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Antarctic Survey apologises to British Road Services

LOST ROCKS FOUND EDINBURGE

Wrongly addressed at docks

THE rock specimens that were thought to have been lost by British Road Services have been found after six months of searching. They were discovered at the Edinburgh University Geological Department. The crates of rocks had

been wrongly addressed at Southampton docks.

They were part of a consignment which had been collected by the British Antarctic Survey, which is headed by Sir

Vivian Fuchs, and they were coming to Birmingham to be examined for a geological

Dr. Adie of the Geology Department, who is the chief geologist of the Antarctic Survey, said "It took six men six months to collect the specimens, and they are absolutely priceless." The work involved a dangerous trek and a lot of climbing.

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The specimens were guarded on their 10,000 mile journey from Antarctica to Southampton, where they were handed over to B.R.S. They should have arrived at Birmingham last April. Since then an intensive search has been carried out.

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Last month B.R.S. sent a circular to all British Universities, inquiring whether they had received the rocks by mistake. It was only then that the Edinburgh Department realised that they were in their possession.

Edinburgh thought that they were specimens forwarded by one of their staff in the Falkland Islands. As he was not due to return for some time, the specimens had been put in storage.

A week after the circular had been received, B.R.S. collected the crates together with £60 worth of

Exec asks for bike space

THE Executive have approached the University with regard to the present cycle accommodation provided. A number of complaints had been received from members of the Guild that the present design was liable to buckle cycle wheels.

The University have pointed out that incorporated in the design of the new University Ring Road are covered cycle racks situated by the Observatory.

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Priceless Samples

Cabled

A new survey, which had left to collect more samples from the Totton Mountains has been cabled so that they will not have to risk their lives gathering duplicate specimens of those recovered.

Dr. Adie, head of the Geology department, said vesterday that he was very pleased and relieved that the rocks had at last turned up.

"The delay in finding them was absolutely incredible," he said.
"They have been up in Edinburgh since April 28th yet they were only found last week. The rocks were seen every day up there, and no effort was made to find who they belonged to, The situation was just fantastic."

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fantastic."

Dr. Adie said that the university and BRS have spent hundreds of pounds tracing the rocks. "British Road Services have been very helpful indeed, and both Sir Vivian Fuchs and myself have apologised for any blame we originally attached to them."

Microscopes also lost

TWO Zeiss microscopes, worth £560, were lost last week. The microscopes, needed urgently for research work in the Department of Anatomy, left Paddington by passenger train last Wednesday, but were missing when the train arrived at Snow Hill Station.

They were found, six days later, in the Parcels Office at Birmingham, and were collected by the University.

A £3.000 Zeiss microscope, which had been missing for 20 days on a journey from Bishopsgate to Oxford University, was "found" last week by British Rallways.

SING US ANOTHER ONE

Members of the rugby team have been praised and called "real gentlemen" by the licen-see of a public house in Tam-



Photo ALAN COHEN Ahmed Qidwai, Guild Treasurer, reviews the past financial

PROFESSORS ASK FOR £800

A PAY claim for a 25 per cent increase for University lecturers and professors has been placed before the University Grants Committee. This would mean a £200 p.a. increase on the £900 starting rate for Assistant Lecturers and an extra £800 for the leading professors.

The Association of University Teachers feels that this rise would offset the present drift of top graduates to industry and overseas countries. If the number of University teachers is to increase in students the Association believe that University salaries must be made more attractive.

They are putting forward a scheme for a regular two-yearly review of salaries.

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The senior Treasurer, Professor Tonald Cousins, then addressed the pitifully small gathering. He gave a general background to the more important points.

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UNEVENTFUL AGM STARTS LATE

Audience pitifully small

BECAUSE of the lack of quorum at the Guild AGM last week, the meeting began fifteen minutes late. In order to get the required 75 members present, the Permanent Secre-

The star attraction is Humphrey Lyttelton, and he will be supported by a second band. The Jazz Hop last year was one of the best attended functions of the session.

Learning ousts culture

THERE is no place for academic snobbery in universities today," said Sir John Wolfenden in Birmingham last

week.

