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WE BUILD!

The extensions to the Union buildings of the Guild of Undergraduates will be completed before the beginning of session 1960-61.

This long awaited and welcome news was reported to Guild Council at its first meeting last Tuesday. On Friday last Guild Councillors were given the opportunity to review the plans which have been drawn up by Holland Hobbiss in conjunction with the University Sub-Committee on Union Extensions. Mr. Hobbiss, who designed the existing Union buildings, after consultation with Sir Hugh Carson has presented an architecturally excellent plan for the South wing.

In this plan the long anticipated enclosed central courtyard has been abandoned in favour of a much more exciting open court design, which when built will look towards the main university precinct. The architects have avoided simple duplication of the facade characteristics of the existing buildings in this most successful attempt to preserve the architectural unity of the building. This is to be achieved by employing in the new wing the Jacobean manorial characteristics of the present building.

CARNIVAL IN MOTION

Last Friday saw the official opening of Carnival with Carnival Committee, suitably attired in half their number of morning suits, parading around the main streets of the city to present the first Carnival Magazine to the Lord Mayor. It was evident from the giggles of the bystanders that the hoary, hairy legs and noble, nobly knees of the nevertheless dignified committee caused much amusement.

By Saturday evening, one half of the car books and all the magazines so far received from the printers had been issued to students and Carnival Reps. This fantastic demand for books can only be taken as a favourable sign of the support of you students for your Carnival.

Money from books already sold has arrived at Carnival Office and, from discussion with the many enthusiastic sellers, it is apparent that sales are most successful, not necessarily on pub crawls. They recommend that students should go round in small numbers, for example, to the city centre during morning and afternoon to catch the women shoppers, or to the busier "villages" of Birmingham, or simply by house-to-house collections. Although the evenings of the week-end are very rewarding, with the help of fancy dress or a stunt, evenings during the week are quite profitable.

It is the enthusiasm of the student body which determines the degree of success of Carnival.

BY THE PRESIDENT—
J. F. JARVIS

The new wing will house 27,000 sq. ft. of library, committee rooms, common rooms, entrance hall, lounges, lavatories and other offices. The building of the new wing will proceed side by side with extensive alterations to the accommodation already existing.

Starting date forward

The bringing forward of the starting day of building operations represents the combined hard work and energy of the University Sub-Committee on Union extensions, of both its student members of last session, of the university members and of the architects who have applied themselves devotedly to solving, as quickly as possible, the inevitable and overcrowding which characterises the Union at the moment.

Benefit in 1960—1961

It is a tremendous relief to know that this year's Freshmen will gain the benefit of the new accommodation during the session 1960—61 which had previously looked like being the blackest time for the Union.

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THE Chancellor's Prize, consisting of books to the value of £20, will be offered in 1959 for an English Essay on one of the following topics: Progress is the result of discontent.

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The doctor in fiction.
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The Prize is confined to members of the University who, on the last

This year, several changes have been made in the Carnival entertainments programme. The Midnight Matinee has been abolished and the C.B.S.O. Concert and an International Variety Evening have been introduced.

The C.B.S.O. Concert has an excellent programme, and we hope that it will be well supported by members of the University. The concert will be conducted by Andrzej Panufnik, and the soloist is to be Tom Bromley.

The International Variety Evening will, we hope, prove as popular as those previously held in the Union. It will consist of songs, dances, and acts by students from many lands.

Jazz Band Ball tickets are this year being sold to University members only. These tickets are limited in number, and students are advised by buy early to avoid disappointment.

The Jazz Concert in the Town Hall on Monday, October 27, is a double billing. The Merseyside Jazz and the Alex Welsh Bands will be playing.

The Olde Tyme Ball is to be held in the Union and not in the Great Hall as in previous years. Tickets for this are also limited.

The Grand Carnival Dance will be held at the Tower Ballroom, Edgbaston, with the additional attraction of the semi-final of the Beauty Competition. The Finals will be staged at the Carnival Ball.

The Carnival Eve Dance will be held at the Smethwick Baths Ballroom, Thimblemill Road.

After the evening procession on Carnival Day, several jazz bands from different universities will be playing traditional and mainstream jazz in the streets of Birmingham for your entertainment and dancing. This will draw large crowds, so take your collecting boxes along.

Volunteers are required to man Ticket-Sales Kiosks in the Union during the luncheon break. A system has been arranged, and these points are included in the Inter-Society Competition.

The Luncheon is divided into three periods of a half hour each, starting at 12.15 and continuing until 1.45, and a list will be posted in the kiosk. Would volunteers please make their presence known to me by paying a visit to Carnival Office and asking for me.

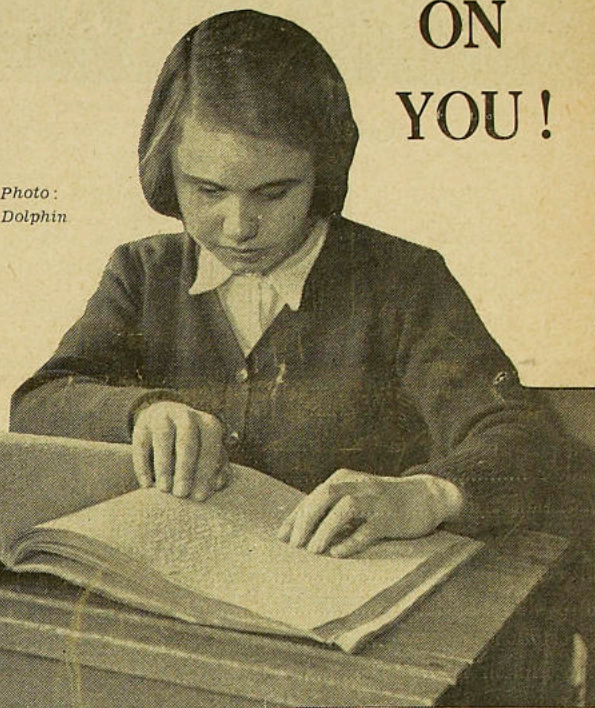
date for the receipt of entries, are of not more than four years' standing from the date of their matriculation in the University. No successful candidate is eligible for the Prize in a subsequent year.

Essays should not exceed 10,000 words in length and should be either typed or clearly written on one side of the paper. Candidates should provide a bibliography and give references for any quotations used.

Essays must be received by the Registrar not later than April 30, 1959.

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Dolphin



THIS LITTLE GIRL IS BLIND

She is deprived of the greatest gift to man and consequently has lost the independence which we ourselves enjoy and take so much for granted. The blindness of this child, together with the deafness, mental abnormalities and so on, with which so many thousands are stricken, make her dependent on other people in more fortunate circumstances, for any little happiness she may acquire.

She is cared for by an institution which depends on charity to carry out its good work. Carnival is a means of supplying money to this particular charity and to countless others, and each and every student of this University can directly help to relieve the misery of the thousands in her position by supplying the money necessary to increase their material wellbeing.

No money is asked of you, only a little of your time in which you can sell the notorious car tickets and Carnival Magazines. Not only will you gain the satisfaction from knowing that you are helping admirable causes, but at the same time you can gain a lot of enjoyment if you go about your selling in the right way.

