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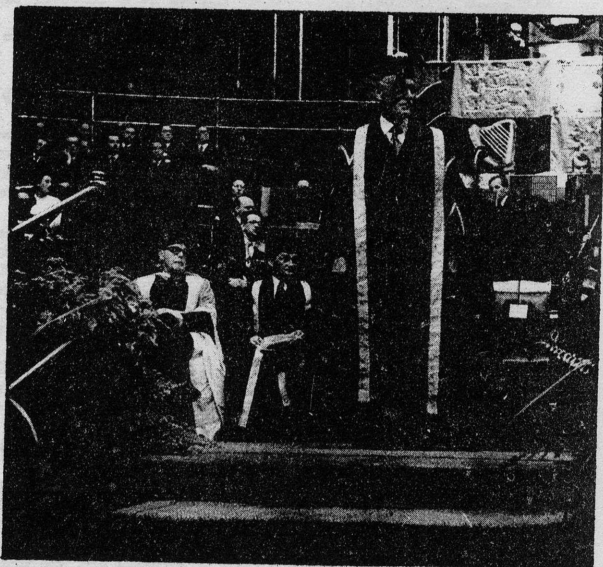


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IMPERIAL COLLEGE

Friday, 28th Oct, 1955

LORD ADRIAN SPEAKS AT COMMEMORATION DAY



VISCOUNT FALMOUTH, STANDING, WITH THE RECTOR LEFT OF HIM.

About three thousand people congregated in the Royal Albert Hall for the ceremony. At 3 p.m. a procession formed of the College Union Officers, the Registrar, the Financial Secretary, the Readers, the three College Deans, the Staff Orator, the Clerk to the Governors, Officers of London University, the Pro Rector, the Chairman of the Delegacy, Lord Adrian, the Rector and the Chairman of the Governing Body, entered the arena from the North side. When the Chairman of the Governing Body, The Rt. Hon. The Viscount Falmouth, had taken his seat, the Student Orator, Andy Levine, read the Opening Proclamation. He requested the Lord Chairman to receive those of the College upon whom Diplomas had been bestowed.

Then followed the presentation of the Associates and Diplomates to the Chairman of the Governing Body; with the exception of the A.C.G.I.s, who were received by Captain Holbein, the Chairman of the Delegacy.

New Imperial College Fellows

The Clerk to the Governors then asked the Chairman of the Governing Body for his assent for the presentation of "the Instrument of Honorary Associateship" to Professor Samuel Devons, M.A., Ph.D., F.R.S., formerly Professor of Physics at I.C. and now Langworthy Professor of Physics in the Victoria University of Manchester. After the presentation of the appropriate Scroll by Viscount Falmouth the I.C. Choir sang, quite nicely, "Let us now praise famous men". Then followed the presentation of Honorary Fellows. These were Professor Emeritus Sir David Brunt, Professor Emeritus Sir Alfred Egerton, Professor Emeritus J.A.S. Ritson and Professor Emeritus Sir George Thomson - presented by the Staff Orator; and Mr. H.F. Cronin, Mr. L.C. Hill, Capt. A.M. Holbein, Sir George Nelson and Mr. W.A.C. Newman - presented by the Clerk to the Governors. These gentlemen had been sitting on the front row of the Arena and they now took their places on the platform.

The Choir then sang "The Fountain", words by Christopher Hassall, music by Antony Hopkins, which had been written especially for the occasion. This piece of music seemed very fitting, although it could have been a little more impressive. The choir's rendering

of this music was of the standard that we have come to expect of them.

LORD ADRIAN'S SPEECH

The Special Visitor, Lord Adrian, was introduced by Viscount Falmouth, who gave a brief survey of the two years since the last Commemoration Day, making special reference to the expansion scheme commenced in 1953.

Lord Adrian is one of the most eminent of all British scientists today. He is world-famous for his work in technological fields. He spoke of the College as a late Victorian enterprise, and told those present that Imperialism had changed into the Commonwealth, but that British Technology was evident in all corners of the earth - a proud monument to the old craftsmanship of our Motherland. Inventiveness was not taught, it was born, and out of this and Craftsmanship had sprung a Technology which was embodied in the Imperial College. Students, he said, should be trained as leaders of this Technology, and not as single-minded specialists.

Dr. Linstead closes Ceremony

Lord Adrian, having finished his speech, sat down; and the Rector thanked him for his kindness in attending our celebration. Dr. Linstead spoke briefly about the new Honorary Fellows, and then to the students who had been presented. He asked them to cast back their minds to the time when they were Freshmen: "You have changed a great deal!" He was glad and happy to welcome them to "The Old Boys" of the College, and he hoped they would carry on the traditions.

