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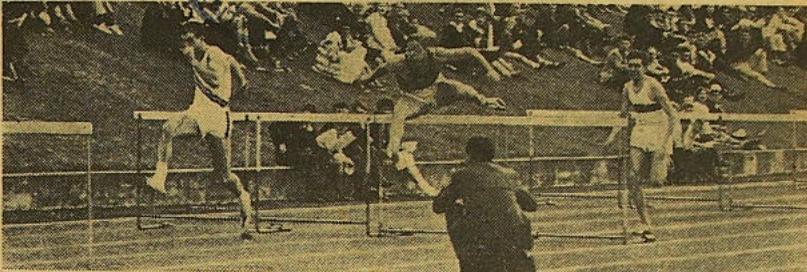
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Is the AU racing to
financial disaster?



SPORTSMEN FACE A MONEY CRISIS

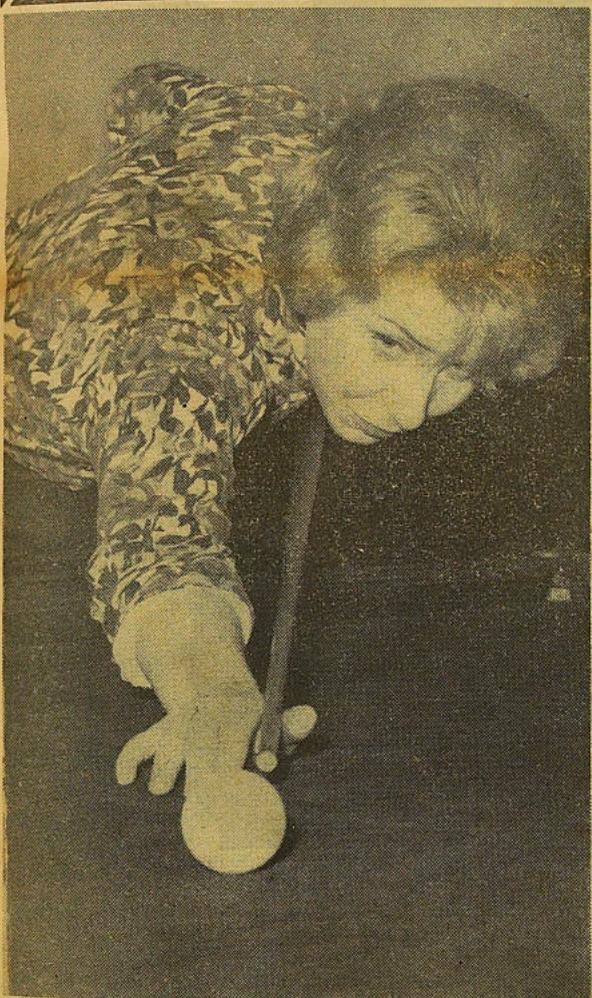


Photo: Arthur Burgess

• Seen at one of the Union snooker tables—
someone who is definitely not entering the
REDBRICK Snooker Competition.

Oh! Where have all the ladies gone?

YES, girls are eligible too!
But Ray Cochrane, organ-
iser of the Redbrick Snooker
Competition, is disappointed
that no women have entered
this year. "This makes two
years running," he said. "It's a
pity that no women have en-
tered—you often see them
playing in the snooker room."

Entries closed last week, and a
total of 65 have been received. "I'm

very pleased with the response,"
said Ray. "All the best players in
the university have entered, and
the winner is going to have a
tough fight."

Top people in the Union are
taking part this year. Among
these are Andy Barrow (Editor
of Wall, and ex-News Editor of
REDBRICK) and Roger Griffiths,

"University should pay £500 to BUSF"

ATHLETIC Union's financial troubles boiled up again last
week as their grant from the Guild was in effect cut by
£200.

This year, for the first time, the Guild, and not the Univer-
sity is paying the £500 affiliation fee to the British Universities
Sports Federation. Because of this, their grant increase for
the coming year—from £5,500 to £5,800—is actually a major
cut in the societies' available cash. The £500 now has to come
out of the grant—the main reason why Athletic Union
asked for £6,280, which was refused by Finance Committee.

"It's going to be pretty tight,"
said UAU Secretary Brian
White. "We've got an accumu-
lated reserve of £400 which
will probably carry us through
this year, but the year after
that will be very difficult in-
deed unless we have our grant
increased."

When the university first
joined BUSF—an organisation
for the promotion and staging
of representative and inter-
national university sport—two
years ago, the university
agreed to pay the fees for the
first two years, after which
the Union would take them
over.

"Nobody knows why the Guild
agreed to pay," said Mr. White.
"This makes us the only univer-
sity in the country in which the
Guild pays the fees. BUSF was
started by a committee of Vice-
Chancellors, and the constitution
states that the fees should be paid
by the university authorities."

"I think the university ought to
pay in future years, because it is
essential that Athletics Union
remain in the organisation."

"Representations are going to be
made to the university in the near
future," said Union treasurer Ken
Overshott.

There is a possibility of Ath-

letics Union having to leave
BUSF if more money is not forth-
coming; the reserve of £400 from
last year was largely the result
of last year's exceptionally bad
winter which resulted in many
matches being cancelled. Given
an average winter this year their
grant is very unlikely to be suffi-
cient.

VANISHING REDBRICKS

Of the 150 copies of RED-
BRICK left in the foyer of the
Medical School last
week, 30—TWENTY PER
CENT—were not paid for.

"Money for only 120 was
left in the collecting box—
though it is possible that the
money was stolen in a lump
sum," says Med School sales-
man Michael Radcliffe.

MECH. ENG. SLASH THE THROW-OUT RATE

"Down to 2 per cent now"

THE Mechanical Engineering Department has successfully
reduced its wastage rate in the last two years from 15 per
cent to two per cent.

The staff attribute this success
to the system of "quizzes" intro-
duced in 1961. Each week the stu-
dents are given a certain time to
do questions on any one of their
subjects.

Said Mr. Paul Allen, "We don't
expect them to swot for the
quizzes. If they have been working
well they should be able to do the
questions."

After the size of the syllabus was
increased in 1959, wastage shot
up to an alarming rate, so the
quizzes were introduced.

"The quizzes give the students a
guide as to how well they are work-
ing and understanding the lec-
tures. They met with some oppo-
sition at first, but later students
realised that they were a good
idea."

UNIVERSITY
FLATS, WITH
ALL MOD. CONS.
OPEN SOON

GARAGES TOO

AT long last the University
is opening up flatlets for
postgraduate students, Bob
Bootle, the Guild Secretary,
announced at the Council
Meeting last Tuesday.

The first of them for men,
women and married couples, is
at 9 Pritchatts Road and can
accommodate 24 persons.