Please support the Carnival functions, and enjoy yourselves.
PETER LEIGH (Ticket Sales Manager).

BIVOUAC TO BEDPAN

ON Tuesday, October 21, Dr. T. Howard Somervell will speak at the S.C.M. Meeting, in St. Francis Hall, at 5.15 p.m. Howard Somervell is most widely known as one of the early Everest climbers. On his second visit to Everest, in 1924, he was a member of the first party, which reached the height of over 28,000 feet—an amazing achievement to us to-day, seeing that it was accomplished without oxygen. Later on in the same expedition, Mallory and Irvine set out for the summit and never returned.

On his way home from Everest, Dr. Somervell visited a Mission Hospital in India, and was so impressed by the need of that country that he soon returned to devote his medical skill to its alleviation. In the course of thirty years, he helped to build up the great Teaching Hospital of Vellore.

His talk will be called "From Everest to Vellore," and will be illustrated with film slides showing both sides of his career. He writes:

"What you take as a title makes no difference to the talk: Snowfields to Suffering, Tibet to Travancore, Iceage to Icebag, or even Bivouac to Bedpan."

Stoats, Medics, and indeed any member of the University will be very welcome.

—J.E.N.

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We print this week, for the edification of our enlightened readers, a letter from a Mr. Pope, who can obviously find nothing good about the new "Guild News". Suffice it to say that he is in a minority, possibly of one or two. Indeed, it has been a gratification to the entire staff to hear the numerous favourable comments on our new format, and this gives us the confidence to continue, realising that our readers are behind us.

If ambition is to be scorned, and its mockers exalted, then Mr. Pope must be set on a lofty pinnacle... there to remain aloof from the mundane existence, and we must bow into the shades. But our ambition is not personal; it is the ambition of the whole Guild, and if Mr. Pope denies the right of the Guild of Undergraduates to feel proud, then he has no business to be a member of it.

It would appear that he believes that the autonomy of the paper has disappeared. Our very capable publishers are in no way anxious to remove our independence from us, and indeed, we still submit our own layout each week as formerly. Where the difference lies is undoubtedly in the embellishments, and our publishers, are able to suggest various type faces, as well as provide boxes and decorations for our formerly shabby-looking columns. Of course we are doing it ourselves... but we do not pretend to be so professional as to know the intricate details of the art of typography... which is rather distinct from layout.

In this last connection, we are able to quote several professional authorities, whose words are to be trusted far above Mr. Pope's, that any newspaper worthy of its salt, and intending to attract its readers, must use several type faces on each page. Perhaps Mr. Pope would prefer us to return to the insipidity of the newsletter.

If we are to accept the thesis that there is no news in "Guild News", then we are going to have to admit that news does not especially occur on the one day of the week that we go to publication. Within the limited scope of a weekly paper, we provide as much "news" as can still be of interest, and last week's edition will bear this out. The constitutional aim of "Guild News" is to reflect student opinion, and publicise the activities of the Guild. If Mr. Pope is dissatisfied, let me refer him to the paper of his native town university, whose interest is wider, and whose matter is regarded as anathema to its readers, as many have testified.

Finally, the editorial staff, and the majority of the Guild, want a paper that is pleasing to look at. Hence we have returned to cotype paper. Our previous use of newsprint was in an attempt to conform to several other papers, (the better varsity papers still use cotype); but CONFORMITY IS THE ESSENCE OF NON-ENTITY, and this university, with its great future and present active expansion, will never be a non-entity provided that it does not contain retrograde members in its ranks.

BEGUILING POSTERS....

Dear Sir,

I wish to protest against the methods used by the Liberal Society to inveigle unsuspecting Freshers (and others) into their political meeting on Friday evening. The Union notice boards were decked with beguiling posters inviting us to hear "Ludwig Kennedy, the well-known playwright, author and TV personality" speak in St. Francis Hall. The matter was deception from beginning to end. One was accosted outside St. Francis Hall and ushered into the "Ludwig Kennedy Meeting." Once safely ambushed inside, one was faced

with a barrage of Liberal propaganda and the sight of Jo Grimmonds countenance suspended in front of the altar. Insult was added to injury when the chairman shamelessly announced that, contrary to the popular belief of some of the patricians present, Mr. Kennedy would not speak on "Britain and the H-bomb," but instead, those unfortunate enough to be present were subjected to harangue on the "Liberal Policy" (11).

While not entirely convinced that the sponsoring society should be liquidated may I suggest that their constitution be amended and the Society devote its undoubted talent to the useful function of advertising Carnival.

Yours, etc.,
JOHN BOWES.

BRASH AND DEBASED

—ROY POPE

Dear Sir,

It was a sad mischance that both "Guild News" and the Debating Society brought forth fruit on the same day. The motion before the House last Thursday was that "This House believes that Britain is too materialistic." Fortunately, I left before the vote was put and was spared the certain defeat of the Proposer, but when I read your editorial shortly afterwards, I blushed for him.

The standards of the paper have become brash and debased in the ferret for sales and "stature." This year it is our avowed aim, as well as our publishers', to increase our national stature and, if possible, win the crown.

It is rotten, Mr. Hershon. It stinks. Who are "our publishers"—Industrial News Service? Last year I investigated the possibility of changing the printers and realised why past Editors stuck with Pooles so long; to change the printers it would be necessary to hand over the role of publisher as well. As the immediate past-President said, "if we can't do it ourselves, it's not worth doing at all." Did you have to throw the towel in, Mr. Hershon?

It would be perfectly justified if your aims were met with, but of those you mention, I cannot see that one of them has been. "The accent is on news," yet the only scrap of news is on the sports page. Of seven photographs, all but the profile were over a year old. As for the higher standard of layout, I must blush again. In one issue appears no less than twelve widely different styles of typeface; five of them on the front page. Suicide for a typographer, Mr. Hershon. This is a newspaper, not a type catalogue.

Worse than this, the type style was changed halfway through the leading article.

No, you must do better. It is childish to assume that by making "Guild News" neither resemble a newspaper nor contain any news that it will one day be one.

You mention "... the old 'Guild News', with its 'real' newtype, whose appearance gained for last year's Editor a rather unfortunate name." Keith Tancock was perfectly justified in his drive to make "Guild News" a newspaper in every sense, but his hands were tied by the printing facilities, also money and poor copy. To use newsprint was not enough and the dripe was unpopular, but his material was good when there was the copy to choose from, he did move in the right direction, and he had no "unfortunate" name because of it.

The "enlarged area" you claim has been lost in the layout by use of spacing and type size to suit a child's paper and has had to be paid for with a full page advertisement.

To be constructive, may I make these suggestions. Use the crest on the front and reintroduce the ear-piece; make liberal and wise use of paragraphing, shading, side heads, by lines and date lines. (It would be interesting to use the latter to know where a piece was written, even if it is published a week after writing).

(For comment, see Editorial).

DISTASTE....

Dear Sir,

I read with distaste Mr. Marwood's Edition to be funny in the Freshers' Edition of Guild News at the expense of the mural painted in the Coffee Room by Mike Dames. Whilst confessing to fall into the I-know-what-I-like school of art critics, I find this mural pleasing and feel that, far from indulging any puerile wit at its expense, we should be doing far better to thank Mr. Dames for sparing his time, talents and energy in adding interest to our Union.