He was giving his presidential address to the 67th annual meeting of the Union of Educational Institutions. "The idea that Universities exist to produce cultured gentlemen is completely Victorian," he "The less though about alture and the more about learning, the better things will be"

LATE NEWS

THE Weightlifting Club, who have been organising the British Universities Olympic Weightlifting Championships for December 1st, have received a letter from BUSF stating that Loughborough are arranging the championship for December 8th,

SLUM SCHOOLS

"THE slum type of school buildings, which are at the moment a disgrace to the English educational system, will probably be still with us for another ten years or even longer," said Mr. Hornby, M.P., speaking to the Conservative

"Because of the increase in the population of school children, it is impossible, with the present system, to clear away such buildings at the same time as trying to cope with this rapidly increasing problem," he said.

Coupled with this shortage of buildings was, he said, perhaps, the more important problem of the shortage of teachers. In spite of the fact that the number of eachers had increased by 50,000 in the last few years, there was still an increasing shortage.

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WORKERS MUST HAVE

THREE scientists of Cambridge University have been awarded Nobel Prizes this

They are Dr. John Kendrew and Dr. Ferdinand Perutz. both Peterhouse Biochemists, who are jointly receiving the prize for Chemistry for their work in the Department of Molecular Biology. The third prizewinner is Dr. F. H. Crick, who is to share the prize for Medicine.

A NOVEL type of accommodation for students has been proposed by Southermeter.

A dents has been proposed by **Southampton** University in a motion to the approaching

NUS Conference.

They propose that "investigation should be made into the possibility of using old passenger ships as Halls of Residence in those towns which

STUDENTS of Southampton University are

to receive a series of lectures on sex and its aspects from a lecturer of their Health

Education Department

still an increasing shortage.

Mr. Hornby proceeded to illustrate one way in which this problem could be decreased. He suggested that a plan be adopted whereby those women who had taught for two or three years prior to getting married, might be re-attracted later on. Once their children had grown up and passed the supervisory stage, he said he could not see why they should not go back to the schools and teach again.

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TEN-DAY TALKING STINT

there is an immense search for style.' Richard Hoggart addresses the New

ompare the problems of Britain, given to the Social Study group on Tuesday.

He compared the superior amenities and shorter working hours of unskilled staff with the lesser facilities of skilled payroll workers with responsible jobs requiring years of experience.

He favoured the idea that workers are entitled to just as many privileges as the staff. Some firms are closing the gap by opening membership of company schemes to all grades of employees and allowing workers in the same restaurants as staff.

He emphasised that "the purpose of industry is to make a profit," and gave a general improvements in the same restaurants as staff.

Since the war, more technologists, have been recruited, but not enough people with commercial flair.

NOT THE ONLY ONES

ARECENT Government decision to spend £3 million on increased welfare facilities on cision to spend £3 million on increased welfare facilities on cision to spend £3 million on increased welfare facilities on cision to spend £3 million on increased welfare facilities on cision to spend £3 million on increased welfare facilities on cision to spend £3 million on increased welfare facilities on cision to spend £3 million on increased welfare facilities on considerable improvements in the Birmingham of the proving the search for style by a comparable on the countries as many privileges as the staff. Some firms are closing the gap by opening membership of comparable on the close of the proving that the variety and the quality of the man himself. Council. Following the proving the proving

"The controller of programmes has a certain responsibility to the minority groups—their opinions too must be made known."

the Cymdeithas Hywel Do last Friday.

He traced the stirrings Welsh national feeling back:

The lecturer will be frank, and it is hoped, by this series of lectures, to "provide valuable facts for those whose sex education has been overlooked in the past." Moral Rearmament Moral Rearmament Welsh national feeling back to Roman times, but it was only at the end of the last century that these feelings began to show themselves politically in the formation of a nationalis movement.

New Thinkers

increasingly classless, Mass media helps the searchers

"MODERN mass media is providing the markers and guides of present day society," said Professor Hoggart, talk-ing about "Aspects of Man's Communication" last Thursday.