All rooms are fully furnished,
varying in price from 65/- for the
single study bedroom, to 45/- per
person for the doubles. Extras in-
clude fully-equipped kitchens,
baths, showers, washing machines,
drying and ironing equipment and
central heating.

Garages are available at five
shillings per week. Applicants for
the double rooms, who must both
be full time at the University,
should apply together.

WANTED: SINGERS FOR OPERA

GTG are having casting troubles
over their Spring Opera pro-
duction, work on which is to start
in a fortnight. Auditions are to be
held next Wednesday, November
20th.

Musical director Roger Golder
said this week: "One of the
main difficulties we're having is
the small number of people put-
ting themselves forward for parts,
both in the cast and the chorus."

"Many people may be shy of
offering to take part in it be-
cause they haven't got lusty
operatic voices and extensive
musical knowledge."



For the first time in years the AGM of the Guild last Tuesday gained a quorum in under four minutes. After this record-breaking start, the meeting also took the prize for brevity, for the agony of pecuniary statistics was spread over a mere 17 minutes flat.

18-year reign ends NO REGRETS AT CRITICISM SAYS MR. HORDERN

HIGH STANDARDS THE AIM

"It has been my policy to encourage, not impose." This was how Mr. P. C. Hordern summed up his 18 years as Warden of Chancellor's Hall. Mr. Hordern, who is leaving the hall at Christmas became warden in 1945 and since then has seen many changes, including the addition of a library of 2,000 books and the provision of a rugger pitch, besides more normal post-war changes and developments.

His main aim has been to integrate people of widely different backgrounds and ages into one collegiate society. He has succeeded in bringing the the senior and junior common rooms to accept one another on equal terms and refuses to distinguish between them as "staff and students."

He makes no excuse for the fact that at times his administration has aroused criticism. "I am aware," he said, "of Gresham's Law" and endeavour to set high standards that are sometimes difficult to achieve for fear that we may become just ordinary. Perhaps this is our conservatism, but senior men when saying good-bye on occasion professed themselves grateful for this approach.

"I am disappointed over my failure to produce an intellectually live society with a number of poetry, dramatic and musical groups, or to have overcome the five-day-student-week approach. Only the house-hall choir and the rugger side meet regularly over weekends. But perhaps this is because our men play a disproportionate part in guild activities. We have provided four Guild Presidents within the last 18 years."

Keith Surtees, President of the junior common room, said: "We hope that the departure of Mr. Hordern will not spoil the unique atmosphere that has prevailed in the hall during his years of office."

"Briefly—bad money drives out good. AREN'T WE GOOD!"

"GUILD GAZETTE," Liverpool University's newspaper, give themselves a hearty pat on the back this week. In an editorial appealing for more sales-staff they call themselves "a fine newspaper," and state that "the first two issues of this session have been exceptionally well produced and well written."

Four-fifths* of top administrators OF PUBLIC SERVICES take THE TIMES

SO WHAT?

* The exact figure is 85%. We are aware that this is a little more than four-fifths please do not write to point this out. Do write, however, if you would be interested in an account of the research which produced these and many other revealing figures. Who are Top People? What do they think on the important issues of the day? Write to THE TIMES (Department SP), Printing House Square, London EC4.



Members of Executive trying to look interested.

BARBER GOES ALL FRENCH

THE new pictures acquired by the Barber Institute are by two artists, Bonnard and Vuillard.

"Femme se coiffant" by Vuillard shows a woman seated before a mirror, the torso and face twisted away from us to give the unusual effect of showing the face only in reflection. There is prominent patterning on the woman's dress and the carpet, and the vivid dots of white are reminiscent of Pissarro.

The painting, "Lecons" by Pierre Bonnard, consists of a group of figures seated around a table, the scene being partially lit by a lamp in the centre; the emphasis is rather on the effects of lighting, and night upon colour, than on delineation of minor features.

Familiar objects such as the cuckoo-clock on the wall, the dominating adult figure, and the warm red of the door which seems to shut in the scene, combine to give an atmosphere of intimacy and seclusion. FRANCES MOORE



Bonnard's "Lecons," one of the Barber Institute's new acquisitions.

COMPOSER LIKES AUDIENCE Britten and Pears in brilliant form

LAST Wednesday at the Barber Institute, Peter Pears and Benjamin Britten (pictured right) gave a performance of Schubert's "Winterreise" to which criticism is, quite frankly, superfluous. One can hardly quarrel with so moving and deeply convincing an interpretation of this "bunch of terrifying songs," as Schubert himself describes them, since any slight personal disagreement was more than outweighed by a wealth of loving detail, where every note had its significance.

Mr. Britten's accompaniment was eloquent commentary on the expressive singing of Mr. Pears, and the voice and piano incredibly well co-ordinated. I like the intensity of this performance, and the moment of revelation, such as the sudden diminuendo to pianissimo (which I believe is not marked in the original) for the last verse of Gute Nacht.



which threw such light on the music.

Mr. Britten commented on how pleasant it was to play to so pleasant and appreciative an audience. The sincerity of these distinguished musicians towards their music was made evident by Mr. Pears' remark in reference to the "Winterreise": "How lucky we are to have music like that to perform."

DINAH LEVINE

Vital opera

THE Opera for All company's production of the comic opera "The Secret Marriage" was performed instead of the usual Open Lecture on Tuesday. Though working on relatively slight material, the company's vital interpretation made an interesting and delightful performance. writes Frances Moore. The Opera for All company tours the country visiting places where there is normally little opportunity to see live opera.

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Now booking for "TOAD OF TOAD HALL" (December 18th for a season). Box office open 10 a.m. - 8 p.m. MIDLAND 2471.

REDBRICK comment

The Birmingham University Newspaper

Sense and nonsense on lodgings

ALTHOUGH it is good news that the University is to open flats for graduates it is sad to see that the Vice-Chancellor does not see any prospect of the same facilities for undergraduates. Sensible reasons for this dislike of flats are hard to find. In an age when people are getting married and bringing up children at 17 and 18 it is really too much to expect for a student who is supposed to have at least a modicum of intelligence to look after himself? If he can't by that time his future prospects look pretty grim and it would be better for him to learn the hard way than not to learn at all. Students over 21 should be able to live where they like and, within the law, how they like. They are legally adults and it's about time the University authorities treated them as such.

Get in there!

Last year's Freshers' elections were a fiasco. In six constituencies only one candidate stood and in seven nobody stood at all! Make no mistake about it, council runs the Union and when its numbers are depleted because of sheer apathy it makes the job more difficult. Nominations have to be in on Monday for this year's elections. Make sure you have someone standing in your constituency to represent you. If there is no one you could always stand yourself.

Editor - - - - - Chris Buckland
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the university,
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SELLY Oak 1841

personal column

TODAY—5.30 in Council Chamber. Dr. Fage, Director of Centre of West African Studies, talks to ORD—African History, a question of perspectives.