Perhaps it is professional jealousy which motivates Mr. Marwood's attacks, in which case, one would suggest that he finds his own wall and try to do better. Or has he anonymously tried his hand already, in miniature, in the nether regions of the Union and now feels that his own talent is not rightly appreciated?

Yours, etc.,
ROBERT J. WREFOED.

PRESS POST

EXPLANATION....

Dear Sir,

In reply to the letter in the Stop Press the week before last, I would like to offer an explanation for the Gramophone Room being closed during the summer vacation. During the same period last year approximately £23 worth of records were removed from the Gramophone Room and not returned. In view of this, and the fact that it is difficult to supervise the room during the long vacation, the 1957-8 Gramophone Library Sub-Committee decided to close the room until the beginning of the next session.

The gentleman in question might bear in mind that "so-called" petty officialdom, as in the present instance, was made necessary by the irresponsible conduct of certain members of the Guild.

ALEO E. SCHOPIELD
(Secretary, Gramophone Library Sub-Committee).

PERSONAL COLUMN

You may advertise personal adverts or Society notices in this column. Rates: 18 per 12 words and 3d. every additional 5 words, (internal); 2s. 6d. per 12 words and 3d. every additional 5 words, (for external adverts). Apply: The Adverts Manager, "Guild News," the Union.

FREE FILM SHOW: Universities' Federation for Animal Welfare (U.F.A.W.), November 11. See notice-boards for further details.

MARG: Meet me in the queue at 12 for lunch at 2.—Kram.

REQUIRED in the near future, a B.A. gown. State price and apply to the Editor via the pigeon-holes.

STIMULATING....

Dear Sir,

On religiously obtaining my weekly copy of Guild News last week, and turning to the inner pages, I was more than somewhat surprised, to read an article entitled "Neither Fish nor Fowl... Nor Good Red Herring." Having at first wondered if it was a "Red Herring" angling for ideas from apathetic readers, I decided to take the views before me as authentic, at the risk of being caught, hook, line and sinker.

Firstly let me say that the mural in the Chemistry Department entrance pleases me, both as a decorative piece of work, and as a representation of Alchemy, etc. The writer criticises it on the grounds of its being hopelessly out of context and because ideas and representation have been "fished" from the 18th century. He considers it a pastiche of the past.

Surely however, it is just such a case where a direct link with the past is soon appropriate. The advancement of scientific knowledge is proceeding at such a pace to-day that we would do well to remind ourselves of its beginning and early ideas. What could possibly be better than to remember the early alchemists, rather than erect a crying glory to our present knowledge? Humility is merely one of the greatest fruits of learning.

I was sorry to see the author stoop to the method of so many uncreative geni, by calling for more planning and thought. This does not give any credit to the creators of the mural. Incompatibility of the author's tastes with those of the artist is surely no ground for condemning the latter on account of lack of imagination.

The new entrance to the department in question is both exciting and stimulating, and I think great credit is due to its originators for having the courage and audacity to break away from the pedestrian approach (no apologies) to interior decoration. Unlike the author, shielded by anonymity, I do not hesitate to append my signature.

Yours, etc.,
ALAN H. HARRIS.
(Dept. of Chemistry).

This week in The Listener

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A PONTIFICATE IN AN UNEAPEFUL AGE

The Most Rev. William Godfrey pays tribute to Pope Pius XII

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POPE PIUS XII

Pope Pius XII will be deeply mourned by all Christians throughout the world, for no Pope in the history of the Church has been so widely known and loved. This has been largely due to wireless and television, by means of which his many speeches and pronouncements and his striking personality have come into the homes of so many people. But it is also due in great part to the way in which he welcomed all comers in public audience. No Pope has ever been so accessible. In his speeches and pronouncements he has touched on many problems of extreme importance in this modern age and has given an uncompromising but charitable lead in the fight against Atheistic Communism. However, there is no doubt that the love and respect which he has aroused in so many hearts stems chiefly from the profound impression which he made on those who came into personal contact with him. This personal contact was often limited to participation in a great public audience when many thousands of people are gathered together but even under such circumstances few came away without a deep impression of a very special quality which was his; the quality of true holiness. He always seemed intensely interested in every individual, however unimportant he might be, with whom he had even the most fleeting contact. This interest was indeed real and not assumed as one who was in close contact with him over a long period has affirmed.

Eugenio Pacelli was a Roman of Rome. He was born within the ancient walls of the city within sight of St. Peter's on March 2, 1876. His father was in the judiciary department of the Holy See and for generations his ancestors had served the Popes. He was ordained to the priesthood in 1899 and had the rare distinction of receiving three doctorates, in Philosophy, Theology and Canon Law. He was made a Domestic Prelate in 1905 and from then on his career was made entirely in the department of the Secretary of State. During the 1914-18 war he was appointed Papal Nuncio to Bavaria and afterwards to the German government at Berlin. He returned to Rome in 1929 when he was made a Cardinal by Pius XI. A few weeks later he was appointed Secretary of State and he remained in this post until the death of Pius XI in 1939, when, at the briefest Conclave for over 300 years, he was elected Pope. During the years which preceded his election he travelled widely in the service of the Church, visiting most of the countries of Europe and on one occasion visiting the United States. Because of this, Pius XII could claim a first hand knowledge of many countries and through his diplomatic experience was remarkably well informed on the true situation, both religious and political, in many parts of the world.

It must never be thought, however, that Pius XII was a purely political Pope whose claim to fame, when history is written, will repose in his skill in negotiating Concordats and wisely governing the Church. On the contrary, it is above all as a theologian and as a man of intense personal holiness that he will be remembered. At frequent intervals throughout his

Pontificate he issued Encyclical Letters dealing with an extraordinary variety of theological subjects and in his numerous allocutions to special groups from all walks of life he unfailingly guided their thoughts towards a true realisation of the moral issues involved in their work and the way in which they might work for the glory of God in the conditions of 20th century life. He was indeed a man of his time, who, although living in the renaissance splendour of the Papal Palace, was intensely conscious of the problems which surround men in the atomic age and with great wisdom guided them through the many pitfalls which surround them.

His saintliness was felt by all who saw him and it was most clearly seen in his utter devotion to the heavy task which was his. There can be no more crushing responsibility than that carried by the spiritual leader of the more than 400,000,000 people throughout the world. He is known to have said, soon after his election, that he had felt the flame of fatherhood kindled within him, and it was as a father who spends himself completely for his children that he lived from that day on. He never spared himself even in utterly exhausted and in great suffering, and fulfilled a daily programme of work which would have been very onerous to a man half his age. It was surely the consuming fire of Divine Love within him which enabled him to continue his work until the very end.