In the past, people have always been restricted by class distinctions and habits, but in the present open society they were often faced with choices and decisions for which they were not prepared. There is a basic need to be surrounded by familiar guides and mass FEQUALITY

go back to the schools and teach again.

"It seems a waste to spend money on women in order to send them to training schools, when after only two or three years they leave teaching to get married," he said.

Mr. Hornby then proveded to compare the problems of Britain, given to the Social Study group on Tuesday,

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A NON-STOP, ten-day talking marathon is the aim of the Sidney Poppy Day Filibusters of Cambridge University.

Hoping to beat last year's seven-day stint, each member of the team is speaking for an hour at a time on a variety of subjects including such profound topics as "the psychology of rabbits." So far, the battle situation has been an improvement, with only one assault—by students of Leicester University—as opposed to three last year.

KING'S COLLEGE, Newcastle, which at present forms part of the University of Durham, hopes to become a university in its own right next year.

This will leave Durham University only one-third of its present size and one of the smallest independent universities in the country, with year leave to face are apathy and construction of a nationalist movement. The main aim of the Nationalist movement is self-government for wales. Mr. Evans said the main argument put forward against this movement.

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> The Birmingham University Students' Newspaper

A token of disinterest

THE Annual General Meeting of the Guild must be given more power. The meeting last week was little more than a token to satisfy the Constitutional requirements. The only really worthwhile item was the address by Professor Cousins.

The fact that the meeting started some fifteen minutes late because the required 75 people were not present—less than two per cent of the Guild—shows the lack of interest taken by most members.

If this meeting is to be anything other than a token to satisfy the Constitution, it will have to be given far more power in future.

Perhaps the most useful idea put forward so far is the suggestion that the proposed budget for the coming year be thrown open for discussion.

Whether it would be a practical proposition to allow decisions of the AGM to override those of Council is doubtful.

Admittedly this particular meeting was duller than usual, but we must hope that Council will consider amendments to the Constitution regarding the AGM before the memory has faded away.

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Lectures for the tew

T is a pity that while the University Open Lectures bring in capacity audiences Guild Open Lectures have a job to attract more than 50. Although the speakers are drawn from within University circles the topics are chosen to be of interest to all types of students; they are not just intended as an extension of Faculty Lectures. It was not intended, for instance that Professor Fern's lecture should be attended by Commerce students alone, although this was practi-

The reason for the low attendance is not obvious at first glance. Thursday lunchtime is not a very convenient time; Wednesdays might be more suitable. While big names no doubt attract large audiences it does not logically follow that people do not attend because the speakers are known only within their

However, unless the time or form of these lectures is altered, there will soon be no point in holding

from Birmingham as a whole rather than the University in particular. This would give the lectures much larger scope on non-academic topics.

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THE TRUTH **ABOUT** SPORT

SIR. — In your editorial column last week (7-11-62) you made reference to Ath-letic Union's budget to Guild for the current session. You implied that it was excessive and you were particularly critical of the Sailing, Rowing and Golf clubs, quoting figures in respect of these clubs which were misleading and even in-correct. Perhaps I may be allowed a few comments i

were misleading and even incorrect. Perhaps I may be allowed a few comments in reply.

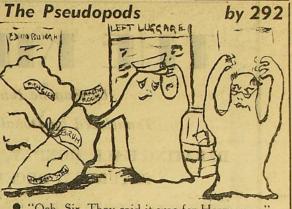
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Hon. Treasurer, Birmingham UAU

NO LOVE FOR CONTROL

SIR,-I was glad to see that

this Miss Petter realised the urgency of the problems of under-developed countries. She appears, however, to be com-pletely unaware of the time inter-val before a birth-control pro-gramme would have any noticeable



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Yours sincerely, THIEF.



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N the busy, colourful, often noisy and all dangerous-to-cross streets of Buenos Aires has to learn to park bumper to bumper. The su of this interesting method of dealing with the par problem depends on strongly reinforced car bun and everyone parking in neutral.

