gathered on the church steps.

'Angels of youth, fly high, fly eagle high,' Peter mused poetically to himself. He wished this couple well, whoever they were, and better fortune than he had had.

As the bride and groom emerged from the chapel, their guests enveloped them with the traditional covering of confetti. Peter tried to press through the crowd to give the couple his own benediction. Then suddenly, he caught a glimpse of the bride as they stepped into their wedding car - he saw the swollen stomach, the dainty figure and the flowing features. It was Lucy! She looked serenely happy.

In a moment, they were whisked away in their marriage chariot.

As he turned to go home, that phrase, as old as human suffering, sprang to his lips: 'All is well,' he murmered, 'All is well'.

THE END

by Justin Newland

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THE WALK

The walk starts at 10.30am, on Saturday the 7th July from the East Heath car park off East Heath Road on Hampstead Heath. For participants driving there, the car park will be available for use free of charge. The route will go round the Heath, down to Primrose Hill and Regent's Park, along Baker St to Marble Arch round the Serpentine, past Buckingham Palace, through Victoria and finally over Lambeth Bridge to Jubilee Park on the South Bank - a total distance of ten miles. The walk should last about five hours.

Try to complete the whole course. If you want to walk further, you can complete additional circuits of Hyde Park - a two mile lap. Alternatively, if you want to walk a shorter, traffic - free course, then you can start in Hyde Park and just walk laps of the Serpentine, more suitable perhaps for parents with young children. The starting point for this walk will be next to the car park on the North side of the Serpentine Bridge and will be open from 11 am until 5pm. You may of course finish either in Hyde Park or go through to Jubilee Park.

A detailed map of the course will be given to all walkers on the day from either of the two starting points, together with your walking card. This will be stamped with the mileage completed at the various designated checkpoints along the route.

SPONSORSHIP

Get a form from the FELIX Office. Please fill in clearly and return the detachable slip as soon as possible. We only want to know how many walkers to expect so please do not stop obtaining more sponsors after posting the slip. Additional forms are available on request or you can photocopy the original.

Walkers will also be asked to collect the money pledged from their sponsors after the walk and remit the funds as soon as possible. Please send the money either by cheque or postal order made payable to Greenpeace Ltd. Keep your own sponsor forms, but please bring them with you to the walk so that we can register the total amout pledged per mile walked.

Remember, the purpose of the walk is to raise money, so please obtain as many sponsors as possible. A small award will be given to the individual walker raising the most funds and sponsors. To the school with the largest number of participants a Greenpeace crew member will give a free film show of whale campaigns and present an award.

SUGGESTIONS FOR WALKERS

- Wear sensible clothes and walking shoes, especially if it is raining. The walk will take place whatever the weather conditions.
- If you have one, wear a 'Save the Whale' or Greenpeace Tee shirt to promote the cause and the organisation.
- Please do not bring any placards or banners. These are banned in the parks and in any case this is a walk not a demonstration.
- This is not a race safety is as important to us as to you. Stick to the route, keep to the pavements, use the subways where indicated and take guidance from the Greenpeace officials. Please observe the traffic lights at the road crossings and avoid jamming up traffic.
- Bring some food and refreshments with you. If you want to buy refreshments some stalls will be open in the parks.
- Some First Aid points and public conveniences will be open on the route.
- If you are coming by car you may prefer to go first to Waterloo and leave your car in one of the numerous car parks around and under the National Theatre. You can then take a Northern Line tube direct to Hampstead (40p).
- Please drop no litter. There will be plenty of rubbish bins along the way.
- We want to gain support for our campaign, so please be courteous to local residents, shopkeepers and fellow pedestrians, drivers and park users.

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to save the whales from unnecessary slaughter by participating in their sponsored walk on Saturday 7th July.

Funds are urgently needed to pay for our boat, the 'Rainbow Warrior', to directly confront the Icelandic Whaling Fleet to save the last of the giant Fin Whales from explosive harpoons.

All profits from this walk will go to finance this and similar campaigns to interfere with whale and seal hunting. Although the crew is volunteer, the cost of properly equipping the 'Rainbow Warrior' for these campaigns is very high.

Become an active part of the Greenpeace campaign to save the whales from extinction. Come out and walk with us and ask your friends, relatives, colleagues etc. to sponsor you.



Welfare

Making ends meet this summer

If you can't get work during the coming vacation you should be able to persuade the state to cough up a few bob to keep you going.

