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HALL HELL BREAKS LOOSE

Dangerous and thoughtless actions by certain residents of Linstead and Tizard Halls in the last fortnight have resulted in fines being imposed on the Halls.

After midnight on Friday, February 5, several very loud fireworks were set off in and around Linstead Hall and a large number of local residents and students were disturbed.

Because of the history of the middle east related trouble in the area, the Diplomatic Protection Police arrived to investigate a possible terrorist attack. It was only when the sub-wardens showed the used

fire-works to the police that they were persuaded not to search the Hall.

A number of complaints concerning the event were subsequently received by College. These included phone calls from senior police officers during the night.

Dr R.W. Smith, College Senior Tutor, has interviewed some of the students concerned and imposed a £50 fine on the Hall. Dr Smith and the Hall Committee have made it clear that they only expect those responsible to contribute to the fine.

In a notice to the Hall Dr Smith stated that College is very concerned over the unauthorised storage of explosive materials in student residences.

A few days later another serious breach of discipline occurred in Tizard Hall. A Waitrose trolley and a chair belonging to the Hall were thrown from the gallery level. The incident occurred at 3:00am on Wednesday, February 10, and fortunately no one was passing by at the time. However the chair, worth £75, was irreparably broken and it has been decided to reduce the Hall's amenities budget by £75 to compensate for this.

ICU Nuts lift Spanner and Bolt

It was revealed this week that Spanner and Bolt, the mascots of City and Guilds Union, are in the possession of IC Union and not RCS Union, as reported in FELIX 604.



The deceit came to light when ICU Honorary Secretary Marco Ledwold and ICU Deputy President Barney McCabe were discovered moving the stolen mascots in the Union Building. They refused to answer questions and insisted that they had "found" Spanner and Bolt and were just making sure that they were safe.

When asked, Mr Nick Morton, ICU President, was still under the impression that RCSU had the mascots. He said he had no idea where they were.

A FELIX reporter confronted Mr Morton with the news that his fellow sabbatical officers had been seen with the mascots. He said "I haven't seen them for a week and have managed quite well without them."

Hutton plugs Taps

On Wednesday STOIC celebrated its twelfth birthday and marked the occasion with an interview with Oscar winning actor Timothy Hutton.

Hutton won his award last year as Best Supporting Actor in Robert Redford's *Ordinary People* and is in this country promoting his latest film *Taps*, which opens in London next Thursday.

In the interview David Childs asked Mr Hutton about his career and his latest role as a cadet major in *Taps*. The interview will be screened by STOIC on Tuesday at 1:00pm and 6:00pm.





Dear Mark

You know that I did not like the way you started the ball rolling on your electoral soapbox series. And you know I had one or two reservations about equal access to all candidates. But when all is said and done it would seem to be a marvellous idea.

I have just read the articles in FELIX 605. Laugh? I nearly shat!

Yours

Nick Morton
President, IC Union

Ed's Note: Still two weeks behind on the ideas front then Nick!

Dear Mr Smith

As Council's representative on the Bar Committee, I feel I must correct some of the idiotic blabberings of Mr Goulder that appeared in last week's FELIX.

The Bar Committee has never, ever, even considered contemplating anything remotely resembling a bust of Prince Albert. I can only think that this is some kind of joke, as no one would take such a suggestion seriously.

The Victorian prints mentioned are believed to be in the possession of the College archives, and therefore will cost us nothing.

The Bar Committee minutes are, of course, available for scrutiny in the Union Office. It is a pity he did not bother to read them.

Yours

Mike Booty
Academic Affairs Officer

Dear Mark

It came to my notice that last Friday (February 12) everyone who attended the previous SCC meeting was invited by Steve Goulder to an SCC booze-up to 'celebrate' sixty years of SCC.

Members of the Union might be interested to know that this cost £20 of their money, not much, but imagine it similarly irresponsible people were to be elected to run IC Union next year. How much more of our money could be wasted giving hacks free food and wine?

Even the Chairman of Labour Club when asked agreed that it was a waste of money, but said he didn't intend to do anything about it because he fancied a free party.

I hope that perhaps FELIX will in future attempt to tell people when similar events are organised and hopefully prevent these Union parasites from having such a good time at our expense.

With love

Ian Hodgson

Ed's Note:

Considering that Mr Hodgson is personally responsible for a great deal of the trouble IC Rag is now in, I find it absolutely incredible that he dare criticise *anybody*. His pathetic performance as IC Rag Chairman has resulted in the loss of *thousands* of pounds to IC Rag, so how he can honestly label people as irresponsible for spending a twenty pound allowance (which is specifically reserved for entertainment) amazes me.

Dear Mark

In his Welfare Week article in the last FELIX, Nick Pyne mentioned that there are "probably 500 gays at IC", a figure presumably derived from the notion that 5% of the adult population of Britain is exclusively homosexual.

Without wishing to cast doubt on this widely believed statistic, may I ask for a serious answer to an obvious question: how does anyone know?

Yours sincerely

Martin S. Taylor

Dear Mr Smith

I as the former IC Entertainments Committee Disco Officer wish to announce my formal resignation from the post.

I have submitted the major reasons for my resignation in a letter to the entertainments committee. These are of a personal nature and are of no interest to your readers. I would however like bring to your attention some general points which have disturbed me whilst I have been a member of the Entertainments Committee.

The Ents Committee does not serve the musical taste of students at IC. The decisions in booking bands are taken by one person alone with no consultation with the other members of the committee, and this of course leads to a great emphasis on this one person's own taste in music which I do not think conforms with that of the majority of IC students. The way he covers up for this is by claiming that IC students, as a whole, have no taste. I illustrate my point by bringing to the attention of IC students (as if they hadn't noticed) the lack of variety in the bands booked. When 'Overkill' played here the lack of enthusiasm shown by leading members of the committee was blantly obvious and as no attempt was made to fully promote the band the event was not an "overwhelming success".

I would like to point out that the Ents Committee are now in a suitably sound financial position to be able to underwrite a major band to play at College. However, when the opportunity arose to book such a band at a very reasonable price no attempt was made by the Chairman to take up the offer, despite its approval by the Entertainments Committee, and he delayed making a decision for so long that the band in question eventually lost interest and in the end did not wish to play the gig. The band to which I refer is King Crimson. Instead the Chairman went ahead and booked a lesser band of his own choice for that date, a deal which

later fell through, so now IC students will not see a major band performing at THEIR College this year, while the Ents Committee enjoy a large profit.

Yours sincerely
Steven Bramwell
Chem Eng 1

Dear Mark

I have been moved to write to you to complain about the posters publicising the Links Carnival. They feature the IC Radio logo with the word "Radio" cut off. While we have no copyright on the artwork, we feel that such use of our logo, especially the IC Radio crocodile, is very impolite, particularly since they did not seek our permission.

Jeremy Nunns
Secretary, IC Radio

Sir

I would be grateful for the opportunity to throw some light on the mystery of the IC Radio crocodile logo. For if it is true that they do *not* possess the copyright, then I can only assume that they themselves have ripped it off without due acknowledgement or permission and are in no position to criticise the Links Carnival publicity.

More likely, they *do* possess the copyright, as copyright does not need to be registered, unlike a patent, and the Links Carnival publicity machine may be duly chastised.

Yours
P.J. Knowall

Copy Deadline: Contributors are reminded that the copy deadline is **1:30pm, Monday.**

Summer Vacation Employment

Two Assistant Managers required for the Summer Letting Scheme of the College flats at Hamlet Gardens for the forthcoming summer. The job offers excellent managerial experience, good pay, free accommodation and an enjoyable summer in London. If interested, please write in detail to Jim Donaldson (Manager HGSLs) for an interview, c/o the Student Services Office, 15 Princes Gdns, or directly to 216 Hamlet Gdns, London W6. Any undergraduate may apply. Closing date for applications Monday, February 22.

Posh Nosh

THE GUILDS DINNER AND DANCE was held in the Hyde Park Hotel last Friday. The event started at 8:00pm and after an excellent meal and talk by Professor A. Kennaway, the revellers danced to a jazz band.

After 2:00am the event moved to the Union Building where the bar remained open to 6:00am.

Miss Lesley Horrocks, FELIX Sports Editor, said the event was "magic".

Hot Cigarettes

20,000 CIGARETTES with an estimated value of £900 were stolen from the Sherfield Building last Monday.

Two brown cardboard cartons with Marlboro stamped on in red were left in the corridor beside the level 1 lifts of the building between 2:00 and 5:00pm. These lifts are near the exit to Ayrton Road and anyone who saw cartons being carried or loaded in the Ayrton Road around 5:00pm or saw the cartons before 5:00pm are asked to contact Mr Reeves, Chief Security Officer (int 2741, Rm 150 Sherfield).

Student Labour

AN IMPERIAL COLLEGE student will be standing as one of the official Labour Party candidates for the Knightsbridge ward of the City of Westminster in the forthcoming London Borough elections.

Mr Glyn Garside of Elec Eng 2 was born in the borough and has been active in the local Labour party since the age of fifteen. The Knightsbridge ward takes in most of the College, including the Halls of Residence in Princes Gardens. The election will be on May 6.

Micro-crowd for Micro Club

THE IMPERIAL COLLEGE Union Deputy President (who shall remain nameless) gave a lecture to the Micro Club last Tuesday. The subject was Intel's Analogue processing chip (the 8022), but he also managed to include a succinct yet comprehensive explanation of fourier transforms. He explained to the small crowd how the chip could be used to provide a very cheap way of monitoring electricity meters.

Blow job in Quad



Nick Pyne, Union Welfare Officer, demonstrating how to give a blow job, in the Union Quad.

THE EXTENSIVE programme of Welfare Week events began last Wednesday with a Condom Inflation Competition in the Beit Quad.

Teams of three participated, the object being for the members to consecutively inflate the condom until it burst.

Four teams, containing many present and prospective sabbatical officers, competed. RSM and ICU overcoming RCS and FELIX in the heats.

In the final each team member had to inflate two condoms and RSM narrowly beat ICU.

Jumbo Success!

OVER 200 PEOPLE were mesmerised by hypnotist extraordinaire Martin S. Taylor, and the hilariously funny antics of his seventeen volunteers at the H.G. Wells Society lecture on Monday night.

After a preliminary talk on the history of hypnotism and life of Mesmer, Mr Taylor began the long awaited demonstration. Martin placed the seventeen volunteers into a hypnotic trance. To test their level of consciousness Martin read out details of President Reagan's defence policy which caused the volunteers to fall about in hysterics of laughter—but then so did many of the audience.



Martin S. Taylor demonstrating the true extent of his abilities.

Other stunts included persuading the Wellsoc Chairman, Mr Pallab Ghosh, to deliver a very moving speech, with all the wit and powers of oratory at his disposal (*not much—Ed*) using only the first few letters of the alphabet.

The highlight of the evening was when Martin placed a post-hypnotic suggestion in a young lady that she would see an elephant in the lecture theatre when he said the words "meet Jumbo". When he repeated the phrase her immediate reaction, after turning completely white, was "how the hell did you get that thing in here?"

A very entertaining evening was rounded off nicely with a showing of a video tape of *Not The Nine O'Clock News* which people at the lecture would have missed.

Next Monday Wellsoc will be showing the film *Freaks*. This writer for one will not be missing this rare opportunity to see this very weird film.

Council Boring as Ever

ICU Council had their first meeting of the second term last Monday. The meeting began late with only 26 of the 48 members present.

The President reported on the payment of residence bills, the linen service in Halls, the heating of Halls and his response to the discussion documents published by four of the Subject Area Review Committees (SARCs).

SARCs were formed on the recommendation of the Committee on Academic Organisation (under Swinnerton-Dyer) and External Affairs Officer, J. Martin Taylor submitted a report on the CAO's third discussion document.

The PWP reports on the awarding of pewter tankard/Life Membership and on Union places in Hall were accepted.

This means the Entertainments Officer will no longer have a place in Hall while the OSC Chairman and PG Affairs Officer will.

The revisions of the Rag Constitution submitted by the Rag Chairman was amended before being accepted.

At 8:30pm Mr D. Thompson successfully challenged quorum.

What's On

Friday, February 19

- **IC Angling Club**, 12:30pm, Southside Upper Lounge.
- **Industrial Society talk 'Coal—Fuel of the Future'** with Mr Parker of NCB, 1:00pm, Chem Eng LT1.
- **Soup Run**, 10:30pm, Falmouth Kitchen.

Saturday, February 20

- **Cross Country Club** last Reebok League Race (Oxford). See noticeboard for details.
- **Railsoc visit** to Old Oak Common Loco Depot (WR). See Southside noticeboard.

Sunday, February 21

- **City & Guilds Motor Club Autotest**, 10:30am, Car Park by Civ Eng. Spectators free.
- **West London Chaplaincy communion service** Preacher Richard Harris, Dean of Kings College, Consort Gallery.
- **Wargames club meeting**, 1:00pm, Union SCR.

Monday, February 22

- **Hang-gliding club meeting**, 12:30pm, above Southside Bar.
- **Badgesoc meeting**, 12:30pm, Southside Bar Lounge.
- **Chemsoc lecture** with Dr M.F. Perutz FRS Nobel Laureate (laboratory of molecular biology, Cambridge) on 'Haemoglobin', 4:30pm, LTC.
- **TM soc meeting**, 5:30pm, Huxley 411. Come along for a group med. Drinks afterwards.
- **Dancing club advanced class**, 7:30pm, JCR.