To get the car out, one pushes the whole parked column for-wards and backwards sufficiently to move out, and to present someone else with the equally difficult problem of getting in.

No other form of neutrality is normally encountered amongst the Argentinians, surprisingly good tempered when one considers the present situation of their country. Politically, economically, educationally and in many other ways, the Argentine presents at the moment so many confusing problems and paradoxes, which are as bewildering to a visitor from Britain as cricket must be to a gaucho.

Shortage

Peron, the remaining 300 generals still in "active" service, politicians, labour leaders, capitalists from inside and outside, various institutions and establishments are all held in turn and in varying degrees as responsible or irresponsible.

DEMOCRACY

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The Listener

The people of the Argentine have up to the present failed in establishing, cultivating, studying or defending such institutions. This is largely due to the military forces not only discouraging but also destroying such institutions, and worst of all making sure that the education of the country is not carried out in a spirit which would allow the growth of such institutions.

It has been recently announced

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1962 Reit Listener of as generals cannot agree all investment, and Britain was one of several countries who took an early part in the industrialisation of freedom, democracy that investment, and Britain was one of several countries who took an early part in the industrialisation of the Argentine railways are being run at a heavy these occasions. One eral peron, attempted to hetter understanding of human nature. Top dwinked

Changes in Familia. The fact that these railways were built by British engineers and financed by British investors many years ago, is used by many Argentinians today in order to blame Britain for the current economic plight of their railways. But very few, if any, seem to have bothered to read about the present economic difficulties of the railways in Britain, nor have many as yet heard of Dr. Beeching.

The problem of adapting themselves and their economy to the requirements of a modern and progressive society, appears to be one of the major tasks that the Argentinians have to solve.

It was Peron who started the economic rot by squandering freely the national economic reserves after the second world war. The succeeding Governments have done but little to correct the downward economic trend.

MANY Argentinians argue that their future lies in adequate industrialisation which has been sadly neglected in the past. But such industrialisation as has been achieved up to the present indi-

Neglected

on the outskirts of Buenos Aires; there are still, however. thousands who have to put up with corrugated steel huts, no bigger than a garden Photo ARTHUR BURGESS

• The busy front of Buenos Aires.

Photo ARTHUR BURGESS

Challenge

THE present situation in the Argentine is dangerous enough, but also challenging. The main danger lies at present in the economic field and the present government has at least an even chance of gradually building up a parliamentary democracy.



A RACE APART? by Bartender

WOULD you like to live on a tropical island, where money is obsolete, the rat race does not exist and where Brum fogs are unknown? If you are also an Idealist at heart and not just attracted by the

ist at heart and not just attracted by the thought of sun all the year round, there is a place for you in a new community.

A year ago, a London business man announced his intentions of starting a small self-supporting community on a tropical island and invited applications for places. Out of the thousands of escapists who replied, 22 have finally been chosen to start up this new form of society.

Their first problem will be getting there; scorning the original idea of travelling by regular steam ship line, they now hope to purchase their own vessel to transport the group and their belongings to the island. As the members of the group have only had experience of small craft in coastal waters, a qualified skipper will have to be added to the Idealists, at least for a short while.

Once on the island, the group will develop into a farming community—to supply their basic necessities. Only the organic method of farming



Films

IN A SOLITARY CELL

by John Sheppard

"BIRD MAN OF ALCA-TRAZ" (West End) is a deeply moving story about a man who has spent half a century in realises that the story is

Robert Stroud (Burt Lan-Robert Stroud (Burt Lancaster) is sent to prison for killing the man who beat uphis prostitute girl-friend. He also kills a guard for being instrumental in preventing him from seeing his mother. He is sentenced to death and is only saved by his mother's petition and a President's intervention. These facts are presented from Stroud's point of view and this subjectivity permeates the whole film.

petition and a President's intervention. These facts are presented from Stroud's point of view and this subjectivity permeates the whole film.

Stifling

The difficulty of showing the first ten years of his solitary confinement was not fully overcome by the technique employed. The crushing, stifling boredom and loneliness were only partly felt. But the tasteful absence of cloying sentiment gave one a sense of his utter hopelessness.

