

PROPOSED REFORMS BACKED

Open University one step nearer

At a meeting held last Wednesday in the Council Chamber, Miss Clare Dutton, new Education Chairman, put forward her ideas for a Guild-sponsored Open University. It was her intention to institute her open University by holding an open lecture each Wednesday afternoon. Lecture courses would be held in "civil disobedience," "education reform" and other topics.

Her plans came under severe criticism from several quarters. Nigel Young, a lecturer in Sociology, and Cindy Ashworth felt that an Open University could not be run in such an institutional manner, and Stan Katz, also from Sociology, felt that the Open University should be set up in direct opposition to the present courses. Dick Atkinson said that it was only in a position of direct confrontation that an open University could have any meaning. Gerald Hitman felt that guerrilla theatre could be used to stimulate much interest in educational reform.

Ray Phillips and Clare Dutton agreed that confrontation is a necessary ingredient of any Open University. It was agreed that in the interim, the Wednesday lectures should continue.

GOV'T CUTS MEETING

AN E.G.M. will be held today at 1.15 in the Deb. Hall to discuss a motion proposed by Viv Sting of the Young Socialist Student Society. The motion, which is fiercely critical of the Labour Government's cuts in education expenditure, also includes sections supporting dismissed lecturers at Hornsey and Guildford. The Socialist Union will be supporting the motion although the Pete Gowan denied that he had anything to do with its formulation.

The E.G.M. was called by fifty members of the Guild whose signatures were collected in petitions in the Union. It is not expected that the meeting will draw a very large audience.

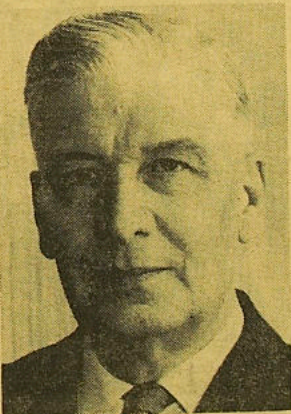


Daniele Gaubert has nothing to do with any story in "Redbrick" this week, but that doesn't stop her being very attractive

No progress yet on refec. control

LAST October Guild Policy recommended that the Guild should assume control of the Refectory by the end of 1968. However, the more important activities at the end of last term especially the sit-in tended to obscure this projected take-over. It is likely that this matter will be taken up again this term, but definite plans have not yet been made. Catering Officer of the Refectory, Mr. Humbert, said he was "not allowed to comment" since he had received "strict orders" on this matter from the Administration. Mr. Harris, Secretary to the University, was approached several times yesterday but he was not available for comment.

However, it is possible that some results might come from the joint Guild-Senate committee investigating the feasibility of student control of the Refectory. If nothing does, then there is the possibility of direct action to achieve control.



Mr. Humbert

Guild Council backs LSE moderates

GUILD COUNCIL last night passed a motion, proposed by the president, Ray Phillips, in support of the students who are demanding the re-opening of the London School of Economics. "We here in Birmingham are in a very good position, by virtue of what happened last term, to understand what is happening at L.S.E.," he said.

"I am not asking for approbation of the students' violent actions, but for a condemnation of the authorities of the School, in their continuingly hardening line, following their foolish decision on Friday to erect the gates. We centre this motion on the re-opening of the School."

Guild Council passed the motion by a sub-

stantial majority. The "London School of Economics in Exile" had previously asked for support from other student bodies.

Earlier yesterday over one thousand students marched to the L.S.E. to demand its re-opening, only to meet the new customary police blockade. Three students were later allowed through the police ranks to present a petition.

At a meeting on Monday attended by more than 100 students and staff, a motion was passed calling on the Faculty board of Commerce and Social Science to implement student representation irrespective of whether Senate agrees to this at its meeting.

Professor Ferns immediately reacted to this by saying that, "although groups within the University should be able to decide internal, non-financial policy without interference," he felt that "this was not the accepted view." He said that the Board of Commerce and Social Science must conduct its business in an orderly fashion.

The meeting on Monday was the result of some dissatisfaction among the students who heard the Dean's remarks about Senate interference in the internal affairs of the Faculty. At a meeting of the Faculty Board on Friday, Professor Madge said that Faculty Board representation could not be implemented until the Allanson Committee had considered it. According to the President of the Guild, however, there is a tacit understanding that the Allanson Committee will not meet.

Professor Madge stated that "Redbrick's" main lead on Social Science last week was inaccurate but would not deny any specific part of the report. Professor Madge agreed to ask the Registrar to correct the view published in "Redbrick" and his report was read to the meeting on Monday.

After this report from the Registrar was read the meeting agreed that it said "little or nothing" and that the decision of the Committee of Deans and Principals, reported in "Redbrick," was in fact true. The meeting decided to ask all staff and students to support the Faculty in any action they may take in order to implement their proposals.



Prof. Ferns

by GERALD HITMAN

The decision of Monday's meeting will be put before a General Assembly of the staff of the Faculty and a further General meeting of students. Guild Council yesterday backed the motion passed by the Faculty on Monday.

MOTION: This meeting is disturbed by the attempts of the Committee of Deans and Principals to slow down the implementation of Commerce and Social Science student representation as agreed by the Faculty Board on November 22nd, 1968.

It therefore calls on the Faculty Board to call an emergency meeting by February 7th to state its position on interference by Senate in the affairs of the Faculty and to condemn any such interference in the academic freedom of the Faculty.

It calls on the Faculty Board to implement its proposals on student representation whether or not this is sanctioned by Senate on February 12th.

It also calls on staff of this Faculty to call a General Assembly before February 7th to state their opposition to Senate interference.

Finally it calls for students and staff in all other faculties to support any action necessary to ensure the implementation of this proposal.

LATE NEWS

Last night Guild Council endorsed motions on Faculty Representation passed by the Art and Social Science Faculties earlier this week. The motion also stated that Council recognised the brief consideration given to representation on faculty boards by "Student Role," and no longer considers these proposals adequate.

Guild Council therefore supports moderate attempts to develop student representation on faculty boards, while respecting faculty autonomy.

PARIASH

"WALL is dead—long live Pariah." The truth of the matter is, if they did not find some outlet for their "slandering, lazy, malicious, petty, reactionary, subversive, anarchistic fascism" (a "Magic Roundabout" synopsis, drafted by the Guild Anarchists, and highly commended by the Enid Blyton Trust), Entwistle and Barker would probably drop down dead in the streets. After the depressing events of the last week, slow intellectual decline, accompanied by a death-wish is the only feasible prognosis.

A week which embraced every form of absurdity from the inauguration of President Nixon to the announcement of yet another General Meeting of the Guild for the Purpose of Conning You All at Length was made exquisitely poignant by the failure of optimism to run its true course. Bob Martin failed to become editor of "Wall," and the post went to some Events Comm. hiring who had previously

never written a word for "Wall." The due processes of democracy were a little warped, it was felt. The election took place late in the evening, when most Guild Councilors were so mentally knackered by goings-on that they had gone home, and somebody forgot to mention that the usual procedure in the "Wall" election is to accept the recommendation of the retiring editor.

From a student who has been off the scene: "Gag? I thought it was the new Festival magazine."

Rule Britannia

GRAHAM SHARPLES (Min. Eng. III) had a nasty confrontation with Iraqi army officers in a Baghdad "suq" (market) this summer, while he was working at the British School of Archaeology in Iraq.

He was busy taking colour photographs with the idea of taking some shots of Baghdad life back to England to be featured in "Mermaid" when he felt the point of a bayonet in his back. Two officers, one English-speaking, angrily ordered him to stop—as a "Western propagandist" he was told not to speak to Arabs, or to take photographs. The pictures he finally brought home (like the one printed here) were furtively obtained by means of waist-level shots from beneath his jacket.

Graham spoke, however, of his general popularity as an English visitor—"People wanted to be seen with me, and buy me things, just because I looked English."

It's no use hoping Socialist Union will see the writing on the Wall; judging from the spelling mistakes in last week's Red Base, they wouldn't be able to read it anyway.

Guinea pigs for french letters

FEMALE students at Sheffield University are to be subjected to a ruthless probe(?) to test the efficiency of a cheap form of Sheath Contraceptive, to be made available in the Union lavatories. Treasurer Bill McKeever take a Very Fatherly Interest—"It is my responsibility to obtain the best possible thing." The onus of the task has been placed upon male members of House Committee, all-male and of excessive libido, who, armed with their Pro-Test samples, three for 2s. 6d., will run rampant—Carol Chambers, Council member, "was particularly concerned that female members of the House had not been consulted."

Devious plotting, not only to get the women into bed, but, once there to convince them that they are not being used as guinea pigs for this scheme will be necessary—the Pro-Test Game, or "What was that contraceptive I saw you with last night?"

To less intrepid members it was suggested that they test their supply by sticking them under a

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Graham Barker

Be that as it may, something primeval stirred in the minds of the "Wall" Old Guard, and the "Wall" Government in Exile was born. (Much the same thing might happen if an Act of Parliament were inexplicably to turn Buckingham Palace into a mole colony.



One of Graham Sharples's photographs, taken furtively in a Baghdad street.

under military surveillance, so pay careful attention.)

The idea for "Pariah" first evolved one night last term, shortly after the sit-in, but circumstances prevented anything being done about it until last week when the impulse was so strong as to be irresistible. As the project is self-financed, "Pariah" will have a run-off of no more than 350 single foolscap sheets per issue; the frequency of issues will depend on the availability of sufficient material, but will probably be approximately weekly.

"Pariah" could, if developed along the right lines, become something modestly akin to Claud Cockburn's "The Week," a pre-war sheet which was subsequently banned on the outbreak of World War Two.

The first issue, which appeared last Friday, was distributed mainly through the pigeon-holes, to Guild Councilors, society officials, friends, enemies, etc. Though this was done chiefly to circumvent a ban on its distribution and printing in the Union, authorised by Elvin McDavid, it was also the most effective way of circulating a limited number of

Gosh!

THE Mayflower firm of publishers sent their Advance News on books to be published on February 6th. From numerous rich sounding titles, we nominate this Review of the Year. Absolutely ripping stuff this—now, read on:

"A breathlessly fast-moving novel about a sea-going bank raid which also contrives to bring in the Scottish Aristocracy, French policemen, U.S. Navy personnel, and a beautiful girl threatened with removal to a sheik's harem."

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copies. Thus, future issues will be disseminated on the same basis.

If anyone wants to be on the "list," or alternatively dreads the thought of being personally associated with "Pariah," could they please indicate their wishes by means of a note addressed to either Graham Barker or David Entwistle. Information of a Certain Nature is also extremely welcome (but no dirty poems, please). With luck, and sufficient feedback from readers, "Pariah" could become the only entirely independent organ of comment in the university.