DANCE—Thursday, November 14th, Lapworth Geological Society... with The Crusaders—Founders, 7.30 to 11.30—Bar Extension, 2/6d.

GREECE, 1964. Middle August—September, £20 return fare (nothing cheaper). Cheap fares from Athens to Israel—Apply A. E. Hornig.

THE AUTHORITY on Archaeology and the Horse. T. E. Powell, Author and Archaeologist. Archaeology Society, Tues. Nov. 19th, 7.30 p.m.

REGINALD PAGET, O.C., M.P., addresses Socialist Union on "Britain and the Bomb" in Committee Room 3, at 5.15 p.m., Friday, November 15th.

A BAND for your social? Further details contact J. Penn via Union Pigeon Holes or phone EDG 2456.

ATTENTION all social secretaries. Fred Newey and his radio/TV dance orchestra (4-11 p.m.) available from November 1st, 1963 for one-night dates including Fridays and Saturdays, New Year's Eve—178 Kineton Green Road, Olton, Solihull, Warwickshire. Telephone Acocks Green 4882.

ORD PRESENTS Dr. Fage, Director of Centre of West African Studies, today in Council Chamber at 5.30 p.m. Lecture will be "African History, a question of perspectives."

GET your tickets now for the match of the century. All Stars vs The World XI CRB testimonial match, Wembley Stadium, January 23rd. Tickets from 4 gns. from any All-Star player. Don't miss the soccer match of the century. Referee R. M. Griffiths.

INTERNATIONAL Student Week—18th-23rd November, in aid of World University Service.

UNSA and ORD, Wed. 13th Nov., Council Chamber. Dr. Fage will be speaking on "African History—a question of perspectives."

HELP South African Students to study with your donations during International Student Week (18th-23rd November).

PRESS POST

CLASSICS' STRONG PROTEST

SIR.—This is a protest which you are advised to publish. With regard to the article published in your last edition concerning certain developments in the Department of Classics, we as members of the said Department, would hereby like to raise the following objections:

(1) You stated that the protest was organised by the Classical Circle. This is not so. The protest was organised by a minor element of the Department with no connection with the Circle whatsoever.

(2) Your headline mentioned a "boycott of lectures." Such was never contemplated by the undersigned.

(3) You implied that Professor Dudley was the Professor of Classics. This is not so. The Professorship is a dual post held by Professor Dudley and Professor Thomson.

Unanimous

(4) You stated that the protest was unanimously agreed upon by the final year students. This is not so. At least three (i.e. one-third) were strongly opposed from the start. On this point you quoted some statistics, 22 out of 28 members voted for a protest, you said. This was correct, but we would like to say that half of these were first-year students, who are not yet qualified to pass judgment on the quality of lectures.

(5) We would like to censure you for printing a story which you had not bothered to check. By doing so, you printed what was virtually a libellous article, which as it happens, has proved detrimental to both the Latin department in general and to Professor Dudley and his staff in particular.

Yours etc.,
ANTHONY R. BIRTH,
DAVID SMITH,
STUART JAMES.

A number of points arising from this letter need clearing up. We admit we were inaccurate in implying that Professor Dudley was sole Professor of Classics, and would like to apologise to him for any embarrassment caused him on this account. Otherwise, Messrs. Birth, Smith and James appear to be

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"It's nothing like the marches WE used to have."

TIME TO GET RID OF THE RESIDENT HOP BAND?

SIR.—I call not upon yourself but upon members to demand a fitting end to the resident hop band. Many are the execrations cried upon those balding pates, and yet Ent's Com. remains apparently unaware—it is time they were blasted into awareness!

labouring under several misapprehensions. Their first point can be answered by the fact that officials of the Classics Circle signed the petition.

Also, is it not a little presumptuous to suggest first-year students are not allowed to have their own opinions? As for the checking, though we admit we did not consult Mr. Birth's particular faction, the story was double checked.

Finally, have the three gentlemen any idea of what the law of libel is about?

ENTS. COM. UNDER FIRE AGAIN

SIR.—As the wife of a student who is studying without a grant, I find it rather difficult to justify our spending 6/- and 9/- for hops and jazz hops when they are as inadequately provided with good bands.

If not, what are they doing with the profits they surely must make, profits which in any case should be ploughed back into the hops ensuring that the ticket money is used for the reason it was obtained?

Are the entertainments committee intent on making a profit during this first term in order to provide "super-hops" during the rest of the year? If so, perhaps one may excuse the lapses of any fit music for dancing for at least one half hour in each of the rooms used.

At present we are definitely not getting value for money, a point on which even compulsive hop goers agree.

Yours etc.,
JANET L. TURNER.

Even though some members are cynical about the NEED for musicianship at a "cattle auction" it is surely even more alarming to the matrons of this city that appearances of dancing are maintained in token only.

If there is a demand for exciting latin rhythms, then there is a call for excited Latin's. If there is a demand for "MUSIC" to dance, then there is an urgent need for musicianship and imagination not to mention talent.

While second bands are on the whole tolerable, the "main attraction" delivers a beat so dubious and a derangement so pathetic, that experiment has proved it possible to "shake" to a so-called waltz with no more discomfiture.

Yours faithfully,
IAN A. AMER.

AGM WAS A COMPLETE FARCE

SIR.—The AGM last week was a farce. Anyone who thinks otherwise is either wantonly apathetic or complacently satisfied with the working of the Guild. Of course an organisation is only as good as its members; if a mere dribble of semi-curious onlookers bother to turn up, the fireworks will never go off.

But the blame is not entirely on the non-office-holding members. The meeting was inadequately advertised beforehand, and in the Hall itself the executive showed no willingness to promote discussion or argument; if the AGM is for them just a boring formality, members cannot be expected to be forthcoming with ideas.

Yours etc.,
I. G. BING.



'WE'LL BE HEARING A LOT MORE ABOUT ANTI-APARTHEID

says Pres.

THE anti-apartheid march from Hyde Park to Trafalgar Square last Sunday week was supported by about 8,000 people from all walks of life.

"We will be hearing a great deal more about anti-apartheid in the near future," commented President John Paling, when questioned about his participation as representative of the Guild.

"I was especially impressed by the enthusiasm of the participants," he said. "They showed great determination to achieve success by non - eccentric means."

The march, organised by the Anti - Apartheid Movement, finished outside Africa House and was intended to show sympathy towards those oppressed by racial discrimination in South Africa.

Thirty or forty M.P.s joined the marchers, who included representatives of the churches, universities and youth movements.



Photo: Melvin Pett

HE THREW HIS MONEY IN THE FER

A STUDENT who gambled away all his grant money playing chemin de fer only a few days after entering Nottingham Technical College.

The student, whose name has been kept secret in his own interests, confessed to the principal that he had lost it at a club near the college.

The owner of the club, Mr. Bernard Smith, said: "We get a lot of people in here and we don't ask them what they do for a living."