His interest in birds rekindles the flame of his fastdying spirit and gives him added strength to resist the cold, brutal, systematic revenge of society. A lonely woman traces the author of a series of articles on bird diseases to the state pen. She

champions the cause for his parole and for the retention of his ever-increasing aviary. In doing so she provokes the bitter jealousy of Stroud's mother, who wishes to remain his only contact with the outside world. One is now left wondering if, by her possessive attitude, she is the cause of Stroud's hitherto inexplicable criminality.

His artificial security was

His artificial security was His artificial security was shattered when he was moved to Alcatraz by its warden, an old enemy of Stroud's. The warden is in charge of a warm, clean, antiseptic prison. The degree of its progressiveness can be judged by the fact that Stroud's solitary confinement is now called segrefinement is now called segre-

Books THE CHALLENGE OF BECKETT by Stephen Leach

"MALONE DIES" is a novel for those who like their reading matter to be challenging and thought-provoking rather than entertaining or enjoyable. As an introduction to Samuel Beckett's personal vision of the purpose of life, or rather the lack of purpose in it, the book could hardly be bettered.

Beckett, as most people know, is the author of the play,
"Waiting for Godot," which caused great controversy when it

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 Burt Lancaster as Robert Stroud (centre) in "The Bird Man of Alcatraz."

WORDSTHAT SHOCK

by Alan Smith

intimacy.

Holst is sadly known only through "The Planets," yet works such as the present show his constant ability to maintain interest over a long span, by his personal use of rhythmic and harmonic resources: the forceful rhythms which press on almost to hysteria, and the 'gritty' harmonic

what you put in.

If the House, as he did, decried Commerce, they should soil their hands by trying to reform it and thus make this world a better place.

Andrew Allen, seconding the Proposition, declared that he had not come to debate the motion. Christmas used to be nice, he reminisced, but

DESPITE its rejection on the Continent, the oratorio form has never gone out of favour in this country. Elgar, Walton and Tippett have entered the field, whilst Holst's "Hymn of Jesus," though not an oratorio in the accepted sense, nevertheless must not be regarded as a different type of composition, as the difference is only in the approach.

As in "Belshaggar's Feast."

"Rigoletto"

as the difference is only in the approach.

As in "Belshazzar's Feast." there is no overture, formal aria or even Christian concept, yet despite the lack of these prevalent Handelian elements, its over-all structure is that of the oratorio.

The words, taken from the apocryphal gospels, even today shock many, especially those who are unwilling to conceive of a human, singing and dancing Christ, although they appealed to Holst's mystic imagination. The semipagan dance, which forms the centre of the work, is cast in a typically Holstian driving rhythm and harsh dissonances pierce the air, although there are moments of rest and intimacy.

Holst is sadly known only

Debate

BANTERING AND BARTERING

by Robin Kyd

THE debate that "this House would not soil its hands with Commerce" was short, poorly attended, but entertaining. It was not good debate, but came as a re-freshing change after the string of party political

speeches to which we have been subjected this term.

Terry Staples was not against a good peddle—a "banter and barter over a barrer"—but he did not like modern advertising. "If you want to sell something," he said, "you either use the Union notice board or make

was first produced in London. He is a poet and a philosopher, rather than a story-teller, and thus the form and content of "Malone Dies" is very different from that of the more con-

ventional novel.

The title sums up the plot of the book neatly. An old and degraded tramp, who is so weary of life that death cannot come too soon, lies on his death-bed. To alleviate the tedium, he tells himself stories.

Taken at face value, this story of an old man's last hours is intensely gripping, due to power and imagination of Beckett's writing. But not far below the surface, Beckett's own philosophy concerning the destiny of man may be unearthed, forcing the reader to examine his own ideas as to the meaning and purpose of life.

PECSIMIST

the meaning and purpose of life.

PESSIMIST

Beckett, is, in fact, an extreme pessimist who can see no purpose or meaning in life whatsoever. Life, to him, is a bitter joke, so bitter that laughter is impossible. In effect what he is saying is that since there will be no one to mourn for mankind once he has passed completely from the face of the earth, the life becomes insufferably pointless.