Obituary Guild Dinner

WE are sorry to announce the death of Guild Dinner. This familiar character on the Union scene, well beloved of aspiring Clement Friars and those favoured few on Guild Council, passed away late on Tuesday night. Its end came quietly and many commented that they had not even realised the seriousness of its condition.

Indeed there was no time to call a physician to save the patient, who was later said to have died of a surfeit of bad meat and low company. Those closest to the deceased, however, claimed that for some time it had been suffering from acute attacks of vulgaritas populis, a disease all too prevalent around these parts.

Although food of distinction was always a feature of its hospitality, the level of its discourse was somewhat variable. But when the standard of Epicurean entertainment is so dismally low in the University it is unfortunate that the latest victim should be one of the few individuals of class in its field. It leaves a joyous herd of ill-wishers and a few regretful friends.

Lecturer faces discipline

A pamphlet issued on Monday the General Assembly held last Wednesday called on students and staff to support Bob Holman Nelson Bathurst should they be subject to any form of victimisation. It is reported that at the next meeting of Senate Bob Holman will face a motion condemning him for writing an article in the Press which was sympathetic to students. His minor participation in the sit-in may also be discussed.

NEWSPAPER SILENCED

"GUILD GAZETTE," the Liverpool pool student newspaper, appeared last week with a large blank space on the front page. This was after the Vice-Chancellor Dr. W. H. F. Barnes had asked that the report of a meeting at which he explained the reasons for his resignation over the report of the Prices and Incomes Board should be withheld from publication.

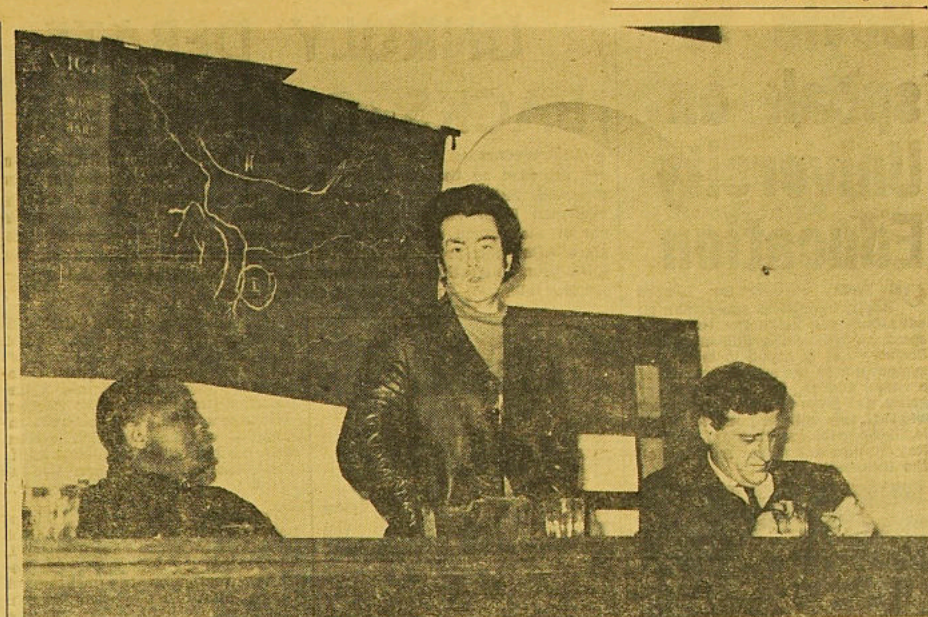
The reasons given by the Vice-Chancellor for his request were that the meeting was private and that he did not want his reasons publicised outside the University, in spite of the fact that at the meeting he said nothing he had not said before. But by blocking the report he prevented the many students who could not go to the meeting from hearing either the reasons for his resignation or the other important topics on which he spoke, such as exams.

"Guild Gazette's" Editor, Tony Charlwood, resigned after giving his word not to print the story. The Vice-Chancellor had said to him that he would not give the speech at all without this undertaking. The request was opposed by the Editorial board on the grounds that it interfered with the freedom of the Press, and because of this disagreement with the Editorial board the Editor felt bound to resign.



Bob Holman

He alleged that he had broken the files. In fact Nelson Bathurst was actually engaged in replacing the files moved during the sit-in and Mr. Payne's accusation was based on his seeing Bathurst with some papers prior to replacing them. Mr. Bathurst has now been informed that no disciplinary procedure will be taken against him.



Arnold Hughes speaking at last Thursday's Biafra teach-in.

Britain blamed for Biafra tragedy

BY ANNE MOORE

"WE are responsible, as a country, for the situation in Nigeria, and, hence, every one of us is implicated." This was Auberon Waugh, political correspondent for the "Spectator," speaking at the teach-in last Thursday on the Nigerian/Biafran crisis.

The afternoon began well, with two interesting speakers clearly explaining the build-up of events leading to the present day situation.

The consequences of the secession, both within and outside Nigeria were put forward by Mr. Sam Uba, assistant Editor of the "Birmingham Post" and Mr. Colin Legum, Commonwealth correspondent for the "Observer," who explained: "Our main preoccupation is obviously to stop the killing, but our long term goal is to ensure the Ibos can live in security and dignity. This requires a lot of understanding. We must stop feeding them with the idea that one or the other can win."

Mr. Auberon Waugh was then asked to speak on British policy in Nigeria. Having corrected Mr. Legum on certain points in his speech he began by criticising the Government—and the Opposition. "The Tories are as much to blame and maybe even more, for not enquiring enough into the actions taken by the Government."

He claimed the British Government's attitude had resulted in genocide for Biafra but did not attempt to offer alternative policies which could have been applied.

The discussion which followed was well supported, both by representatives from Nigeria and Biafra, and the audience, who asked some difficult questions. Mr. Kogbara, the official Biafran representative in London, thanked all the developed countries for their help.

On the whole the Biafran teach-in was a good attempt by International Club to increase student awareness of the problems facing the underdeveloped countries of the world.

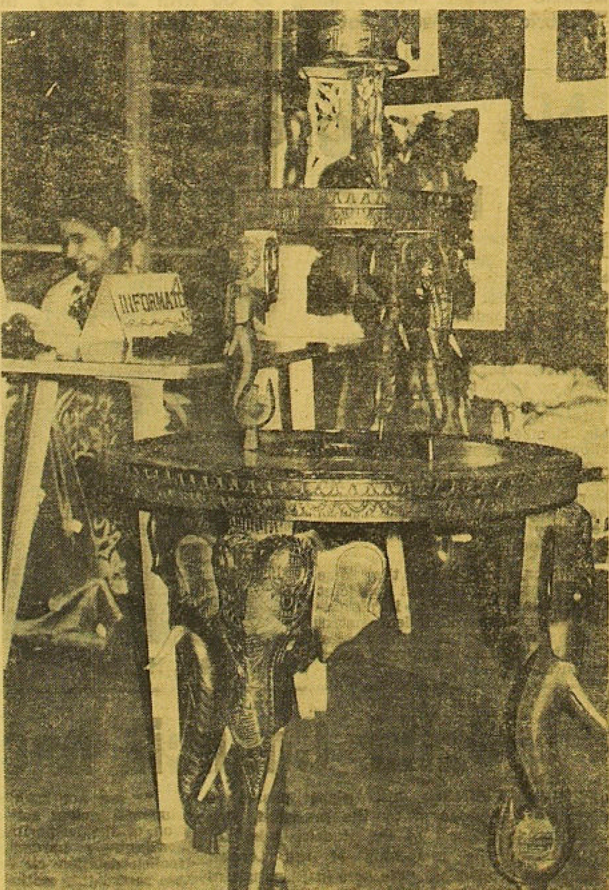
Joss-sticks in Concourse

ANOTHER attempt at Anglo-Indian cultural understanding was made on Sunday when the Indian Society held an exhibition in Concourse and a variety show in Deb Hall at which Indian sweets were available for interval refreshment. With joss stick scent, filling the Union and a few of the more adventurous English girls wearing saris, the traditional gap was bridged—the connection, for once, was made.

The variety show consisted of sitar music, dancing and singing, and was preceded by speeches from the Indian Assistant High Commissioner and the Pro-Vice Chancellor, in which the need for better Anglo-Indian co-operation was stressed.

People of both cultures attended the exhibition as well and saris-clad women and little children in brilliantly coloured silk trousers gave both Concourse and the coffee bar a refreshingly different atmosphere. The exhibition itself portrayed many different aspects of Indian life—architecture, music, dancing, industry and education among others, and there were also various publications from India and from Indians in England available.

One of the biggest attractions was a stall selling fantastic Indian fabrics, wedding ornaments, sandals, dresses and joss sticks, which prompted the suggestion that Concourse might be regularly made into a weekend market with a variety of stalls sure to attract a large number of people into the Union, often unpleasantly dead at the weekends.



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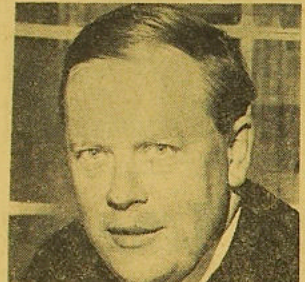
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Boyle to speak on University Education

ON Friday evening Sir Edward Boyle, Opposition spokesman on education, will be in the Union to speak on "University Education and Society." It is hoped to arrange a symposium on the subject instead of a single address, but at the time of going to press it is not known whether this will be possible. If it is, likely speakers are Clare Dutton, Ray Phillips and senior members of the University.



Graham Frost, chairman of the Conservative Association, who is arranging the meeting, said yesterday: "We are trying to get away from the conventional speaker meetings. There just isn't the interest any more." The subject is part of the Association's policy of trying to make itself more relevant to students, especially in connection with University reform.

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UNRULY DEBATE BACKS CAPITALISM

LAST Wednesday Deb. Soc. held a lively, if not very fruitful debate, preceded by the election of a new chairman. Five candidates were proposed, but a certain Pigassus was not acceptable to the retiring chairman Rhys Vaughan, as he was neither a member of the Guild nor of the human race. Voting for the four remaining candidates took place after the proposal speeches; Pete Jackson was elected on the third count, defeating Gerald Hitman, with Nigel Shepherd and Martin Jenkins falling by the wayside at earlier stages.

Union bandit

A FRUIT machine may soon be introduced into the Union, in spite of the current ruling that gambling is not allowed on University property. The suggestion was first made last term; since then consultation with the University authorities has revealed that although gambling is not permitted either under University or Union regulations, this ruling may be waived in view of the fact that it was made before fruit machines were even invented.

However, it is not certain where a fruit machine could be put, as there are also proposals afoot to make the Games Room into a lounge, which would mean that all the machines would have to be moved.

Proposing the motion that "all capitalists should be shot, stuffed and placed in the British Museum", John O'Rourke of the British Communist Party launched into a tremendous tirade against the Western economic system. The inherent instability of the capitalist system was beginning to manifest itself; the proletarian revolution was at hand.