Tuesday, February 23

- **Boardsailing club meeting**, 12:30 and 6:15pm, Southside Upper Lounge.
- **Catholic mass and lunch**, 12:30pm, Chem 231. Nominal charge for lunch.
- **Nat Hist soc lecture** Prof E.R. Laithwaite on 'Butterflies', 1:00pm, Botany Basement LT.
- **STOIC transmission** with an interview with Timothy Hutton, whose current film *Taps* will be opening in London shortly, 1:00 and 6:00pm, JCR, Southside TV Lounge, Southside, Beit, Linstead and Weeks Halls.
- **Dept of Humanities presents**
 1. Films: The Private Life of the Robin; The Private Life of the Wandering Albatross, 1:15pm, Read Theatre.
 2. The Origins of Astronomy
- Pt 2: The Development of Greek Astronomy, Dr D.R. Dicks, Bedford College, London, 1:30pm, Pippard Theatre (Arranged by IC Hellenic Society).
- **IC Amnesty group meeting**, 5:30pm, Green Comm Rm.
- **Wine-tasting society meeting as usual**, 6:00pm, Union SCR.
- **Free! Cheese & Wine** at Industrial Soc presentation by Barclays, 6:00pm, Chem Eng LT1.
- **Socialist society speaker meeting: Communist Party**, 6:30pm, Green Comm Rm.
- **Photosoc B&W competition**, 6:30pm, Mines 303. Entry fee 30p per print.
- **Dancing club beginners class**, 7:30pm, JCR.
- **ICCAG Soup Run**, meet 10:30pm Falmouth Kitchens.

Wednesday, February 24

- **Railsoc visit** to Clapham Junction Signal Box. See noticeboard.
- **Cross Country Club** last London College League event—turn up and improve our league position. See noticeboard for details.
- **Wargames club meeting**, 1:00pm, Union SCR.
- **TM soc meeting**, 1:00pm, Huxley 411.
- **Anti-apartheid meeting**, 1:00pm, Union Upper Lounge.
- **Astrosoc observing meeting**, 3:30pm, 'Waveguide', Physics Building, level 1. Free to members.
- **IC Trampoline soc meeting**, 5:30pm, Courtauld Hall, QEC, Campden Hill Rd.

Thursday, February 25

- **Talk on wine-tasting**, 12:30pm, Mines 303.
- **STOIC presents NEWS-BREAK**, 1:00 and 6:00pm, usual places (see Tuesday).
- **Christian Science group meeting**, 1:00pm, Seminar Room, Level 2S, Botany.
- **Chinese society AGM and elections**, 1:00pm, Huxley LT213H. Membership cards required.
- **SF Soc presents a talk by CHRIS PRIEST**, 1:00pm, Union Senior Common Rm. Free to members. See SF Bulletin for details.
- **ICU SDP soc presents a talk on 'Electoral Reform'** by an ERS representative, 1:00pm, Huxley 144.



Socialist Society

by N Willson

One of the more active, but not very well funded societies in this College, is the Imperial College Socialist Society. Recently they distributed a six page photocopied newsheet called "Radical" to advertise themselves to the students at IC. The sheet contains an editor's introduction, eight articles varying in length from about one hundred to eight hundred words, ten cartoons, a joke, and an invitation from the editor to send comments and criticisms.

The ostensible purpose of the sheet is, of course, to persuade us to support the socialist movement and to convince us of the failure of capitalism. And some of the writers really have tried to address a wide audience and have made concessions in their articles to the apathetic or conventional-minded atmosphere at IC. The writer of an article on the Scarman Report, for example, seems to have realised that if you simply denounce the police as a bunch of racist thugs then three-quarters of the readers will dismiss it instantly. So although the police 'have racist tendencies' it's because of 'the pressures we and the government put on them'. But even this writer can't resist ascribing the most fantastically devious and cunning motives to the socialists' political enemies. Of the idea of letting under qualified people into universities (a Scarman recommendation) we're told: 'It is just a way the government can save even more money by ensuring more people get kicked out after one year!' Elsewhere it's stated that '(multi-nationals) methods are so insidious (that) very few people even seem aware of what they get up to.....Be on your guard.' There's an unwillingness on the part of 'Radical' writers (and this is true of left wing writing in general) to admit that their enemies are normal people. Instead, multinational company directors, right wing politicians and so on are portrayed as monsters of greed and cunning, eager to destroy the whole world if it gets them a better dividend. But a lot of students at IC can expect

to work for a big company when they graduate and they'll tend to identify with the very people being attacked in 'Radical'. (And the articles attack them *personally*, not the system they have to work within). So a cartoon showing a disgustingly fat white man (the West) carelessly scattering crumbs to a starving black (the developing world) is hardly likely to awaken socialist sympathies among the *future* managers and industrialists at IC. It's just going to cause irritation and resentment among people who might be open to persuasion.

Again, a comment in the Editor's Intro pointlessly antagonises some of his readers: 'Please excuse (sic) any spelling or grammatical errors as we can't all have a public school education.....' Why insult people who went to a public school, as if it was *their* fault? Apparently the kind of people who write for 'Radical' regard ex-public schoolboys as sub-human, just good for being sneered at. You aren't going to get people on your side that way, but a great deal of Radical and other 'socialist' literature is written without any intention of persuading the reader to join the cause. Throughout the whole sheet there's an underlying holier-than-thou atmosphere that says something like 'we're good socialists and you're all apathetic nobodies, and don't you forget it'. This is sometimes stated almost explicitly. For example in 'Our Glorious Union Leadership?' we're told that 'the recent rejection by IC Union of NUS is just one more example (what are the others?) of Imperial College students sticking their heads in the sand'. Articles like that are hardly more than a list of prefabricated slogans, highly effective for putting people off socialism. But a great many socialists don't care whether they put people off or not. The writing of articles denouncing capitalist exploiters, American imperialists, etc., etc., is for them an end in itself, a sort of ritual that you're expected to take part in if you're a good socialist. They seem to regard it as beneath them to try and get popular support.

At a leftist meeting in the College recently someone was suggesting that Left candidates for Union post should stand without saying that they were leftists because then they'd have a better chance of standing unopposed. The person who advocated this 'secret candidate' approach was grinning as he put forward the idea. To him, dishonest political manoeuvrings are more important than policy considerations or trying to get popular support. This is the low level at which politically inclined minds tend to work. And left wing clubs are full of people like that. What do they expect to accomplish? The Socialist Society might succeed in getting a few people to join them, but they won't get very far so long as they remain hardly better than a mutual admiration society.

How to choose a President

by Aung Htun

As the husting and election season is here again, many of you, like me, will remember previous aspiring presidential candidates talking a lot of hot air, and making unrealistic promises.

As I see it, the *minimum* service that we can expect from any president is that s/he tries to:

- improve refectory conditions.
- better the accommodation situation.
- improve lecturing standards.
- fight education cuts sensibly.
- get a fair deal for overseas students.
- oversee welfare work in College.

These are broad headings and undoubtedly you will be able to think of many others. These duties are 'ex officio' and no fuss should be made about them during the campaign. By

which I mean, let's cut out the rubbishy rhetorics e.g. from last FELIX, the three articles generalized and claimed, I quote ".....it is of vital importance to elect a President who is not going to let himself be pushed around....." or ".....leading in a definite direction....." or ".....The Union needs strong leadership....."

It is therefore important that we press all candidates to state exactly how they aim to achieve their goals, what methods and routes will they use and what effects will this have on us students.

Remember they are elected by you to serve you, and we are entitled to know how and what they are going to do, not what they dream of doing.

WE'RE OFFERING GRADUATES MORE THAN CONGRATULATIONS.

When you graduate, you'll need more than the proud smiles of parents and friends. You'll need some money.

You'll need it because between leaving college and picking up your first salary cheque, there's a lot to pay for.

The deposit on a flat, for example.

Or some new clothes for the office.

Perhaps even a season ticket. And of course, you'll still have to eat.

If you graduate with a firm job offer, we can help finance this lean time.

Our special Graduate Loan Scheme will provide you with up to £500 at competitive interest rates.

And we'll give you up to three clear months to get settled in before you start making repayments.

After this you'll have 12 months to pay us back.

Even if you don't have a job offer at the time you

leave college, our offer of a loan stays open for six months after you graduate.

So when you find the right position, we'll still give you more than our congratulations.

It's important though, that you talk to your Student Business Officer now.

He'll explain the loans in detail and make arrangements for the money to be available immediately you need it.

Leaving you only one thing to think about before you leave college.

Your finals.

Typical examples of graduate loans

	£300 Loan	£500 Loan
Taken up on:	22.6.82	3.9.82
APR:*	17.5%	17.5%
11 Monthly Payments of:	£28.00	£46.66
12th Payment:	£28.02 on 22.8.83	£46.72 on 3.11.83
Total Amount Payable:	£336.02	£559.98

Annual Percentage Rate of Charge.
Of course, Barclays Base Rate may vary from time to time and this will affect your monthly payments.

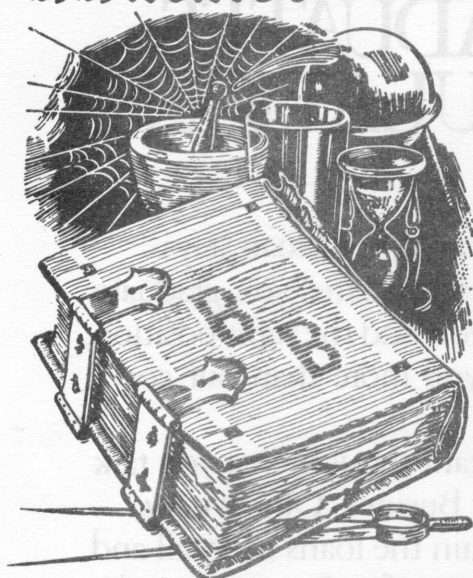


BARCLAYS



Oh my Ghosh

Scuppered



Big Black Book

Hi there, old B.B. is back in action after a short rest. I'm still on the lookout for any juicy bits of scandal, so if you have any material for exposés (including dirty half-truths) then drop them in at the FELIX Office. Anonymity guaranteed, of course.

Anyway, this week I thought I'd take another look around the darker recesses of the College. With a little help from talkative people it is quite amazing what you can find out. For instance, did you know the background to a front page story of two weeks ago.....

Fingered!

Whilst the story "Theft in Lexham Gardens" made the front page of FELIX 604, there are a few details which the Editor, in his wisdom, failed to mention.

Soon after it was discovered that three flats had been broken into, the student manager of Lexham Gardens, Sean Giblin, arrived to investigate. In the room of RCS Academic Affairs Officer Tom Owen he couldn't help noticing a collection of glossy magazines (bearing such titillating titles as "Victorian Temptation" and "Miss Sadie Stern's Monthly") which had been strewn across the floor by the thief. They had been torn out of an envelope by the mystery assailant and Sean, in the true Sherlock Holmes spirit, couldn't resist checking them over for vital evidence.

Later in the evening Sean returned with a detective and discovered that Tom had already come back and "tidied up", obviously to avoid any unnecessary embarrassment.

The detective produced a little metal box and dusted the room for fingerprints, but to no avail. As he was about to give up he said what he really needed was a piece of paper or a magazine which had been gripped firmly, hence leaving a good impression.

At this point Sean casually reminded Tom about his little collection, which was soon produced for dusting. He was a little surprised, to say the least, that exhibit A in a trial could be his delightful selection of tasteful adult literature!

However, he had nothing to fear: when the covers of the books were brushed with the detective's fine powder, a surprising result appeared. "These are no good," the detective cried. "They're absolutely covered in fingerprints!"

A few weeks ago a rather amusing practical joke was played on Pallab Ghosh, H.G. Wells Society Chairman, and Mr Len Moulder, Chem Eng photographer.

Pallab, who is not renowned for his speed of thought, unwisely asked the FELIX staff for suggestions about a speaker for the H.G. Wells Society as there was a date free which he had to fill at short notice. Whilst he was away fetching the necessary bribes for their co-operation (tea in this case) the Editor cooked up a scheme to fool him.

On Pallab's return, laden with his liquid treat, Steve Marshall suggested a well-known speaker who was highly talented and amusing. Len Moulder, he said, was a linguist of great note whose celebrated lecture on British regional accents was very popular, mainly due to a fascinating demonstration in which Moulder could pinpoint someone's origins (by their accent) to within ten miles. The other staff members all agreed that Len was the ideal man to get and heaped praises on this amazing man's talents. "He's just like Professor Higgins out of Pygmalion!" Steve Marshall added for good measure.

Fired with such glowing reports Pallab phoned Mr Moulder the next morning. Len was most surprised to be put forward as a possible lecturer, explaining that as a photographer he had a keen eye for human response, but that he was no academic. Eventually after a lot of persuasion he agreed to consider the idea. In a subsequent phone call Len explained that he would like to give a few opinions about student life at IC (which may not, for reasons of sensitivity, be repeated here) and also something about "finding knickers in the offices of certain Professors".

However, he finally withdrew and neither he, nor Mr Ghosh, were aware of the little joke that had been played.

De Oirisk Tuck

Somebody noticed a strange coincidence the other day. When Mr Peter Rodgers took on the post of ICU Handbook Editor, he became the third Irishman to do the job in succession. His predecessors were Paul Donovan and Dave Crabbe, both of whom hail from the emerald isle.