The two possible sources of cash are:-

Supplementary Benefit and Unemployment Benefit.

Supplementary Benefit

Entitlement Anyone who is not in full time remunerative employment and is available for work can claim.

How much? If you are living at home with your parents you should be able to get £13.90 per week. If you are living somewhere else and paying rent you should get £12.45 and most of your rent.

Unemployment Benefit

Entitlement As for Supplementary Benefit except that you have to have paid National Insurance Contributions on earnings over a particular sum in the relevant tax year.

To claim this Summer you need to have been paid unemployment benefit during the Easter vacation or to have earned over £375 between April 1977 and April 1978. You would then be entitled to £7.35per week. If you earned over £750 you could get £14.70 or more depending on how much you earned.

If you earned this sort of money in a different tax year, you can check with the Welfare Centre to see whether you would be entitled to anything. The amount that you get in Unemployment Benefit is deducted from your Supplementary Benefit entitlement. When you claim Supplementary Benefit you automatically claim Unemployment Benefit.

HOW TO CLAIM

The places that you have to go to claim are

- 1. The Job Centre
- 2. Department of Employment office
- 3. Department of Health and Social Security Office.

1and 2 are sometimes the same office.

To claim supplementary benefit ring 3. and make an appointment for an interview and then go to 1, 2, and 3, in that order.

To claim Unemployment benefit yougo to 1 and 2 but it is worth going to 3 as well so at least you get Supplementary Benefit if they refuse to give you Unemployment Benefit.

If you are not happy with the money that they give you you can, within 21 days, write to them and tell them that you want to appeal.

OVERSEAS STUDENTS

If you are thinking of working during the vacation and have a stamp in your passport which imposes restrictions on your right to work, it is important to remember that if you don't get permission to work and the Home Office find out about it they might well refuse to renew your visa or else might deport you. If you have a stamp which says that you can't

MARANATHA

Where your treasure is, there will your heart also be.

'The ground of a certain rich man produced a good crop. He thought to himself, 'What shall I do? I have no place to store my crops. 'Then he said. 'This is what I will do. I will tear down my barns and build bigger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to myself. 'You have plenty of good things laid up for mahy years. Take life easy, eat, drink and be merry.'

'But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life will be demanded from you. Then you won'tget what you have prepared for yourself?'

'This is how it will be with anyone who stores things up for himself but is not rich toward God.'

Then Jesus said to his disciples: 'Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat, or about your body, what you will wear. Life is more than food, and the body more than clothes. Consider the ravens: They do not sow or reap, they have no storeroom or barn, yet God feeds them. And how much more valuable you are than birds! Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to his life? Since you cannot do this very little thing, why do you worry about the rest?

'Consider how the lillies grow. They do not labour or spin. Yet I tell you, not even Solomon in all his splendour was dressed like one of these. If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, how much more will he clothe you, O you of little faith! And do not set your heart on what you will eat or drink; do not worry about it. For the Pagan world runs after all such things, and your Father knows that you need them. But seek his kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well.'

work without permission it is possible to apply for permission and if you intend to do a job which is in some way connected with your studies then it is easier to get permission. If the stamp just says that you can't work it is much more difficult. If you want more information on this you can contact the Welfare Centre on the third floor of the Union Building.

Overseas students are generally not entitled to supplemenary Benefit etc and again you can jeopardise your stay in this country by trying to claim it.

Housing Co-op / short life User group

As arranged at the last meeting, there will be another meeting now that you have time to think about the idea and exams are out of the way. The meeting will be on Thursday 21st June at 12.45pm in the SCR in the Union Building. The idea of the meeting is to get something positive organised for the vacation and or for next term. Anyone is welcome to come

Luggage Store

This will be in the Union building and you can leave stuff in it from the 19th onwards. Contact the Welfare Centre (int 2898) for further details.

ACCOMMODATION FOR NEXT YEAR

You can come and see what we have got at present or put your name down so that we can pass on any information that comes in during the vacation.



REVIEWS

FILMS

BATTLESHIP EROTICA

Eventually it had to happen. The double x rated Star Wars rip off has arrived - not with a bang, but a whimper and a groan. Apologies but the film is indisputably a remix of WW11 dogfight scenes, themes first articulated in Star Trek (ST for short), Star Wars (SW) special effects and noise levels and Barbarella fantasy.