CONCLAVE

Already the Cardinals from all over the world are beginning to arrive in Rome, and soon after the funeral of Pius XII they will assemble in Conclave to elect his successor. This conclave is held in the Sistine Chapel, where, before Michelangelo's superb fresco of the Last Judgment, they have chosen the man who is to sit in the Chair of Peter. The election is by ballot and only when two-thirds of the votes have been cast for one man is he elected. This means that there may have to be a number of ballots before the final choice is known. For hundreds of years the Pope has been elected from among the Cardinals but in fact, any cleric can be elected. During the Conclave, each Cardinal occupies a stall surmounted by a canopy and when the final result is known, all the canopies are lowered except for the one over the stall of the new Pope. A whip of flax is lit before him, it flames up and is blown away in dust, and the words "Sic transit gloria mundi" are pronounced. This is to remind him that his new dignity must not make him proud, for all the glory of this world will one day be dust. He then leaves the Chapel and is vested in the white robes of the Supreme Pontiff and is then led to the balcony over the entrance to St. Peter's where he gives his first blessing "Urbe et Orbi"—to the City and to the World. It is less than twenty years since Pius XII stood for the first time on that balcony to receive the homage of the Faithful. He was truly faithful to them through years of difficulty, sorrow and suffering. He abundantly deserves his reward in heaven. May he rest in peace.

THE SIR JOSIAH MASON LECTURES

This term the series of lectures, which are a memorial to the founder of the college from which our University sprang, will be given by Dr. Audrey Richards, C.B.E., Research Fellow, Newnham College, Cambridge. The topic, which should especially interest all students who feel themselves to belong to a literate society, is "The Social Mechanisms of Priliterate Peoples." The first lecture, which explicated the problem, was given last Tuesday, October 14, at Edgbaston.

The nations for peace

by
JUDITH A. TUNNICLIFFE

Stockholm was chosen this year for the annual meeting of the World Council of Peace, and the Congress of 1958 will be long remembered as the most widely representative gathering for many years. The subject chosen for the congress was the reason for the widespread interest that resulted in nearly 2,000 people from 74 nations travelling many thousands of miles to participate. In these days of mutual distrust, the problems of nuclear disarmament and international co-operation are uppermost in the minds of all men. The World Council of Peace decided to hold an International Congress in Sweden to investigate and discuss these problems.

As we were nearing Stockholm, one of my companions made this interesting remark, "Well, the World Council of Peace has met in times of international crisis, the Korean war and the Suez dispute—I wonder what it will be this time?" A few days later, American troops entered the Lebanon after the revolution in Iraq, and the most popular was the suggestion that an Albert Schweitzer Day should be recognised. On this day all the peace organisations of the world would publicise their work for a world free from the imminent peril of war and sudden death.

Informal meetings played an important part. One afternoon was reserved for people of the same professions and interests to meet and exchange their ideas for obtaining a world free from war. I met several students, and despite language difficulties, we discussed our several societies for Nuclear Disarmament. As the conference drew to a close, the final documents on cultural and political co-operation, disarmament and the co-operation of peace forces were put forward as congressional statements.

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Although the Iraq and Lebanon questions were uppermost in the minds of delegates, other problems were discussed. One of the major points that was stressed time after time was the need for the co-operation and co-ordination of the peace forces of the world. Many practical ideas were put forward to further this end, and the most popular was the suggestion that an Albert Schweitzer Day should be recognised. On this day all the peace organisations of the world would publicise their work for a world free from the imminent peril of war and sudden death.

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of every race, colour and creed gathered together. Our feelings were summed up in the words of Professor Bernal, of Great Britain: I am sure all of us here will remember this congress. But it is not only the memories that are important but the inspiration it has given us for further work and a new sense of seriousness and responsibility that it has infused into us.

Holy worldliness

Some people think of Christians as ostriches, with their heads in the sand, not daring to look at what goes on in the real world outside their comfortable churches.

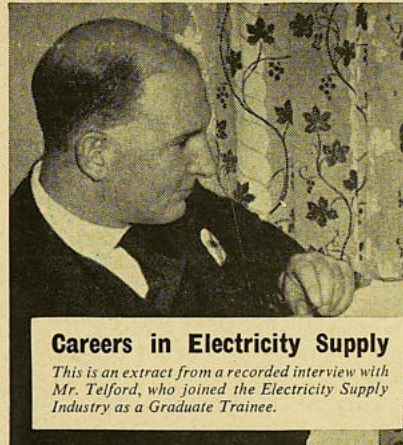
That cannot be said of Mr. John Lawrence, the present Editor of the quarterly, "Frontier." He has spent his life in the no-man's-land of journalism, politics and economics, and knows his way around the world exceedingly well. During the war he was for a time Press Attache to the British Embassy in Moscow, at a time when Russia was our complete ally; he has been able to revisit Moscow in recent years.

John Lawrence will deliver the annual St. Francis Hall lecture on Monday, October 20, at 5.15 p.m. in St. Francis Hall itself. He entitles it: "In The World, But Not Of It." How can a Christian, who professes a faith in a God who is above this world, live in the world without compromising his faith? How can he avoid the extremes of bolting into the church like a rabbit down a burrow, or of diving into the wicked world head-first and losing his Christian identity beneath its stormy waves? Mr. Lawrence will deal with such questions from his own experience and from that of his friends.

All members of the Guild are invited to attend.

"...you can

have a go at whatever you want"



Careers in Electricity Supply

This is an extract from a recorded interview with Mr. Telford, who joined the Electricity Supply Industry as a Graduate Trainee.

E.S.I. Question Master

Mr. Telford

Question Master: I think we might begin by asking what was your first job in Electricity Supply after your training was finished?

Mr. Telford: Well, my training was interrupted by the war, and it was only in 1950 that I finished my graduate course in the industry. I was then appointed Shift Charge Engineer at Frome, Somerset—a small station but an excellent training ground. From there I went to Earley—a much bigger station of 120 megawatts—as Boiler House Shift Engineer; later I became Charge Engineer there, and, for a while, was Efficiency Engineer as well.

Q.M.: Your next step was London, wasn't it?

Mr. Telford: Yes, I came to London as Second Assistant Engineer on the Divisional Staff, and later I was appointed Deputy Superintendent at Barking Generating Station—the position which I hold now.

Q.M.: Barking is a pretty big station, and at 36 you're young, aren't you, to be a Deputy Superintendent? But what made you come to London in the first place?

Mr. Telford: A chance came along to get some administrative experience at H.Q. level, and I thought I'd better take it.

Q.M.: Does the Industry give many opportunities like that?

Mr. Telford: It most certainly does. It gives you a complete opportunity to have a go at whatever you want, and what you think you're best equipped for. The man who wants to get on is helped in every possible way; I've attended several courses run by the Industry, not only on technical matters,

but on subjects like personnel selection and industrial relations.

Q.M.: You find your job gives you scope for managerial ability—dealing with people as well as machines?

Mr. Telford: Yes, indeed. I don't think there are many better opportunities than in a power station, because you have something of everything. You have the mechanical side, the electrical side, the building side—and most of all, a number of people with varied interests and jobs.

Q.M.: Now a word about newcomers to the industry. If you have a chap of ability who is prepared to get down to the task, what would you say his opportunities were like?

Mr. Telford: I would say that he has really splendid opportunities. For one thing, a career in the industry is established on a very firm footing—you could do without a lot of things, but it's impossible to get on nowadays without electrical energy. Another point worth remembering is that a man coming into the industry has the choice of the entire country to work in, and there's no parochial approach.