Thinking about it, the Handbook is a very difficult thing to put together and involves a lot of hard manual labour. Rather like building motorways I suppose!

However a further Irish link came to mind which smacks of a conspiracy. Last year a wee Irish lass, Liz Lindsay, was ICU Honorary Secretary. This year of course we have another well-known Irishman in the post—Marc O'Ledwold.

Students Serviced?

Speaking of Marc O'Ledwold, have you ever considered the connotation of the adjective of his title? Scaramouche has pointed out to me that, according to Chambers Dictionary, 'honorary' means "without performing services or without reward". Now as a sabbatical, the secretary certainly receives a reward, so we are forced to conclude.....

If you've ever arrived at a room in the Sherfield Building expecting to play your badminton match or have a meeting, only to find it already occupied by several hundred inscrutable orientals chanting mantras and smoking opium, then you have no doubt already heard of the College Bookings Office.

This delightful Office is responsible for the hire of College facilities for conferences, parties, etc., to staff, students and outside organisations (who pay well for the privilege).

Mid-way through 1981 a new bookings manager, Mr Tony Schaffner, was appointed who was a salesman in every sense of the word and immediately started to book out every room in sight. This resulted in a series of mismatched and ill-timed events (for instance the RCS Centenary Ball clashed with an IC Symphony Orchestra Concert).

However, shortly before Christmas Mr Schaffner mysteriously disappeared!

Senior members of the College administration were questioned and all seemed to give the same answer: "He was here one day and gone the next. We don't know what happened."

Intrigued by such obvious evasion from the lickspittles, I broke off from my search for Lord Lucan and was soon hot on the trail. What actually happened on that fated day was pieced together over the intervening period.

One thing is certain. Mr Schaffner was sacked by Captain Lindley, Domestic Secretary and his immediate superior. The Bookings wizz kid was summoned to the old salt's presence and soon returned in a temper, slamming the doors as usual. He threw his files and dentures into his tatty briefcase, gave a cry of "Skuppered!" and hasn't been seen since.

The horrendous crimes which he must have committed to have been sacked are not known. But jobs are protected like gold in the Sherfield Building and most senior people are usually well on the road to senile decay when they're put out to grass.

But perhaps his views on Captain Lindley were a contributing factor. Once he was heard to remark "When I first came I thought FELIX were being a bit hard on the old duffer. But after working with him for six months I've found out that he's a complete idiot."

Steve Marshall's Erection Cream

The Olly Dowson Memorial Prize for misleading headlines was today presented to Mr M.A. Smith, the FELIX Editor. He takes the title from the current holder, Mr S. Goulder, who rose to fame last year with John Passmore's Halitosis.

Quotes

"We're not here to entertain people!" Paul Belford, Secretary of IC Ents.

Re the new hand-dryer in the Union Bar toilets: "Mr Mooney assures me that it's practically impossible to bugar this dryer." Nicholas George Davis, BSc (failed).

Bookshop News

I am sorry for any inconvenience caused by the lack of laboratory books. The specialist company that produces them had our order on June 9 1981. I personally placed it in the marketing manager's hot sweaty hand and to date we still have not had them. However, I have managed to get an alternative which may not be approved by your tutor, i.e. the graph is on right and lines on left, though the principle is the same. If I may request a small favour: if you all would write to our supplier bemoaning the fact that our lab. books have not appeared, I would be most grateful. Their address is: E.S.A. Creative Learning Ltd, Fairview Road, Stevenage, Herts.

New Titles

British Relais Routiers-Dunlop £2.50

Further Letters of Henry Root-Futura £1.50

World Classics

The Compleat Angler-Izaak Walton £1.95

Autobiography of a super tramp-W.H. Davies, £2.50

A London Child of the 1870s-M.V. Hughes, £1.50

A London Girl of the 1880s-M.V. Hughes, £1.75

A London Home in the 1890s-M.V. Hughes, £1.50

A London Family Between the Wars-M.V. Hughes, £1.75

Pimlico Connection

The Pimlico Connection was set up six years ago, as a tutoring scheme with the idea of increasing the communication of scientific ideas. Then, the numbers involved could be counted on one hand, now nearly ninety Imperial College students travel out to five local schools.

Subjects Tutored

Science at all levels, but mainly pre O Level.

Engineering—mainly woodwork and metalwork. Students with individual workshop experience especially appreciated.

Mathematics at all levels.

Electronics—mainly at CSE Level.



Approximately 13:30 to 15:30 each Wednesday afternoon in the autumn term and first four weeks of the spring term.

Travel expenses are paid. No previous experience needed.

If you would like to find out more, then come along (with no strings attached!) to Elec Eng 606 at 12:30 on Tuesday, February 23. A pay-as-you-eat lunch will be provided and you can chat to students involved this year.

However, if you cannot make it, then contact Sinclair Goodlad EE501 (int 3080), Tony Potter Chem Eng 3, or John Hughes EE2.

ICU Handbook

Articles are now being accepted for the next **Union Handbook**. All club, society and CCU articles must be handed in before the deadline. Any articles from Council should also be in before the deadline which is **Friday, April 30**; i.e. the first Friday of the summer term.

Contributions should be placed in the Handbook Box on the noticeboard beside the stairs in the FELIX Office.

It is up to clubs and societies to appoint someone to write their article if their elections have not taken place before the deadline.

Anyone who is interested in writing/compiling guides is asked to discuss them with the Editor before starting.

Contributions should be printed (or typed) on one side of the paper and handed in as soon as possible.

Peter Rodgers

Left Alliance

Over the past three weeks, joint meetings have been held between IC Labour Club, Liberal Club and Socialist Society to see how they could work together to greater effect within Imperial College. It was found that within IC there was a great deal of common ground and general agreement was reached that there aims could be better achieved by concerted campaigns involving members from all three societies. To this end an informal 'left alliance' is now in existence and to get the alliance off to a start it has been agreed to launch an anti-apartheid campaign along with Anti-Apartheid Society in order to make people more aware of the atrocities of apartheid, (e.g. Sharpsville massacre, internment without trial occupation of Namibia by South African forces; repression of black and coloured South Africans in all walks of life), and to try and stop the involvement of IC staff and students in the apartheid regime, i.e. commitment to having no more South African students on nuclear technology courses and the end to a careers forum for companies like Rio Tinto Zinc which is involved in Namibia. So far the IC left alliance has been well supported and it is hoped that everyone in College will be able to contribute to the campaign against apartheid. The next meeting of the alliance will be on Thursday, February 25, 1:00pm, Union Senior Common Room.

SF Soc

Back in 1981 John Sladek initiated the SF Soc series of visits by authors to College. Scant months ago Barrington Bayley became author number two. On Thursday, February 25, Chris Priest comes to the Senior Common Room in the Union Building, and the series of visits can now justifiably be called that. Mr Priest's main peculiarity as an author is that each book he writes is better than the one before. Anyone who has read *Inverted World*, *Indoctrinaire*, *Fugue for a Darkening World*, *A Dream of Wessex*, *The Space Machine*, *An Infinite Sumemr*, *The Affirmation* or even the *Lesbian House* is sure to want to

come. So join the groupies at one o'clock at the venue previously mentioned if you want to see the greatest living English SF writer in the flesh (sorry Brain, sorry J.G., I'm sure you don't mind Russell). OK, I know John Brunner's still alive, but I do have to limit the length of this bulletin you know, can't mention everyone, what do you want blood?

Also coming soon, The Big Bus, but more of that some other time, and on March 23 an event to finish off those who survived *Relativity* and *Plan 9 from Outer Space*. Author's note: any mistakes in the spelling of this article are nothing to do with me. Yours straining for the optimum.

John Leslie Stephenson & Earless
Osdick

Small Ads

•One pair of stereo headphones, £3. Contact S. Hodges, Maths 3.

•Vivitar 125 flash gun, vgc. Any offers to Phil Bird, EE3, 424 Tizard Hall.

•Technics M14 cassette deck, vgc, only 9mths old, £70ono. Contact A. Rosen, Civ Eng 3.

•Approx 130lbs scrap brass and steel, unwanted present. Contact Nick C. Harmer, Physics 3.

•Hyde Park Relay, Saturday, February 27. Helpers urgently needed. Free sweatshirt donated by NatWest to all volunteers. Details from Cross Country noticeboard or Richard Smith, int 4306.

•Wanted: 1 pair of roller skates and knee length leg warmers (must be brightly coloured). Contact General Joe Jah Rastaman Winston Smith, BE2.

•Wanted: first Landscape LP (or tape of), good price paid. Simon Young, Elec Eng 1.

•Wanted: one bash hat or skid lid. Apply Ben Quirk, Physics 1.

•Wanted: eight idiots to beat us at darts, J. Lewis, Civ Eng 1 (letter-racks).

•Wanted: 2 crates Oxy-10. Contact Rm 472 Sheffield.

•Wanted: pukebags and toupée. Contact Chuwderman, Pet Eng 3.

•Lost: Silver coloured brooch (showing two flowers) at Friday's D&D, Hyde Park Hotel or Union Building. Great sentimental value, hence big reward. If found contact A. Meysner, c/o Aero 3 pigeonhole.

•Anyone take a grey scarf from the Union Bar on Sunday evening, Feb 14? Return or info leading to same guaranteed monetary/liquid reward. Contact Kev Reeve, IC Union.

•Could anyone who knows anything about the disappearance of a Micronta 43 Range Multimeter from the Jazz Room cupboard please contact me. It is Jazz Club Property. Marcus Evans, Rm 124 Falmouth.

•Would the person who 'borrowed' my blue suede purse from level 4, Lyon Playfair, please return it to me as it has great sentimental value. You can keep the money. Julia Jenrick, Life Sci 3.

•Please have you a free Wednesday afternoon? If so, help is desperately needed in visiting old people at St. Pancras Hospital come to a meeting Monday, 12:30pm, top of the Union, in the Community Action Group Room.

•To all members of the Judo Club who ordered judogh. If they are not collected by the end of next week they will be disposed of in the easiest way possible.

•Ski Club next Hillingdon trip will be on Wednesday, February 23 evening. Meet 7:30pm at the slope.

•Badgesoc make badges for Union hacks, secret societies, fringe religious groups, anyone. Taste no object, e.g. "Solidarność". Contact Lee Mercer, c/o Mech Eng.

•Free! Cheese and wine — Industrial Soc presentation by Barclays Bank, 6:00pm, Tuesday, Feb 23, Chem Eng LT1.

•Imperial College Angling Club trip to Ireland. Written details are available from Dave Kelsall, Rm G10, Chem Eng, int 2594.

•BUNAC and your summer in USA, today 12:30-1:30 in the Green Comm Rm.

Anti-Apartheid Group

Perhaps there are still people around who don't know that 1982 is the UN International Year for the Mobilisation of Sanctions against South Africa. Well—it is!

So, the Anti-Apartheid Group will be busy running around picketting any company that is heavily linked with South Africa, and that is visiting College on the milk-round.

Also there will be a national march, campaigning for sanctions; this will be on Sunday, March 14.

To find out more, come to our meetings on Wednesdays at 1:00pm in the Union Upper Lounge.

Community Action Group

Soup Runs on Fridays and Tuesdays meeting at 10:30pm in Falmouth Kitchens. Trips out to take soup and bread to the homeless on the streets. See the sights of London at night.

Saturday afternoon—help with handicapped children.

Wednesday afternoon—visiting people at St. Pancras Hospital. Draughtproofing homes.

Friday and Tuesday night—Soup Runs.

Visiting old people on High St. Kensington when it suits you.

Please show some interest and come to the meeting Monday 12:30pm, top of the Union.

Snooker

On another of those hot steamy nights in the Snooker Room last week, the C team beat the B team 3-2 and the A team scraped home against Bedford 5-0.

C team stars were Kruszewski, Jennings and some bloke called Holt who seems to be appearing with some regularity in these columns. B team honour was upheld by Wright and Gannuray.

We had the most welcome sight of a female player amongst the Bedford team, and Simpkin suffered numerous nervous disorders before beating her, albeit with dirty tactics such as kicking her drink over. This victory must put the A team on top of the league, with the B team in second place.

We had an upset in the handicap tournament last week when the little-known Nicolaidas shattered C.P. Tripp's dream of doing the double. This competition is now totally unpredictable and it's anybody's guess (or bet) as to who's going to win.



Elections are fun on 301

Very soon you'll be faced with lots of articles which begin "I expect by now you're getting bored with articles which begin....." Yes folks, if you haven't noticed already, election time is with us. In connection with this annual event (which occurs every year) the IC Radio Breakfast Show (Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 8:00-9:15am) is taking an in-depth look at election fever, how to catch it, who to give it to when you've got it and what antidotes are available for it.

Boredom

All election candidates are invited to make *promotions*, which must be less than a minute long, that will be broadcast regularly on the air to convince everyone that they're not really boring Union hacks. IC Radio personnel are available to assist with the technicalities of the production, but candidates should have an idea of what they want to say. It usually takes about an hour to produce a promotion—less time than pasting up a poster. Prospective sabbaticals should get in touch with IC Radio (int 3440) as soon as possible to avoid a last minute rush (studio time is limited to 24 hours each day). Promotions will be broadcast from the evening papers come down *whether or not* all the candidates have bothered to make one (or more).