Viewed as anything other than bluish disposable entertainment the film falls flat on its back. As a big budget superglossy exercise in perfection and escapism it fails abysmally. The plot contains the most incredible faults - what Sam Goldwyn did for the English language, Justin P Zlanzazywyz or something , the Producer, has done for Hollywood. Example: Almost the entirity of humanity have been destroyed. A handful of survivors remain, barely able get the hell out of the Solar System. The enemy, the Silos, wish to destroy every last human, so what do the survivors do? You guessed, they lead the enemy directly to the last remaining human colony - Starbase 69 (I said it was bad did I not?) - which is only rumoured to exist, and is almost certainly unarmed.

Unlike SWs, where a great deal of thought went into the technicial feasabilities, this film uses money and little thought. The result is a string of hilarious mistakes which when briefly listed cover a side of A4. Here are some prime examples: Two of our fighter craft (which look a little like Thunderflash jet fighters) are running away from thousands of enemy fighters (no low budget film, this) at least half the velocity of light, when they decide to take evasive action - reverse thrust and fully reverse in a fraction of a second. Do that in a mere supersonic jet, or a Saturn V, and you would leave the cockpit in matchboxes.

There are of course the standard errors - apparently interstellar vacuums carry the sound of explosions very well. Fighter ships, battlestars and even whole planets, alright, one little one, explodes, Why? Well, you see this small intergalatic craft capable of withstanding attacks massed perspex tubes with lightbulbs in the ends, gets a little close to the planet, and well you see, these big bolts of lightening shoot to and fro, and then it sort of explodes taking the planet with it - I suppose the planet was called Krypton.

The film is slightly entertaining, but even watching it through several cans of Swan and pints of Ruddles I was mildly iritated and disgruntled throughout the film. The producer relied too heavily on two things - effects and the bandwaggon. To some extent the

film is sold on its technical merits alone - sound in 'Gropearound' (copyright) and Dooley 'A' Noise Creation System, filmed in Widevision. The next step will be 'Noise by Zappa' or some equivalent - already cinemas are issuing disclaimers (the management accepts no responsability for any physicial effects caused by Gropearound..., and that is a quote).

Remember the days when Technicolour was a means to and end rather than a mean end in itself? The spin offs associated with the film would amaze even snooker club - the book, the home movie, the film behind the scenes, the sound track, the Battleship Car Headlights (why settle for less than eight? Dazzle your friends...), the imitation radio commercials and, of course, the computer programe of the film (algorithm to detect its use available. Contact ICCC.)

Things are not all bad - true the baddies were. They forgot their lines, missed cues, ham act and probably belong to trade unions seriously though, there is a light at the end of the perspex tube. Despite this film being seen in the West End, on a Saturday, the cinema was 2/3 empty - too many rip offs have achieved saturation level. Star Wars 2 may do well, but its imitators will not. Not even Emanuell Meets The Wookie, a novel idea. In retrospect it becomes clear that Star Trek was of a high standard, even if there were only three basic plots.

Review by Honker Fenning.

Answers to Film Quiz: 1. Neil Simon, Cheap Detective, Murder by Death, Plaza Suite, Odd Couple, etc etc. 2. Donald Sutherland, 3. Glen A Larson, 4. Lorne Green, 5. Klaus Kinski, 6. The Empire Strikes Back, 7. Ira Levin, 8. Life of Brian, 9. You only live Twice, 10. Moonraker, 11. Battlestar Galactica, 12. Nosferatu, The Vampyre.

Wierdos Only: 1. Walter Pidgeon, 2. Thunderbirds are Go, Thunderbird 6, 3. Peter Cushing, 4. Apocalypse Now and The Tin Drum.

The winner was Philip Spencer from Physics 2.

Tubeway Army - Replicas (Beggar's Banquet)

Tubeway Army do not exist. In fact they disbanded last July, yet here is a new Tubeway Army album. Confusing, eh? Well perhaps until you realise that the Army is really Gary Numan who sings and plays all the instruments except drums (his uncle Jess Libyard) and bass (Paul Gardiner).

The album cover, which finds Numan, bleached hair, black nail polish and make-up, staring at his own reflection is a dark window, points to the musical direction - alienation - and the track listing confirms it; 'Praying to the Aliens' and 'I Nearly Married a Human' are but a couple. But is it good? Well, no. Some of it is exceptional, but as a whole it comes across like some cheap imitation of 'low' Bowie or early Kraftwork.