Prince Michael Grusinski disappointed several members by not appearing in his full regal apparel, but their flagging spirits were instantly revived at the mention of Divine Right in his opposing speech. Communism, claimed His Serene Highness, was simply a reaction to capitalism, both of these being unnatural systems resting on the fallacious assumption that the economy is the driving force behind all governments.

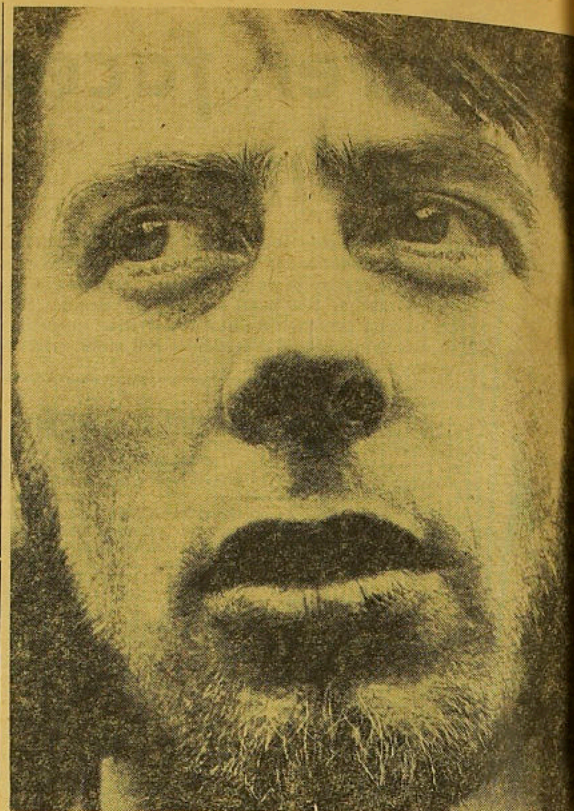
Seconding the motion, Cathy Riley failed to hold the interest of the house, attempting a facetious treatment of the matter; the idea was reasonable, but the presentation was scarcely such as to cause uncontrollable mirth in the Chamber.

by Patrick Oakes

If Miss Riley was less than serious then H. Rhodri Harris, seconding the Prince, was in deadly earnest and the level of "audience participation" rose to its former height, aided by use of those words "market pricing" and "denationalisation".

Speaking from the floor Gerald Hitman, striking a defiant pose on the centre steps, spoke for fifteen minutes or so, and said nothing, whilst Roger Matthews treated us to an encore of one of his favourite jokes.

After attempts to elect one or two unruly members the house voted, and defeated the motion by 99 votes to 47, with 60 abstentions.



MAYALL CANCELLED

THE large John Mayall Concert which was scheduled for February 14th at the Town Hall has been cancelled. Although all the details are not yet available, it seems that Mayall is unwell and is unlikely to be recovered by the arranged date.

However, a second date has been offered to the organisers and they have agreed to hold the Concert on May 9th. The same tickets will be used and so there is no danger of losing any money by the new arrangement and although the Town Hall Box Office will issue refunds, the advise ticket holders to retain their places in case there is another like rush.

AT a General Assembly attended by some 150 students yesterday it was agreed that the University should wholeheartedly support the students at the L.S.E. and condemn the Director and Court.

The meeting was addressed by Dick Atkinson and Stuart Hall, who have both recently been to the L.S.E. It was decided that students from Birmingham should attend the protest march on Monday in London.

The N.U.S. yesterday issued a statement condemning both students and administration, and Tony Klug, Vice-President, said that he could see no substantial differences between the moral violence of putting up the gates, which initiated the trouble at L.S.E., and the physical violence with which they were taken down.

A motion will be put to the next General Assembly of the Guild concerning some demonstration of solidarity with students.

Militants back LSE

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Sixth-Formers unite

FOLLOWING the example of similar organisations in Manchester, Liverpool, and other large cities, a Secondary Students' Union has been established in Birmingham. At the first meeting last week some 55 students from schools in the Birmingham area gathered to discuss the basis on which the organisation will be run and to outline activities for the future.

It is hoped that as the Union expands, arrangements will be made to hold debates, formal discussions and consideration of the possibility of publishing a magazine.

The person behind the Birmingham S.S.U. has been Jerry Jones, the Socialist Union, and it was inspiration which has enabled group to use Union facilities for meetings. He has received criticism on the grounds that motives in helping to form S.S.U. were political, but in denial he said this was not the case. An excellent idea and is a parallel to our own Guild. It has been in existence for some time that such an organisation needed establishing in Birmingham. Now it's here, the union, which was formed last year, will be independent of any other group—it's members are sent enough to look after them.

J.K.

PRESS SCORE

The Health Centre has no supply of anti-Mao Flu vaccine, and is not known whether any will be available in the future. So far, according to Dr. Bolton, there are a few cases of flu in the city, and there is "definitely no epidemic." He said that he had not heard of any cases of anti-Mao Flu, and he thought the threat was exaggerated in the minds of the papers.

Festival girls

selection of the six finalists in the Festival Queen competition will take place during the Three Bs. on Friday; this will take place in the TV lounge and will therefore effect visiting hours, especially since the site of this facility is envisaged to be Wyddington J.C.R.

However, the principle of the Ground Floor Plan was accepted by

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General Assembly votes for confrontation



Gerald Hitman chairing the meeting

AT a General Assembly held in the Council Chamber last Thursday some 150 students and staff agreed that a further confrontation with the University authorities may become necessary this term. Ray Phillips, Guild President, said that confrontation might be the only means of shifting the intransigent line of the administration.

Gerald Hitman was in the chair and opened the meeting with an account of the Senate Ad Hoc Committee negotiations. It was pointed out that although Guild Executive was instructed to withdraw "Student Role" if it was not accepted in toto it had agreed to implement it. Three of the Guild's five negotiators were present and they all agreed that the negotiations were of very little value.

The two main topics of discussion were the proposals for student representation on the Faculty Board of Commerce and Social Science and the possibility of the University authorities taking disciplinary action against Bob Holman and Nelson Bathurst.

Christ Tyrell said that any interference by Senate in the internal affairs of the Faculty of Commerce and Social Science was in breach of academic freedom and the General Assembly decided that direct action would be necessary if Senate interfered with the proposals of the Faculty Board or delayed its implementation. The General Assembly would support the action of the Faculty Board if it decided to implement its plans without the consent of Senate.

During the meeting a Co-ordinat-

ing Committee of six was appointed. They have called a second meeting for Thursday. In a pamphlet distributed on Monday they state the case for direct action on victimisation and interference with the Commerce and Social Science representation.

The meeting also discussed the plight of Bristol students who have been subject to various forms of legal and disciplinary proceedings for taking part in the Bristol sit-in. It was announced by a representative of the Bristol students that the University had temporarily dropped disciplinary procedures as they were in contempt of court. It was decided that the General Assembly would try to help the Bristol students in any way possible.

The co-ordinating committee has been approached with a request for an act of solidarity with students at the L.S.E. This will be first on the agenda at tomorrow's meeting.

POST-GRADS. TO VOTE?

FOLLOWING the recent court decision in Oxford to allow some postgraduates to register for voting in the University constituency instead of their original home constituencies, Welfare Committee have been considering the possibility of Birmingham postgraduates registering here.

Postgraduates who spend most of the year here are interested in this possibility; one said yesterday, "It seems logical to be represented where you live for fifty weeks of the year."

History exams

This year Medieval Historians will not be doing their usual examinations. Second year students will take part in an experiment during the June exams when they will for the first time, be allowed to make open use of notes. A further concession will be a reduction in the number of questions in another attempt to improve the exam system.

J.K.

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REDBRICK

Redbrick's duty

There has been mixed reaction to last week's main lead on the subject of Faculty Board representation. The article has been accused of gross misrepresentation, and the Registrar has issued a statement denying certain details of the Senate Executive's and Committee of Deans and Principals' actions. "Redbrick" has been charged with printing rumours and half-truths.

But what are we to do where the structure of the University is founded upon secrecy, and a division between administrators and administered? No-one is supposed to tell students (and especially the "student" newspaper), what is going on in the closed circles of administrators who govern our lives. In investigations "Redbrick" continually comes up against refusals either to confirm or deny reports of negotiations such as those on student representation. Why can't the University understand that students want to know what is going on? It is "Redbrick's" duty to find out, and tell them.

A second point raised by the article was the differing interpretations placed upon the word "representation" by staff and students. Students mean full membership and participation in decision making, whereas the governing staff mean only consultation. The Chemical Engineering department proudly displays a minute of the Faculty Board meeting of May 4th, 1968 which supports the principle that "on matters of concern to students" they should be "invited to attend... speak... and listen to the subsequent debate." Throughout, the theme of consultation rather than participation is stressed. While there is this attitude, negotiations are not going to progress very far.

Serving democracy

The election of the new editor of "Wall" came too late for adequate editorial comment last week. But its implications are a lot wider than merely personalities. The whole concept of a free Press is jeopardised when publications are interfered with like this.

There are those who claim the election was a victory for democracy over a clique. The latter can be dismissed quite simply: if there is a "clique" in publications it is an open one which anyone with TALENT can join. However, it is totally false to think that democracy is served by the governing body of any group, large or small, interfering with publications; the very point of a free Press is that it stands outside the power structure and criticises as objectively as possible its faults. It has no axe to grind and by exposing any failures it safeguards the interests of the people against a silent bureaucracy. Any attempt by the governing body to control the Press is a danger to democracy, not an aid, and should be resisted.