Apathy

The almost legendary IC Radio election programmes make their return to the airwaves at the end of 'Hustings Week'. They are broadcast live from one of the College bars (usually Southside, now known as 'Harry's Bar'), and give any members of the Union who come along to the bar the opportunity of asking the candidates lots of embarrassing questions.

Election candidates are reminded to prepare themselves psychologically for the programmes, which are an excellent way of reaching some of the apathetic majority of voters.

Why Bother?

Remember, if you want to get involved in IC Radio, either to pursue your creativeness in the technical department or become a presenter and realise your potential as a megastar, it is *not too late*. New recruits are always welcome; indeed, in the past fortnight, two novice presenters (a local euphemism for DJs) have taken to the airwaves, you could join them!

Natural History

A brief mention of the Norfolk Broads weekend February 6-7. Fantastic. 90 species including cranes (megatich) smew, bittern, 9 sightings of hen harrier, the intriguingly named whitefronts, bean geese, ruddy duck, and bearded tit.....pygmy shrew, fish and chips, pork pies, the dreaded Norfolk ales and the winner of the loudest snorer competition.

A heck of a lot of things are organised by Nat Hist Soc so look out for notices.

Methodist Soc

Braving the pages of FELIX, the Methsoc publicity team (having spent the first few weeks of term relearning how to write) announce something interesting. Flying in especially from Austria our visiting speaker, Pastor Pokorny is an ex-Nazi youth leader and will be talking about the triumph of the cross over the tyranny of the swastika.

Time, manor, place, in correct German grammatical order, Wednesday, February 24, at 12:40pm, by foot or take the lifts to the Chem Eng concourse, in E450 in Chem Eng.

Industrial

TODAY! "Coal—Fuel of the Future" with Mr Parker, who is Central Planning Director of the NCB, i.e. a big man, 1:00pm, Chem Eng Theatre 1 as usual.

This follows our most successful talk yet, when Ian Ross entertained and informed at least fifty people in Chem Eng Theatre 1 last Friday. He gave a brief synopsis of how he became BBC Industry Correspondent ("I didn't have the brains to go to the Bar"), then pointed out a heavy bias throughout the British media towards reporting mainly industrial disputes ("Editors like a good punch-up!") which gives foreigners their impression of Britain being strike-bound all the time.

Definitely a monster event, and thanks to those who came along.

This Tuesday, February 23, the Corporate Manager of Barclays Bank gives a presentation about the activities and graduate schemes of Barclays. Free cheese and wine too!! 6:00p, guess where? Yep, Chem Eng LT1.

Finally, if you would like a swish 1982 leather-look Industrial Society diary for only 60p, drop a note to Chris Wilshaw, Chem Eng 4, or collar any committee member. You'll make our Treasurer ever so happy.



Today sees the departure of Jezebel for Cologne for a few days of being admired. If you want any details of this trip (which may still have seats available at £20 each) please contact Duncan Batty, Chem 2, or Barney McCabe.

Next Friday, for a mere £5.50 you could attend the Moproc Annual Dinner, courtesy of Mr Mooney. Bearing in mind that the subsidy of this event has come out of your Union funds, you might as well attend. See Jackie Liddell, Physics 3, for tickets.

Don't forget that Tuesday is Pancake Day, so be in Beit Quad at lunchtime for a special treat.

Our Hustings UGM (i.e. all the elections speeches) is on Thursday and this will be very useful to decide who to vote for, so please attend. Unfortunately Wrench and Screw won't be there, but do not worry, they are safe and well, and will appear soon.

Finally, our Rugby Sevens competition will be held next Sunday (28) so get those teams together.

Happy Pancakes Day.

Phil

Late soccer result: Soccer Sixes won by 22 Club team, who's captain coincidentally organized the competition.



If it's after 10:00am when you are reading this article, and you're going to Camborne—forget it! You're too late. *Coaches are leaving at 10:00am sharp!!*

You have to recover from the weekend pretty quickly though cause next weekend, is the Nottingham 7s and the Mining 6s. Anyone interested in going to Nottingham sign on the list opposite G20. We will also be going Rag collecting—so anyone who sells a few Rag Mags may be able to have their coach money refunded. The cost of the coach will be approximately £2 and £1 will be refunded for every 20 Rag Mags sold. Coach leaves about 10:00am.

Soccer 6s on Sunday—get your teams organised!

Just to remind everyone that the elections are coming up soon—anyone interested in standing for a post should talk to the person holding that post this year.

Last Wednesday's Oxford Rag Mag trip was a great success with over £200 being collected by the 18 people who went.

The Mines Revue on Friday was also extremely successful—so everyone note the dates for the Mines/IF disco which is March 11—be there!!

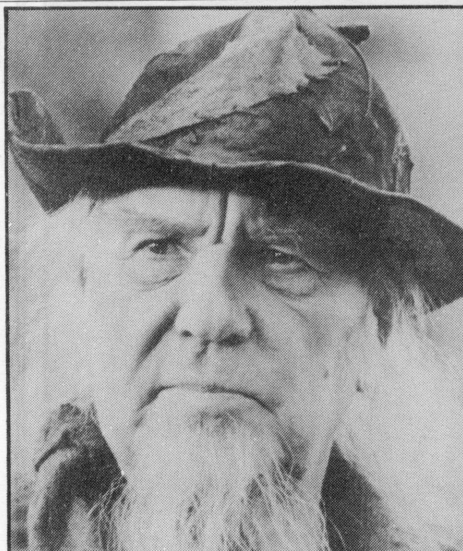
Reviews

Film

Sword and sorcery returns with **Dragonslayer** (A, Matthew Robbins) in which sorcerer's apprentice Galen (Peter MacNicol) is called on to kill a monstrous dragon, when his master Ulrich (Ralph Richardson) is prematurely killed. The dragon, with the impressive name Vermithrax Pejorative, is terrorizing Urland and cowardly King Casiodorus has made a deal to sacrifice virgin maidens (selected by lottery) to save his kingdom from the ravages of the beast.

The star of the film is undoubtedly Vermithrax, who was created in miniature stop-motion animation form by Industrial Light and Magic (who supplied effects for *The Empire Strikes Back* and *Raiders of the Lost Ark*) and in full scale by the Disney studios. The problem is that the impressive dragon is only matched by Sir Ralph Richardson as Ulrich, the other actors (especially the two leads) being fairly weak. The story is cluttered and confused and really could have been a lot better. Nevertheless, it has a few inspired moments and is certainly entertaining.

The best release of recent weeks in my opinion is Lawrence Kasdan's **Body Heat** starring William Hurt and Kathleen Turner. This is a stylish murder story in which Ned Racine, a seedy lawyer, falls for the wife of a rich man whom they then kill. Now this theme is all too familiar, but this film succeeds where many others (notably *The Postman Always Rings Twice*) failed. The setting is excellent and the script convincing, if a little clichéd at times.



Sir Ralph Richardson as Ulrich in *Dragonslayer* and Kathleen Turner in *Bodyheat*.

Kasdan has deliberately produced a tribute to film noir and evokes memories of such classics as *The Big Sleep*. By adding a more sensual (even erotic) approach he has successfully updated the genre. I found it an intriguing, exciting film.

Fans of hard action will enjoy Michael Winner's **Death Wish II** (X, Leicester Square Theatre) in which Charles Bronson once more dons his donkey jacket and woolly hat to wage a private war against crime.

The original *Death Wish* was a violent and impressive film, whose vigilante hero was cheered by cinema audiences in America. The

appeal has waned a little and the violence has become more explicit, but the story is really the same. Paul Kersey has moved from New York to Los Angeles and his daughter and housekeeper are killed after muggers raid his home. This sets Kersey out on another spree of revenge killings, bringing his own retribution where police methods fail.

Bronson holds the film together, but apart from him the cast are fairly dull. Jill Ireland as his unconvincing lover is particularly wooden. The feeling of subdued elation as Bronson corners and kills the assailants remains, but the film offers nothing more than the original.

Theatre

"Gee Almer, what quaint lit'l ol' back streets are 'round here....." I overheard from a middle-aged American couple as we were being carried along with the flow from Covent Garden's tube station down towards Drury Lane. ".....these British surely know how to keep London's old world charm, just looky up at those.....Aaarghh!!!!" and our necks snapped back at the sight of the Drury Lane Theatre...."Come and have intercourse with Dame Edna here" read the obscene, multicoloured neon flashes and from the foyer below came the familiar hiss of the Fosters ringpulls and the ethnic sounds of a multitude of Aussies' awfully austere accents.

On this, the opening night of Mr Humphries' presentation of ten weeks of Australian culture, many of the world's most eminent dignitaries were present in the audience, David Steel, Barry Norman and Mrs Iris Clissold (mind you, little movements in the 'Royal Box' convinced me that there was indeed an affinity of some sort between certain 'people' in the front of the House and a certain person backstage).

We were shown to our seats, but due to an unfortunate series of accidents earlier on with the rehearsal audience each seat had to be sprayed with an air freshener by our charming usherette.

The lights dimmed, the band began and the evening's euphoria forced itself upon us with Sir Leslie Colin Patterson (Cultural Attaché to the Court of St. James) stately circling the stage. To come in late while Sir Les is in mid-phrase is to simply ask for it, to come in late and take your seat in one of the front three rows is either carelessness or social-ladder



Dame Edna Everage, mother, millionairess, megastar, waving her gladdies.

climbing, because let's face it, you're either going to be picked on or spat on whichever comes first. Sir Les is the epitomy of the Down-under emprisario—and the more that you listen to him, the more you get the feeling that Australian culture has something to offer us—what it is, is a matter of your own taste and of Sir Les' bad taste. He seems to have problems relating to which side he "dresses on" and it certainly sticks out in his "gouchy,

multi-stained, duck-egg blue bush suit". His rapport with the audience grows, as it seems does the side on which he dresses! His constant imbibing of the odd Scotch or twelve allow his words to reach the "paupers" in the 'Gods' on the wings of his saliva. With a song and dance routine reminiscent of 'Skippy' and the Australian ballet he made his exit.

Phil Philby, introduced by Barry Norman as "the leading innovator of non-mainstream Australian cineaste" talked to us about his latest film 'Cage of Darkness'. Made on a modest grant of 1 1/4m from the Australian Arts Council the film we learn is "poetically shot, tastefully recreating the torment of two lesbian aborigines in an all female Australian prison". The girls are played masterly by Joan Sutherland and Yvonne Goolagong and the part of the leather-clad binocularised warder by Olivia Newton-John. This was a superb cameo piece and developed into one of the evening's highlights as Phil satirised most of the problems associated with the Southern continent's film industry.

Sandy Stone (which I believe to be Mr Humphries' greatest creation) is a poor, dejected man, permanently reflecting on his life gone by in a monotone voice. The monologues associated with Sandy reveal much about suburban life Down Under, the Tupperware parties, looking after the kids of Valda Clissold and revealing just how boring life in the suburbs can be. You must be prepared to listen to Sandy because under that dressing gown, pajamas and hot watter bottle facade there lingers a very moving but deeply, deeply funny character.

Dame Edna takes up the entire second half of the evening's entertainment reducing (in her Gallipoli tights) most of the front rows to

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abject nervousness, wondering "will she pick on me?" or from the look in the eye of the lady behind me... "oh my God... she's picked on me!!!" It really is Intercourse with Dame Edna and she carries on a rapport with the audience that at times resembles an afternoon tea party round at Gran's. I just could not stop laughing throughout her time on stage, and as the tears streamed down my cheeks the set was transformed into a glittering Ednarama complete with marsupial in tree.

Audience participation is the feature of the show and I'm the last person to give away any of the secrets, you'll have to jog around to Drury Lane and buy your own way in, but one thing I will say is that there are gladdies, and they appear in their hundreds.

When we all left the theatre for the tube (no, not the Fosters type!) resplendent with arms full of gladdies the old station brought back memories of the Old Garden and I do believe I caught a nostalgic tear in the eye of the lift attendant as we all descended the shaft.

Andy Best

Operation Bad Apple by G.F. Newman. Directed by Max Stafford-Clark, Royal Court Theatre

Operation Bad Apple, by the novelist and scriptwriter G.F. Newman, is about police corruption. Newman first achieved prominence with a series of tough but realistic police novels, but in 1978 his four television films forming the basis of *Law and Order* were transmitted by the BBC and generated considerable critical acclaim and no small measure of controversy. *Operation Bad Apple* is his first stage play.

The play examines the inside world of the Metropolitan Police. An outside police force investigates possible corruption in the Met in order to throw out the 'odd bad apple in an otherwise sound barrel'. A big fish is netted, becomes an informant, and in his naming a huge number of corrupt policemen it turns out that no less than ninety-five per cent of the CID is corrupt. At this point the Director of Public Prosecutions and the Attorney General decide at a golfing match that enough is enough. The extent of corruption must not leak out to the general public otherwise a complete breakdown of law and order would ensue together with a bringing down of the government in office. Therefore only a handful of policemen would be brought to trial.

Whether the CID is really as corrupt (and corrupt in its higher echelons) as Newman would suggest is of course open to debate. But more importantly perhaps the play throws up uncomfortable questions about society itself. Is society not hypocritical in demanding a police force that gives results and that is at the same time free from corruption when society itself is corrupt? It is even possible that the police force is more corrupt than other public organizations because the opportunity for corruption is so much greater.

The play does have its faults but it is nevertheless a tense, gripping and hard-hitting piece of narrative drama that is well worth

seeing. The theatre is very close to Sloane Square tube station, and seats and standby tickets are very modestly priced. The play ends on March 27.