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Brian King asks . . .

WHY LIBERALISM?

There are very few matters upon which all men are agreed. Politicians have called one another nasty names for donkey's years and the ordinary people of the world have consequently come to look upon them as twisters, only out for their own ends.

I am convinced that this is a strong contributory factor to the widespread political apathy rampant in this country to-day. There is so much disillusionment (and consequent disinterest) in political affairs that I am sometimes frightened that this liberal, democratic civilisation which is our heritage might be overthrown and taken over by some despotic minority and that the world might become a horrible, Orwellian reality, with all the brainwashing, torture, misery, squalor and unhappiness that "1984" brings to mind.

While I might sympathise with the man who says that "politics is a dirty game" I do not condone his apathy. Dirty things need washing and the ordinary voter is the laundryman. But how should he use his vote? First, he must ask himself what each candidate represents and what each is committed to. He will then find that they all say much about the same thing. They all want peace, progress, happiness and prosperity! Are they really so divided on the basic issues?

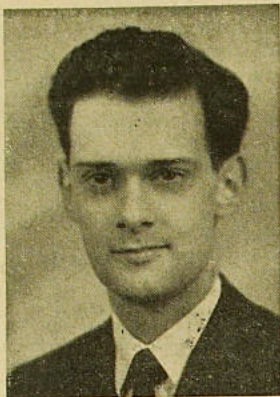
The truth is that what is lacking is a sense of proportion. Liberals believe that there is one value of far greater importance to mankind than peace, progress, happiness or prosperity. We consider this to be *Individual Liberty*. Without this it is impossible to have any of the others. Under despotic government, peace, progress, happiness and prosperity lose their identities. Men lose their creative abilities and become cringing, characterless and intellectually impotent. Individual Liberty is the most important thing for mankind.

Of course, there are some who will say that Individual Liberty is impossible in a modern State. This argument I consider spurious. We all sacrifice a measure of our freedom in order to live in society, but this must not be made an excuse for rejecting Individual Liberty out of hand; on the contrary, we should strive for the maximum of individual liberty within the minimum of State interference. And, let's face it, this objective will never be realised under dictatorship, neither under collectivism or State ownership.

The founders of Socialism were men of vision and ideals. They saw the defects in society and were driven to positive action. Once they were in control they would be so successful that there would be no opposition. All the people would flock to Socialism

There are some things I shall never get used to. Untoward innovations come and go, but most of them are accepted. I remember an Austrian girl, domiciled in England, saying of commercial television: "It could never happen here." It has my dear, and we've grown accustomed to its place. However, I shall never be reconciled to the vulgar prod in the ribs from a Big Five Bank.

Some years ago, I was pleased to find Lloyds, Colmore Row, which looks after my small change, redecorated in pastel shades, giving the appearance of delicate majesty to what had hitherto been its gloomy size. Little did I know that it was the first sign of degeneration. Little did I guess page advertisements appealing to that this year would show half-



BRIAN KING
(Chairman, Birmingham University Liberal Society).

and everyone would be happy. But it is a far cry to the days of Kell Hardie! For Socialism is dying—no one wants it any more, least of all the Socialists, who have become the Party of the New Privileged. It is not difficult to see why they want to preserve the Public Schools—they want the best possible education for their own sons! And in 1958 it is left to Mr. Jo Grimmond, the Liberal leader, to voice a plea for sound common-sense in his magnificent Torquay Assembly speech, denouncing patronage and privilege and advocating fair play and an equitable chance for everyone in life.

Where do the Liberals stand in the middle of all this? First, we aim at splitting political complacency and uniting the nation behind a progressive policy, based on the principles of freedom in which we firmly believe. Second, we will ensure for everyone an equitable chance in life, so that reward may be made for individual talent and effort and not based on string-pulling. And finally, we will jealously protect the individual's right to speak freely, write freely and vote freely; and we will build a society in which all citizens have decent homes and healthy surroundings, liberty under Free Trade to buy, sell and produce and, as a safeguard of independence, the right to personal ownership of property.

The Liberal Star is rising! Since Mr. Grimmond became Leader, the Party has recruited over 130,000 new members. This is far more than either of the others have achieved! People are rapidly becoming aware of the honesty, sincerity and integrity of Mr. Grimmond and the Liberal leaders. They are tired of the other two parties and see in the Liberals the nation's last hope.

A short time ago I asked a friend why he was a Liberal. Back came the answer, which to my mind was perfectly valid: "It's the only sensible thing to be!"

COFFEE TALK

my inferiority complex. It is revenge of course. The bank manager and bank clerk (think of Elliot and "Howard's End"), have been the epitome of suburban respectability for so long, the very Brown who must keep up with the Jones, that he has turned and snarled. "Very well," he has said, "if such a man I am, I will show you that you are no better."

He has filled our newspapers with easy banking schemes, facilitated small loans, catered for the housewife, hubby, and two kids. Not only must you get a hat to get ahead, takes the "Times" to be with the top people; now you must

Is Britain too materialistic ? ? ? ?

AFTER last Thursday's debate one very important question poses itself. What do Freshmen expect of a university debate? It was clear from the large number of maiden speeches that their expectations, whatever they are, were not fulfilled. This is scarcely surprising for university debating is on a totally different level to school debating, and although it may include the earnestness of the school debate, it is framed in such a manner as to be entertaining as well as philosophical. Wit is at least hoped for, even if not expected.

It is extremely difficult to know where to begin in writing a critique of the Inaugural Debate of the year, for we have seldom seen a debate start with such promise and yet end so drearily.

Mr. Jarvis, proposing, told the House a fairy story of an imaginative and amusing nature, about a poor little rich girl, and, we suspect, saved the punches for his summing up. But, alas, since Mr. Betteridge was hungry and had newly-read his constitution we were deprived of that pleasure.

Armed with a selection of choice quotations, Mr. Stanley launched himself on the House to oppose the motion. After analysing the words of the motion, Mr. Stanley told us that, in his opinion, Britain was materialistic, but contested that we were too much concerned with material things.

Seconding the proposition, Mr. Wreford condemned the Opposition's desire to preserve the status quo, and continued by suggesting that the "Hope" and "Glory" of our land is a win on the pools or a pay increase, in short, something for nothing, and doubted whether beliefs or ideals really entered into our way of life.

Mr. Rastall, standing in at the last minute for Mr. Bradley, dwelt on the problem of our standard of living. Unfortunately, he also brought up the old red herring of Soviet Russia, and this rather set the tone for subsequent features. As the speeches from the floor continued the discussions slipped further and further from the motion until the religion versus Communism was well under way. One felt that by some skillful heckling, and by allowing the older members of the society to speak, it might have been possible to bring the motion back into perspective, but of course, in the first debate of the session, the Freshers must be heard. Perhaps in future, the chairman will tighten up the proceedings when the debate tends to drift.

After long drawn out floor speeches which rather tended to repeat each other, the debate ended very abruptly when Mr. Betteridge tabled "That the motion was now put."