There is a delightfully fresh new look to Stanley's of Colmore Row, sparkling with white paint and packed with new ideas. This small lively store concentrates on fast and compact service making it the ideal rendezvous for career girls who have to shop in their lunch hour.

Young fashion-conscious customers will find coats, suits, dresses, casual wear, exciting and individual accessories, and a perfumery with a Charles of the Ritz beauty bar. A Kayser Shop presents their famous lingerie and foundations in a serve-yourself way and each week the hosiery department features a snip 'buy' in stockings.

Example:

Fanfare sheer, seamfree, micromesh perfect nylons at 2/9 pair.

Tights in s-t-r-e-t-c-h nylon crepe. Black, beige, red or bottle green. Perfects, 12/11 pr.

STANLEY'S THE LITTLE STORE FILLED WITH FASHION



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Over £200 worth of damage

WRECKERS RUN RIOT

Cars and dumpers get ransacked

by REDBRICK reporter

OVER £200 worth of damage was caused during a recent night of vandalism on the campus.

One car was run into a tree, its radiator damaged and its ignition lead removed. A Draitwich dumper used in the construction of the new ring road outside the Union was pushed down the road on to the rugby pitch, severely twisting the frame and breaking the stump axle, and causing over £30 worth of damage.

The worst incident of the night was a particularly savage attack on an Austin Seven car belonging to a Commerce student. Having left his car securely locked for the weekend, he returned on Monday to find it wrecked and ransacked on the plinth of King George's statue in front of the Barber Institute.

Crashed

It had been crashed into a tree damaging its radiator. Electric leads and ignition lines were cut, the battery, his books and papers had been stolen. He estimated the damage at £80.

All three of these vehicles had been moved from the East Car-park and the same night the large OTC wagon near the engineering blocks had its petrol stolen. All these incidents took place after the police went off duty in the evening.

There also appears to be no-body guarding the building sites after the workmen leave.

City police have been called in to investigate these attacks which the Superintendent of Works and Buildings, Mr. Bampton, believes are all done by one group of hooligans from outside the University and not the work of students.

"A LONGER YEAR BUT SHORTER HOURS" VC talks to Redbrick

THE University is unlikely to be organising any undergraduate flatlets.

Questioned on aspects of the Robbins Report the Vice-Chancellor said that no decision on this had been reached. However, some graduates would be catered for. The authorities were contemplating the development of a graduates' Hall behind the present graduate flats in Pritchatts Road.

On the proposal for ten-month grants Sir Robert pointed out that any decision would come from outside the University. But he said "I am personally in favour of lengthening the terms and making the academic year 35-40 weeks long, but at the same time not increasing the teaching hours. Students could then do all their work at the University and have all their vacations free."

When asked about student wastage, Sir Robert was emphatic that Birmingham did not have a fixed throw-out rate. But he did say that "in calculating numbers we do take into account experience of losses. As regards entry in general, Robbins puts forward both views of entry procedure. You either widen entry and lose students at the end of the first year, or you keep selection tight and try to see everybody through."



Jacquetta Hawkes, next Tuesday's Open Lecturer. Miss Hawkes, prominent archaeologist, member of CND, and J. B. Priestley's wife, will lecture on "Archaeology in the USSR."

MORE PRESS POST

THE WILL OF THE MAJORITY

SIR—We consider that last week's letter by D. C. Henken and others displays those very anti-democratic tendencies that it purports to denounce.

The charge that an "irresponsible minority" is using the SGM to impose their views upon the Guild has been laid. An SGM cannot, by definition, be an imposition on the Guild. Members who disagree with the motion have merely to attend and vote against it.

Yours faithfully, M. J. BROUGH, D. JORDAN, K. F. PATTEN, A. THRELFALL.

... IS A LOT OF CANT

SIR—You had, last week, a group of correspondents telling us some awful cant about democracy. One got the impression they were chanting a political slogan. "The Will of the Majority is binding. We are the Will of the Majority." Why should they take such a smug jackboot attitude and assume

that the rabble-roused Majority is right?

This would be a tyranny of the Majority, a complete subjection of the will of the minority to the inchoate animal roar of the majority.

Let us all chant together with your anti - South - African - food - stuff - correspondents, "MIGHT IS RIGHT!" The Minority is wrong because they are outnumbered!

Yours in appoplexy, JOHN GRAY.

TREAT RAG WITH RESPECT, PLEASE

SIR—The place of Carnival in this Guild needs, I feel, some slight re-adjustment. There is an unfortunate tendency in both Union and University circles to regard Carnival as little more than a necessary inconvenience. No other University relegates this major event to the state of impotence and unimportance that it reaches here.

Within the Union, Carnival is second to none in terms of charitable organisation and of student participation, yet it is hardly recognised. The Chairman, rather condescendingly one feels, is allowed to sit with Guild Council while the representatives of other major Union ac-

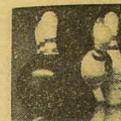
tivities are elected on to the Executive.

Carnival Week is an integral part of the Union Calendar, elsewhere it is the major event. Yet here it is shut up in its cocoon and allowed only a brief awakening before being killed for another year. It is too easy to paint Carnival activities in "six foot high letters of mud," it is also too easy to forget the good it does—last year £5,000 was collected for charity.

This lack of support has enabled the University to relegate Carnival to its present position. In the past few years we have seen Carnival moved from October to June and reduced from two weeks to one. A little more apathy on all sides will see Carnival cease for good — which from certain points of view will, I suppose, be quite welcome, Birmingham, with a very active Union and a large area to cover, has at present one of the poorest Carnivals financially in the country. This can only be remedied by full support, or positive criticism on all sides.

If apathy continues throughout the year from both officials and students the success of Carnival can only be impaired. Union and University officials should come down from their ivory towers and consider a practical solution to the very unsatisfactory position of Carnival week in Birmingham. Yours faithfully, DAVID CARTER.

The ten-pin craze is sweeping the country, not just as a hula-hoop type gimmick, but is becoming a fixture in the British way of life. Mark Burke looks at the new sport



WHERE GRANNIES & TOTS KNOCK 'EM FLYING

"BOWLING? . . . it's a sport, a community recreation."

Bob Richardson, assistant manager of the Top Rank Bowl, Hagley Road, said this with pride. This pastime has risen rapidly from the humble basis of skittles and is now big business. It cater for all the family, all hours of the day.

This particular Centre — "never call them bowling alleys!" — is sumptuously well-equipped. Apart from the 32 bowling lanes themselves, stretching almost the length of the ground floor, there is a coffee and snack bar, with upstairs a club which can be joined for the reasonable yearly sum of 5/-.

The well-lit, busy, social atmosphere of the place achieves what churches, railway stations always aspire to, but never are. You can drink, play, eat, and all be pals together; what more can anybody want?