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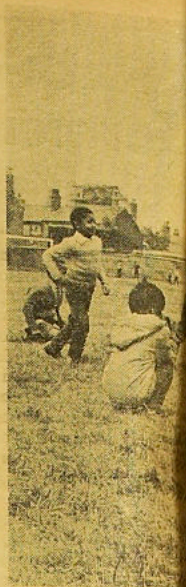
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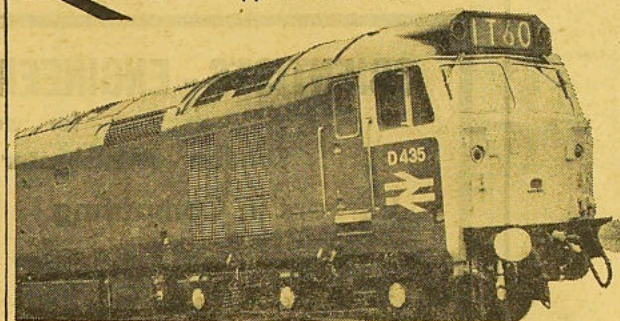
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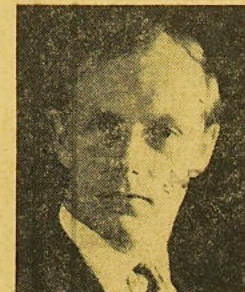
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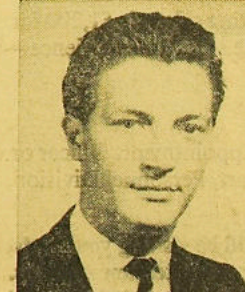
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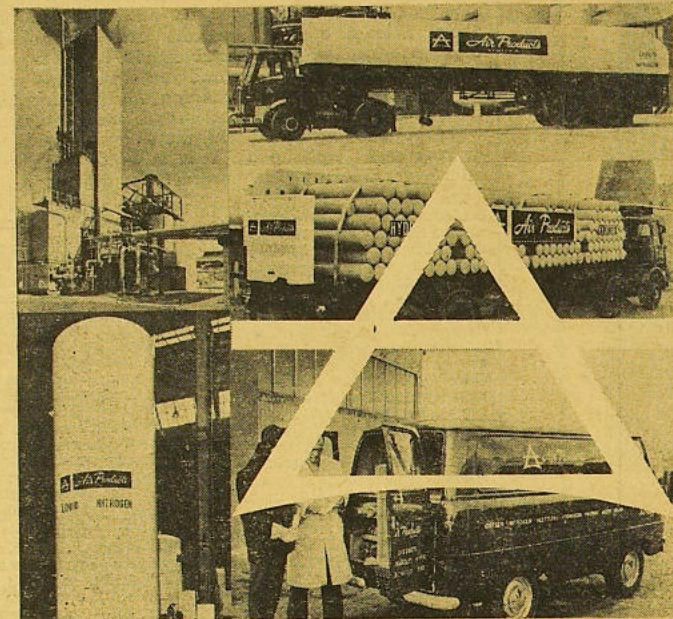
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Unbelievable though it might be, people leaving universities are officially classed as "grown up" and are therefore encouraged to find jobs in order that they can become "responsible" members of society. And for those who are successful products of the graduate machine, for those who are prepared to accept society's dictum that the only healthy way to live is by work, this may not be difficult. Some people have their eye firmly fixed on a "responsible" career from an early age; they angle their education towards it and stick to it against all obstacles, thus becoming the efficient technocrats needed for the society of the future.

By Jenny Wickham

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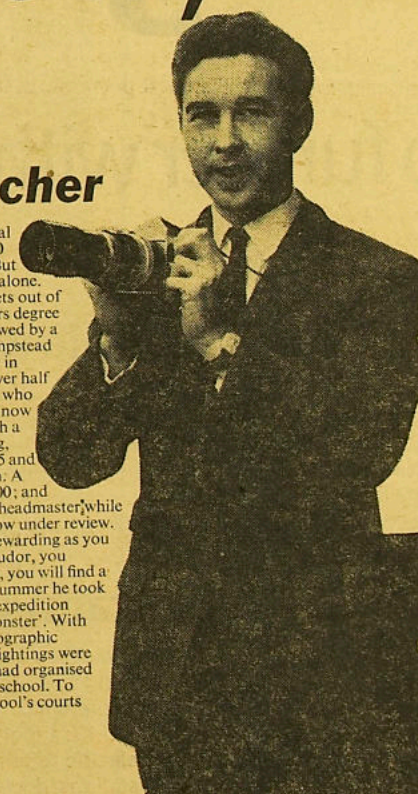
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place you in a job although we will often introduce you to an employer. And there will be some cases where we cannot help at all.

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Healthy competition

SOME of you will no doubt have noticed the appearance on the scene of a sort of broadsheet which goes by the name of "Pariah", claiming to be "the official organ of the Wall Government in exile".

"Why," you ask, "is the 'Wall' government in exile?" The story begins with the resignation of "Wall" editor Dave Entwistle, thus necessitating the election of a new editor by Guild Council. Generally the resigning editor puts forward the name of the person he thinks will be the most efficient successor and one would assume that he would be in a better position than most to decide this. But all must be done constitutionally and therefore the matter is put to Council. Fair enough. Then along comes guess who? Elvin McDavid of Events Comm. notoriety.

Now among Event Comm.'s multiplicity of interests is the gentle art of journalism. A publication which goes by the doubtful name of "Hot Air" appears regularly and is liberally scattered about the Union for the enjoyment of one and all. This news-sheet has much to

recommend it—though all I can think of at the moment is that it is free (even this is a doubtful merit as it is completely covered in print and cannot therefore be used for jotting down lecture notes or doodling on).

The main worry of the "Wall" staff was not particularly whether or not this outsider could do the job but whether he could carry out his duties independently of the Events Comm. organisation or would the censor of "Hot Air" also be the censor of "Wall"? This remains to be seen.

One should not assume that such restrictions on the "freedom of the Press" are a certainty or even likely. But "Wall Government in Exile" are leaving nothing to chance and the first issue of the independent "Pariah" has already appeared. There is nothing wrong with a bit of healthy competition (cf. "Redbrick"/"Hot Air") and at least we can be assured that if anything goes radically wrong with "Wall", we'll be able to read all about it in "Pariah". Long live freedom of expression!

Sickening ratepayer

I've just been considerably put off the idea of freedom of expression. "Redbrick" last week received an anonymous letter from a "fed-up ratepayer" of Birmingham 15. It started off in the usual "living off the wage-earners" vein and went on to express a violent anti-Semitism. "Why," the writer asks, "should a bunch of damn yids be allowed to have any say in whether Colin Jordan, an Englishman in his own country, should be allowed to speak freely or not?" The writer goes on to say how Colin Jordan has opened the eyes of many to various facts, such as the Jews being responsible for the last war "which we fought for them and they used as a commercial racket..."

The reason Colin Jordan was not allowed to speak at the Town Hall was apparently due

to the fact that there are too many Jews on the council and the same applies to Parliament. What a sound grasp of politics the writer has! These "aliens" he suggests should be sent back to the "promised land" they've been belly-aching about for generations. The letter finishes up with something illegible about us turning places of learning into brothels.

Some people have wild imaginations or very warped minds—the latter possibly applies to many of Jordan's supporters. You've got to laugh, haven't you, otherwise you'd be violently ill. One slight touch of humour—the envelope had no stamp on. In its place was a small square of paper bearing the words "Ratepayer on strike against exploitation," so we had to pay 8d. to get the letter.

Breach of privilege

Some time ago, Photographic Society announced their intention of investing in a new enlarger for the Union darkroom. To this end "Redbrick", which uses Photo Soc's equipment every Sunday afternoon, counted up its pennies and after much deliberation decided it could afford to contribute £25 towards the cost, and twenty-five quid was promptly handed over. Since then little more has been heard about the new piece of equipment.

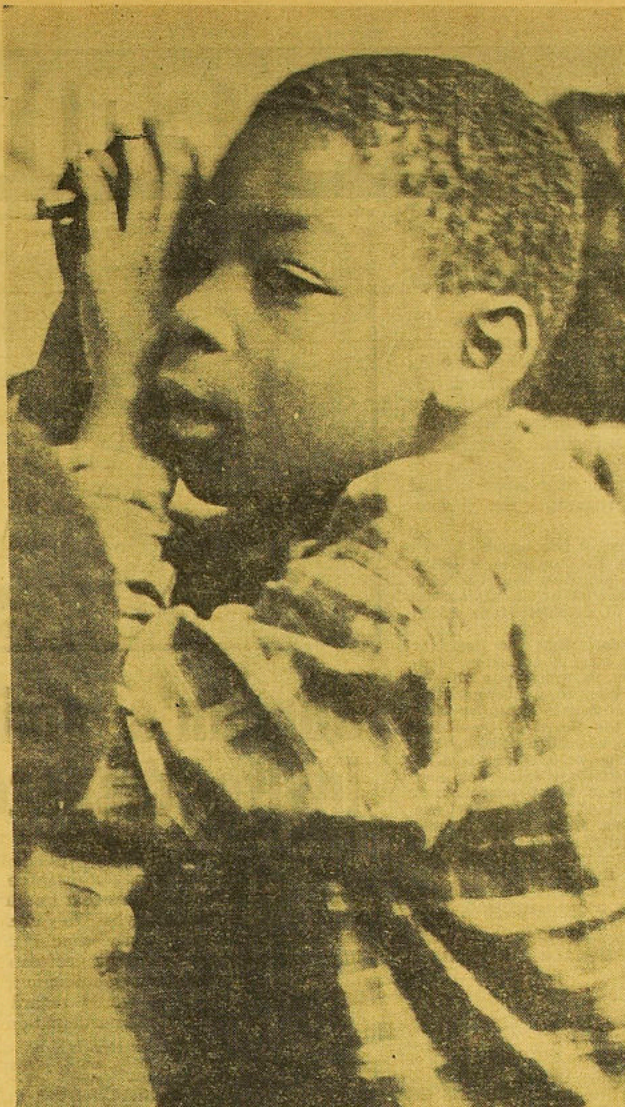
It is said that a new enlarger of an expensive, but excellent make, known as a "Durst", has in fact been acquired and it arrived before Christmas. But nothing was seen of it then (except, perhaps, by a privileged

few though I have not yet met one of them) and the story going round was that the enlarger was still awaiting a lens.

Subsequently, a lens apparently arrived and Mr. Clegg of Photo Soc. assured members that the enlarger would be installed about a week before the beginning of this term. It still has not appeared in the darkroom, or had not appeared on Sunday.

One report states that the enlarger is in use—at Mr. Clegg's residence. Since equipment is for the use of all members who I suggest that any member who would like to take advantage of a high-quality enlarger visits the relevant household and uses it there.

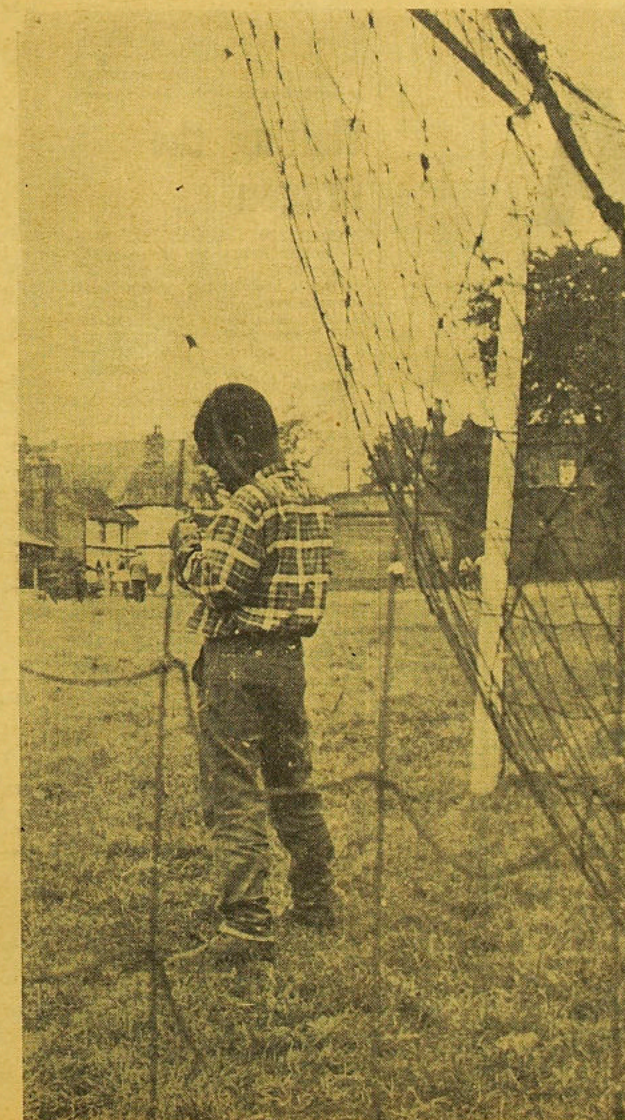
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Redbrick misleading on actions of Senate Exec?