Despite a valiant effort at amendment from the movers' table, the motion thereupon was put and defeated, before any summing up by proposition or opposition. It is clear that the Debating Society Committee must fulfil their constitutional rights by amending the standing orders for debates, else we shall suffer more drawn out and curtailed discussions.

The most satisfying aspect of Thursday's debate is the number of new faces that were seen. We shall undoubtedly hear platform speeches from several of our Freshmen before long.

J.M.L. and L.P.P.

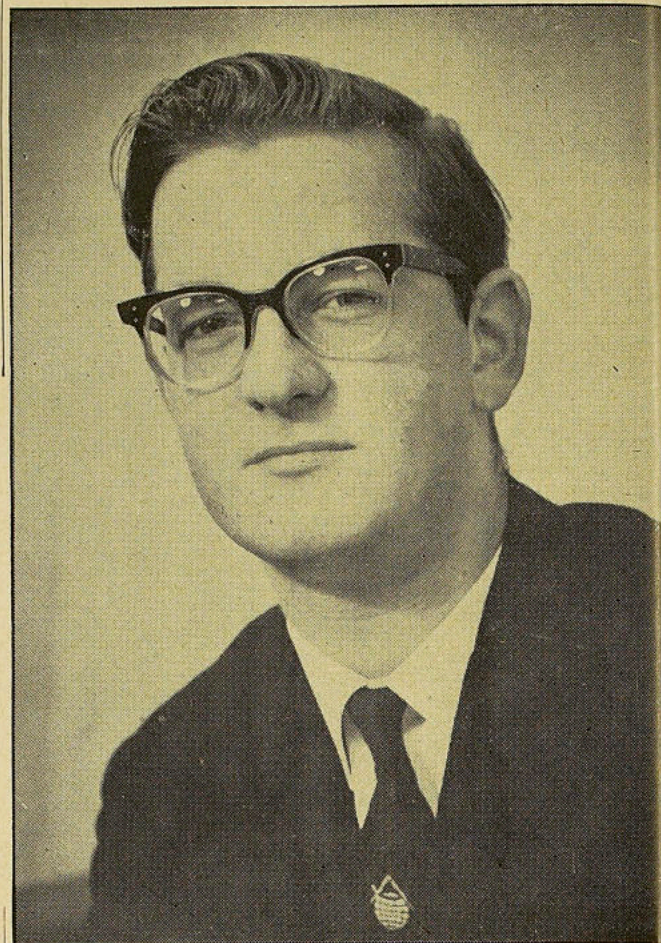
not allow your neighbour to beat you to a cheque book.

"Ubi, ubi sunt . . . ?" The bank manager of yesterday, so grave, so kind, so concerned with my £200, giving the impression that although he had handled Brewster's millions, he would look after my small deposit, and show it the kindness demanded by stray cats. Now he is eager for it; grabbing at it, snatching every ha'penny to his bosom lest a rival paw and flatter it. Oh! The lost dignity of it all. Once my bank manager's office was a cubby hole of old grandeur and aristocratic pleasures; now it is a charlatan's stall of gimmick and flash salesman-ship.

I think I shall transfer my monies to the plebeian dignity of the Post Office. SCIATICUS.

GUY RASTALL

PROFILE



Guy Rastall, Freshman of the Year 1957 to 1958 came up covered in Rugby glory from Lydney Grammar School, another of whose famous sons is the biographer of that well-known public figure J—. Local legend has it that these two gentlemen were both also born in the same village, an obscure village lost in the sleepy Gloucestershire countryside and rejoicing in the name of Tutshill. Whilst at school, he contributed to his school's success in gaining the West of England Schools' Seven-a-Side championship, and also had a trial for the England Schoolboys' XV. Whilst no precise details of his academic career at school are known, his prowess was sufficient to gain him admission to the Geography department. At Freshers' Conference he met Mr. Jarvis once more, and this gentleman lost no time in introducing him to Union beer (for which he has retained a liking ever since), the workings of External Affairs Committee, and a writer of this article. External Affairs Committee was, at that time, with: an N.U.S. secretary, J—, who was Vacation Work secretary, was promoted to N.U.S. secretary, and Guy was

elected to fill the vacancy thus created. He must, incidentally have created a record for the shortest period in history between coming up and election to a standing committee. Came Carnival, and he was to be seen ambling around the streets of Birmingham disguised as a Belisha Beacon. His height of some six feet was not sufficient to make the illusion quite perfect, but unfortunately his 6ft. 7ins. (estimated) brother was not available at the time. Meanwhile he was playing regularly for the University 3rd and 4th XVs, until one day playing for Chancellor's Hall, he came to the attention of Pete Robson, and was promoted to second and finally to the first XV. His hobbies include drinking, smoking, and going to hops, although it is rumoured that his success at charming the fair sex is limited. He enjoys listening to music, chiefly operetta and traditional jazz, and has spoken from the platform a couple of times in debates. He is now on the committee of the Kinivg Geographical Society, represents the Geography Society on Guild Council and is Business Manager of Guild News.

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"THEY" and "THEM," two very useful words of reference, used profusely by Freshers and other students not in the know, usually refer to a higher body in the University about which the speaker knows next to nothing yet wishes to quote. These are the words of to-day; mark and learn not to use, unless absolutely pushed to it as I am.

So, THEY recently caused all Freshers to undergo a medical examination (Do you talk in your sleep? Can you put your big toe far enough round to scratch the other ear?). Yes, the questions, perhaps very good for medical statistics, I believe some bod wanted to know the length of your little fingers this year or some such thing. Do you like being a guinea-pig? And if you hadn't met a Medic before then, you did at the examination, too some of us Medics did it. Don't worry, Clarence, nor you Beatrice, we won't let your little secrets out. Medical ethics and all that!

Around the Union of late you may have noticed a peculiar smell, if you haven't you may do in future. The cause? The 2nd Year Medics have just started dissection and have it for the next eight months; by the end of that time they tend to become impregnated with the smell, and don't wash so ardently after sessions behind the door marked "Private."

At last the Medical School has a Rugby team, and I mean a team. Freshers, you're welcome at any practice, so turn out and get on with it. "TAP"

OPEN LECTURES

The first of these took place on Tuesday, October 14, in the Debating Hall of the Union. Sir John Glubb, former commander of the Arab Legion will talk on Britain and the Middle East. Members are reminded that a special bus will leave Congreve Street (off Edmund Street) at 1.30 every Tuesday for the Union and will return at 2.45 p.m.

THEATRE

I do not understand "Much Ado About Nothing" (Stratford Memorial Theatre). Oh, I know of this theory and yet that explanation; I can even draw you an analogy or two: ever thought that the whole character of Benedick is a development of Henry's from "Henry V." Act V, scene ii? But I still do not understand what Beatrice and Benedick, those two happy and left-handed lovers, are doing to get themselves mixed up in the obscene inanity of hero's disgrace. Unfortunately, Mr. Seale's production does not elucidate.

It was a brilliant thought to dress and mount the play for some fashionable watering-place of the mid nineteenth century. The saucy wit is in keeping with the setting, grown familiar from the French stage, and it certainly made some pretty pictures. The decor had a solidarity and weight of colour which set off the costumes gloriously. Mr. Seale, as we knew him at the Rep, has a penchant for this period, and he used it here for an effect of pure delight.