Having brought the ceremony to a close, the assembled throng stood for "The Queen". The Marshals rose, and the Recession of the principal guests followed. Visitors and students alike made their way to City and Guilds' College, where, in the words of a R.S.M. Freshman "A jolly good tea was provided!"

AT THE DORCHESTER CRITICISM OF WEDNESDAY

The Commemoration Ball on Wednesday evening was honoured by the presence of the Rector and his wife. Unfortunately, the high price and the mid-week date seemed to have kept away many other of our prominent members, who would otherwise have attended. More fortunately, perhaps, those who went found that the thick carpets, the gilt and cut glass of the Dorchester made even the most impecunious of us feel at ease with our bankers.

Attempt to steal College Flag

Bill Savill's Orchestra was very good, and his piper had the most unlikely people doing eight-some reels to their obvious enjoyment. The College Flag had been hung behind the high table, in spite of an earlier and unsuccessful attempt to purloin it on the way to the Dorchester. The meal proved to be very pleasant, and "Le Vacherin aux Fraises", on sampling, was none other than Strawberry Flan and Ice Cream. The wines and service, naturally enough, were a credit to the Dorchester. When dancing finally ceased at 2.30, the "Evening" was continued by various groups at London Airport, the Hostel, and finally in the Pubs of Covent Garden.

To the Entertainments Chairman and Secretary must go a vote of thanks for a good Ball.

LATE NEWS

.... Photographs taken at the Dorchester may be obtained from the Dorchester.

.... To whom did the old cars outside the Dorchester belong?

.... Guy Fawkes Day is near..... at least, the number of reports in South Kensington is rising.

A NIGHT OF MINES FRESHMEN

GUILDSMEN?

- "Throw Them Out!"

WHO SMASHED THE YARD?

Friday October the 21st. saw that great annual function, which has been going on for many years, when the men of the R.S.M. welcome their new comrades in most fitting style which is unequalled by any other college or mining school in the World. Even those who came away from the Dinner who were sober, and there were very few, thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

As is usual on this occasion, hosts were meeting their freshers upto an hour and a half before the dinner was due to begin, and they then made haste to the Queen's Arms, or similar hostelry, keen to commence the business of the evening. "The Queen's" was packed almost as tight as some of its occupants were fated to become.

The Dinner began at 7.30 in the Ayrton Hall. It was to go on for over two hours, during which time an excellent Mooney-produced meal, swilled down by vast quantities of bitter beer, and six sagacious speeches were consumed. The President, Mr. Huckin, was the first to speak after the Queen had been toasted, and he rose to his feet to propose the toast "The Freshers". Due to the fact that FELIX correspondents are never really sober anyway, and on this occasion definitely not so, we cannot remember what Mr. Huckin said - except something about Clarence, Horace and the Zoo. All six speeches, as one would expect, consisted mainly of verbal mutual back-slapping. Mr. Doug Owen replied for the Freshers. In a stirring speech he righteously condemned "that place along Exhibition Road with a doorway looking like the entrance to a Public Lavatory." Mr. Owen then led his fellows in a toast to their hosts. At the end of his speech he was accorded tumultuous applause. Mr. Tony Werner, the Vice-President, next rose to propose the toast "The Royal School of Mines". He examined the R.S.M. in the light of the past, the present, and the future, and gave some witty definitions regarding the various professions within the mining industry. The Head of the Mining Department, Professor Mitcheson then replied to this toast saying that he was honoured that he had been asked to do so considering that only a few years ago he had been "a fresher" himself. Professor Mitcheson went on to speak of the traditions of, and the benefits to be gained from the School. He spoke, too, of the high reputation of the School in the mining industry throughout the World.

The last two speeches were the proposal of a toast to the Guests, by Peter Grimley, P.G. Mining Geology, and the reply, by Mr. H.N. Blyth, a lecturer in the Mineral Dressing Department. Mr. Grimley was rather rude to Messrs. Miller and Guthrie and pointed out to the former that he now had the opportunity of seeing how a freshers dinner should be run.

With the speeches over, the company repaired to the Bar and ejected those non-R.S.M. "scum" who had not already fled. But the President announced that the Yard was not to be drunk on the Bar counter as is usual; it was to be drunk on the steps outside the door of the Bar. Half way through these proceedings one unfortunate gentleman, in swirling the Yard to prevent airlock, hit somebody's head three feet away. This jarred the rim of the funnel against the unfortunate's teeth which were strong enough to chip the glass. The Hon. Pornographer's Pot was substituted, a pint of ale being measured into it. It was not quite clear to your reporters as to who won the Yard, but the freshers put up a very good show.