Toby Salaman, Nigel Terry and Colin McCormack in operation *Operation Bad Apple*.

The Forest by Alexander Ostrovsky in a new translation by Jeremy Brooks and Kitty Hunter Blair. Directed by Adrian Noble, the Royal Shakespeare Company at the Aldwych Theatre.

The highly acclaimed production of *The Forest* returns to the Aldwych Theatre after sell-out seasons at the Warehouse and the Other Place (in Stratford). Written in 1871, *The Forest* is considered to be one of Ostrovsky's masterpieces. Although virtually unknown in this country Ostrovsky is acknowledged as one of Russia's leading playwrights and his plays (he wrote forty-eight) are still very much a part of the Russian repertoire today.

Two impoverished wandering actors, a tragedian and a comedian, meet at a crossroads in a forest. They stand beneath a signpost that points towards 'the estate of Mrs Goormizkskaya'. She is the tragedian's aunt, the estate the scene of all his childhood memories. It is the encounter of these two life-hardened actors with the decorous and hypocritical provincial 'society' that provides much of the comedy and the moral core of the play. The play's characters are a marvellous array of highly amusing, colourful and effusive individuals. The play reflects Ostrovsky's lifelong love of the theatre, his respect for actors and his understanding that we all (and particularly the upper classes) get trapped to some extent in the rôles in which we have chosen to cast ourselves.

The remaining performances of the play, which I recommend highly, run from February 24 to 17. Standbys are available.

Nick Bedding

Book

Arthur C. Clarke's Mysterious World by Simon Welfare and John Fairley, Fontana £4.50, 320 pages.

Clarke's name is printed in large letters on the cover of the book, even though he's written only an introduction and short commentaries after each chapter. In the same way as in the television series, he's being used as a (doubtless well paid) sales gimmick to push a product made by someone else. And Clarke hasn't lost an opportunity to advertise his own

books, five out of the twelve commentaries contain plugs for his own stories.

The book itself is fairly boring with far too many uninteresting and minor mysteries diluting the more spectacular ones. "Strangest of all these (objects turning up in unexpected places) is undoubtedly the collection of ancient Chinese porcelain seals found all over Ireland in the late 18th and 19th centuries". Trivia like that fill up most of the book, but there are interesting chapters such as the one about the explosion in Siberia in 1908. If they'd cut about two hundred pages, the book would have been worth reading, but in its present form it isn't worth the price.

SPORT

Wednesday, February 10

Football

IC I	vs	LSE I	3-5(A)
IC II	vs	LSE II	5-0(A)
IC III	vs	LSE III	5-1(A)
IC VI	vs	LSE IV	5-4(A)

Rugby

IC I	vs	St Mary College	16-10(H)
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Hockey

IC I	vs	City & Guilds	4-0(H)
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Saturday, February 13

Football

IC I	vs	QMC I	5-3(H)
IC II	vs	QMC II	5-0(H)
IC IV	vs	QMC III	2-5(H)

Rugby

IC I	vs	Sidcup	24-3(A)
IC II	vs	Sidcup	17-7(A)

Hockey

IC I	vs	St Bernards Hosp	0-3(H)
IC II	vs	Old Creightonians	3-1(A)



Football

Firsts

Focus on — Dave Dean

Nickname — 007

Height — 5 feet (square)

Weight — what for

Residence — Brixton

Occupation — rioter/student

Married — ?

Children — not sure

How many — still not sure

Favourite likes — fame and groupies

Dislikes — lack of fame, lack of groupies, washing the kit.

Who would you most like to meet? — K. Barnett

Biggest drag in career — wind resistance

Hobbies — chip butties, triple X and (...); not before matches

By Andy Page, fellow team mate, admirer, ex-friend.

PS: We won 5-3; I had a septic (...). Brian bought a side salad. F.B. Rolla will return.

Firsts and Seconds

After the games, we all went to Jim Beers 21st. Steve Veats-Bailey spent the evening flashing. Dave Griff got smashed on bitter lemons and John Burns looked very embarrassed (or was it the whiskey). ICAFC drank G&Ts (without the T) and everybody got blitzed.

Several awards were presented. The social gaffe award goes to Ron Wiggins who shouted "bugger" in the drawing room. The social climber award goes to Mal Carr who declared "jolly nice spread, what!" to the hostess. Best dressed man—Nick 'Flanners' Flannagan. Most Hideous Tie—John 'Barners' Lay. Best Quasimodo Impression—Graham Rickard. Best 'Drunk at a party' Impression—Denis Saunders.

The offer of the night went to Phil Nicolls and Ron Wiggins who asked two young ladies what their interests were.

"Sex," came the explicit reply.

"That's third on my list, after grouse-beating and dominoes," said Phil.

Rifle & Pistol

An estimated 30,000 attendance caused slight congestion in the range today, attracted by the lure of Imperial's top marksmen in action. Early excitement was provided by the arrival of the lovely Helen, which prompted Steve to drop a shot or two. The excuse book soon appeared as some low scores expressed concern over Tim's moans of ecstasy, the pressure wave so caused being thought to deflect bullets from their theoretical trajectory. It is hoped that club captain Denis Sleath (contact via Mech Eng letter-racks) will appear in time to lead his team to Wednesday's annual dinner.

Cricket

Cricket nets are still being held at Lords. However we now have access to only one net—so players to attend by invitation please. We've seen quite a number of promising players so far—anyone who is interested but hasn't been to nets as yet should contact Simon Tear, Geology 2.

Several ladies are showing interest in forming a women's cricket team—anyone keen or willing to play should contact Helena Bramwell, Life Sci 1.

The club dinner will be held on March 4. Tickets available from Simon Tear or John White, Maths 3.

Hockey

Seconds

Having arrived on the planet Creightonia, the twelve man mission from the IC federation left their transports to find a region of very little vegetation and hostile natives. In order to subdue the population sub-lieutenant Sharpe was despatched to mount a one-man offensive on the opposition's flank which resulted in a confrontation with the neutral arbitrator. After struggling for sometime in unfamiliar viscous surroundings, the federation finally broke through for commander Stroomer to round off a convincing attack. The Creightonian arbitrator then had a brainstorm of galactic proportions, awarding a penalty to his own side, only to redeem himself minutes later by zapping Sharpe with a yellow card!

Sharpe returned from his five minutes in hyperspace just in time to see crew members Wylie (from the North Eastern quadrant) and Pithketly complete the rout with well taken chances. When the ceasefire sounded, protests were lodged as to the alleged neutrality of the Creightonian arbitrator and Shindler complained that his shot had hit the crossbar because of the non-alignment of the Creightonian dimension with his own. However it was later proved that the goal was lop-sided!

Mission members: *Commander A. Stroomer, Custodian of the Goal C. Jones, Co-arbitrators P. Cunningham, N. Farmer, Attack Section Leader G. Wylie, Flank Raiders M. Taylor, B. Shindler, Aggravators P. Sharpe, S. Gray, Defence Sentinals J. Rhodes, C. Bird, Weapon Destruction M. Pithketly.*

Sports Editorial

Just a few dates for your diary:

Tuesday, February 23 — **ACC Meeting**, 6:30pm in the Union Lower Refectory. All club captains to attend please.

Wednesday, February 24 — Rugby 1sts are playing in the semi-final of the **Gutteridge Cup**. All supporters welcome, free transport provided (leave Beit Arch, 1:00pm).

Wednesday, April 28 — **Sports Day**, start training now! Watch this space for further details.



Rowing

Southern Univ Championships

Championship Eights

The 1st VIII beat Oriel College, Oxford (last year's champions) with ease in their first round, only to lose narrowly to Clare College, Cambridge after an appalling row when nothing went right for them. Clare were beaten by Kings College, London by 1/2 length in the final. A big disappointment for the 1st VIII, who were more than capable of walking away with the title.

Crew: *Bow J. Thorp, P. Allen, P. McKee, S. Rockell, J. Urry, G. Harding, M. Greaves, M. Alloway (stroke), I. Simpson (cox).*

Second Eights Championship

The 2nd VIII won this competition, which was almost exclusively entered by University 1st VIIs lacking the confidence to go for the championship title. The IC crew saw off Loughborough University and Pembroke College, Oxford on their way to the final. They went down a length just after the start against the other finalists, Exeter College, Oxford, but rowed through a slight lead, which changed hands twice more before the finish, when IC went over the line rating 38, a length ahead. The winning margin would probably have been greater had Alistair Rowe been well enough to take his place in the boat.

Crew: *J. Goodall (bow), S. Collier, A. McConnell, A. Clark, B. Steen, C. Adams, J. O'Brien, E. Mendes (stroke), S. Agalawatte (cox).*



Water Polo

Last Thursday night saw our intrepid team of alcoholics and masochists go into action again, this time against Guy's Hospital in a ULU League match.

The game started well enough, despite Jim Boucher's tendency to pass the ball daintily to the opposition, and three goals soon came, from Leach, Boucher and Casini. However, the effort of dragging our beer guts around the pool then proved too much, and we conceded three goals due to lousy marking and bad covering.

In the last few minutes, Barry Ashwin scored, which partly made up for his earlier fumbling, and then Rich Leach put in an impressive back flip, having decided to miss an easy goal with his first shot and bounce it off the post instead.

The final result, 5-3, added another win to our unbeaten record in the ULU League, and we celebrated with the usual vast quantity of Fosters.

Team: *Ashwin (capt), Boucher, Burnett (goalie), Casini, Dibden, Edwards, Garton, Last, Leach.*

Bowling

On Wednesday February 10 eight teams contested the annual CCU bowling championship. After a titanic struggle throughout the day, the Guilds A team (alias Chem Eng 2) of A. McMulland, W. Man and N. Grimwood held off a last gasp challenge from M. Smith, B. Thong and K. Short who made up the RCS A team, to take the shield for the third year running. In third place came the RSM team of R. Cook, A. Davis and D. Lamp, the first Mines team to compete for many years (at least two).

Eight IC bowlers trooped off to Portsmouth last Sunday to take part in the Pompey Quads. The A team (Ray Cook, Chris Wells, Martin Harrison, Wai Man) bowled disappointingly although there were one or two good individual games. The B team (Jeff Quinn, Dave Smith, Andy Davis, Kevin Short) performed much better with all four bowling well above average. Due to the rail strike the IC eight had to leave early before the final scores had been totalled so at the time of writing it was not known who the overall winners were, but with a total of 2336 the B team must have been in with an excellent chance. One result that we did find out was that Davis and Short took third place in the handicap series of the double section, but unfortunately for them they did not get any trophies.



Sailing

After some difficulty in finding their own sailing club, Essex demonstrated their superior all round ability by beating us convincingly. The first race started with Mills and Kennedy on the line at the gun, and some heated short tacking resulted in Kennedy giving a green to the opposition. However, this form was not to last for long and Essex were in a commanding position by the first mark. The race was a foregone conclusion with Essex finishing 1, 2, 5 and IC 3, 4, 6.

An epic start by Bennet in the second race was unfortunately to no avail and the choice of the wrongside of the beat put him to the back of the fleet. Mills and Kennedy, however, in hot pursuit round the second windward mark started to pick off the Essex tail-enders, but left it too late and were robbed of victory on the finishing line.

Despite another excellent start in the first race against ULII, the team couldn't keep it up and having been 1, 2, 6 at the first mark, had dropped to 1, 5, 6 by the third and finished in these positions.

In the second race Mills' surprise tactics surprised even himself as he collided unintentionally with the opposition. Kennedy managed to get himself involved in a mass pile up at the third mark, hit it and had to re-round. Bennet skilfully kept out of trouble at the back of the fleet. ULII thus clinched victory finishing 1, 2, 3 with IC 4, 5, 6.

Team: *Bennet, Dalton, Kennedy, Mills, Redman, Youghusband.*

PS: Anyone wishing to travel to Holland with the team during the Easter holidays, must contact P. Mills, Physics 2 by Wednesday, February 24.

Editorial



Election Publicity

I would like to remind all election candidates that, as announced in FELIX 601, the last date on which I will accept completed posters or handouts for printing will be Monday, February 22. After that financial penalties will be imposed and I cannot guarantee that they will be done on time, or even at all.

Election Manifestoes

Papers for the sabbatical posters come down on Friday, February 26.

Manifestoes for inclusion in FELIX must reach me personally at the office by 1:00pm on Monday, March 1 for inclusion on Friday, March 5. These will be cut at the three hundredth word.