For daytime trade — the housewives — "we get stacks of them" — leave their children in charge of a trained nurse in a play area provided by the Centre, and bowl away those extra ounces.

Bowling is not only enjoyable, it keeps you in trim as well; while between the telly and the bowling lanes, your kiddies are assured of healthy growth.

Age is no limit; Top Rank organises Children's Leagues, "women of fifty get on these lanes and bowl!" It is also a sport that is remarkably easy to pick up. It is in fact the ideal, for both the participants and the commercial organisations that make their happiness possible.

Pleasure

What about you, the potential player? You can bowl simply for pleasure, or competitively, in a league. Many people tend to join or form a league. It is more exciting, and cheaper. Half-hour occasional games cost 3/6—three hours league play costs only 10/6.

At the ABC Cine-Bowl—which runs reduced day-time rates for students — assistant manager Norrie Boyle told me that the Centre was most popular with couples in their 20's, who find it a good night out. "They make it a regular part of their life, instead of the dance hall. We can generally tell when someone will come in," he said.

The Strichley Centre is a 22-lane bowl, on two floors of 14 lanes each. It too has a Members' Bar and a Snack Bar, though not, as yet, a nursery. It has been open only six months. A recent idea has been the formation of a Midnight League.



The idea being that the pleasure-loving Brummies, chucked out of the Locarno at twelve, will rush demented to the bowling lanes and play till well into the morning. La Dolce Vita a l'Anglais—and it seems to work.

Trouble-making elements avoid the Centre all the same. They are "out of their depth" so players, officials, and surrounding neighbourhood are all content. It's a decent place to take a young lady—if you can find one at two in the morning.

Pretty Iris Ogden, who's been "in the game" nine months, said: "Why did I start playing? Don't know really; it was a new sport looked interesting." She plays regularly now, two or three times a week, and would definitely recommend it for all university students.



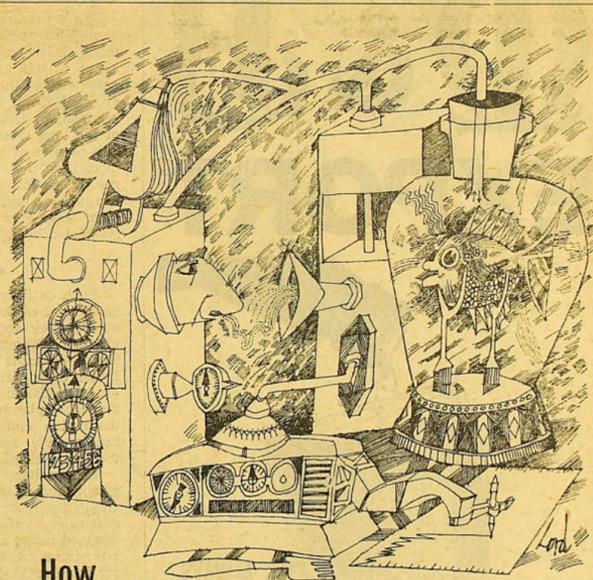
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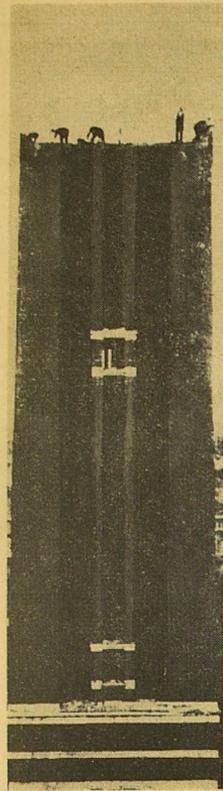
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But what of the past?

1909 ... THE BORNS TAKE OVER EGGBEALDSARM

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ALTHOUGH the "new look" is stamped upon our University site today one should not forget that our buildings have been raised on historic ground. Even before the Romans had set a great fort on the dry, gravel capped ridge near where the Medical School now stands, Celtic farmers had no doubt made scattered clearings in the dense oakwood and fashioned the first small fields. Water for their livestock was near at hand in the rivulet feeding south into the maze course of what we now call the Bourn Brook.

During the Roman invasion, troops advanced across the forested heart of the Birmingham plateau to occupy Metchley Ridge about 48 AD. Here, two rectangular forts, one within the other, were successively established but neither appears to have been occupied by troops for very long. The larger of the two, which was apparently the older, was capable of housing a force of about 1,500 men. It is the reconstructed north-west corner of this fort and part of its ditch that one can see on the western side of Metchley Park Road across from the end wall of the Medical School.

Activity

Such activity must have given rise to a great deal of forest clearing in the vicinity of Metchley and along the ribbons of road, creating favourable conditions for Anglo-Saxon colonists after Roman control finally broke down around 400 AD. The evidence of Anglo-Saxon occupation is clearly seen in our local place-names, many of which have distinctive endings in-ton ("farmstead" or "enclosure") and in-ley and -field (both meaning "clearing").

Birmingham appears first to have been established at this time, possibly by a small tribal group of Angles who set up a semi-defensive village with the homesteads grouped round a central open space or green, later to be known as the "Bull Ring." Metchley is an Anglo-Saxon name meaning "Large clearing," and may record the extent to which deforestation had proceeded in the vicinity during Roman and later times.

Edgbaston

EDGBASTON appears to have sprung from a small farmstead cluster founded by an Anglo-Saxon named Eggbeald, whose settlement slowly grew into a hamlet on the hill where our parish church now stands. Norton (later to be known as King's Norton) slowly developed from another farmstead cluster ("the north farm") into a green village with the small clearing of Moseley nearby.

The Roman camp that became one of the first Redbrick Universities

Northfield and Selly (the addition of Old much later) also began as small clearing settlements, while Weoley ("the clearing of the") is one of several local names recording the relatively late survival of paganism among the Saxons of Birmingham.

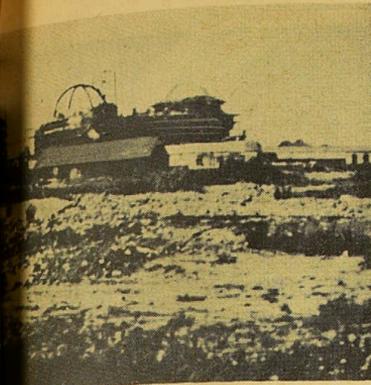
Settlement

But with the introduction of Christian churches and chapels arose in the principal settlements, and the pattern of parishes shows an interesting relationship to physical features and to county boundaries on other parts of the city. Today we may tend to think of Birmingham as long dominating such places as Aston, King's Norton, Northfield or Edgbaston, forgetting that area that it covered remained quite small until late as 1838, when it first became a corporation.

Similarly, we may also assume that the urban mass of Birmingham with its approach has always formed part of Warwickshire, from about the early tenth century until as late as 1911 the Bourn Brook was a boundary between land of three counties at least.