The company returned to the Bar proper as it neared eleven o'clock. The previously ejected Guildsmen and R.C.S. were courteously permitted to coexist. All were joined in merry songs, the names of which FELIX readers will have little difficulty in guessing. When the Bar closed there was an exodus to the adjoining lounge where Mr. Wallace, one of the two Honourable Pornographers, read the little bedtime story of "Eskimo Nell" from the Mines Book. At this final stage in the proceedings Keith Miller began to complain bitterly that "Nell" had to be read from a book and was not recited from memory. This does seem to be rather a poor show and the only excuse that comes to mind is that, after drinking the nearly three pints of his full Pot in one fell swoop, the Pornographer's memory may have become clouded over.

FOUR FRESHMEN'S DINNERS IN GUILD'S

Great success of New Idea

MORE NEXT YEAR?

This year for the first time, City and Guilds College had an official reception for their freshmen. There were four freshers dinners where each new man had an 'old hand' as his host. Guilds Union Freshers Dinner Committee are to be congratulated on their extremely rapid and efficient handling of the arrangement. It was no slight task to designate hosts, contact guests, prepare speeches, search for stories (clean or otherwise), look to catering and beer (clean or otherwise!!) in the space of only three days, but the committee of twenty did their work well.

Keith Miller, as acting president of the College, had the unenviable task of making two speeches per dinner. Thinking to enlighten his task by introducing a little novelty, he wrote his speeches on toilet paper. This went off excellently for the first two occasions, but on the third night the principal guest turned out to be a director of a rival toilet-paper firm.

Professor Ford not wishing to be scandalised by the stories of his past bought his piece of toilet paper at the price of a 2nd class degree. However The Dean in the presence of the Pro-Rector, on the following night was black-mailed more successfully, to the tune of a 1st.

A main source of anxiety was whether one's fresher would think that the evening's entertainment included free beer. Several people were overheard telling their proteges that it was the custom for the guest to pay for the host's drinks after the dinner.

The singing of traditional songs in the bar was admirably led, after a few false starts, by Mr. Miller. After the first verse of "The Engineer", more than a few startled faces were observed. These, however, due to the atmosphere and the free beer, soon disappeared, and we were cheered to find this year's first-year men just as good as last year's.

One eminent guest stayed in the bar drinking double whiskies until 11.30 and paying for all the rounds. However the night porter was a little bleary eyed by then and wishing to go to sleep was heard to say:

"Now then move on out otherwise I will report you to the Chairman of the C. & G. Board."

The reply was:

"My go-oooood man. I am the Chairman." The Chairman was last seen dancing down Exhibition Road.

It is sad to report that by Friday night K. Miller was slightly intoxicated after a week of ordeals and was confused when trying to distinguish several guests, however that night brought to an end a very successful venture and the good secretary Mr. Peter Harris laid Mr. Miller in his bed to fall blissfully asleep.

However he is in working order again and this week he hopes all hosts will pay up the remaining 2/- to their departmental reps so that the bills may be met!!



GUILDSMEN, ARE WE IN GOOD VOICE?

WINE TASTING

The Wine Tasting Society, newly formed in the College, sent out invitations to Union Officials of all ranks and classes to "partake in the tasting to be held in the new lounge on Friday 14th Oct. at 5.15 p.m." Mr. Ian Mackenzie, the well known wine importer, spoke on the subject of sherry. His talk, as one would expect, was extremely well informed and interesting, if a little dry.

The tasting of the wine began about an hour after the meeting began, by which time a great and insatiable thirst had been created in the listeners. Mr. Mackenzie answered questions on the wines and their uses, and when the meeting was brought to a close most people wanted more to taste.

The criticism which is levelled at the Society organizers is a matter of principle. There were many invitations sent out, and no mention was made of payment: But in order to taste the wine everybody had to pay two shillings. If such remuneration was expected, patrons should have been forewarned, it is bad taste on the part of the Society.

Felix

The Imperial College Newspaper

Circulation 1200



Editor : P. A. E. Southgate

We tender our humble apologies to the Rector and all American Servicemen for a misinterpretation of his speech. We included the remark "when the American Servicemen were in Britain," which was a misrepresentation of the Rector's remark about "what the Americans call the bumper-baby crops of the war years."

The Freshmen enjoyed a paradoxical situation at the beginning of this session. There are fewer Union facilities this term than there have ever been. But the hospitality with which they were greeted has few, if any, equals in years past. We older ones have done our part. Now it is for the Freshman to do his.

I. C. BOXING

Boxing to most people at I.C. is a barbarous, bloody and brutal sport. This is simply not true. To begin with, a boxer must be very fit, and training is rigorous. I.C. has a training session three times a week, which is as follows.