Whether or not one agrees with Beckett's viewpoint, "Malone Dies" is a stimulating, forcefully written book, which is well worth anyone's while reading, especially as it is the only novel of Beckett's at present available in cheap paper-

He then sold the House a do-it-yourself sleigh ride complete with fall-out shelter and a place in a steam-heated cemetery.

Harem Girls
BOAC (C for Commerce)

Mike Sylvester, in a speech that was "brief, easy and to the point," agreed that Commerce was a dirty business. He claimed that life is like a sewer—you only get out of it what you put in.

Harem Girls

BOAC (C for Commerce)
charge £70 more than NUS
for a single ticket to Turkey.
The extra cost was for increased comfort. For £70 Mr.
Staples wanted hot and cold
running harem girls.

Commerce, he alleged, abused
language. Washing was once
white, but now it is shining
white or whiter than white.

it is now too commercialised. Once upon a time it was the thought that counted, but to-day it costs £5 to have a good think.

Fifty years ago, before Com-merce, one could wander through sunny Brum and meet friendly folk, always willing to lend a hand.

willing to lend a hand.

Commerce meant money, Vivien Cowle told the House, while Mr. Sylvester imbibed from a hip flask. He went on to catalogue the various forms of strikes and protests by which the workers of his native Wales manage to extract the money from Commerce.

merce.

Alan Unterman, from the floor, said that if the House disapproved of Commerce, it should forsake all dealings with Commerce, give up toothpaste and go eat dry leaves. Besides, he reminded us, we had to do something for our living when we grow up.

He uvered everyone who was

He urged everyone who was opposed to Commerce to stand in the Refectory queue and when one's turn to be served came, walk away.

Marital

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During a floor speech from Valerie Tompkins some interesting marital relationships involving herself, Alan Unterman and Don Mears emerged. She said she was going to support the Proposer because he had the courage of his convictions.

Mr. Unterman proposed a motion that the original motion be amended to read "Bible" for "Commerce." This motion was soundly defeated. Commerce is here to stay, Mike Sylvester summed up, therefore we must do something about it.

Terry Staples, bemoaning the standard of debates this session, likened the debate to a floor-show and a conversation piece. There was only one argument against the case and one aphorism had emerged: "Commerce has become commercialised."

The Motion was defeated by 24 to 15 with 13 abstantions



<u>sports</u> comment

Your service

T was good to see so many people watching the Soccer

T was good to see so many people watching the Soccer Club's match against Loughborough last week, and it was a compliment to the standard of play that most of the spectators stayed until the final whistle.

Why so many people turned up was perhaps due to a combination of factors: the match was the only one taking place at Bournbrook last Wednesday (the Hockey Club's match was cancelled, and the Rugby Club's match—perhaps mercifully—was at Loughborough); then the soccer team has been playing well tately and Loughborough always provide attractive opposition; and lastly spectators were urged in this column to come and cheer.

whatever the reason, there is no doubt that most players like playing in front of a crowd prepared to shout encouragement or at least show passive interest. On the spectators' side, perliaps the biggest difficulty is knowing which team is playing where and when, and it is with this in view that the "Redbrick" sports page this week begins a new feature—the Spectators' Guide to Uriversity sport. Once this service is established and fixtures made public for the first time, the Clubs can justifiably hope for more spectators.

may well have gone the other way. Birmingham's mistakes were basic, but could so easily be corrected. The defence did minute, and the forwards did not link up with the rest of the team. In mitigation, it might be added that both the regular insides were missing, and because of a lack of adequate substitutes, no fewer than five men played out of their accustomed positions.

In the first half, the teams appeared well matched for speed and skill, and neither really looked like scoring until a penalty corner was awarded to Kidderminster in the 31st minute. The defence was slow following the ball out, and went 1-0 behind.

The home team seemed to gain confidence after the interval, and their stopping and passing improved considerably. A sudden change of direction after a spell of attacking on the right, found two Kidderminster forwards unmarked on the edge of the circle. The left inner meticulously placed the ball two feet wide of Ron Brooks.