In so short an article one must pass rapidly over the slow centuries of farming that for long set a rural stamp on the fields of the University site. A map of the manor of Edgbaston for 1701 provides the first detailed picture of the area. Prominent features were a large park at Metchley, Edgbaston Pool which powered a mill, and a narrow winding lane (now Edgbaston Park Road) leading to a farmstead on the corner of Somerset Road.

When Sir Josiah Mason founded Mason Science College in 1870 and opened its Edmund Street building in 1880, hedged fields still occupied the land around the Metchley camp. Some gravel working was in process where the Barber Institute now stands, while a rifle range 890 yards long covered the flat land bordering the Bristol Road and the Bourn Brook. By 1898 Mason's founda-



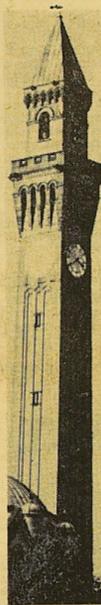
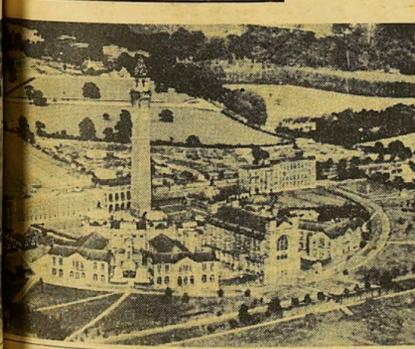
had been raised to the rank of a University and two years later to full University status with Joseph Chamberlain as the first Chancellor.

Privileged

Every wise decision was now taken to establish a semi-circular, red brick block of new science buildings and a Great Hall at Edgbaston on 25 acres of freehold open land donated by Lord Calverley with a further grant of 20 acres for recreational purposes a few years later. The fields that were destined to become our campus bore very ordinary names—Cross Moor was the cricket pitch now stands, Cross Hill, Hill and Park Leasow. So the "citadel" on its top overlooking the flat-floored valley of the Bourn Brook began to take shape, the opening ceremony being performed by King Edward VII on July 1909.

The impressive tower, 325 feet high and modelled on the Campanile at Siena, was erected as a tribute to the first Chancellor who rightly maintained that a University should command broad areas of knowledge and make its influence felt in wide areas. Numerous grants of land since 1928 have provided space for further expansion northward from the old core, though extension to the north-west was restricted by the opening of the Queen Elizabeth Hospital in 1938.

By Dr. Harry Thorpe



• Joe today, and an aerial view of the campus in 1929.

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REVIEWS

Films

A GOOD HOLIDAY

Anthony Williams

IT is doubtful whether "CINERAMA HOLIDAY" (Gaumont-Cinerama for a season, Technicolor) will be "the most wonderful holiday you will ever have," but all the same, it is a pretty good one.

Certainly you could never see so much all in one go, for, in following an American couple on holiday in Europe and a Swiss couple on holiday in America, you see some of the most famous places in these two continents (Las Vegas, Paris and so on).

The trouble is that one sees these places in a series of mostly completely disconnected scenes. These are nearly always short—often tantalisingly and annoyingly so, with the result that the overall effect is of sometimes very witty and superficial. I had the feeling that I could probably have seen most of the places far better in a more conventional film, but whether I could stomach so much all in one go in that form is another matter.

However, it must be remembered that this is a very early Cinerama film, made at a stage when experiment and exploitation of the medium were the prime factors. The film was made as pure entertainment, and, to be fair, one must ultimately

judge it on this level: judged thus it succeeds very well, particularly on the more gimmicky episodes (e.g. a bob-sled ride and a trip on a fighter jet) which are likely to leave only the most hardened cynic (literally) unmoved.

Films

BILLY LIAR — FANTASY AND FUN

Anthony Williams

"BILLY LIAR" (ABC's New Street and Coleshill Street, 'Scope, director, John Schlesinger) is the story of a coward—but a coward that lurks to some extent in a great many people.

The Billy Liar of this story is a clerk in a north country town, lazy, irresponsible but with a vivid imagination. He always means to do great things, to get himself out of his drab existence, to make a fresh start, but he never faces up to it. Instead he uses his

imagination to retreat into an imaginary world, a republic called Ambrosia where he enacts a series of heroic characters for whom war provides the grounds for noble deeds.

This much is common to most people, but Billy's trouble is that his fantasy world and his real world become one and the same. He weaves around himself a web of lies that finally threaten to try him.

A chance to escape comes in the form of Liz, a girl with a wanderlust who understands Billy's world, and sees in him a

genuine creative talent if only it can be developed. The question is, can he break away?

The first part of the film, in which we discover Billy and his world is extremely funny, but then the film turns serious (and at times at trifle flat) as we follow Billy into his personal crisis. The difficulty here is evaluating the different factors which make him decide as he does; we particularly wonder how much he was influenced by a prevailing family crisis.

Generally, though, a good film with good performances from Tom Courtenay as Billy, Julie Christie as Liz and Wilfred Pickles as Billy's father.



Photo: Warner Bros.

● Tom Courtenay as Billy Fisher, the day-dreaming North Country clerk, and Julie Christie as Liz, one of the few people who understands his dream world, in a scene from "Billy Liar." Julie Christie is currently appearing live at the Birmingham Repertory Theatre.



● One of the skiers in the winter holiday sequence of "Cinerama Holiday" when the three-eyed camera visits St. Moritz and Davos.

Theatre

EVIL RICHARD IS TOO NICE

Chris Webb

IAN HOLM'S Richard III at the Royal Shakespeare Theatre, Stratford, is distinguished from the other characters in the play only by his audacity and cynical humour. He is an arch-dissembler rather than an arch-villain.

● Ian Holm as Richard, watched by Edward IV (Roy Dotrice) seated on the throne.

We feel that sense of identification with Richard which is inevitable in the play, but instead of feeling reluctance to follow his progress to the Crown, and horror at his methods, we gladly attach ourselves to the amuses, and despite the club-foot and hunch-back, rather handsome rascal that Ian Holm portrays.

The play is the last of the trilogy which also contains "Henry VI" and "Edward IV." Seen from this politico-historical angle, the defeat of Richard should be the culmination of God's process begun by the death of Richard III. This, I think is how Peter Hall saw the play; as a resolution of, and an atone-

ment for, the wars and slaughter portrayed in the first two plays of the trilogy.

However there is a tension, a sense of incongruity, between this interpretation of the play and Ian Holm's portrayal of the King.

We can never really appreciate that this amusing, immensely clever man can embody such super-human evil. We feel that Richard is a puppet, manipulated because of dramatic necessity into a situation whereby he must purge England. When Buckingham refers to "That High All-Seer" one wonders whether he was referring to God or Peter Hall.