- 1) 3 x 2½ min. rounds skipping; to strengthen leg and shoulder muscles and to develop lightness of foot and breath control.
- 2) 20 min. of exercises; for stomach, leg and arm muscles.
- 3) 7½ min. shadow boxing (speed)
- 4) 7½ min. light bag punching (speed & timing)
- 5) 7½ min. heavy bag punching (arm muscles)
- 6) Short sparring with 16 oz. gloves.
- 7) Skipping and roadwork (for limbering down)
- 8) Actual Ringwork. 8 oz. gloves and gum-shield worn. A Referee who is experienced in the art watches over contestants, novices are matched against novices, no boxer is allowed to fight a man more than 7 lb. heavier than himself, etc. etc. These and other rules protect the amateur boxer.

On November 10 th. there will be a University trial. A cup is awarded annually to the best boxing College, and at the end of the season a competition will be held for the Blott Cup - last won in 1952 by I.C., I.C. captain this year is also U.I. captain of Boxing - Len Palmer.

COMING SOON - TRIANGULAR CONTEST !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR Cont.

23rd October, 1955.

Dear Sir,

I cannot allow the preposterous 'Viewpoint', which unfortunately appeared in your last issue, to go unchallenged. One may only suppose that its misguided author was temporarily lodged in some modern Utopia.

He proposes that the Ball be held in some such place as the Kensington Town Hall, implying that the standard would not suffer. Really J.V.B., one might as well say that 'Felix' should be printed on toilet paper. It would indeed be cheaper and contain the basic essentials but with due respect to the above mentioned Hall, would it be really suitable? Even at the time of writing was not J.V.B. himself dubious about this question? If not, then why should he raise the over-familiar cry for subsidisation, as an alternative method of "liquidating" the Ball as we know it?

Here may I quote 'Viewpoint';

"How many of us can really afford this extravagance?"

I was pleased to learn that J.V.B. regards the Ball as an extravagance. It is a view I think we all share, but few would agree to the Union paying for an extravagance at the expense of some more mundane and useful service, such as the maintenance of our Sports Ground. For that is what subsidisation would mean since the resources of the Union are not limitless.

May I further suggest that, if such folly was blessed by Council, it would benefit only a small minority of Union members. To be factual let us say that the maximum number to be accommodated would be a thousand. Off hand I know of no suitable place for even this number. Allow a meagre 300 for Staff, old students, etc. We are left with 350 double tickets - 350 students subsidised at a luxury by a total of some 2500. Is this satisfactory?

In conclusion, may I heartily endorse J.V.B.'s opinion that all students should attend at least one Commemoration Ball but please, a real Ball not an abortion of one.

Yours sincerely,

S.G. Reece.
Chairman
I.C. Union Entertainments Committee.

NELSON'S COLUMN

We thank Mr. Leaver for his letter explaining the U.L.U. cards but we do think that U.L.U. should not have been so autocratic that they felt it unnecessary to give us this explanation at the same time as the cards.

** For the mathematically minded. if n = no. of cards printed, x = total cost, then x is proportional to $1/n$. Since $x \rightarrow \infty$ when $n \rightarrow 0$ this move has doubtless saved U.L.U. from acute financial embarrassment.

Mines' support for the auction, in aid of the maintenance funds for Clementine, was most gratifying. Gordon Green gave a most entertaining display of salesmanship, raising £6/18s/7d from goods donated by quite a number of people.

At the R.S.M. Union meeting on Tuesday 18th October, the one year probationary period of Clementine was ended by the unanimous vote that she should be kept for ever.

From "King's News" October 20th 1955

"We are proud and honoured to be able to announce that H.R.H. The Duke of Edinburgh has graciously been pleased to accept an invitation to pay an entirely informal visit, the first he has paid to any college in the University - to King's on December 14th."

We don't really mind King's News telling its credulous readers how lucky they are to belong to K.C.L. but between you and me Prince Philip visited I.C. on Tuesday March 10th 1953 and it was an entirely unofficial function.

One body of people who do not regret the high fall rate at I.C. is the Battersea Poly. students' union. Their newspaper Polyfocus recently rejoiced in welcoming back the captain of the U.L. table tennis club ".....after two years at I.C."

Found in the "Sunday Pictorial" under the heading "Dry up Chaps": "Buzzer will sound, bar will close if Leeds University Union patrons insist on singing "unsuitable" songs. After 3 years acquaintance with our bar I find this kind of report very hard to believe; it is about as likely as the tale that Johnny Hart was beaten at squash by a woman last Friday.

This column apologises for having no news on Princess Margaret. Those interested are referred to a daily known as "The Times."