SIR.—The front page article and the leader in last week's "Redbrick" are very misleading. Neither the Committee of Principals and Deans nor the Senate Executive Committee has ever had a "heated controversy" over student representation on Faculty Boards. Furthermore, there has never been a recommendation "that Senate should not accept student representation on the Social Science Faculty Board."

The Senate at its meeting on December 11th, 1968, received the proposals of the board of the Faculty of Commerce and Social Science for future student participation in the proceedings of that Faculty Board. The Senate decided to send these proposals to all other Faculty Boards for their information and for comment and the Dean of the Faculty of Commerce and Social Science kindly agreed to present the proposals to each of the other Faculty Boards.

The Senate Executive Committee at a special meeting on January 10th, 1969, noted that this was being done and for the interim period asked all Faculty Boards to conform to the practice of the Dean going through the agenda with up to four representatives of the students and at his discretion inviting them to attend the Faculty Board meeting for the items which were of interest to them.

W. R. G. LEWIS,
Registrar.

SIR.—The tradition of secrecy in University government has grown from many decades of practice and because of this no coherent body of rules has emerged governing confidentiality. Because members of Senate and Council have to make individual decisions as to what is confidential it has become a common practice for students to approach Senators who make a liberal interpretation when they wish to find out current information regarding the government of the University.

It is by this means that it has become known that after heated discussion the committee of Deans and Principals and Senate Executive have taken up position against the proposal for representation on the Board of the Faculty of Commerce and Social Science.

It is unfortunate, therefore, that the Registrar should attempt to cloud the issue by attacking "Redbrick" for printing information which was already widely known. He does not deny that the committee of Deans and Principals and Senate Executive have taken up position against the Board of Commerce and Social Science, as described in "Redbrick," but only quibbles with the precise wording of the decisions. Furthermore, he denies that there has ever been a recommendation "that Senate should not accept student representation on the Social Science Faculty Board," but does not admit that this was the essence of the decisions made. His circular attempts to imply that no such decisions have been made. He should be aware that certain of his colleagues are in the habit of discussing with students the more important matters under consideration on Senate.

With comradely greetings,
GERALD S. HITMAN.

Anarchists hit back

DEAR Fascists.—We would like to inform you of two mistakes in your ill-informed article on GAG. Firstly, GAG stands for "Guerrilla Action Group" not "Guild Action Group" (we would not associate

ourselves with this as it is one of the institutions we wish to destroy). Secondly, we are also not a front for the Socialist Union (again we would not associate ourselves with any institution so conservative as

the Socialist Union). Long live the Anarchists! Long live the Revolution! Love and Petrol Bombs, GAG. Editor: My humble apologies.

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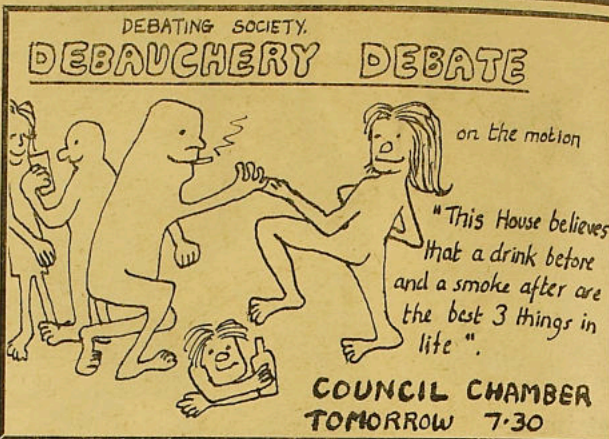
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Jordan's visit would invite disaster

DEAR SIR.—Whilst not wishing to make any comment on the manner in which Colin Jordan's invitation to speak here was withdrawn, I must strongly disagree with, even disapprove of, your editorial, which claims that to allow him to speak would have exposed his policies for what they are, and done much more harm than good. No university should provide a platform for the iniquitous views to which he professes. No doubt at a time when fascism is unpopular among students it can be confidently assumed that his audience here would regard him with the derision he deserves as a result of his participation in debate.

But unfortunately the matter is not confined merely to such considerations, for his opinions would not be contained within the University body, but would receive a great deal of publicity. This is precisely what Mr. Jordan wants, and indeed requires, if his ideas are to have any following at all. Why otherwise would he have accepted the invitation with such alacrity in the first place?

Furthermore, to say that the event "would have exposed his policies for what they are" is nothing short of pathetically naive. People are not as discriminating or as discerning as we might wish them to be, and to refuse to recognise this simple fact of life could be the thin end of a disastrous wedge.

Sincerely,
LEO WALTER
(Law III).

The unfree university

DEAR Sir.—Sorry about the Marxist clichés—in future "Red Base" will try to emulate "Redbrick's" high standards of journalistic. As for your criticisms,

(a) I do not support the Government's higher educational policies, but in whose interest does the Government infringe upon the University's freedom? In the interests of the people or in the interests of the economy? My point is that the Government serves exactly the same industrial interests as Professor Ferns' university would.

(b) Isn't a "broad education with utilitarian objectives" a contradiction in terms? The whole purpose of a broad education is to give a student the independence of mind to determine his own objectives.

If we want to improve higher education the answer does not lie in the supposedly independent universities but in starting right here in this University. The sit-in last term should have revealed that the real opposition to educational change comes from our own governing body.

Yours, etc.,
CHARLES WRIGHT.

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REVIEWS

FILMS

"LADY IN CEMENT" (Odeon) further adventures of the intrepid Tony Rome (Frank Sinatra) a private detective working out of Miami, Florida. Having suffered through the excruciating boredom of the first Tony Rome epic (called, not surprisingly, if somewhat unimaginatively, "Tony Rome"), I was not particularly looking forward to a sequel. But surprise, surprise! "Lady in Cement" may not win any awards, but it's an entertaining little film—fast paced, amusing and quite likeable.

Structurally, "Lady in Cement" resembles the super cool, private eye television series ("Peter Gunn" was probably the most successful American example). The formula is simple and foolproof; a who-ares plot, usually bizarre and unconvincing; a lot of action; a dash of sex; a parade of off-beat characters, each a particularly memorable "type"; and, most important of all, a hip, anti-hero hero who's as fast with a one-liner as he is with a gun. "Lady in Cement" follows this television formula so closely, that it's something of a shock that the film isn't periodically interrupted for "commercial messages."

Sinatra is great as Rome—charming, witty and full of vitality. Also along for the ride are Raquel Welch, supposedly possessor of the whitest teeth in Hollywood (you could have fooled me—who has the strength of will to raise one's eyes that high up to notice? One day, Miss Welch is

going to learn how to act and run everything) and Dan Blocker, of mines, and the cacophony of minor collisions. I think it is as good as they say—it certainly had me in the edge of the seat for most of the time.

British director Peter Yates coaxes the plot along, rather than bullies it, sketching in a portrait of the environment in which his characters are moving. "Bullitt" is more than a thriller, it presents, in much the same way as did "Fahrenheit 451" and "Point Blank," an incidental portrait of the whole American ethos.

British directors seem much more able to create this than their American counterparts. John Boorman, director of "Point Blank," is British. Perhaps the British are fresh to the American scene, and have not lost all sense of wonderment and perception in their environment.

The supporting parts in "Bullitt" are on the whole good—Robert Vaughn, fresh from the television pastures of UNCLE, playing here a rather ruthless minor politician, is especially so. However, Jacqueline Bisset ("The Observers" trendy actress of the future to watch) should really have stuck to just being a pretty face somewhere in Bullitt's private life. This she does very well for most of the film, but makes an unfortunate foray into the limelight, telling Bullitt that the violent life he leads, and how she never really knew him. On that showing she is still going to be waiting for stardom for quite some time.

But this is a minor incident in what is surely one of the most compact and explosive thrillers ever.

PHIL IRVING

comedy mime and pantomime which has tended to go underground, especially in this country, re-appearing in forms like the music-hall and the silent film, though recent work in experimental workshop theatres in this country have tended towards a rediscovery of the immediacy and intimacy of these neglected techniques.

In "Herr Mockinpott" much of the comic business explicitly laid down in Weiss's stage directions lost its full impact and clarity by being fustily executed. A little more controlled exaggeration in physical details such as the movement and positioning of actors, discipline in their gestures and grimaces would have brought the visual clarity the play needs in order to establish unambiguously its tone

and continuity. For its language is meaningless; it is the debased jargon of solicitors, officials, bosses and politicians framed in self-mocking rhymed couplet doggerel.

Martin Rooney and David Hopkins were particularly efficient at their broad impersonations of the smiles and nods of hypocritical bureaucracy, but the directors, Martin Swales and Martin Schn-Rethel and both casts must be complimented for their amusing and enjoyable presentation of a lively and difficult programme.

The University will get a second chance to see the Weiss when it is performed during the Festival together with an avant-garde offering from the University of Cologne.

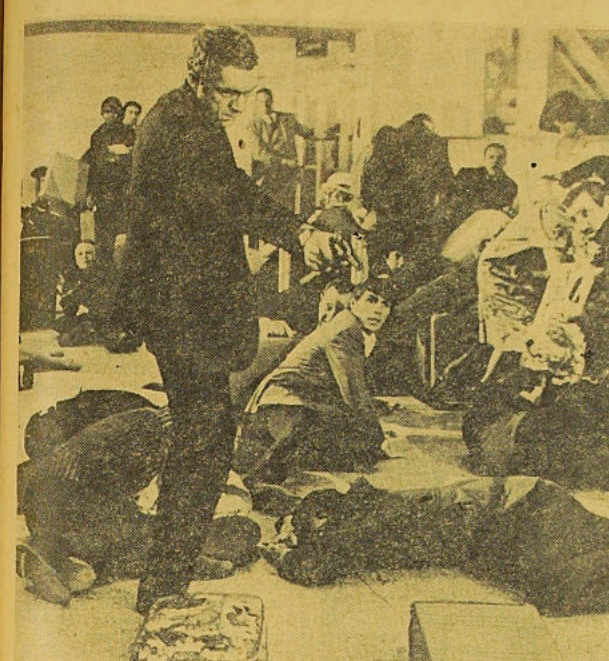
NATHANIEL LORRE

which seems to depict a rather sour looking angel on a Harley-Davidson (headlight blazing) making a hasty retreat from an enchanted castle with fire breathing dragon in pursuit.