The standout material is on the first side; 'Me! I Disconnect from You' combines synthesiser fanfares and chanting vocals excellently and is followed by the best track on the album, 'Are 'Friends' Electric?', the current

RECORDS

picture disc single. A lonely man pleas for help; 'You know I hate to ask / But are friends electric?'

Only mine's broke down / And now I've no-one to love.'

I really can't enthuse too much about this. So then the album starts with two fine tracks both filled with melodic keyboards, unnerving vocals and a fine rhythm backing. So why doesn't it last? I don't know, ask Gary.

The problem with many of the other songs is that they sound too much alike, though 'Praying to the Aliens' stands out, with its strange view of the future. It's one of the few cuts which, while aiming for a specific effect, doesn't get bogged down in the process.

Numan writes of machines and alienation, and then complains that people ignore him. Well, my lad, maybe we're just not ready for it. All this said, it's a valiant attempt, brave even on the part of his record company, Beggar's Banquet. The music retains the chilling starkness which it strives for, but somewhere along the line it falls desparately short.

Jon Firth

'Gimme Some Neck' - Ron Wood (CBS)

'Gimme some Neck' is Ron Wood's third solo album to date, and with a history as impeccable as his, (he has played with bands such as; the Birds, Creation, Jeff Beck Group, Faces and now the Stones), it is only natural that great things are expected of this album. Add to that the line-up of big names, such as Mick Jagger, Keith Richards and Charlie Watts from the Stones, Mick Fleetwood from Fleetwood Mac plus an exmember of the Faces and a handful of other equally well qualified musicians, anything short of excellence from the album would be disapppointing.

However, disappointing the album certainly is not. Listening to the album just once was enough to persuade me that if Mr Wood gives a concert in the near future, I shall be one of the first to rush out for tickets.

To be chosen as lead guitarist for the Rolling Stones, who have every right to be particular about whom they choose to join them, must say something about the quality of Ron Wood's guitar playing.

Side One opens with a track heavily featuring honky-tonky piano and powered by Charlie Watts hammering away in his own inimitable style it is a typical example of the fine rock featured on the Album, most of the songs, in true Stones style, are built around a framework of slashing guitar chords, setting the rhythm, backed up by a very strong

percussion section. Indeed Gimme Some Neck' sounds like it could almost be the latest offering by the Rolling Stones, with the exception of a couple of tracks. The most obvious exception, being one of three of the eleven songs not written by Wood, is 'Seven Days' which was written by Bob Dylan especially for the record. Ron Wood manages to sing it sounding more like Dylan than Dylan usually does; couple that with the drumming coming from Mick Fleetwood, the drummer for Fleetwood Mac and you end up with a thoroughly satisfactory song, probably the strongest on the whole album.

Another track worthy of particular scrutiny is 'FUC her', a witty, rather crude but nevertheless amusing look at the attitude of someone who, it seems, has been snubbed by an attractive lady, and is trying to warn others about her dubious integrity. Here's part of the chorus:

...'A COC teaser - an ice-cream squeezer, Her CUN really do you in, So don't try to FUC her if I wouldn't touch her with mine....'

Probably the only fault with this album is that although the content is very sound, the music played and sung remarkably expressively there are so many bands playing this sort of rock so well that to produce a chart-topping record it must be a compilation of classics, or have a million selling name attached.

CRICKET

IC SUNDAY XI............ 94 all out PRESIDENTS XJ......95 for 9

As usual the Sunday team was short of a player, thanks to Tomlinson who did not appear due to an all-night party. Toplis having won the toss, much to his delight, elected to bat, but soon regretted his decision. None of the recognised batsmen made any significant contributions with the unfortunate Toplis only managing to get his gloves to a rising ball which then flew to slip. Price batted well despite his fetish for being hit on the feet by any ball which came near him, and this ultimately led to his downfall being LBW at 45 and so stopping him from buying a jug. After the departure of Price and his faithful sidekick Vincent who put on 51 together, the tail collapsed with the last 4 wickets putting on only 3 runs.

The miserable total was mainly due to the pedestrian bowling of former IC cricket club captain Williams who finished with figures of 11 overs 10 maidens 5 for 5, the last victim being Heath who seemed determined to give Williams his 5th wicket and so enabled him to buy a jug. Shortly afterwards it was noticed that Miss Attenorough was reprimanded for drinking on licensed premises out of hours while showing the Swedish visitors around Harlington, and then in spite, stopped Mel Kinkie making up the numbers in the field.