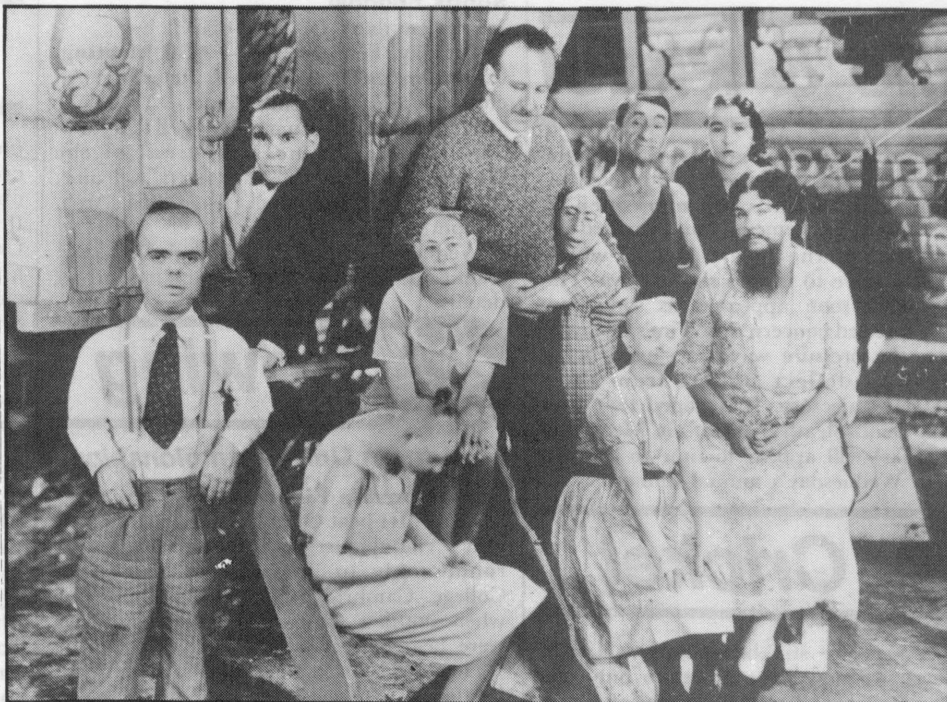
If you wish to have a photo accompanying your manifesto it must be a fairly large black and white print. This (or any alternative representation of your visage) must reach me at the same time. Colour pictures or slides are absolutely no use.

Elections for the posts will be by campus-wide ballot on Monday and Tuesday, March 8 and 9.

Freaks

I have received eight letters complaining about the fact that the H.G. Wells Society will be showing Todd Browning's *Freaks* on Monday evening. They describe the film as sick and depraved.

It is true that the film was banned in this country for over thirty years and that it



Todd Browning with some of the stars from the film *Freaks*.

contains a large number of real life freaks, but these people cannot have seen the film. It is a fascinating and disturbing story set in a circus where the freaks exact cruel revenge for being wronged. Although quite macabre, it is a sensitive and worthwhile film. I recommend you to take advantage of this rare opportunity to see such an interesting movie.

The film will be shown at 7:30pm in Elec Eng 408 on Monday evening.

Credits

Many thanks to Nick T., Peter, Soheel, Pallab, Steve, Eddie, Nick W., Lesley, Jez, Mo, Ramzi, all the collators, Maz and Ian.

A special mention to Paul Bailey who delivers FELIX every week. Without him you would probably not receive your copy.

ARE YOU.....

wanting to meet people with similar interests from within and outside the College?

willing to help raise money for local and national charities as well as caring for people in this community.

looking for an active social life, i.e. bi-monthly meetings plus sports events, barbecues, dinners, discos, etc., as well as more unusual pursuits.

If you are and would like to know more about **Rotaract** then contact Martin Burnett, Physics letteracks or Nick Davey, Biology (W Wing) PG.

SCARAMOUCHE

When people comment on my column in FELIX, they usually describe the puzzles as 'mathematical'. But considering that nearly half of the students at IC are engineers, it seems only fair to occasionally steer away from the abstract whimsy of mathematical logic and venture into the real world.....

You are given four dominoes which are to be arranged in a pile overhanging the straight edge of a table. What is the maximum horizontal overhang you can achieve? The dominoes must all be horizontal with their long sides parallel to the edge of the table, and of course, the whole thing must remain in stable equilibrium.

The longest sides of a domino are two inches long, so with your solution please include both a diagram and a clear statement of the overhang it produces. I've no idea what the maximum possible value is (although if you can't manage more than two inches you're not really trying) so the prize will go to the best solution received by the closing date.

Finally, as I said, this is an engineering problem and I recommend that you approach it experimentally using paperback books, or playing cards or even dominoes.

Solutions, comments, criticisms to me at the FELIX Office please. A prize of £5 (donated by Mend-a-Bike) will be awarded to the largest valid overhang described by 1:00pm next Wednesday.

Last Week's Solution

H, L, O, Q, T pure; M, N, P, R, S applied.

Write 'L' for 'statement made by L is true' and 'L' for 'statement made by L is false'. Then we have:

- L: If H' then (M and N')
- O: H if and only if (P' and Q)
- R: (P' and R') if and only if M
- N: M or S
- Q: S' or L' or O'
- M: M if and only if O
- T: If T then (S' and L' and H')
- P: Over half true
- S: Over half false

M' implies O, and M implies O. So O. Now, considering T's statement, the assumption T' implies T (see note below) which is a contradiction. So T is true. Now assume S. S implies N, and since (from S) at least six are false, only S, N, T, and O are true. But this implies Q. So S is false after all, and so Q is true. Now for L's statement to be false, H must be false too (see note again). But this contradicts T which we know to be true. So L is true. From N's statement (M and N') must be false, so H' is false too, i.e. H is true. So P' and Q (from O). And to make P false, both R and M must be false also.

Twenty entries, nine of them correct and Ashley Kanter, Maths 3 is the winner.

Nearly all the confusion arose from the possibility of 'if X then Y' being false. The only way 'if X then Y' can be false is for X to be true and Y false. As an example of this, consider the first 'if-then' clause ever formulated: 'if you taste the fruit of the tree you shall surely die'. The only way you can give the lie to this statement is by tasting the fruit and not dying. You cannot make the statement false if you do not taste the fruit. So when Len said 'If the head is applied.....' for his statement to be false, the head would have to be applied.

One person criticised me for setting a puzzle which depended on this principle, but I don't think I was unfair, particularly since I have explained it in detail before, albeit a long time ago (November 21, 1980, to be exact).

Finally, another correspondent asked for a return to 'the good old days when all your puzzles were of this type'. I thought you preferred a more varied diet, but if you have strong feelings—write!

HYDE PARK RELAY

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27

Helpers needed throughout the day.

Free sweatshirts donated by NatWest Bank!

Party & Disco

follows the Relay at 6:30pm in the JCR.

Admission free to participants and helpers 50p to everyone else.

COLLEGE ACCOMMODATION

Introduction

This guide is intended to give you an idea of what the College has to offer in the way of accommodation and of the regulations which control the way in which the accommodation is allocated. Hopefully, this will help you to choose the type of accommodation which best suits your particular requirements and will save you from the effort of making applications which are unlikely to be successful.

The guide gives information about the three basic types of College accommodation. Purpose built Halls of Residence which are all on campus; Student Houses which are large Victorian houses converted into student accommodation, most of which are concentrated in Evelyn Gardens, about fifteen minutes walk from the College; and, Head Tenancies, which are not owned by the College, but are leased from landlords and sub-let to students. These are situated in Kensington, Earls Court and Hammersmith.

Since there is not all that much difference between individual Halls and between individual Houses, the guide gives emphasis to the Head Tenancies, which tend to be much more varied.

Application forms for students already at the College and for new postgraduate students, will be available from the Student Services Office, 15 Princes Gardens and should be completed and returned by Friday, March 12.

Applications from postgraduate students who have not lived in Residence before as postgraduates and who are applying to live in Halls and Houses should be returned by Friday, July 16.

How College Accommodation is Allocated

A. RESIDENCES

Halls, Houses

The following extract from the "Imperial College Student Residence Halls and Houses Regulations and Information" makes it crystal clear. Note particularly the underlined bits.

4. Applications for residence from students will be considered in the following categories:

a) First year undergraduates are admitted to residence on the recommendation of the College departments. The allocation of first year places among the Halls and Houses and between departments is regulated by the Students' Residence Committee.

b) Undergraduate new residents will be selected by a random method.

c) Undergraduate and postgraduate readmissions are selected by a sub-committee of each Hall and House Committee whose members have not applied for a further year in residence.

d) Postgraduate new residents are admitted to residence on the recommendation of the College departments. Junior Research Assistants* are also eligible to apply within this category.

Wardens all have the power to refuse any application to their Hall or House after discussion with the Hall or House Committee.

A certain number of places will be reserved for medical, welfare and compassionate cases as recommended by the Medical Officer or Student Counsellor in consultation with Wardens.

*Members of Staff who, for administrative reasons, receive a net salary comparable to a standard UK postgraduate student award.

5. The following principles shall be followed in considering applications for residence:

a) The normal period of residence in Hall or House for student members shall be one year.

b) Not more than 10 per cent may be selected for a second year's residence, but no such members may reside for more than two years in Halls or Houses except as provided in 5(d) below and Selkirk and Vickers' Scholars.

c) The proportion of postgraduates in any Hall or House shall be about 15 per cent of the student members; any IC undergraduate becoming a postgraduate will requalify for entry.

d) If a student, having been resident for two years, is elected an officer of the Union, as listed in Regulation 2 above, he shall be permitted to reside for a third year, but none other than the President, Deputy President and the Secretary shall be permitted to reside in Halls or Houses for more than three years.

e) In applying Regulations 5(b) and 5(d) above, students who take up residence during the first half-session shall be considered as re-applicants for any further applications. Students taking up residence during the second half-session will be considered as new applicants for the following application.

Applying as a New Undergraduate Student

Application forms are sent out to new undergraduate students by the College Registry once an offer of admission to the College has been firmly or provisionally accepted. Undergraduate admissions tutors nominate a certain number of applicants to places in Residence. The remainder are advised to apply to Intercollegiate Halls and, if unsuccessful, can ask to be placed on the waiting list for Imperial College Halls and Houses.

Applying as New Applicant

It is the policy of the Students' Residence Committee to attempt to provide residence places for all third year undergraduates who have not lived in Residence before. It is anticipated that this year we will be able to offer places to all third year new applicants, and also to a number of second year new applicants.

Applying as a Re-applicant

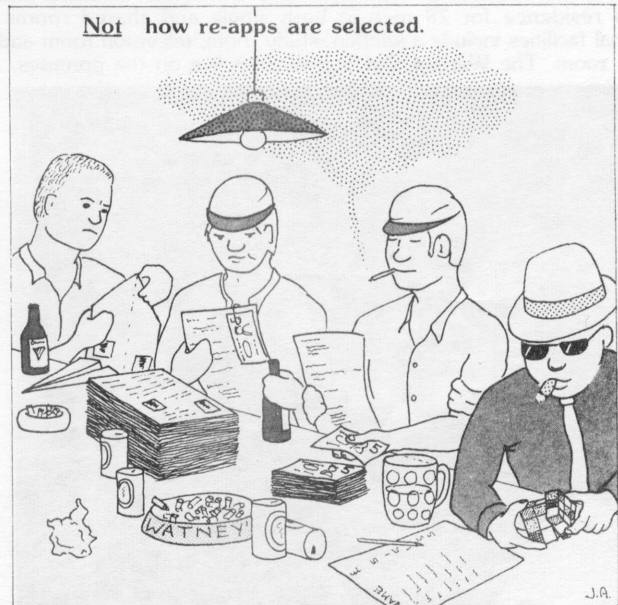
The reason for having a re-applicant system is that it is thought that if there are a handful of people in each Hall or House who had the experience of living in residence and have shown that they have a contribution to make to the life of the community, then this will make any given Hall or House a happier place to live in.

As it says in the regulations, re-applicants are chosen by a "sub-committee of each Hall and House Committee whose members have not applied for a further year in residence."

The significance of these regulations to your personal strategy for getting a place to live for next year lies in the fact that unless the committee which does the selection knows who you are, your chance of succeeding in getting in as a re-applicant must be non-existent. So, for example, if you are living in a student house this year, it would in most cases be a waste of time applying to live next year in Hall.

Similarly, anyone who lived in residence in their first year would find it very difficult to get back for their third year if they had lost contact with the people in that particular Hall or House in the intervening year.

Not how re-apps are selected.



Applying as a Postgraduate

Application forms for postgraduate students who have not lived in Hall before as postgraduates are available from February 15 and must be returned by Friday, July 16. Application forms from postgraduates new to the College together with those from new-applicant postgraduates already at College are forwarded to the postgraduate admissions tutors in each department and the tutors then make nominations for Residence places.

HEAD TENANCIES

Head Tenancy applications are not affected by whether you have lived in Residence before or by what year you are in. Most of the Head Tenancy accommodation is in the form of flats or double rooms and the main requirement for applying is that you should apply with one or more others and that you will only be considered for accommodation suitable for the size of the group. The most important thing is to concentrate on getting together a group of individuals who will be reliable and who are likely to be able to live together successfully for a whole session.

This year, for the first time, we will be operating a system which will enable new undergraduate students to live in the Head Tenancies. New students who have been nominated for Residence by their admissions tutors will be asked whether they would rather take up this option. There are no plans at present to enable new postgraduate students to live in Head Tenancy flats, mainly because the flats have a high proportion of shared rooms and most postgraduates need single rooms. It is likely, however, that new postgraduates will be able to take up single rooms in those Head Tenancies which have them, as a result of some students who are offered the rooms in May, subsequently turning them down.

HALLS OF RESIDENCE

BEIT HALL

Warden: Dr C. Halls

This consists of the 'Old' and 'New' Hostels, both situated in the Beit Quadrangle, Prince Consort Road, with accommodation for 87 men and 28 women. Each residence has an individual study-bedroom fitted with a washbasin. There are shared kitchen facilities. The Warden and two Sub-Wardens live on the premises.