To emphasise the weight of the setting is not to imply that the characters were gaudy butterflies. They were as three-dimensional as porcelain figurines, tangible, and even vital, but this again only particularises the inconsistency in

Geraldine McEwan's Hero was sufficient, as was her lover. In fact, Claudio's repentance beside Hero's tomb was moving beside the common experience.

There is altogether, as a hallmark of a Seale production, a clarity of judgment and an exercise of taste—the playing of the Dogberry scene was given the exact due weight of humour that makes him the most satisfying of British producers. Perhaps he was right, also, in developing each too: the little man's sufferings are just as great. Even though this is the idea on which all domestic tragedy is based, I doubt its value for it begs the question. In making a man a hero, you endow him with the qualities of greatness. Miller is not, however, to be glibly dismissed. His ideas are deeply felt and I recommend this play, not because it is contemporary and "something which should be seen," but as a accomplished theatre and exciting theatre. K.W.R.

(Next week: British premiere of Sean O'Casey's "The Bishop of Bonfire"—Highbury Little Theatre—Arthur Miller's "Death of a Salesman"—Theatre Centre.

'WHO WOULD AMBITION SHUN?'

Ambition, at the last meeting of the Opera Selection Sub-Committee, was shelved rather than shunned. G. T. G. loves to live in the sun of solvency! By presenting another Gilbert and Sullivan Opera, the question of public appeal is favourably answered. The success of "H.M.S. Pinafore" last term will not be wasted, and a sufficient measure of confidence will by then be established to hearten new ventures next summer.

The opera chosen for spring is "Ruddigore." Theatrical melodrama is the butt of its satire, though with some joyous twists. Not only does the bad man turn good, but the good man (for Gilbert, like nature, abhors a vacuum) turns bad. There are also caricatures from Shakespeare: Ophelia and the Ghost from "Hamlet," and Old Adam, the faithful servant, from "As You Like it."

The innocent maiden in the midst of all this has no faith in conscience or the stirrings of the heart. Her little Book of Etiquette is always at hand—and as she runs the gamut of three suitors during the story, she certainly has need of its guidance! A

troupe of professional bridesmaids dance attendance on her at every turn. A troupe of most unprofessional ghosts, however, intervenes, and it is only by recourse to the most Gilbertian and "recherche" logic that they are finally felled.

The music throughout is extremely colourful, and its "atmospherics" in the second act are among Sullivan's best effects, though the melodies are perhaps less well-known. Barbara Moore and John Griswold will be assisting respectively Tessa Collins as Producer, and Ian Marshall as Musical Director.

STOP PRESS POST

May I claim the help of your readers in tracing the person who stole about £7 worth of equipment from two motor cycles in St. Francis Hall shed on the night of the Freshers' Hop?

Unfortunately the windscreen and headlamp stolen were standard accessories and cannot be identified when fitted to another machine. Our hope of tracing the thief lies in hearing from a reader who saw anyone going in or out of S.F.H. shed on the night of October 4.

Now that new keys have been issued there should be no more thefts from this shed provided the door is not left open and provided keys do not reproduce after the fashion of previous sets.

If any reader did see anything suspicious near S.F.H. on that evening please let me, or any member of the executive committee, know about it.

Yours, etc.,
J. MARWOOD.

Your readers may be interested to learn of a course in Nutrition which is soon to commence. The course will be organised by, and open to, members of the University Wine and Food Club. Classes will be largely practical and will be held frequently in the Union. Often, friends will be welcome.

The syllabus is a full one, with sufficient variety to be widely attractive and also to suit all pockets. During the academic year several evenings will be set aside for the intensive study of molar degradation (sometimes flamboyantly referred to as "dining"). Other classes will concern the qualitative examination and evaluation of certain solvents by absorption techniques.

The opening class is a Freshers' Luncheon to be held on Thursday, October 16, at 1.10 p.m. in the Lesser Hall. Details are given on the Club's notice board.

I will, of course, readily supply further information on the course to any earnest and enthusiastic reader who may consider registering.

Yours, etc.,
J. P. G. FARR.

This is Topsy!



She is one of the many gorgeous entrants for the Carnival Beauty Competition. If you are lucky you may conceivably have one dance with her at the Carnival Ball on Friday, October 24. We aren't publish her phone number as we have been ordered by the G.P.O. not to jam their telephone exchanges. But don't be discouraged there must be more where she came from.

B.G.A.

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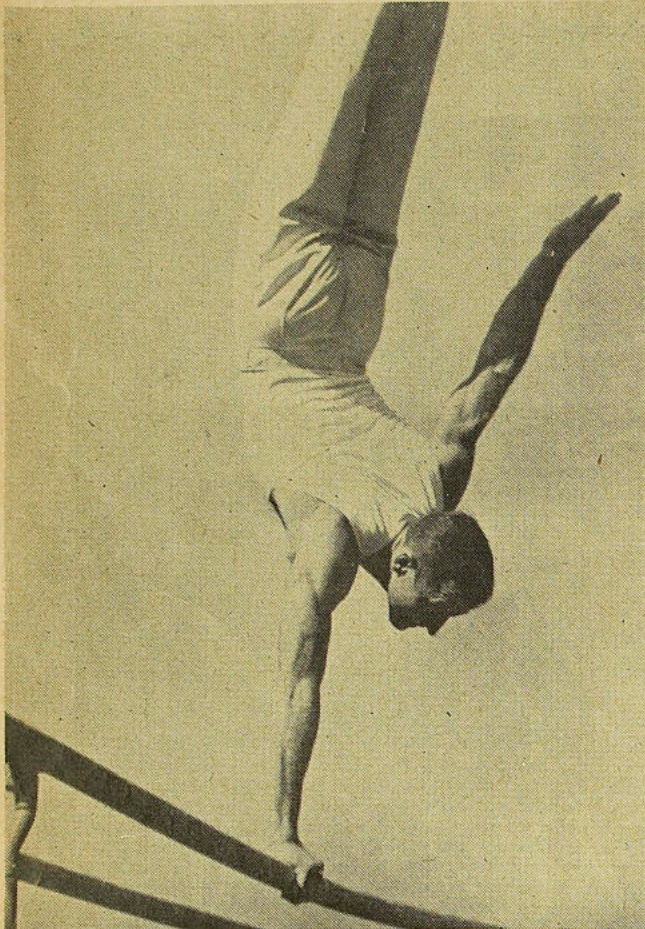
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OLYMPIC CHAMPION IN BIRMINGHAM



Joseph Stalder in action

GYMNASTICS MATCH—BIRMINGHAM ATHLETIC INSTITUTE v. T.U. LUUZERN

On Saturday, September 13, gymnastic enthusiasts from all parts of Britain converged on the British Athletic Institute in John Bright Street, for what was certainly the finest display of gymnastics seen in this country since the 1948 Olympic Games.

The occasion was a match between the gymnastic section of the B.A.I., augmented by the British Internationals, Gradley, Buffin and Sterling, and the Bürgerturnverein Luuzern. This latter is the top Swiss gym club and with four members in the Swiss Olympic team, has been called "The finest gymnastic club in the world."