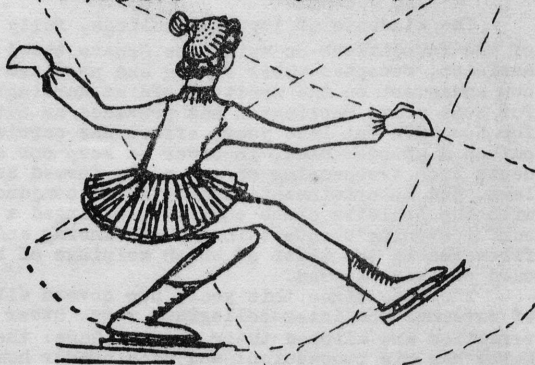
In an article entitled "Where Graduates go", the OBSERVER informs us that half of them get married within four years of going down.

Nelson would like to warn Freshmen on the dangers of going on unofficial Rags. If a student is caught, he (or she) will probably be sent down. There are two morals to this story:-

- 1) Don't go on Rag sorties.
- or 2) Don't get caught.

Hammersmith Palais for the Commem. Ball!!

I.C. ICE SKATING CLUB AROSA MEETING



7.0 - 10.0 pm.

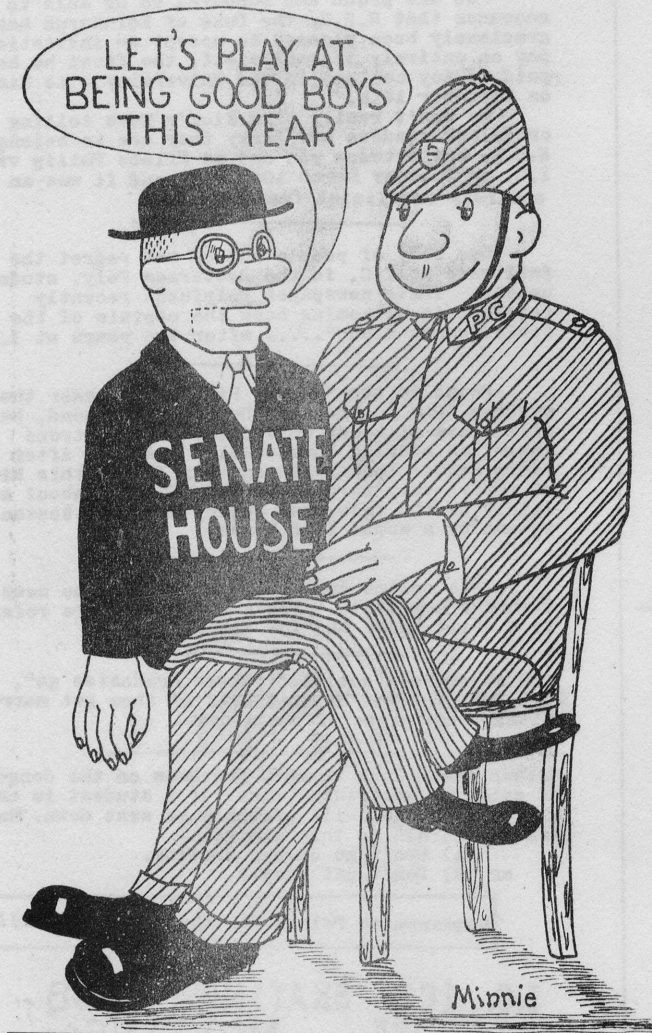
TICKETS FROM CLUB OFFICERS
MEMBERS 1/6d NON-MEMBERS 2/6d.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11th.

VIEWPOINT: THE FIFTH

In 1954 the Senate of the University of London passed a resolution as follows:-
 "... the Metropolitan Police ... are not prepared to give facilities for or protection to any procession or demonstrations on November 5th. A student who is found to have taken part in any form of procession on 5th. November next, or otherwise misbehaved himself or herself, will be liable to appear before a College Board of Discipline Any student ... who takes part in such activities is liable to be sent down ... either temporarily or permanently".

This is the second successive year that students of the University have been issued with a stern ruling from Senate House. It has been brought about by deeds of hooliganism caused by a few irresponsible people who treat a large gathering of students as a cover to acts of wanton and unnecessary damage. The climax was reached in 1953 when on November 5th. Bow Street Magistrates' Court was the scene of a continuous procession of students appearing for their "crimes" of the preceding evening.



The students of Imperial College, fully aware of the foundations on which the Senate based their decision, accepted their ruling and provided their own amusement on the sports field at Harlington. For some years Harlington has provided an outlet for Nov. 5th but last years effort was carried out on a grander side, in order to keep our students from trespassing on the newly formed Senate laws. The Entertainments committee in conjunction with the Athletic clubs committee arranged a colourful evening's entertainment of dancing and fireworks in the midst of which helpings of barbecued pig were served.