GARDEN HALL

Warden: Mr J. Turk

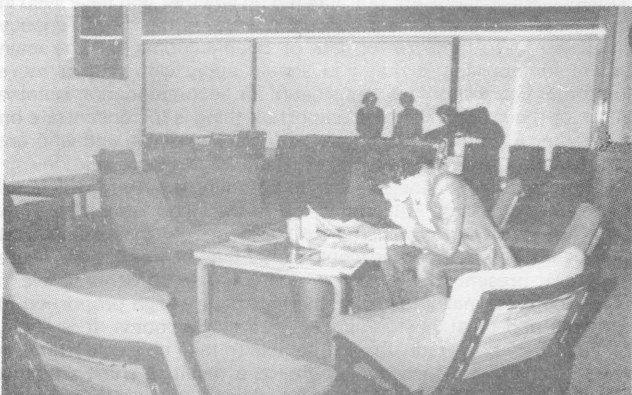
Garden Hall is situated on the north side of Princes Gardens and provides residence for 78 men in both single and shared rooms. Communal facilities include a kitchen, study room, television room and common room. The Warden and Sub-Warden live on the premises.



WEEKS HALL

Warden: Dr D.M. Monro

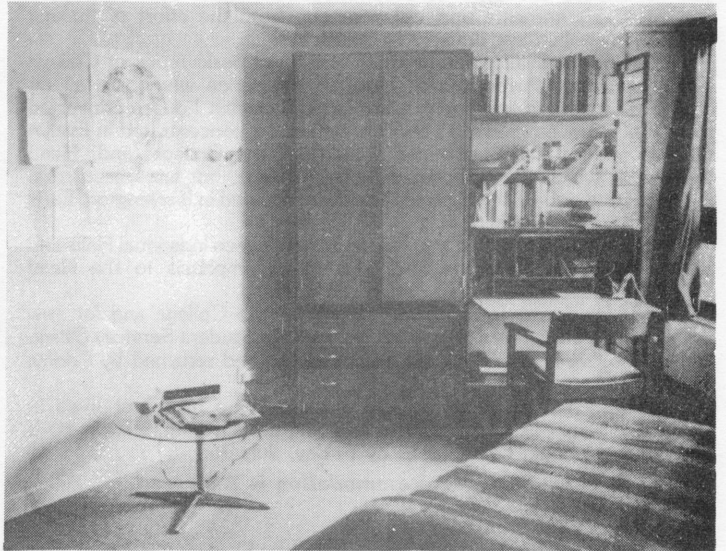
This Hall is situated in the north-east of Princes Gardens and provides accommodation for 50 men and 16 women. Each resident has an individual study-bedroom fitted with a wash basin and there is a kitchenette on each floor. A large common room is provided on the ground floor. The Warden and Sub-Warden live on the premises.



LINSTEAD HALL

Warden: Dr M.D. Carabine

Linstead Hall, together with its extension, is located on the east side of Princes Gardens and accommodates 164 men and 24 women in both single and double study-bedrooms. This particular Hall provides an evening meal on weekdays. Each set of rooms has its own kitchenette. Social and recreational areas are located on two gallery levels with the dining room on the ground floor. The Warden and two Sub-Wardens live on the premises.



SOUTHSIDE HALLS, PRINCES GARDENS

Wardens: Dr P.W. Jowitt, Falmouth Keogh; Dr M.H.R. Hutchinson, Tizard & Selkirk

These three Halls accommodate 380 men and women as follows:

Falmouth Keogh Hall: 159 men and 31 women

Selkirk Hall: 48 men and 24 women

Tizard Hall: 94 men and 24 women

Each resident has an individual study-bedroom fitted with a washbasin. On the gallery floor of each Hall there is a communal area incorporating sitting-rooms, quiet room, kitchen and laundry room. Situated below these Halls are College refectories and general common room areas. The Warden and Sub-Wardens live on the premises.

During the Easter and Summer vacations the majority of the rooms in the Linstead and Southside Halls of Residence will not be available for letting to students, so residents may not be able to remain in their Halls during these periods. However, alternative accommodation will be available in Beit and Weeks Halls and the Student Houses.



Montpelier Street

Warden: Dr D M Monro

This Hall was purchased by the College for the start of the 1981/2 session. It is situated in the bosky back streets of Knightsbridge, surrounded by cobbled mews and a stones throw from Harrods—the world's most famous corner shop!

The Hall houses 78 postgraduates in single rooms. There are also three double rooms for married postgraduate couples. It has excellent self-catering facilities, common room, TV lounge and garden. One Sub-Warden lives on the premises.

STUDENT HOUSES

The six Houses listed below are all situated within fifteen minutes walk of the College and together provide furnished accommodation for 442 students in single and shared rooms. Each house has a television and recreational room (the latter typically including a dart board and table football). Kitchen facilities are provided together with washing machines, dryers and ironing facilities. In addition, each House takes a selection of daily newspapers.

BERNARD SUNLEY HOUSE
40-44 Evelyn Gardens
108 men

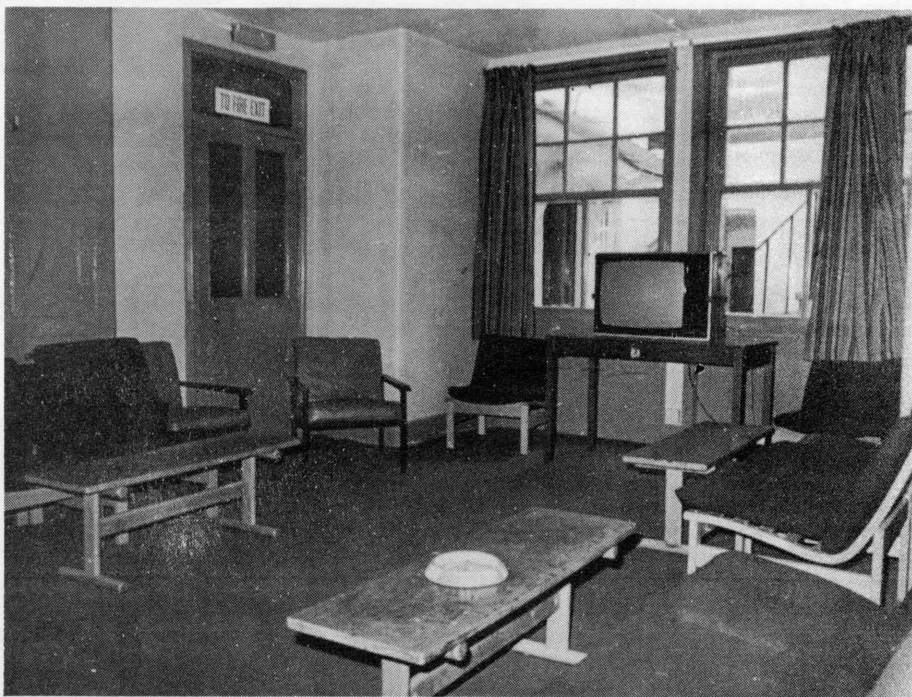
HOLBEIN HOUSE
61-63 Evelyn Gardens
66 men

MINING HOUSE
51, 54-56 Evelyn Gardens
53 men and 26 women

SOUTHWELL HOUSE
58-60 Evelyn Gardens
45 men and 20 women

WILLIS JACKSON HOUSE
64, 66-69 Evelyn Gardens
64 men and 18 women

RAYLEIGH HOUSE
14 Queensberry Place
14 men and 6 women



Residents are provided with blankets and pillows.

Cooking utensils, crockery, cutlery and bed linen are *not* provided.

Residents are expected to clean their own rooms with the materials provided. Communal areas (lounges, stairs, kitchens and bathrooms) are cleaned during the week by part-time staff.

Resident postgraduate Wardens and Sub-Wardens are ultimately responsible for the organisation and discipline within a House, but, are advised on such matters by a House Committee comprising elected members. However, most of a House Committee's time is spent arranging social events and seeking ways to improve a House.

Evelyn Gardens and Queensbury Place are located in a controlled parking area. Parking permits (£45pp pa or £14 for 3 months) can be obtained from the Council if you satisfy the necessary requirements.

Flats and rooms in the Head Tenancy Scheme

Hamlet and Cambridge Gardens, Lexham Gardens, 6 Earls Court Square, 21 Redcliffe Street, Gerrard Mansions and Sinclair Gardens are all properties which have been rented by the College in order to provide an additional supply of guaranteed accommodation.

They are all places which, without the College's involvement, would either not be available as student accommodation or would be let at much higher rents than those which the College has been able to negotiate. For example, Lexham Gardens would not be let to students at all if the College hadn't taken them on and even the most expensive flats in Lexham Gardens are around £5 per week per person cheaper than comparable private sector flats in the same area.

Another advantage which the head tenancy flats have over places in the private sector is that they give you the opportunity to live close to other Imperial College students, so you don't have to feel that you are going home to an alien environment.

Nevertheless, head tenancies are essentially private sector places which the College has acquired wholesale, and so there are things which distinguish them from the College Residences. For example, the College has to pay rent on its head tenancies during the short vacations and this cost has to be passed on to the people living in the accommodation—although 'home' students who spend the vacations living in their accommodation should be able to claim most of the rent back in the form of supplementary benefit. Another point is that the College does not have the same degree of control over furnishings and maintenance as it does with its own residences. The role of the warden or student manager in the Head Tenancies is very different from the role of Hall or House Wardens.

Generally speaking, however, there is no respect in which the College's head tenancies are worse than their private sector counterparts, and there are many respects in which they are much better.

The head tenancies provide a wide range of accommodation, from single flats and bedsits to eight-bedded flats. To help you decide which would suit you best, here is a brief resumé of the various properties.

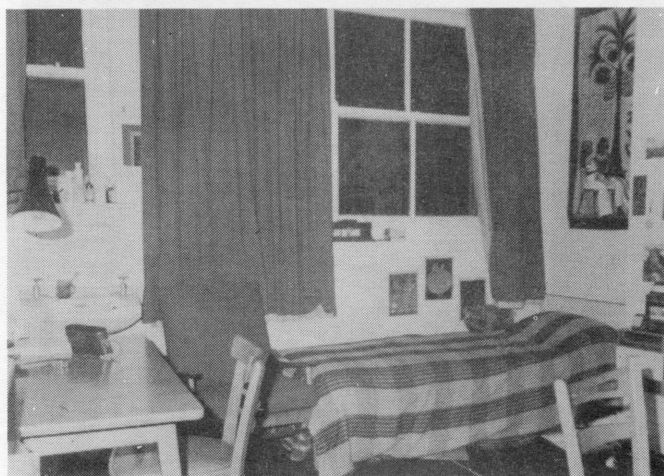
HAMLET & CAMBRIDGE GARDENS

Hamlet Gardens

Hamlet Gardens is situated in Hammersmith, a few minutes walk from Ravenscourt Park underground station. All the accommodation there is in the form of flats which range in size from three to eight-bedded units. There are flats in Hamlet Gardens for groups of three, four, six or seven and eight totalling over 160 beds in all. The flats vary in their levels of decoration and furnishings but even if you end up in one of the less well equipped ones there is plenty of scope for re-arranging things so that you end up with a pleasant place to live.

One big advantage of living in Hamlet Gardens is that the rents tend to be lower than in the head tenancies closer to College.

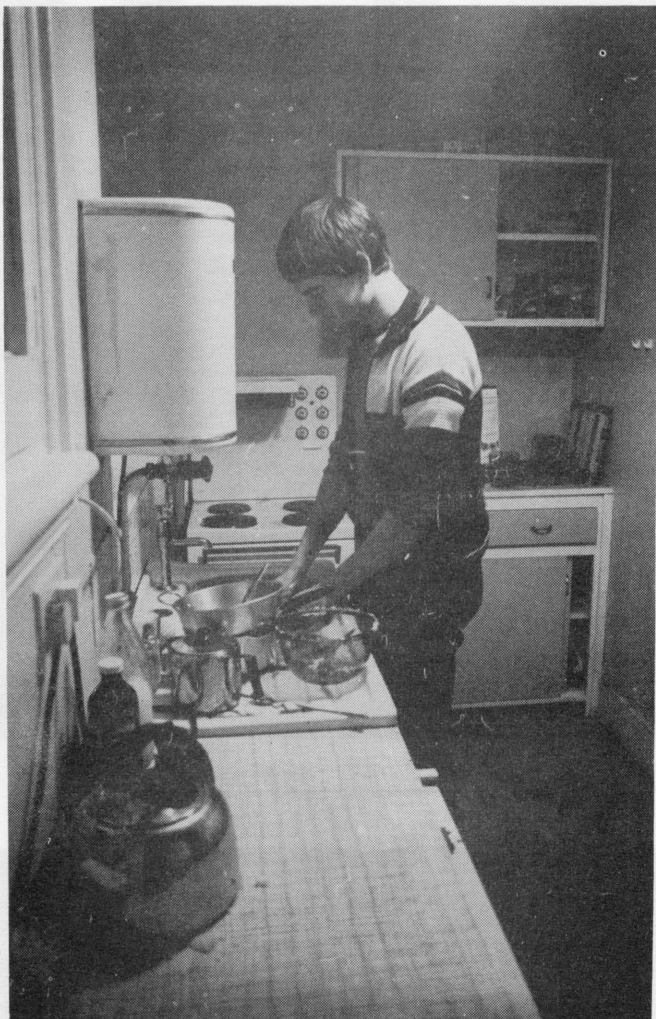
All the flats have their own lounge, bathroom and kitchen, and although most of them only have shared bedrooms, several have single bedrooms as well.