Books

SIMENON'S STUDY OF A MIND

Robin Kyd

GEORGES SIMENON'S reputation in this country has been greatly boosted by the television Maigret series. Maigret is a familiar figure, but Simenon and much of his other work are relatively unknown.

"Sunday" (Penguin 2.6. Available at Hudson's) is a precise study of a criminal mind. However it is not that of a professional criminal for Simenon believes that truest drama comes from placing the central character into a situation where he turns to crime only as a way out to his problems.

In this novel the weak character of Emile cannot overcome the frustrated inertia of the position in which he finds

himself through the inability to control his relationship with his wife.

Simenon develops the relationships built round a marriage of convenience. Emile patiently and carefully plans to poison his wife as resentment of her domination builds up and gives him justification for his diabolical plot. The book runs meticulously to a climax which is one stage beyond the reader's expectations.

There is only one real character in the book Emile. The others are described only as his mind sees them—his wife who he feels has bought him, the wild maid whom he seduces, the customers at his inn and his acquaintances in the nearby Riviera town. But since this is the study of one mind on the verge of insanity other characters would be superfluous.



Books

THE STRUGGLE WITH THE OUTSIDER

Tim Austin

IN "New English Dramatists, Vol. 7" (published by Penguin Books at 3/6) the central conflict involved in each play — Wesker's "Chips with Everything," David Rudkin's "Afore Night Come" and Giles Cooper's "Everything in the Garden" — is between Man as the social conformist, living his everyday life in unthinking complacency,

and Man as the outsider, the disrupting element in a materialist and animal world.

Wesker as the didactic social reformer reveals a complete mastery of theatrical technique in "Chips", but his central attack on the idea of class stratification occasionally becomes obscured behind a haze of superfluous detail.

David Rudkin also appears to lose his way somewhat in his progress from naturalism to

fantasy, but "Afore Night Come" is intensely dramatic in its crescendo of mounting fear. The fundamental themes are terror of the unknown and the animal cruelty lurking just below the surface of social man.

Giles Cooper's play, on the other hand, is heavy-handed and unimaginative. Everybody knows that the middle-classes are ridiculous, but why Mr. Cooper has to weave a fable of a London suburban vice-racket to prove his point is best known to himself.

NUS talk about sex money & vacations

Suicide Debate

The 'clinical young man' wins the day

"Leave the suicide to it"

THE National Union of Students Council meeting, to be held in Margate this week, has produced the usual motions dealing with grants, sex and administration.

Leeds University is urging the Minister of Education to raise grants by one-third and issue regulations for the payment of grants in four equal instalments, with the fourth instalment coming at the beginning of the long vac. There are also several motions, including an amendment by Birmingham, asking Council to raise the standard of post-graduates grants.

The angle of sex is introduced by a motion proposed by St. Cuthberts Society, Durham, calling for the end to the construction of un-sexual colleges. Leeds, however, typically calls for the development of sex education in secondary schools, especially in the field of contraceptives. There are objections to this on the agenda, on religious grounds.



NEW COMPUTER DOES 100,000 SUMS A SEC.

BIRMINGHAM now has the second most powerful university computer in Britain.

This is the new English Electric Leo KDF9 which has been installed below the Great Hall since last June.

The computer's capabilities — it can do 100,000 sums every second — "have not yet been fully explored," said Mr. K. Redish,

head of the computer department.

"Two-thirds of our work comes from the Depts. of Physics and Mathematical Physics but the most interesting work is trying to develop something analogous to the intuition of the computer."

"We would like to work along the lines of the Glasgow theologians who investigated the authorship of St. Paul's Epistles, but there is little response from the Depts. concerned."

BEHIND THE TIMES

WHEN Assistant Permanent secretary Frank Jewes went to the Arts Block Foyer to put up notices concerning this year's AGM, it was found that the notices from the corresponding meeting last year were still on the notice-board.

THE debate on Thursday, "This house would let a man take his own life," was disappointing, although it was pleasing to see Miss Tompkins in the chair and Mr. Allan, Chairman of the Society proposing the motion.

This he did by refuting the statements "life is worth living," "life is not one's own," "suicide is a way out," and "normal people do not commit suicide" with passionate performance.

Mr. Gretton, a Birmingham Samaritan, wished there had been a tape-recorder. "The proposer's speech was clinical material of the highest value — The argument of a young man." He said that suicide was not typical of the young. "Nobody loves a fairy when he's 40," said Mr. Gretton as he classed poor ageing homosexuals with other potential suicides groups.

Mrs. Bernard Beatty foresaw the theological argument of the Opposition and told a parable where a man, seeking happy release, was constantly bothered by a samaritan. A humanist helped him to achieve his end.

One hundred and seventeen voted for the motion, 71 against with 57 abstentions. It was a debate that had possibilities—they did not materialise.



Photos: Peter Bond.

● Andy Allan, the proposer and (above left) the opposers, Mr. Gretton and Helen Holmes.

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BADMINTON CLUB WIN THE BIG UAU GAME

THE Badminton club took a big step towards winning the Midland area section of the UAU competition when they defeated Loughborough by 7 games to 2.

Although both Birmingham's first and second pairs were trailing in their respective opening games, good recoveries enabling apparently insecure positions to be transformed into victory. From then on the Birmingham team never relaxed its grip on the match.

Donnachie and Ting were in excellent form and won all three games as did Voice and Spencer. Voice being deadly at the net. The two defeats were suffered by Walker and Follet who deteriorated after a good opening win. This was exploited by Loughborough to the full but by this time the result was beyond doubt.

For the seconds White and Burton won all three, while Thompson and Cochrane, and Rosevere and Boulton dropped one game each.



I BEG YOUR HUMBLE PARDON BUT I HAVE MY JOB TO DO

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Soccer Club nearly make it NEW DEFENCE PLAN ALMOST PAYS OFF FOR BRUM



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SPOILING TACTICS

Spot the ball.

Determined VX fail in mud



Loughboro. Coll. 8, Birmingham U. 3.

A DETERMINED 1st XV clashed against a brighter Loughborough team on Wednesday and in overcoming the obstacle of quick thinking from the opposition half-backs, used the wet conditions and greasy ball in deliberately spoiling tactics.

Brophy, the Loughborough stand-off, opened the play constantly with kicks to the wing as well as passes along the line, but the covering of the Birmingham pack and their hard tackling, quickly stifled any danger.

Jenkins, changing his tactics from touchline kicking to breaks through the middle, tried to force a score in the second half. However, a controlled Loughborough loose maul, forced the ball over for a converted try. Piling up the points, they added a penalty midway through the second half.

Just as it seemed that all was settled, Birmingham suddenly broke down the line and a penalty was given away which Jenkins successfully kicked.

Saturday's game seemed a re-creation against the Loughborough match and was dull and scrappy by comparison. Birmingham won narrowly by nine points to six. Jenkins scored all the University's points with three penalties.