The ban, since this year, now covers all forms of external and inter-collegiate rags. Other Universities are allowed their Charity Rags: the Lord Mayor has his procession; and much nearer home, Guild's runs its Field Cup race. It was noticeable that the intervention of the police acted as an incentive and not a damper on the latter occasion.

But this is by-the-by. The question which students ask is "Is this just?".

Continued next column.

FIRST I.C. UNION MEETING THIS YEAR

Jim Anderson speaks about November 5th.

The first I.C. Union meeting of the year was held in the large Chemistry lecture theatre at 1.15 on October 20th.. with Jim Anderson in the chair. The minutes of the last meeting, dealing chiefly with the procurement of Worthington for the bar, and the cheap-and-nastiness of some gowns, were quickly dealt with, as was the absence of correspondence. On the topic of November 5th., the President announced that the Senate had again decreed that any student taken into custody on that day would be hauled before a disciplinary committee & either sent down or suspended. The Entertainments Committee therefore proposed to hold, as in previous years, a hop at Harlington, complete with novelties which last year included a bonfire and barbecue. The evening's entertainment, including transport to and from Harlington, would cost one shilling. There was no vocal opposition, although Mr. Herne sought an assurance, promptly given, that the inadequacy of the bar would not be repeated. Mr. Marshall wanted to know if the proceedings had perforce to end at 12 o'clock, to which Jim Anderson replied that most people have to be back in their digs by that hour, especially the young ladies. To another question he replied that although there would be no official rag committee, nothing prevented the formation of an unofficial one.

The Chairman of the Entertainments Committee, George Reece, spoke about the Commemoration Ball on October the 26th. He emphasised that the drinks will be at usual pub prices, and that a served supper will be included.

Jim Anderson then informed the Union that an I.C. Exploration Board had been set up, to encourage overseas exploration by College expeditions. The College were giving £5,000, and the Union £1,000. There was no discussion on this.

Question on the progress of the Union elicited the information that the work would be completed within a year. More rooms in the Beit building were to be turned over to the hostel, and it was intended that the Botany and Zoology departments should, eventually, follow suit. The hostel would then accommodate 500 residents.

The question of Bookstall prices was yet again raised, the President promising to look into the incident cited. The meeting closed at about 1.35, which was remarkably early. Union meetings are for students to express their opinions and to ask questions; it is to be hoped that the Union will be less subdued in future.

I.C. EXPLORATION BOARD

The Board which was recently set up by the Rector will consist of:

- 1) Professor READ (Chairman)
- 2) Professor HEWER
- 3) Dr. Gilbert WILSON
- 4) Assistant Prof. STEPHENSON
- 5) A representative from each of the constituent College Associations.
- 6) K. Miller (member of I.C. Council)
- 7) J.M. Turner: C & G Union.
- 8) J.S. Chester; R.S.M. Union.
- 9) An R.C.S. Union representative.

The finance of the Board was discussed by the Governing Body and the I.C. Council, and both decided to back the venture by grants of £5000 and £1000 respectively.

The Board will meet in the next few weeks to discuss plans that any students may place before it.

URGENT:

Will the person who offered to sell an enlarger on Fresher's day write c/o Union Rack to Vice President, Photo. Soc.

Hop in Ayrton Hall tomorrow

Tickets from Union Office at lunchtime

The answer is difficult. The decree was fair at the time. Its justice should now be tempered with mercy - instead of which, the Senate House appears to have become a mouthpiece of the Metropolitan Police.

Letter to the Editor

University of London Union,
Malet Street.

18th. October, 1955.

Dear Sir,

I was very interested to read the spirited attack Made in "Nelson's Column" on U.L.U. Membership Cards. Unfortunately, "Nelson", seems to have slipped into one or two misapprehensions which I hope I may be allowed to correct. I think most people would agree that this costly and splendid building which is now U.L.U.'s headquarters, should be used mainly by those people for whom it was built. Membership cards were issued not to prevent damage to the building by outsiders, so much as to ensure that the facilities were used solely by members and their friends. If the President's Council did not make every effort to ensure this, I think they would be failing in their duty both to the members and to the University who finance the building. Without some attempt to control admission, the building would be open to anybody who cared to walk in from Tottenham Court Road. This would appear to be a reasonable precaution rather than a "Gestapo-like move."

"Nelson" was, of course, right in answering his question "What is wrong with the individual College Union Membership Cards?" with "The doorkeepers can't recognise them." But this is only part of the real answer.