Chasing the rather ordinary total of 94 the Presidents XI got off to a great start with both openers going for 0, Millard and Toplis getting one apiece, the latter due to a good catch from make-shift wicket-keeper Care, the only ball he managed to hold all afternoon. Millard and Toplis hogging the bowling steadily worked their way through the batting until the hard-hitting Ienkins arrived in the middle where he put on 20 with Perkins and 31 with a 12 year old schoolboy S Weale. Both Millard and Toplis, their compassion aroused, refused to get the youngster out, so he promptly clipped the ball between the cluster of close fielders and then when Toplis finally allowed 2 overs from Price, hit him for 4. When Jenkins was finally out for

Chadband, Heath.

37, thanks to a remarkable catch from Price despite the efforts of Roche, who looked determined to knock the ball out of his hands, only 15 runs were needed. Weale S and Weale K, promptly knocked these off although Weale S provided some excitement by being the 9th wicket to fall with the scores level. With a magnificent chance to tie the match, Roche was unlucky to misjudge a high chance which in fact led to the winning run. Toplis again finished with 5 wickets, but true to form declined to honour the team with the customary liquid refreshment.

With the usual efficiency of the club, the coach failed to arrive and so I hour after Toplis had left by car, the other weary members had to make their own way home. Team: Mylvaganam, Slator, Toplis, Millard, Care, Price, Vincent, Roche,

IC 1st XI vs. St. Peter's College

Captain-elect Price showed he possesses one of the necessary qualities by getting us lost. This meant nine of us arrived an hour late. This year's skipper, Toplis, and Slater managed to arrive even later.

This left Price to toss-up and remarkably he actually won and elected to bat. Morton and Mylvanganam opened and appeared to be coping with a very tricky wicket before Fifield gave Morton out LBW to a ball missing leg stump by at least a foot. Fifield later admitted he was considering an appointment at the opticians. Thus IC's numerous supporters (two) were deprived of the sight of IC's classiest batsman in action after he had scored only 18.

Mylvanganam followed Morton back to the pavilion shortly afterwards when he was well caught in the gully with his score on 10. Everett was looking good at this stage and was joined by the lumbering hulk of Tomlinson to produce the ugliest batting partnership since the demise of D. A. Heath. Fortunately, Tomlinson didn't last long after scoring a marvellous one run. Everett continued to carve up the bowling until the bowler held a good return catch to dismiss him for 22. This allowed Slater and Maguire to come together for an excruciatingly slow partnership. It was so slow the 'old hands' in the team couldn't help but compare them with the legendary John England. Slater crawled to an impressive 5 before being bowled by a full toss. Maguire now really came out of his shell and produced some text book edges to race to 15 when he was run-out. This left Toplis to come in for his normal heave-ho. He lasted a relatively long time (third ball), but was then stumped for nought despite a brave flurry of limbs in an attempt to regain his ground. Fifield was caught behind after he had accumulated a similar total. Crowe was now

resigned to hitting out and this led to him being stumped with his score on five. Once again our last pair were called in to save the day. Once again they failed to do so. This time Price let us down by skying a catch after failing to score. Special mention should be given to Acford for his 3 n.o. The sight of Brian running up the pitch screaming 'three' brought tears to the eyes of all those sentimentalists in the team who truly believed he would score more than one run in an innings before this prolific bus-driver left College. Anyway we finished on a meagre 81.

IC's opening bowlers were Crowe and Toplis. Toplis picked up two early wickets but he had to rely on stupendous diving catches from Everett and Morton. It is a sad reflection on our cricket club that the whole team relies so heavily on these two as you will note from the above that they had already scored half the runs. Avid followers of these reports will be aware that IC possess a formidable (?) array of spin-bowlers. Today we had Slater, Fifield and Price in action. As usual they gave away numerous runs to lose us the match. Fifield retained some honour by taking a

wicket. The only other wicket to fall during this period of spinbowling was again due to our resident super-heroes. Morton ran after a ball at the speed of sound, produced a throw to the wicket-keeper that travelled at the speed of light and within a pico-second Everett had the bails off to run out their most threatening batsman. When staring defeat in the face, Toplis brought himself back on and intrduced the inconsistent Acford to the attack. These two bowled very tidily and finished with figures of 5 for 10 (but no jug) and 1 for 7 respectively. This earned IC a draw as St. Peter's finished on 63 for 8.