A defensive mistake gave Kidderminster's centre - forward his second goal in the 60th

Soccer

sporting REDBRICK

EARLY GOALS SINK BRUM

Loughboro' made to fight

Loughborough Coll. 3, Birmingham U, 1

IN this excellent UAU match at Bournbrook last Wednes-day, the Soccer Club was defeated, but far from disgraced, by a strong Loughborough team that included several Amateur and Youth Internationals, and an inside-forward who has played for Blackburn Rovers' First Division side.

More aid for sport urges

Molyneux

Pools should be tapped for revenue

by REDBRICK reporter

AN appeal to the Government to aid the development of sport in this country by tapping existing revenue from the football pools, has been made by Mr. Molyneux, of the physical education department of the University.

In his pamphlet, publishtd last week, a demand for direct grants from the Exchequer, as suggested by the Wolfenden Committee, was made. This but the eventual reaction of the called for an annual outlay Government was to increase from the Government of at grants for this purpose only by £200,000, making the grand total of £670,000 for this year.

This report put forward two main aims. Firstly it wished to create a Sports Development Council, separate and apart from the Ministry of Education, which could assume a direct financial relationship with the governing bodies of sport. Secondly, it recommended that £5 million annually be distributed in each by ally be distributed in cash by the Council, and that an extra £5 million be added above the existing capital expenditure.

These findings, with very few exceptions, were warmly received

MR. NORMAN DENNIS, lec-

their parish.

In his report, Mr. Dennis says that so far the survey shows that the vicar is thought "too religious and too efficient," by the congregation.

Vicar "too

religious"

Unlike Britain, there is a widespread use in Western Europe of
revenue from football pools under
some form of central government
to assist sport, and such a regular source of income has enabled
other countries to develop a sound
and strong sports administration.

Mr. Molyneux, in the pamphlet,
disagrees with the Wolfenden
Committee's rejection of suggestions that development of sport
be financed either by direct subsidy from private football pools
companies or by earmarking some
of the revenue which comes to
the Government from the "pools."

He points out that Britain is
one of three countries which have
no similar control over the football pools' profits, and adds that
eventually it may well be that
some scheme of this sort will have
to be adopted.

Compares

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turer in Sociology at this University, has recently given 11 parishioners of St. Paul's, West Smethwick some ground-work on how to work out the relationship between the con-gregation and the vicar in their parish. The big report.

In the pamphlet he goes on to compare the different countries of Western Europe with regard to their attitude towards sport.

In Sweden, a state system of football pools was created in 1934. The Swedish Government laid down that half of the betting income was to be distributed as winnings and that no more than 22.5 per cent be used for the support of sport.

In Germany, a more complicated system was set up, but which had the same effect as in Austria, Sweden, Italy and other countries, in that in 1955 it gave to various sporting bodies the great total of 24 million.

Centres

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He points out how multi-purpose centres and facilities ranging from athletic tracks and swimming pools to mountain huts and ski jumps, from sports halls and tennis courts to boathouses and changing accommodation in general, can be created.

In conclusion, he says that it is to be hoped that as far as direct aid is concerned, the Government will act quickly on a scale commensurate with that suggested by the Wolfenden Committee and mainly from Exchequer grants. But, he points out, scarcely without exception, large-scale financial assistance to sport in Europe has originated from state-controlled football pools.

Photo ANDREW HORNIG

To say that Britain is below the standards of other countries with regard to education, is not strictly Richard Hornby talks to the Conservatives: full report, page two.

ATTEMPT TO MAKE NUS POLITICS-CONSCIOUS

November Council motion

AT last week's Council meeting, a number of amendments to motions proposed for the NUS November Council were considered. The Council is to take place at Margate, on November 23rd-26th. The main discussion looks like being on Clause two-the

College have proposed a mo-tion asking for the NUS Executive to organise a political symposium.