More editions of "Morning" are scheduled for the future—we could look for improvements, however. "Morning" is nothing if not unpretentious, and for anyone who writes poetry themselves and is concerned that an outlet be given to the current interest in writing poetry, this is a venture which should be supported.

[Copies of "Morning" (price 2/6d.), are available from Andrew Robinson, First Year English.]

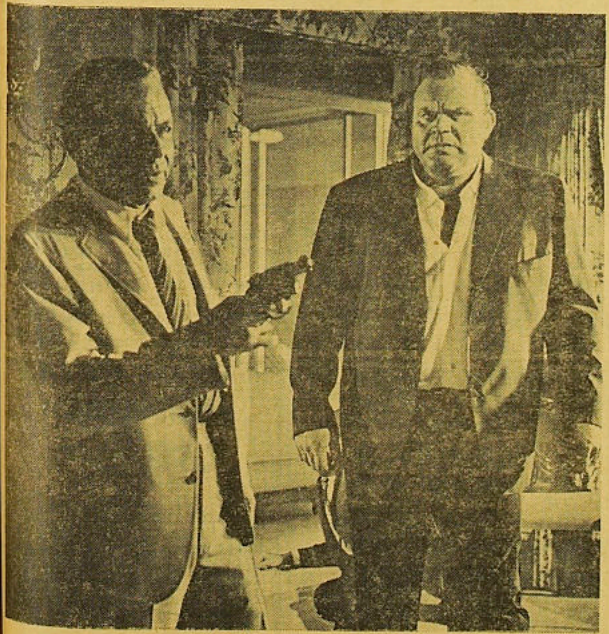
PETER DONOVAN



"Bullitt."



Steve McQueen and Jacqueline Bisset.



"Lady in Cement."

THEATRE

THE German Department's choice of Hans Sachs' "Der Farend Schuler Im Paradies" and Peter Weiss' "Wie Dem Heren Mockinpott Was Leiden Ausgetrieben Wird" as a double-bill for their annual play this year, was an enterprising and refreshing change from the obvious syllabus classics.

Both plays, the first a mid-sixteenth-century Carnival play, the second a 1968 pantomime everyman, depend on a convention of acting which is quite outside the mainstream of European "high drama"; they exemplify a tradition of low

POETRY

CURRENTLY circulating in small numbers in some of the Arts Departments are copies of "Morning," a collection of poems by some young, non-professional poets from Sheffield. Rather than being a magazine, "Morning" is mimeographed on separate sheets and presented in a plain black folder—something like an arty "Jackdaw". As regards content, there are no surprises; the collection contains the requisite proportion of poems about love, or lack of it, for any self-respecting poetry publication, but (significantly?) these seem to be the weakest point of the whole thing. "Poem for Hazel" ("These

are the hollow hours . . .") and "To Wendy" ("Through the hour that is not an hour but a vacant space . . .") are similar and not original in idea, but "I will meet you in the church" has some interesting imagery—all very ethereal, harmless stuff.

In such a mass of reverie, it is refreshing to find "Galedance Observed," a well constructed, closely wrought poem. Although there is nothing new here (Ted Hughes and Shelley come to mind) it is obviously the work of someone with a good feeling for imagery and words.

As a kind of bonus, two pictures are included; one which could be an artist's impression of a Tolkien forest (could that be Gandalf in the foreground?), and another

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TABLE TENNIS

GOLD ELUSIVE—BUT REWARD IN SILVER AND BRONZE!

ALTHOUGH Birmingham's squad, consisting of Brian Mitchell, Rick Henderson, Clive Coombs, Steve O'Neale, Lynda Read, Diane Grewcock and Judy Sanger, returned with one silver and three bronze medals, we could have done even better. The men's singles brought many shock results with all four seeds going out of the competition in the quarter-finals. Brian Mitchell had a tough passage in disposing of Narcisse (Edin.), Ponder (London) and finally No. 3 seed Waid (Oxford) to arrive in the semi-finals to play Alan Heap (Hull).

This was generally thought to be the best of all the finals matches, with Heap's fantastic forehand attack a valuable lesson to the less skilled spectators. Heap won 21-12, 12-21, 21-15 after Brian had pulled back a deficit in the final game only to let it slip again. This game drew great applause after which the final, in which Heap beat D. Berg (Salford), seemed a real anticlimax.

Lynda Read, the defending women's champion (singles), reached the final again with a fine win over J. Dalton (London) in the semi, but was unsettled by the consistent backhand attack of K. Angus (Aberdeen) and lost the final in straight sets. Our other medals came from the women's doubles, where Lynda and Di lost in three games to Angus/Kerr (Aberdeen) in the semi-finals.

The squad reached the quarter-finals in the men's and the mixed doubles, with Mitchell/Henderson looping their way to victory before meeting the top seeds Clarke/Howarth (Manchester) and Coombs/Grewcock successfully using heavy spin until losing coming up against Ponder/Shergold (London), the number three seeds.

Finally, spare a thought for Steve O'Neale, the victim of a terrible draw in both the singles and doubles events; defending champion Clarke in round two of the singles and then the number three seeds Berry/Leong (Salford) in round three of the doubles gave no chance of any shock result.

U.A.U. VICTORY

Cardiff 5,
Birmingham 10.

BIRMINGHAM fought hard for a deserved victory over the Welsh champions at Cardiff in the U.A.U. quarter-finals, and now go on to meet either Newcastle, Bradford or Sussex in the semi-finals.

Brian Mitchell, playing his normal attacking game despite a recurrence of a knee injury, returned with a 100 per cent tally for his pains, as did an outstanding Rich

BASKETBALL

Full steam to U.A.U.

THE intrepid heroes of the T.P. squad, on Thursday evening, gave in exhibition which showed the effectiveness of their latest high-pressure work-outs. All matches and practices are now geared to an all-out effort to win the U.A.U. Championships, which are being held here on February 7th and 8th.

Birmingham Univ., 104,
N. Staffs. Tech., 52.

The annihilation of N. Staffs. Tech. was a singularly superb team display, in which John Lord and John Simons passed, cut, drove and shot their way to 22 and 21 points respectively. Using a tigrisly tenacious defence, our gallant squad clamped its jaws on the game.

Despite being inferior in size, our stalwarts, time and again out-rebounded them on the defensive and offensive boards. From the defensive boards our mercurial marvels sped the ball downcourt by passes of great accuracy. Indeed, George Greene, rebounding at one end, and assisting at the other, was ephemeral in the extreme. This epitomised a dextrous display by a team which was always ready to pass and wait for the 90 per cent shots rather than forcing the shot.

It was a display in which all gave of their best, even to the extent of diminutive and deadly Chris Russell grabbing the old rebound; a display which inevitably resulted in a win for T.P.

Birmingham 64, K.B.I. Bristol 51.

The first team on Sunday quelled the boisterous might of K.B.I. Bristol, and this victory was accompanied by the second team shattering Sheldon Heath "B" by 56 points to 27 points.

Henderson, although at one stage worried by the dubiously chalked bat surface of the Cardiff No. 1 C.C. Tjiong.

Three of Cardiff's five games came from their hard hitting captain Colin Brown, who was particularly good when returning the smashes of a ruthless but frustrated Cho Wong. The most entertaining game of the afternoon was between Steve "watch the ball" O'Neale and Tjiong. The audience lapped up the lethal forehand kills of O'Neale, the subtly varied chop of Tjiong, with a few strategic nets and edges, and savoured a mixture of emotions ranging from amusement to pity. Tjiong eventually won 24-22 in the third game.

With last year's champions Southampton and our Northern rivals Manchester in the opposite half of the draw to us, the scene is set for what could be the most successful year ever for the table tennis club.

Team: Brian Mitchell, Rich Henderson, Steve O'Neale, Clive Coombs (capt.) and Cho Wong.

WEIGHTLIFTING

INJURIES HIT WEIGHTLIFTERS

WEAKENED by injury to Alan Gardner, the University Weightlifting Club were hosts to Branstion & Spon Lane, but failed to beat either of them. Of the University lifters, only Pat Squire was on form. He hoisted three personal bests overhead to achieve a best-ever total of 625lbs. In so doing he pressed 200lb. for a new University middle-weight record. Both John Lowe and Paul University middle-weight record. Both John Lowe and Paul slight injuries.

The University "mighty atoms," Alan Gardner, Paul Davis, and Pat Squire, turned out against Fisher & Ludlow and B.A.I. "B" teams.

Christmas indulgences and back injuries meant that only Paul Davis lifted at or above his best. His 54lb. total was a 12lb. improvement on his best, but as he had been hoping for 560lb., he was a little disappointed. However, as Paul is now completely recovered from his serious illness of a year ago and is training harder than ever, we should see great things from him in the future.

Alan Gardner, with a forced lay-off through injury of nine weeks behind him, was well down on top form with his 570lb. total, and Pat Squire found that the extra Christmas pud had not improved his strength.

Results—University lost to Spon Lane by 290lb., and Branstion by 260lb. University beat Fisher's by 125lb., but lost to B.A.I. "B" by 77lb.

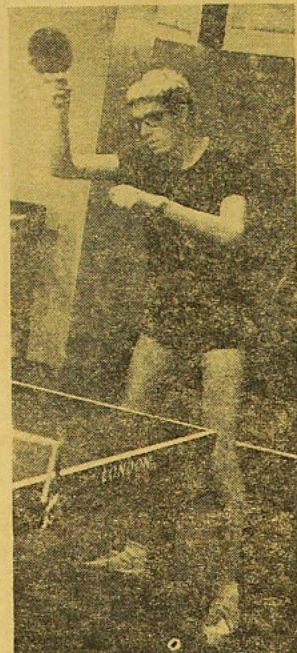
Faculty rugby

ACADEMICALS 9 pts.

IMPERIAL COLLEGE 1st XV 3 pts.

Despite an early setback when the visitors scored a try, the Academicals, enriched by the inclusion of some very talented newcomers to the side, lost none of their spirit and, just before half-time, equalised with a very good try following exciting breaks by Chas Lee and Male Macoss.

During the second half the forwards proved their mastery of the mud and the possession they gained led to subsequent tries by Al Mideley and Clive Fowler. Unfortunately, feet which walked across the slippery surface were too dauntily to lift the ball any distance and so the Ackerers were unable to run up the high score which such a slaughter would normally attain.



Clive Coombs, Birmingham's captain, who led the University table tennis team to four medals in the B.U.S.F. Champs.