Five of us then stayed on for the evening and had a great time, but then who wouldn't with beer at 25p a pint? It is with regret that I must report that Everett may have looked good on the field but he looks bloody awful when throwing up in the streets of Oxford. We must thank Brian for staying sober and driving us back & Tom for taking care of our less than 100% fit wicket-keeper.

ROCK MINTON

P.S. Neil Price stayed in Oxford that night. I don't know what happened to him but it inspired him to unknown heights the following day in the Presidents' XI game.

Tennis Club

On Sunday we played a ladies doubles match against Southgale County LTC, it was a 2nd round match in the Under 21 Middlesex Cup. The match was away, and we had to travel by tube to the far end of the Picadilly line. Lack of confidence in the Captain's navagational abilities soon showed, we all refused to believe that she knew where she was going. However, after visiting a golf course, we eventually arrived at the tennis club.

In the first match Kathy and Hazel played the second couple and won 7-5, 6-1. They then had to sit and watch Sara and Julia finish a slightly longer match against the first couple, in which Julia amused the opposition by falling about all over the court. Due to nerves and some pathetic tennis we allowed them to reach a 5-2 lead, we then played properly and won the set on a tie- break. In the second set we played better, and we beat them 7-6, 6-3.

For the second matches the tables were turned. Julia and Sara beat the second couple easily, 6-2. 6-1, while Kathy and Hazel were struggling against the first couple. The game went to three sets, mainly due to lack of concentration by both players, but we eventually won 3-6, 7-6, 8-6. The credit for the final victory must go to Hazel, as by the end of the third set Kathy was definately feeling the effects of the previous nights toga party.

Altogether we won convincingly, dropping only one set in the whole match. As we won this match we are now through to the quarter final of the Middlesex Cup.

Team:- Julia Towns and Sara McGuinness; Kathy Snook and Hazel McCulloch.

Swedes Continue Visit to Britain

Lars and Mian, the two sabbaticals from Chalmers University in Sweden, continued their visit to Imperial College this week.

Following Mary Attenborough's attempt to give them a taste of English cooking last week, at which she claims her second Yorkshire pudding was alright, all the Chalmers students studying here were invited to a Swedish party last Friday.

In anticipation Lars, known as Åby by his friends, and Mian had specially imported some Swedish 'punch', and with the addition of Danisi 'schnaps' the right atmosphere was created for Mary and other IC students present to join in the singing of Swedish drinking songs.

Having slept off their hangovers, the next day Mary took them to Brighton, followed by yet another party in the evening.

Åby had expressed a wish to see some cricket, so on Sunday Mary and former student Sheyne Lucock took the visitors to Harlington to see part of the President's match. They soon tired of that however and decided to continue westward by public transport to Silwood, not an easy task.

After a wine and cheese party on Monday lunchtime at which a small number of Union officers consumed several bottles of wine, Mian and Åby saw Bo, Jez, the College Archives and the House of Commons. There Peter Brooke, MP for Westminster, provided them with tickets for the public gallery where they heard part of the debate about the future of Ocean Island.

Andrew Gifford, Personal Assistant to Liberal leader David Steel then took them to the House of Lords bar where they also met Mrs Steel

In the evening they went to see Annie - the musical not the Union receptionist.

Before leaving they presented the Union with an 'Emil' and and 'Emilia', Chalmers student symbols. Aby then returned to Sweden while Mian continued her holiday in Ireland.

ACCOMMODATION PROBLEM (contd.)

The College have been concentrating their efforts on housing around 1500 students in Halls and Houses leaving the other 3000 to their own devices.

But whereas until now all students were guaranteed at least one year in a Hall or House if they wanted it, this year there were more 3rd year students applying for a place than places available for 2nd and 3rd year new applicants together.

But College cannot hope to meet the heavy demand for housing by spending their resources on schemes such as the Linstead extension and Student Houses. For every student place in the new Linstead College has to fork out over £10,000, and money is very limited.

While students must welcome this long overdue expansion in College-owned accommodation, College could do a lot more for very little cost by entering into head tenancy schemes. Such an arrangement would allow College to sublet flats and rooms to students while leaving the landlord in charge. There would be no financial outlay by College apart from some administrative costs.