Cambridge Gardens

Cambridge Gardens consists of a house containing two flats, one for a group of four and one for six. It is situated close to Ladbroke Grove underground station and within walking distance of Notting Hill.

LEXHAM GARDENS



Lexham Gardens lies between Gloucester Road and Earls Court, ten to fifteen minutes walk from College. The five houses there which come under the Lexham Gardens scheme are numbers 25, 48, 54, 79 and 81. Numbers 48 and 54 consist mainly of double flatlets each with its own bathroom and kitchen area. There are also a couple of larger flats, some single bedsits with their own cooking facilities and use of a shared bathroom, and a few self-contained single flats. Numbers 25, 79 and 81 are divided into flats for three, four, five, six and eight. As a rule they don't have a lounge although some have large kitchens which can be used as 'kitchen diners'. Also, they are more expensive than the Hamlet Gardens flats. At the same time the standard of decoration is much higher than you would normally expect to find. The flats in 25, 79 and 81 are centrally heated whereas the ones in 48 and 54 are not.

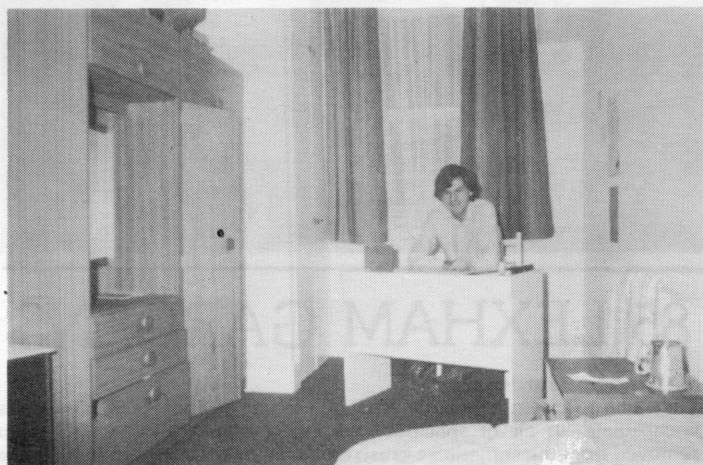


GERRARD MANSIONS

Gerrard Mansions
This block contains five flats each comprising two single bedrooms, kitchen/diner and bathroom. They were originally set out as a block of flats but have been converted by the present tenants into a series of flats.

Situated close to Holland Road and Shepherds Bush underground station are two houses each containing a flat for eight and one for five. The flats for eight are particularly attractive as they are on two floors and have a large lounge and two bathrooms. All the flats here are modernised to a high standard.

SINCLAIR GARDENS



6 EARLS COURT SQUARE

6 Earls Court Square

This house is situated in a quiet square, a stone's throw from the cosmopolitan attractions of the Earls Court Road and within easy walking distance of College.

The house is made up of fourteen single rooms and four doubles with a good sized communal lounge and a kitchen. Most of the rooms are centrally heated and the standards of decoration and furnishings are above average.



GERRARD MANSIONS

Gerrard Mansions

This block contains five flats each comprising two single bedrooms, kitchen/diner and bathroom. They were originally let unfurnished and have been furnished by the present tenants with varying degrees of success!

Situated in the heart of Chinatown, they are, to say the least, exotic. If you are considering applying for these flats you would be well advised to discuss the implications with the Student Services Officer.



85 LEXHAM GARDENS

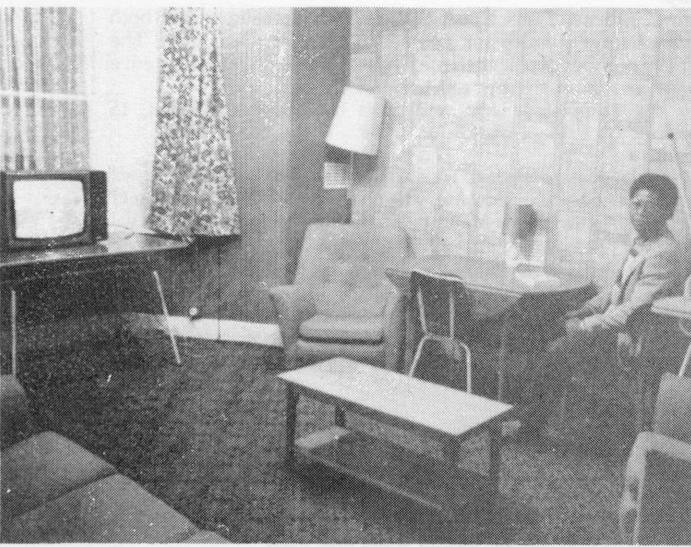
85 Lexham Gardens

The three flats in this little known corner of the Head Tenancies encapsulate an air of spaciousness and gracious charm which is far removed from the sometimes brash conversions to be encountered in the rest of Lexham Gardens.

One of the flats would particularly suit a group of four which contains a couple.

21 REDCLIFFE STREET

The Redcliffe Street house has been set aside as a postgraduate house whereas other head tenancies can be applied to by both undergraduates and postgraduates. It is situated at the lower end of Earls Court but still within walking distance of College. The house consists of single bedsits with a communal lounge and kitchen.



COLLEGE FLATS

College Flats
Although these are distinct from Head Tenancies, they are let and managed in the same way as the Head Tenancy flats.

Southside, Penthouse Flats
These two flats used to be occupied by wardens, and consequently, offer a very high standard of accommodation. Each flat consists of two single bedrooms, one double, sitting room, kitchen and bathroom. The flats are suitable for up to four people. The rent is inclusive of heating, lighting and panoramic views of London.

78 Princes Gate Mews
By far the trendiest flat on offer, it consists of two double bedrooms, lounge, kitchen and bathroom. It also contains the most bijou attic single bedrooms that you are ever likely to see. The flat is suitable for four and comes under the supervision of one of the Southside Wardens.

9 Princes Gardens
Situated next to Garden Hall, this house contains five flats for four, one for three and one for five. These flats are not available for letting February/March as it is likely that they will be occupied by new undergraduate students next session.

Robert Pryor House, 53 Evelyn Gardens
This house, comprising three flats for four, one for five and two for two is being reserved for new undergraduate students.

Property \ Flat size	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
HAMLET GARDENS	-	-	1	3	-	2	5	8
CAMBRIDGE GARDENS	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-
LEXHAM GARDENS	14	24	4	2	3	9	-	1
85 LEXHAM GARDENS	-	-	1	2	-	-	-	-
EARLS COURT SQUARE	14	4	-	-	-	-	-	-
REDCLIFFE ST (PG's ONLY)	11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
SINCLAIR GARDENS	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	2
GERRARD MANSIONS	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-
PENTHOUSE & MEWS	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-

Above is a tabulated summary of the Head Tenancies showing the number of units of different sizes each has to offer at present. It is likely that some of these will be dropped in the course of the current negotiations.

HOW TO APPLY

Points to Remember

Applications for flats will only be accepted from groups. This means that if you want to live in a flat or a double room/flatlet, you will need to apply as a group of two, three, four, five, six, seven or eight. If you apply on your own, you can only be considered for a single room/bedsit.

If you are also applying to a Hall of Residence or to a Student House, your application to the Hall or House will be withdrawn once you have been allocated to a place in a Head Tenancy.

You can only make one application to Head Tenancies.

This means that if, for example, you apply in a group, you cannot also make a separate application on your own, nor can you make an application with another group.

Group Applications

1. You will need: one orange form for the whole group and a grey card for each member of the group—so a group of four would need one orange form and four grey cards.

2. The person whose name is at the top of the list on the orange form will receive all correspondence relating to the application. Thus the two sticky labels should be filled in, one giving that person's departmental address so that we can notify him/her of the outcome of the application at the beginning of the Summer term. The other label should be addressed to his/her expected whereabouts in early September so that we can send any additional information that may be necessary.

3. Look through the table of Head Tenancies and see which ones have accommodation suitable for a group of your size. If there are more than one, place them in order of preference by writing "1, or 1, etc." in the appropriate spaces on the form. If there is only one, put "1" in the appropriate space.

4. Fill in the rest of the orange form.

5. Each member of the group must then complete a grey card.

6. Return the orange form together with ALL the grey cards to the Student Services Office by Friday, March 12, 1982.

Single Applications

1. You will need one orange form, one grey card and two address labels. The labels should be completed as follows: one with your departmental address, one addressed to your expected whereabouts in early September so that we can send any additional information that may then be necessary.

2. Lexham Gardens, Earls Court Square and Redcliffe Street both have accommodation suitable for people applying on their own. The chart shows the number of places that each has. Indicate your preference by placing "1" or "2" in the appropriate places.

3. Return the completed form and card to Student Services, 15 Princes Gardens by Friday, March 12, 1982.

General Points

1. The way the allocation system works, the chances are that you will either get your first choice or nothing. The only exception to this is that if you apply for the Penthouse or Mews flats and don't get in, then you will be considered for your highest subsequent choice.

2. If you are applying in a group, experience has shown that problems arise when smokers share with non-smokers. Please give this point careful consideration when choosing your group.

All students who accept accommodation in double rooms and flats will be jointly and severally responsible for the whole rent for their accommodation.

Halls and Houses

You need to fill in 2 address labels and the appropriate form and card.

There are different forms and cards to fill in depending on whether you are a new-applicant postgraduate, a new-applicant undergraduate or a re-applicant.

These are as follows:

New applicant postgraduate: yellow form and card.

New applicant undergraduate: green form and card.

Re-applicant: blue form and card.

The address labels need to be completed as follows:

One label addressed to yourself in your department so that we can tell you, at the beginning of the Summer term, whether or not you have got a place.

One label addressed to yourself at wherever you will be in early/mid-September so that, if your application is successful, we can tell you which room you will be in.

WHAT YOU WILL BE PAYING

Here is a table of rents for this session. Like everything else, they will probably be higher for the next session, but at least it will give you an idea of what it costs per week.

Halls		Head Tenancies	
Beit	£15.50-21.00	Hamlet/Cambridge Gardens	
Southside & Weeks	£23.00	Singles	£17.50
Linstead Singles	£30.50	Doubles	£14.50
Linstead Doubles	£24.50		
Student Houses and Garden Hall		Lexham Gardens	
Singles	£20	Singles	£19.00-23.00
Doubles	£15.50	Doubles	£18.50-19.50
Triples	£11.50		

Earls Court Square

Singles £19.00-22.50

Doubles £16.50-17.50

Redcliffe Street

Singles £17.00-18.50

Gerrard Mansions

Singles £15.00-20.00

Sinclair Gardens

From £19.00

College Flats

9 Princes Gardens From £16.50

Robert Pryor House From £16.50

Penthouse Flats £100 per week

Mews Flat £80 per week

Closing Dates for Your Diary

Friday, March 12, 1982: ALL undergraduates applications, all applications to Head Tenancies and Student Flats (including Redcliffe Street) and all re-applicants: postgraduates and undergraduates.

Friday, July 16, 1982: Applications to RESIDENCE (i.e. Halls and Houses) from new applicant postgraduates.

ALL APPLICATIONS RECEIVED BEFORE THE CLOSING DATE ARE GIVEN EQUAL CONSIDERATION. SO, DON'T RUSH. GIVE YOURSELF TIME TO THINK ABOUT WHAT YOU ARE GOING TO APPLY FOR AND WHO YOU ARE GOING TO APPLY WITH.

ALTERNATIVE ACCOMMODATION

If you don't want to live in College Accommodation, or if your application is unsuccessful, you need to consider other ways of finding accommodation.

Intercollegiate Halls

Most of these Halls are situated in Bloomsbury which is conveniently placed for travel to College.

Intercollegiate Halls differ from Imperial College Halls in that they give you an opportunity to meet students from other Colleges and to mix with people who are not all scientists. All the Intercollegiate Halls provide full board (except for lunches Monday to Friday).

Names and addresses of Halls

Men Only

Commonwealth Hall, Cartwright Gardens, London WC1H 9EB. (01) 387-0311.

Connaught Hall, 41 Tavistock Square, London WC1H 9EE (01) 387-6181.

Women Only

Canterbury Hall, Cartwright Gardens, London WC1H 9EE. (01) 387-5526.

College Hall, Malet Street, London WC1E 7HZ. (01) 636-8982.

Mixed

Hughes Parry Hall, Cartwright Gardens, London, WC1H 9EF. (01) 387-1477.

International Hall, Brunswick Square, London, WC1N 1AS. (01) 837-0746.

Postgraduates (mixed)

Lillian Penson Hall, Talbot Square, London W2 1TT. (01) 262-2081.

How to Apply

Apply on one form to all those Halls for which you are eligible (on the basis of sex and postgraduate/undergraduate status). The application form can be obtained from any of the Halls and should be returned to the Warden of the Hall which you would most like to live in.

Closing Dates

Students already at the University: April 30, 1982.

New male students and mixed Halls: May 31, 1982.

New female students: May 15, 1982.

Private Sector Flats and Bedsits

Addresses of places which you can book for next session should be available from Student Services during the Summer term. Most of this kind of accommodation, however, is not advertised until September. If you want to know more about private sector housing come into Student Services and pick up a copy of our accommodation guide.

Hostels and Hotels

There are a number of student hostels run by organisations other than the University. In addition, there is a variety of Hotels which give special reduced rates to students living there on a long term basis. Lists of these are available from Student Services.