Damaging

The opponents of this idea feel that if NUS takes a politi-cal line, or even if it just be-comes associated with one, it will lose most of its influence with the Government and uni-

"I think that such a move by NUS, even if it is not supposed

The main discussion looks like being on Clause two—the section of the constitution which prevents NUS discussing political matters. Birkbeck to express an official view, will have a damaging effect on its powers," one councillor remarked: "The same thing happened in 1940 when an NUS symposium condemned the war."

The remainder of the motions deal mainly with student welfare. Reading University have tabled a motion considering the £100 limit on a student's earnings before his parents lose their tax allowance. Another asks the Executive to investigate the possibility of establishing a comparison between European degrees and grant systems in view of the recent EEC developments. Several deplore Professor A. D. C. Peterson's scheme for student loans.

Inevitably, a few amusing amendments have been tabled to relieve the delegates. One amends the motion that "... car-parking facilities be provided for students" to "... car-parking, stabling and grazing facilities be provided ...")

HOVERCRAFT PLANS FOR CARNIVAL

VARIOUS fortnightly events are planned for Spring Term to stimulate interest in Carnival. Carnival Day will still be on 22nd June.

Plans include a hitch-hike rally—on the lines of a cycle rally; a peculiar rubbish and objects treasure hunt, and a Corporation Transport Treasure Hunt similar to the motorised Treasure Hunt las

year.

To provide the main Carnival stunt it is hoped to construct a hovercraft. The idea of the projec was originated by two Chemics Engineers—Mike McGrath and Bol Boffin, who hope to begin soon of the actual construction. It has been suggested that a trip be made from London to Birmingham of the Grand Union Canal.

Preparations

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All these plans are, of course still in their first stages, and further ideas will be welcomed Trog Girdlestone, chairman of the Carnival Committee, said. "Carnival does not just exist for a week in June. Preparations take sever months at least. Now is the time to think about plans and representatives, not next summer."

Anybody interested in the Carnival proceedings should write to Mr. Girdlestone via the pigeon holes. Societies are also asked to notify the Carnival Committee of their representatives by November 23rd.

President for sale

RODNEY KLEVAN, the Pre-sident of the Guild, is to be auctioned on Monday afternoon in the debating hall.

The auction will mark the beginning of International Students' week which is being held in the University from the 19th-25th November.

Every day there are event to collect money to give help to students in the under-developed countries of the

developed countries of the world.

On Wednesday there is a boring match in the debating hall a 1.15 and an international party is the Founders' Room in the evening. On Thursday there is to be a debate and on Friday a schoom race in the afternoon followed by a Dutch Auction in the evening when gifts from local firms and shops will be for sale.

The week is being held under the slogan "FOR BETTER FOR WUS." Miss Pat Sweeting, the local WUS secretary said that many students in the world through no fault of their own an hindered in their work. "It is these people that WUS seeks is help, whether by giving scholarships to African medics who have been deprived of assistance by the aparteid policy or in supplying medical and printing equipmed to many parts of the world."

Sweden top for IAESTE

SWEDEN was the most popular country for students working abroad under the IAESTE scheme last year. The scheme is designed to enable science students to gain technical experience abroad during their vacations.

The report of IEASTE (International Association for the Exchange of Students for Technical Experience) showed that last year some 839 British students used the scheme, many from this university.

Of these, 204 British students went to Sweden, and another 103 went to Germany. The Netherlands took 76 and Example 60.

Of those going across the Atlantic, 57 went to Canada and

14 to the United States.

Sweden was also notable in that she took 496 more students than she sent abroad herself. Germany was the most distinguished country in this respect, taking a surplus of 830

Britain took only 16 more than she sent abroad.

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tion. The vicar, Rev. W. J. P. Boyd is prepared to accept some but not all of the criticisms, and has said that the survey has given everyone something to think about. SMALL ADS

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FRENCH EVENING, Thursday, 15th November, 7.30, Lesser Hall. Combined Subjects Society. Come and enjoy a Continental holiday in the Union!

TONIGHT: CHEMISTRY SOCIETY DANCE. Dancing 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Two bars with extensions. Admission 4/-. (Ladies 2/6). Debating Hall.

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