I.D.S. LEAGUE

SOCCER

11-A SIDE

Division I

	P	W	F	A	Pts
Geography	7	6	22	10	12
Chem. Postgrads	8	5	23	14	11
Chem. Unders	6	5	26	6	10
Maths	7	4	25	11	9
High Hall	4	3	14	9	6
History	5	2	13	14	5
Manor House	5	2	15	19	5
Biology	7	2	12	20	4
Chem. Eng.	6	1	9	13	3
Ind. Met.	6	1	10	26	2
Commerce	3	0	4	20	1
German	4	0	5	14	0

Division II

	P	W	F	A	Pts
Mason	5	4	27	5	8
Physics	6	3	17	10	6
Geology	3	3	12	2	6
Law	4	3	19	7	6
Spanish	3	2	12	1	5
Education	3	2	12	12	4
Ind. Met.	2	1	10	18	4
Pol. Sci.	2	1	14	10	2
Iraqi Students	3	1	9	16	2
Jew. Soc.	6	1	17	36	2
Civ. Eng.	3	0	6	22	0
Ang. Chap.	4	0	1	13	0

BADMINTON

TUESDAY LEAGUE

	P	W	F	A	Pts
Malaysians	6	5	22	8	10
Geography	4	4	15	5	8
Chem. Eng.	4	2	13	7	4
Elect. Eng.	5	2	14	11	4
Law	5	2	14	11	4
Chemistry	5	2	11	14	4
Min. Eng.	5	2	8	17	4
Geology	5	2	6	19	4
Phys. Ed.	4	1	5	15	2

TRAMLINE

... a weekly column of news and opinion in the University sporting world.

Snooker and Billiards are probably two of the most widely played sports in this university. Without realising it the Union with eight tables and many hundreds of albeit infrequent players has one of the biggest Snooker Clubs in Birmingham. Yet in common with almost all other universities, Birmingham does not field a team.

Recently copies of the magazine "Snooker and Billiards" arrived at the Sports Centre and these gave indications that this state of affairs could be changing. Already both London and Belfast Universities field successful teams in local leagues and if the trend continues the sport could well be established on a U.A.U. basis. A U.A.U. spokesman recently said that if six or more universities showed interest then a championship could be arranged.

If ten-pin bowling can do it why not snooker? Anyone interested?

One interesting revelation of the U.A.U. Squash Championships was the immense strength of the Durham team. With only 2,000 students to choose from they achieved the amazing feat of filling four of the eight quarter-final places. The fifth member of their team took the No. 8 seed to ties in the final game.

How did they do it? Was it just luck or is there more to it than that? Apart from playing for at least an hour every day—including over 40 matches in the autumn term—the team train together twice a week—and that is compulsory!

This almost professional approach certainly has brought results so isn't it about time Birmingham's sportsmen got down to it?

The table tennis and squash teams have joined the fencing club in the semi-final of the U.A.U. team championship and waterlogged Wales kept the hockey and soccer teams at bay at least until today. Only the 2nd rugby team failed at Aberystwyth by the only score of the match. At least they didn't suffer the same fate as Nottingham in the first team championship. They travelled 150 miles and then played for 21 hours before darkness overtook the match at 16-16 and they could retire to Aberystwyth's bar for a riotous evening's entertainment.

The old problem of the drainage at West Hills seems to be cropping up again. Last season it looked as though the university playing fields were beginning to improve or as one member of the ground staff was heard to say: "The roots are getting down and the worms are coming up." Now the heavy rain over the past few weeks has shown this to be a fallacy. The pitches are as bad as they have ever been. Even the five week lay-off over Christmas didn't improve matters and so West Hills maintains its reputation as a quagmire.

Comparison with Bournbrook shows that there is and always has been something basically wrong with the drainage system at West Hills and the sooner something is done about it the better.

SPORTS EDITOR

SUNDAY OPENING

Are you interested in Badminton, Basketball, Five-a-Side Soccer, Table Tennis, Weightlifting, Judo, Fencing etc.? If so do you know that you can play these sports on Sunday afternoons from 1-6 p.m. Consult the reception desk in the Sports Centre for further details.

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Maile misses— London draw

BIRMINGHAM UNIV. 0, LONDON UNIV. 0

LONDON arrived fresh with the moral boosts of having drawn with both Oxford and Cambridge in their previous two games. Birmingham were seeking a good win after the defeat by Nottingham, with a view to going to Swansea today in good spirits. This was not to be, for once again the forwards failed to find the net and it was again left to the defence to even things up.

2nd XI SOCCER

ERRORS IN MUD BEAT SECONDS

BIRMINGHAM 2nd XI 1,
LONDON 2nd XI 3

IN very heavy conditions particularly in the penalty areas during the forwards' task difficult, London University just got the better of the 2nd XI.

At half-time the scores were level thanks to some fine saves from Max Maile playing his first match of the season. London scored from a free kick early in the second half and Hughes equalised from a similar position within 10 minutes. Defending errors led to two London goals which decided the game.

Team: Hartley, Ramsey, Homan, Mortley, Lewis, Storr, Stockley, Cross, Gamble, Hatton, Hughes.

Results—Banderers 0, Nuneaton 0, Banderers 1, B.C.S. Roebuck Lane 1, Banderers 2, Lloyds Bank 3

MEN'S HOCKEY

THOMPSON IN GREAT FORM

COVENTRY & N. WARWICK 3

SKILLFUL display of goalkeeping by Thompson, highlighted a fine save from a penalty flick the second half was not enough to save the University hockey team from defeat on Saturday against a side of County standard.

Hard and intelligent running on the right by Wood always worried the opposition and this brought an early lead through Bundle. The class Coventry team began to tell the gap between the University defence and attack began to widen and inevitably the goals came.

Team: Thompson, Blake, Herbert, Bailey, Freedman, Cubley, Wood, Under Kolk, Broadway, Guise.

This week's sport TODAY

Hockey: 1st XI v. Warks. A. (at West Hills, 3 p.m.)
Women v. Madeley (at West Hills, 3 p.m.)

Basketball: Univ. v. R.A.F. Cranwell (Sports Centre, 3 p.m.)
Soccer: Aston Villa v. Southampton (Cup replay, k.o. 7.45 p.m.)

SAT., FEBRUARY 1st
Soccer: 1st XI v. Oxon. Centaurs (West Hills, 3 p.m.)
Aston Villa v. Portsmouth (k.o. 3 p.m.)

Rugby: 1st XV v. Lydney (Bournbrook, 3 p.m.)
Univ. v. Sutton Ladies II.

Cross Country: B.U.S.F. Championships (at Sheffield, Coach leaves North Car Park 9 a.m.)

The biggest sinner in the first half was Andy Maile, who created chances well for himself on two occasions but failed to apply the right finishing touches. Yet another chance fell to Maile early on when a Dobson corner landed at his feet just a few yards out. Again the usually accurate Birmingham striker contrived to slice the ball weakly at the 'keeper.

During this spell of early pressure by Birmingham, Birkinshaw had a fine 20-yard drive excellently saved by the 'keeper, who was being kept on his toes.

The tempo slowed and London figured more in attack. Two fierce shots were blocked in the Birmingham goalmouth, one by Jones and the other by Finch, who was again called into action just before half-time, when Green, the London inside-right, found himself clear on the left. First half honours went narrowly to Birmingham due to their early onslaught on the goal.

The second half saw London come more into the game, inspired by their captain and the right-half, who, together with the inside-right, were the pick of the away team.

Few direct chances fell to either team in the second half, but credit must be given to the hard running on and off the ball of Birkinshaw and Fraine, who held a rather tired-looking Birmingham together. Many of the players are still obviously suffering from the Christmas hangover and lack of match practice, due to the bad weather. One can only hope that things will come good today.

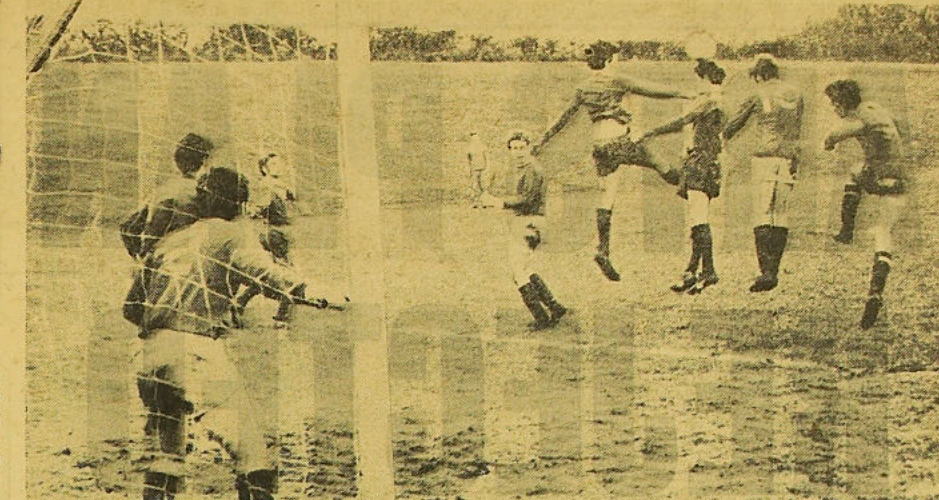


The ball evades the groping fingers of the University forwards following a line-out in the First XV match against Worcester.

Dozy 1st XV stirred by Morgan's try

Worcester 11 pts., Birmingham Univ. 1st XV 6 pts.

WITHOUT a midweek fixture to play and with nearly everyone "playing" the night before, Birmingham did not wake up until 30 minutes had passed, during which time Worcester were 8 pts. up. It was then, after some good work by Thomas, Battersby and Birtwistle with the "stirring" Morgan went over with a fine run in the corner. An inspiring tactical "matter" by Morgan at half time seemed to have some effect. The forwards,



Centre-half Dave Rosbrook and inside-forward Bas Brown out-jumped the London Uni. defence, even if they couldn't score goals!

MEN'S LACROSSE

Crowhurst's goal in vain

HORLTON 7, BIRMINGHAM UNIVERSITY 3

DEFEAT for the men's lacrosse team against Chorlton was expected on Saturday. The only surprise was the improved performance of the team in keeping the scoring down. While the Chorlton team must take credit for their victory, much of the match was dominated by Birmingham, who lacked a striker to press home the advantage of long periods of pressure round the goalmouth. Had Birmingham made more of their chances in front of goal, the result could easily have been reversed. The low score correctly reflects the accent on defence throughout the match, which was climaxed by an exciting, goalless final-quarter.

Birmingham went ahead early in the game through an opportunist's goal from Tony Crowhurst, who has recently become the team's most consistent scorer. However, Chorlton soon replied, and by half-time had scored another three goals through an otherwise solid Birmingham defence. Hopes of a Birmingham victory rose when one goal was pulled back immediately after half-time, by Joe Ashton, but, rather than the run of play, Chorlton managed to pull further ahead, in spite of another Birmingham goal from Ian Blair.