Joseph Stalder, their team captain, was twice Olympic champion (1948 and 1952) and the world champion in 1950 and 1954. He, as might be expected, was the individual winner of the match, although the B.A.I. were never completely outclassed and on some occasions compared with the world class performers in the Swiss team.

Spectacular bar exercises

The most spectacular events were undoubtedly the parallel and high bar exercises, on which members of both teams gave some marvellous displays—however, in the hands of Stalder, even the pommel horse was a joy to watch.

This was a match that all the spectators who packed the gym will remember for a long time to come. It is to be hoped that the display will help to stimulate interest in this most exacting and spectacular sport.

EDITORIAL

We should like to remind all club secretaries that this page is primarily for University sport, and that any additional articles of wider appeal are subsidiary to the reports that you may send in. However much we may wish to publish your reports, this we cannot do unless the results of matches are forthcoming. Any reports must reach us before Sunday evening if your paper is to be up-to-date with one of the most important activities of the Guild.

If we are to see sport and not advertisements on the back page, secretaries, both of University clubs and of departmental societies, must report their matches; we cannot be expected to watch three or four games at once!

Close match at Northfield

On Saturday the University Club XV's played Birmingham. The first team match was hard fought on the Birmingham club's Northfield ground. The condition of the pitch was not conducive to an open game, being nearly completely waterlogged. This state of affairs obviously favoured the heavier team, and although admirably led by Alan Sloane, the University pack were hard put to hold the Birmingham side.

All the scoring took place in the second half, the Birmingham team taking the lead with a rather lucky scrambled try. They increased their lead shortly, however, with a magnificent penalty goal. The University now began to gain the upper hand and towards the finish J. Ransom reduced the arrears with a fine try.

In this match the University fielded practically the same side that had proved so successful the previous season, with the exception of two members of the forward division. These were J. Clements and V. Palmer, both Freshers, who will make a valuable contribution to the side. General impressions were that the University, although a potentially better side, lacked the match practice and fitness of their opponents, who have already had seven or eight games. Given this, the University should prove very formidable opposition to any team.

Both second and third teams won their matches fairly comfortably, the second XV 12-5, and the third 11-0.

SOME SPORTS EXTRAS

SEVERAL clubs have had practice matches over the past week. The Golf Club had a medal competition open to all members in which a few Freshers were brought to light. Prizes were presented by Frank Jowle, the Midland professional and by the club captain to the three leading players.

Amongst other clubs to hold practices were the Netball and Swimming teams.

WOMEN'S HOCKEY CLUB

For the opening match of the season, on October 11, the second eleven played an Old Halesonians team. Play was fairly even for a large part of the time, but towards the end of the first half the University made several attacks upon the Halesowen goal and were rewarded with a goal scored by Eileen Nicholas, who captained the side.

After half-time the University continued to attack their opponents' goal and attempted to score several times. However, mid-way through the second half a determined attack by the Halesowen forwards gained them an equalising goal. There was no further score and the match ended in a draw, 1-1.

Four Freshers were included in the team, and of these A. Leake played particularly well at centre-half.

Association Football Club

The Soccer team began their season with a 6-2 win over Worcester Training College. Two Freshers were included, L. Lake in goal and G. Williams at inside-right, both of whom played well. Conditions at Worcester were very heavy following pre-match showers and favoured fast, open football. Both teams played good football in the first ten minutes, then Birmingham took the lead when Williams scored with a well-placed shot. Two minutes later, centre-forward C. Openshaw made it 2-0 when he burst through on his own. Worcester were not discouraged and fought back well.

Within twenty minutes they had drawn level, both their goals following lax marking by the University defence.

Ten minutes before half-time, inside-left E. Davies scored a third for Birmingham. At the same time the Worcester left-back was injured and had to spend the rest of the game on the wing. This disorganised their team and in the second half Birmingham took a firm grip on the game. After sixty minutes, left-

winger L. Evans shot hard into the top of the net, and two minutes later the harassed Worcester defence conceded a penalty which was converted by right-back Jobes.

The University continued to do most of the pressing, and just before time Openshaw made it 6-2 when he headed in a cross by Archer.

Although the standard of opposition was not as strong as will be met during the season, the game gave the side an opportunity of playing together, and also of showing the forwards the way to goal.

Other football results, and there are quite a few, are as follows:

2nd XI v. Brookside Rovers: Lost 1-4.

3rd XI v. Worcester 2nd XI: Lost 1-3.

4th XI v. Hanley Grammar School: Drawn 3-3.

5th XI v. Hanley Grammar School 2nd XI: Won 6-0.

CROSS-COUNTRY TRIALS

The Freshers Trials took place last Saturday under muddy conditions. The results of the run were very encouraging and give hopes of a good season for the club. Of the Freshers, thirteen started the course, and after the first mile three of them, Mike Down, D. H. Davies, and Glyn Jones were well to the front amongst the older members of the club. The order changed little during the rest of the race, and the above three Freshers finished fairly close together in a good time, followed by the rest of the field. The course was considerably shorter than usual, about five and a half miles, and once newcomers get accustomed to University distances the club should be capable of giving strong opposition in both first and second team fixtures.

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ATHLETICS

On Wednesday the Athletics Club had a Jumps Competition. The high jump was won by the Freshers, Zimmerman, with a jump of 5ft. 5in., Ian Ward cleared 20ft. to win the long jump, Geoff Hutchins over 10ft. in the pole vault and the hop, step and jump went to Jim Murray, Dental, with a jump of over 40ft.

This internal Jumps Competition could be regarded as practise for next Wednesday when three man teams from "Bum" compete in the Jumps at Loughborough, in a meet of the "Kangaroo Club."

The Athletic Club will be running similar meetings throughout the winter and will include throwing and running events also. Starting on October 22, indoor meets will be held once a month at Cosford R.A.F. Station and it is expected that University athletes will be taking part.

RUGGER

Departmental sport recommenced last week, when the Medics were entertained to a rugby match by Bromsgrove 3rd team. This match was notable for the very bumpy pitch, of uncertain extent, which was ornamented by numerous excreta from its more normal inhabitants. However, despite these obstacles, the Medics scored a resounding win—29-5, though this was no doubt due in part to the absence of two members of the home team, ill with Asian flu!

Rugby at Chancellor's Hall

Kynoch nil

Chancellor's Hall 25pts.

In their first match this season, Chancellor's, with the foundation of a promising team, found little opposition to test their strength. After a brief foray into the visitors' half, Kynoch were pinned back into their own territory for most of the game, and rarely looked likely to break Chancellor's monopoly of the play. With the ball well supplied to them by the pack, the Hall threes made many openings which resulted in a 16 points lead at half-time.

The pattern of play was not disturbed by the half-time interval, and Chancellor's added three further tries. Of the Freshers in the Hall side, Keith Wilson was sound at full-back, though he had little luck with his kicks at goal and Ellis at fly-half rapidly found an understanding with his inside partner, proving an effective link. Hall points were scored by Field (three tries), Tilt (two tries), Steward and Belmont one try each—from these, Wilson made two conversions.

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