Out of the 43 Colleges in U.L.U., 15 are Medical Colleges and 13 Institutions with Recognised Teachers. In practically all of these a member of the College Union is not necessarily a member of U.L.U.. Therefore, possession of a College Union Card gives no indication of the right to enter the new building. Of the 15 Colleges remaining, many, including the three large ones, U.C., King's and L.S.E., do not have membership cards at all.

Thus the number of Colleges in which the College Union membership cards are issued and where College Union Membership means the same as membership of U.L.U. is very small. I.C. happens to be in the exceptionally fortunate position. In view of these difficulties it was decided to issue one standard card in the opening year and then to reconsider the position in the light of experience. It may well be that some College cards (I.C.'s included) can be accepted at a later date.

As to the cost of membership cards, this decreases proportionately with the number printed. Since, for the same reasons given above, the Union had to print so many Union cards, the extra cost of printing for the few Colleges such as I.C. was very small. Moreover, the importance of a membership card from the publicity point of view cannot be underestimated.

I frankly am unable to see how the charge of 'stupid bureaucracy' can be justified. The charge, if made, should be levelled at President's Council who accepted the proposal unanimously at their meeting on the 20th. June, 1955. This meeting was attended by Mr. M. Neale, at that time, President of the I.C. Union.

Yours faithfully,

Alec Leaver
(Hon. Secretary, University of London Union.)

** See Nelson's Column

Dear Sir,

As one of the Guildsmen who were forcibly ejected by hooligans on Mines Freshers' Night from the bar, I was astounded to see the Mines pornographer READING a manuscript of "Eskimo Nell" to the Mines Freshers. I feel that the Mines should be given a chance to regain their lost prestige in the College. I therefore challenge the Hon. pornographer to meet me in the bar on Friday 28th October at 7.00 p.m., where an impartial judge will select the better unscripted rendering of this epic poem. The stakes to be one pint of best ale.

Yours etc.,

Dead-eyed-Dick.

Typewriters?

Christopher Sholes was the first man to produce a really workable typewriter. In 1873 he contracted the firm of E. Remington and Sons for its manufacture, and now the name is a household word. We buy, sell loan and repair not only Remingtons, but also many other makes. We have special terms for students and our name is



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COMING EVENTS

Friday 28th October

- 1.10 p.m. (S.C.M.) Room 128 C. & G. Sandwiches on sale.
- "Is Christianity True?" by Rev. H.B. Jamieson.
- 5.30 p.m. (Photographic Society) Zoology Lecture Theatre. Portrait Group Meeting.
- 5.30 p.m. Chem. Eng. Society in Chem. Tech. Two films: The Island & The Tower.

Saturday 29th October

- Entertainments Committee Hop Ayrton Hall. Tickets from Union Office at usual times.

Sunday 30th October

- 8.15 a.m. Mountaineering Club Meet at Harrison's Rocks. Assemble Victoria Station
- 8.15 a.m. Bring sandwiches and old clothes

Tuesday 1st November

- 5.40 p.m. Mathematics & Physical Society in large Physics Lecture Theatre. "Atoms & the Solar Corona" by Professor C. W. Allen. Teas (6d each) from 5.15 p.m.

Thursday 3rd November

- 1.10 p.m. Photographic Society. Botany Lecture Theatre. "Beginners' Album" Kodak Filmstrip lecture.
- 5.30 p.m. Engineering Society Room 15 "Tidal Power" by B. D. Richards A.C.G.I., M.I.C.E.

Friday 4th November

- 1.10 p.m. S.C.M. in Room 128 C. & G. Sandwiches on sale.
- "What is Christianity?" by Rev. N. Spoor.
- 6.45 p.m. Film Society in Room 04, C. & G. Rashomon & Visit to Picasso.

Saturday 5th November

- Hop & Fireworks & Special Attractions at Harlington. Transport inclusive. Tickets from Union Office at usual times.

Friday 11th November

- 5.15 p.m. Photographic Society in Botany Lecture Theatre. "Print Criticism" by A. Manning A.R.P.S. Bring prints.

Announcements

A MASS X-RAY. unit will visit I.C. from Dec. 5th-7th. Watch for details towards the end of November.

UNIVERSITY OF LONDON UNION CARDS. Those who wish to possess U.L.U. cards may obtain them from the Union office. Students using the U.L.U. building may be asked to produce their cards before being admitted.

SPEECH-MAKING AND VOICE PRODUCTION. Anyone interested in attending a brief course of training in the art of speechmaking and voice production should contact the Hon. Secretary, I.C. Union.

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Traction Engine Sub Committee.

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SPORTS NEWS

RUGGER

The 1st.IV fielding an experimental side including seven freshers, made an inauspicious start to the season by losing 17-9 to L.S.E. We are meeting L.S.E. again this week and we intend to erase the memory of this defeat. On Oct. 15th. Wasps Vandals turned out a very strong side and we lost 27-3. This game pinpointed our weaknesses: i) Failure to go for the ball in loose scrums; ii) Ragged line out play, and iii) Weak tackling by the backs. Efforts have been made to iron out these weaknesses with tactical talks and practices in the park.