Considering that Chorlton were top of the league shortly before Christmas, Birmingham should feel reasonably pleased with the result, and hope for an increase in the scoring rate in future matches.

Team: Bullough, Jarvis, Graham, Buckley, Bolland, Ashton, Norris; Williams, Farrar, Blair, McCraith, Crowhurst.

CROSS-COUNTRY

Tipton far too strong for weakened B'ham

THE lesson of the past few weeks has been that when you get a good team together, hide it! Captain Mal Thomas has been only able to run for the University once so far this term, and starlet Andy Holden not at all! Add to this only one run out of three by Rog Brown and Steve Gibbons, and one begins to wonder what has happened to the first team.

In the absence of most of the first team, the remnants, plus some members of the B. and C. teams, did extremely well to beat Leicester first team by 33 points to 40 points. Gavin Russell (12th), got lost on the course and so left Pete Griffiths to split the two Leicester U.A.U. runners, Knowles and Emberson. His time of 31min. 45sec. left him 14sec. behind the winner. John Eley ran in fourth (32min. 32sec.), although not liking the sticky conditions which prevailed underfoot.

Steve Gibbons was sixth, Rog Brown eighth, Robin Ball ninth, Brian Kerich 10th, completing the scoring runners. The contingent was made up with Brian Searling, P. Rawlingson and Pete Cox (who also missed his way).

Saturday's match against Tipton Harriers (leaders of Birmingham League First Division) ended in ignominious defeat for the Birmingham "B" team. This race saw the return of Dick Nile to form, and his placing (12th) close behind John Eley (11th), must put him in line for a place in the first team in next week's B.U.S.F. U.A.U. Championships at Sheffield.

Other placings were: P. Griffiths 6th, R. Ball 15th, B. Kerich 17th, A. Thirkettle 20th, G. Thompson 26th, and D. Jardine 28th.

1—Tipton Harriers, 33 points.
2—Loughborough Colls. "A" 70.
3—Birmingham "B" 81.

WOMEN'S HOCKEY

HAT-TRICKS FOR PIKE & SMITH

Oxford Univ. 2,
Birmingham Univ. 7.

SECOND HALF hat-tricks from Margaret Pike and Gill Smith gave the ladies' hockey team a 7-2 win over Oxford University last Wednesday.

The fact that Birmingham were without a goalkeeper had little effect on the final result; for although Oxford moved quickly into a two-goal lead by the interval Birmingham were only one goal behind. They started to combine well and their superior fitness began to tell.

In spite of excellent goalkeeping, the Oxford defence cracked under the continuous pressure of the Birmingham forwards, ably supported in attack by a strong half-back line and even at times by the backs. The goals began to come and Birmingham ran out 7-2 winners.

Oxford Univ. 2nd XI 7,
Birmingham 2nd XI 4

THE 2nd XI's game was likewise close, the score being 4-4 until ten minutes from time when the defence unfortunately conceded three quick goals. Scorers for Birmingham were D. Lane (2), M. Taylor and J. Robinson.

Both were fine team performances, particularly pleasing as there were several team changes and the matches were played in the pouring rain. This augurs well for the W.I.V.A.B. quarter-finals to be played at West Hills today against Aberystwyth.

1st XI team: H. Disney, P. Clay (capt.), J. Newman, V. Welsh, E. D'Aleorn, J. Puritz, J. Brook, M. Pike, G. Smith, P. Crammer.

GOLF

9 & 8 win for Mike

THE University beat Exeter at Burnham and Berrow by six matches to three. Mike Paterson won both his matches and his singles game to the massive margin of nine and eight. This must be the largest victory and defeat ever recorded in a University golf match, and is almost embarrassing. A. Cox, who only last week excelled, lost and collected a dog's licence into the bargain, although it should be admitted that his opponent was out in 33!

Perhaps one of the more interesting holes played during the day was in the foursomes, when, at the 12th, after two good drives, Exeter knocked one out of bounds, dropped another and repeated the performance. Meanwhile T. Bowdler hit his and he followed a similar projection, which made three out of bounds. We just scrambled a win on that hole and went on to halve the game.

A. Datham and P. Bielby won both their games and T. Bowdler, in a truly gentlemanly fashion, as always, halved both his.

Team: A. Datham, A. Cox, T. Bowdler, N. Krafft, M. Paterson, P. Bielby.

DEAN PROPOSES CONSULTATION

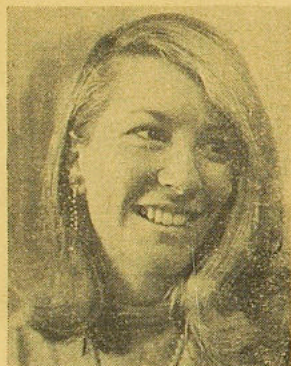
ARTS PLAN REJECTED

BY JOHN KEETLEY

Following a meeting between Charles Critcher and Chris Tyrrell with the Deans of the Faculties of Art and Science and Engineering a Special General Meeting of the Faculty of Art was held yesterday lunch-time.

After an introductory speech by Mr. Critcher, the meeting went on to a discussion on student participation on Faculty Boards which resulted in almost unanimous rejection of Professor Davies' proposals. The Dean's suggestion incorporated a plan to have five students who would go over the agenda before the Faculty Board convened working out with the Dean those topics on which students could comment.

ILLNESS FORCES SUE TO RESIGN



Vice-President Sue Jackson has resigned on her doctor's advice following considerable ill-health. She suffered a back injury last summer, and has been ill all of this term with bronchitis.

The post of Vice-President will remain unfilled for the rest of this session, though Sue Jackson may be asked to officiate in her function as hostess from time to time.

Russians on tour

TWENTY-FIVE young Russians are at the moment on a three-day visit to Birmingham as part of an N.U.S. exchange programme. They are being shown the University, the city, local schools, and surrounding places of interest, including Coventry. They performed at Folk Club on Monday night, and will be entertained at a buffet in the Union today.

The group includes teachers, scientists and workers; they are being shown round by Martin Lowe, External Affairs Chairman, and John Bamber, Chairman of the Russian Club.

The motion which was eventually passed read: "At the present time this meeting feels that the Dean's proposals are of no great benefit to students and therefore recommends further discussion on the basis of full student representation." It was also the feeling of the 200 present that some expression of support for Social Science Faculty in their bid for one-third student representation was important. The following motion was therefore passed, again with only very slight opposition: "This meeting wholeheartedly supports the principle of Faculty autonomy and Social Science Faculty's proposals for parity of representation for students."

A further meeting is to be held next Monday (February 3rd) to elect a number of people to represent the faculty in negotiations.

HAZARDS OF THE JOB

LATE last Sunday night, "Redbrick" Editor Pete Ullathorne was involved in a serious accident in Colmore Row, when the car in which he was travelling smashed into a traffic bollard and careered thirty feet into the gutter. Seconds later a second car collided with the tangled remains of the bollard and shattered its front suspension.

After delivering "Redbrick" photographs to the block-makers, Dave Pascall, Business Manager of "Mermaid," drove down Colmore Row towards the Town Hall. On the greasy wet road surface the tyres lost all grip, and despite his efforts to steer the car away from the centre of the road, the car hit the bollard caving in the front, smashing the radiator and crushing the sump. Damage to the car and the bollard is estimated at over £100.

CORRECTION

Certain members of the A.U.T. read a sentence in our article on the P.I.B. report to mean that the A.U.T. was unrepresentative of its members. We wish to point out that this was not at all our intention; it was intended to refer to the N.U.S. Executive. We apologise for this ambiguity and for any embarrassment caused by this misunderstanding.

Also, in the late news we attributed to the Warden a statement that was in fact made by the President. Again we apologise for any inconvenience caused.

GUILD DINNER SCRAPPED

AT last Tuesday's Guild Council, a resolution to abolish the Annual Guild Dinner was passed. This formal occasion, accompanying the Guild Ball, to which representatives of other Guilds, certain members of staff and local civic dignitaries have been invited in the past, has been arousing progressively less interest in recent years.

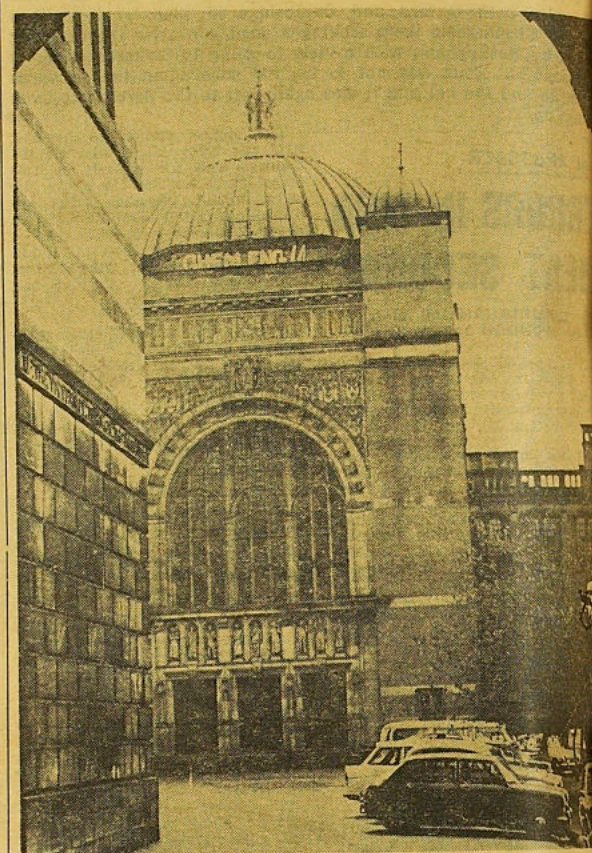
The motion as originally proposed by John Butcher, suggested a modification of the existing presentation to a more informal affair, but an amendment sponsored by Martin Lowe called for total abolition.

In view of the diminishing support (last year the Lord Mayor failed to attend), and the necessary expenditure (last year £268), there was almost unanimous assent given to the opinion that the dinner was an unjustifiable commitment for the Guild.

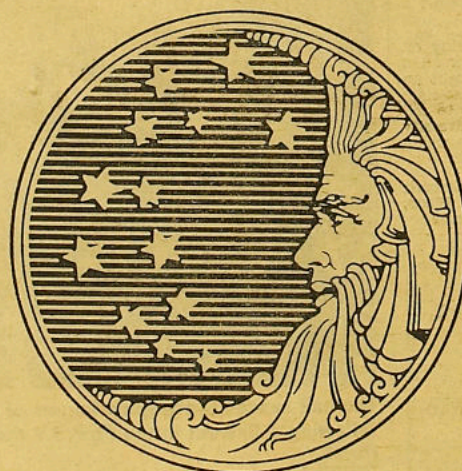
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