Meanwhile students are already beginning the hunt for

accommodation for next October. In the last few days there has been a daily flow of 15 to 20 students up to Michael Arthur's office seeking help.

Some students go to the very unsatisfactory University of London Accommodation Office. Many others are forced to seek out flat agencies where they pay exhorbitant charges only to get expensive accommodation a long way from College.

Yet the College think there is no problem.

This year the Union have made several attempts to persuade College to do more to help their students. But most of the Union's ideas have been coolly received.

Michael Arthur has also gone ahead with his own schemes such as forming a cooperative to renovate short-life property which will be available in October at around £3 per week.

But Michael Arthur's time is limited. His job is to run a Welfare Centre not an accommodation office. College, however, ignored the Union's plea for a full time Accommodation Officer.

It is high time that the College realise that two thirds of their students face an annual housing problem and do more about it.

NEWS

WOMEN'S SAFETY

Union Safety Representative Bernard Smith is to enter into preliminary discussions with the College about the safety of women students especially in Beit Hall. The Union is drawing up a list of proposals.

INSURANCE CHANGE

The amount that can be claimed for loss of cassettes under the Halls of Residence insurance policy has been raised from £75 to £150. The policy premium remains the same next year.

WASTE OF TIME

The scheme to issue students with parking permits for July has proved a waste of time as less students have applied than there are permits available.

All applicants will therefore receive permits and College will have to find some other way of dealing with traffic congestion in Imperial Institute Road.

POLICE CHASE

Two students were chased by police around the Beit Quad on Monday night following the disappearance of a bollard. They were due to appear in Court on Tuesday.

SMALL ADS

WANTED

Summer Accommodation Cleaners. £24.60 for a 24 hour week plus free accommodation. Apply to Miss Cullity. Summer Accommodation Centre, Southside.

WANTED

Urgent!!! A lift wanted to Munich (Germany) will share petrol costs. Contact: Hamid Nahid, Brighton. Tel: 0273-555338.

WANTED

Could the person or persons unknown who 'nicked' the suggestions box from the Health Centre on Monday 11th June, please return it as soon as possible. We only had the box for three days and as it is for the benefit of patients we did think it might last a little longer.

WANTED

The Ken Fenning Loaning Service will be closing down for the summer. Anyone still in possession of textbooks, lecture notes (2nd or 3rd year), cassettes, stereo phono leads, screwdrivers, computing magazines, copies of 'mien campf', microphones, Tolkien rip-offs, etc, is strongly advised to return them poste haste. OK?

WANTED

Ex-3rd year student required to work with research group as lab. technician. Should have a practical mind-some engineering ability useful. This is not a vacation job. Ring 2109 internal or 2392 external.

WANTED

Student to help a distinguished elderly lady ornithologist for 2 weeks in August. Required to cook meals and do some light housework.

1 day off per week and afternoons off daily. (plus 1 day off away if necessary). Board and lodging plus £20 per week. Based in Picturesque village near Arundel, should be country lover and walker. If interested please contact Angela de Hartog 352-5991.

WANTED

Would anyone still in the possession of, or knowing the whereabouts of Matthews (no, the book not the man, dummy) Please contact John Tidy c/o phy II letter racks or in the Union bar (lunchtimes) or Stans (not weekend evenings) or in the Queens (weekends).

FOR SALE

Honda CB 125J Excellent condition only 2400 miles £290 ono. Contact Melanie Quin, Botany 3, before end of term.

FOR SALE

MG Midget, 'S' Registration. Immaculate condition. Only 5,000 miles on clock. Contact Gill 589 5111 extension 1048 or internal 2881.

FOR SALE

D Reg MG Midget. British Racing Green, Sound runner, 6 months MOT and Tax, slightly tatty. Thus only £250. Contact Jez Garage, 2548 afternoon or evenings.

PRINTING

Offset Litho printing for students at 1.5p per sheet A4. Minimum run of 100. Colour also available. One, two or three day service. Contact Tom Gilleand, Civ, Eng Dept, or at home in the evenings. Ph. 602 2804.

FOR SALE

Dinner set, brand new, 30 piece Dorset earthen ware. Virtually unbreakable. Cream with brown and orange pattern. Price only £12.75. A bargain. Ph Gill Internal 2881 or external 589 5111 ext. 1048.