Last week brought a change in fortune. We disposed of Borough Rd. 17-0 with tries scored by Doncaster, O'Freil, Palmer and Hearn, who also kicked a penalty and one conversion. On Saturday we travelled to Exeter College, Oxford, who were duly beaten 30-0. This game showed a certain amount of improvement on previous games, but there were periods when there was no team work at all. Try scorers were Wright 2, Maull 2, Toynbee, Doncaster and Hearn 2, who also converted three of the tries.

The other teams all made a good start, pride of place going to the 2nd. and Ex.A who won 55-0 and 62-0 respectively, thus beating the previous club record of 52-0 set up by Dan's team last year. Against Wasps the A team won with only fourteen men, a very creditable performance.

We are playing Kings in the first round of the U.L. Cup on Wednesday Nov. 9th. The players concerned are doing their utmost to ensure a victory. We ask all other members of the club to do their bit by coming along and rooting for us. This last invitation is open to all members of the Union.

HOCKEY

The Hockey Club began the season on Saturday October 15th. The first and second elevens lost to the Old Dunstablians 3-1 and 4-0 respectively, and the third eleven were beaten 3-1 by Hampstead fourth. On Saturday October 22nd, the first eleven were beaten 3-1 and the second eleven drew 3-3 with Ashford.

Several promising freshers have joined the club. These include G. Morland, J. Buckworth, L. Mahmoud, and C. Turner. We wish these and all freshers a happy and successful season.

Two members of the club, P. Mantle and E. Owen are playing for the University side, and helped to defeat Oxford 4-3.

Rumour has it that the Hockey Club is to acquire a secret weapon in the near future, as the warden of the Hostel is thought to have been secretly practising Hockey in his soundproofed apartments.

I.C.W.S.C. HOCKEY

Chelsea Poly: We won 3-2

Queen Elizabeth College: We drew 3-3

These results compare very favourably with the corresponding ones last season, the improvement being due to the fresher part of the team, especially Rosemary Stone, who has scored four of the goals in our two matches.

HERBERT



CROSS - COUNTRY

The prospects for this season are bright at the moment. We have been fortunate in finding a number of good freshers, notably Chas Cotterill, which probably accounts for our successes so far. The Annual Mob Match against Pearl Assurance was won convincingly, I.C. having the first five men home, led by Pain and Cotterill. In the University v. Polytechnic Harriers match and the University trails we had the largest turnout of any College, and did very well in both. Meller and Barber are to be congratulated especially for finely-judged running which has probably earned them places in the University second team. The same two led the field home for a resounding win against Royal Naval College, Greenwich, at Petersham nine days ago.

SQUASH

After a much improved record last year the club is looking forward to a successful season. Four old colours men are still here and with the addition of at least two promising freshers the 1st. V should be even stronger than last year. Two matches were won 4-1. The first was a handicap match against U.L.W.S.R.C. and the second against R.N.R.C., Plymouth, who included in their team, Mark Abbot, who is well known on the I.C. squash courts. Two members have played for U.L., including John Hart, our captain who is also U.L. secretary this year.

Forthcoming fixtures include an away match at Wye College and a visit to St. Catherine's College Cambridge on Nov. 5th.

All Freshers, of whatever standard of play are very welcome in the club, and a professional coach, Charles Reed, is available on Thursday evenings. Coaching periods may be booked with the Hon. Jun. Treasurer, John Braithwaite, (Rm 78 New Hostel)

SOCCER

First XI Results.

12th. Oct. v. ST MARK & ST JOHN lost 3-6

Due to lack of fitness and understanding, the team conceded 5 goals in the first half, but in the second half the team played more spirited football and scored goals through R.L. Smith, McVeigh and Holgate.

15th Oct. v. NOTTINGHAM UNIVERSITY lost 2-6

Our opponents were better than any we have met in previous seasons. The play was very fast, but I.C. stuck to their task well and at half time the score was 1-1. However, Notts later gained superiority and deserved their win.

22th. Oct. v. MIDDLESEX HOSP. (Prelim. Round U.L. Cup). Won 8-1

I.C. received an early setback in this Cup match when one of the team presented our opponents with a goal. However, I.C. playing good football quickly equalised through R.L. Smith. Our forwards had plenty of shooting-in practice, and goals were scored by T. McVeigh (4), A. Holgate (3) and R.L. Smith.

The 3rd. XI, captained by D. Baxter, has won all its three matches, which included two league matches.