THE attention of all members of the Guild is drawn to the offer of a concession of a 10 per cent reduction on all sporting equipment by Sports Games and Pastimes Ltd. Application forms may be obtained from the N.U.S. or A.U. Offices.

GOLF

AFTER THE FEAST—THE RECKONING

AFTER an unbeaten run of five matches the Golf Team finally lost—twice in four days.

On Wednesday, in the first home match of the season, against Liverpool University, the team lost 4 to 3. Fog made play almost impossible, visibility being down to about 150 yards. In this "blind" golf match the local knowledge of the Birmingham team was not quite a match for the strong Liverpool side, but Reynolds and Showan did manage to win.

KARTERS ROLL ON

THE Go Kart Club is hoping to build up a team for Inter-University competition. It has held meetings at Solihull on the last two Sundays and despite various accidents and injuries, enthusiasm remains high.

Loughborough Coll. 1, Birmingham University 0.

by REDBRICK reporter

ON recent performances, the University could not have been expected to hold a strong Colleges side, but with a new defensive system in operation the side probably turned in its best performance of the season, only going down to a 75-minute penalty by Redhead.

Wright was switched to centre-half and Johnson returning from injury was at left-half. Mitchell and Rosser switched positions of the left wing and Jones returned at inside-right.

Persistent drizzle made the lush turf very greasy on top and a fast game was the order of the day. Right from the start Birmingham's quick tackling and harassing game upset the Colleges, whose game deteriorated as they found they had not got their customary dominance.

Although Colleges had slightly more of the play, two good chances went to Birmingham, but on both occasions Rosser failed to connect properly with Mitchell centres. Most Loughborough attacks ended with shots from difficult positions as Woods dealt competently with those which were on target.

A goal-less first half was a fair reflection of play, and it seemed that the first goal might well decide the match. Jones nearly got it for Birmingham when the goalkeeper just managed to dive at his feet getting injured in the process.

Imminent

A goal-less draw looked imminent when a corner from the right-wing was headed down and goalwards. Only a hastily flung-out hand from left-back Allen prevented a goal and Redhead scored easily from the penalty. An equaliser nearly came in the last few minutes when a Mitchell volley was deflected and the goalkeeper just managed to divert the ball for a corner.

Loughborough probably just deserved to win, but Birmingham had proved to be tough opposition. The defence emerged with great credit, especially Woods and Johnson, who thwarted many promising Loughborough moves. This sort of play, allied to the new-found fighting spirit must surely bring victories over weaker opposition.

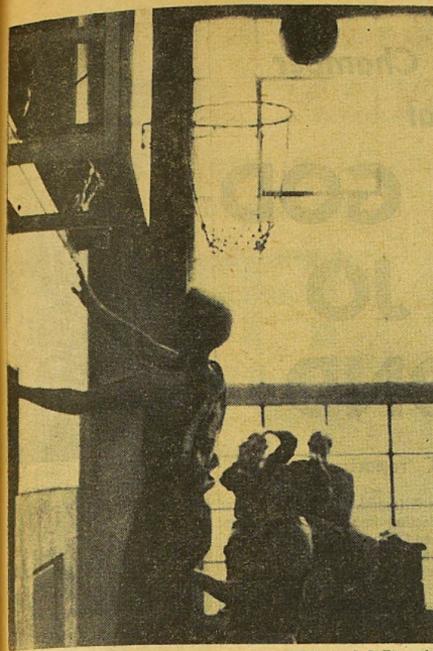


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A near miss in Wednesday's basketball match against Cardiff.

BUMS TRIUMPH

LAST Wednesday saw the first week of the University of Birmingham Ten-pin Bowling league at the ABC Cinema, Stirchley. The "Mojos" were the only team out of fourteen to take all four points. They were playing the "Rolling Pins."

The highest scratch series was bowled by the "BUMS," who rolled a 1,212 pins against the "Tri-ards." The highest individual series, a 604 pins, was bowled by B. L. Smith. This included the two top games, a 218 and 206 pins.

Get 'em played!

JUST another reminder—get your games for the first leg of the REDBRICK Snooker Competition over by Saturday, 23rd November. Games not played by this date will be null and void.

SPORT IN BRIEF

LADIES' HOCKEY

TEAMS from seven Southern Universities competed in this year's WIVAB rally here on Saturday. Birmingham had a goalless draw in their first match, against Swansea, due to wasted opportunities in the circle, but easily beat Aberystwyth through goals by C. Saunders and A. Millaney.

Although on top against Southampton, Birmingham again failed to score and the match was drawn. Swansea won their section and snatched victory from Bristol by one penalty corner.

FENCING

BIRMINGHAM University Fencing Club won their first UAU fixture against Keele University on the 18th October, by 18 bouts to 9, but were unfortunate to lose their potentially closest match against Loughborough College on 6th November, by 15 bouts to 12.

MEN'S SQUASH

THE Men's Squash Team, in the first of their UAU matches, beat Loughborough 5-0. Newell was first to play—and having broken a racket in the first game, soon recovered to win 3-1. Phipps at number 1, against weak opposition, won convincingly 3-0. Slater at number 4, and Scarborough number 5 both played well and won 3-0. Varley, playing the most entertaining game against skilful opposition, did well to win 3-1.

The second team, with only four players, drew 2-2.

SAILING

AT Manchester on Saturday the sailing team lost to the home side but beat Edinburgh University in a close match, the result of which depended on a protest. Conditions were ideal for sailing, there being no wind. The team is hoping to avenge its first defeat this term in a later match with Manchester University.

BAD LUCK FOR HOCKEY CLUB

ALMOST, BUT NOT QUITE

Loughborough 1, Birmingham 1

THE University came within three minutes of an unexpected and exciting victory in this hard, close-fought game. Nevertheless, there is no disgrace for the University in the highly creditable result. The team showed great spirit and sense of purpose.

It really seemed that the incredible would happen and they would defeat the giant of Midland Area University sport. But all such dreams were shattered when, with barely three minutes' playing time remaining, the Loughborough right-back cracked in a tremendous shot from a long corner.

DAI DAVIES BREAKS THE COURSE RECORD

DAI DAVIES broke the course record last Saturday in winning the home fixture against Tipton Harriers and Halesowen, with a time of 29 minutes 4 seconds over the muddy 5 1/2-mile course.

Although John Wrighton put in his customary excellent performance, the University could only finish 4th behind both Tipton teams and Halesowen.

Shots from Long, Lineham and Margrett were unlucky not to find the back of the net. In defence, Badwal had a particularly good game, and Brooks, in goal, made some fine saves. The play moved continually from one end of the field to the other, both sides producing good hockey.

The early part of the second-half followed much the same pattern but when, after fifteen minutes, Long snapped up a half-chance in excellent style, Loughborough dug their heels in. For the rest of the game, they were on the offensive, the University's attacks being reduced to breakaway attempts.

For a long time, it seemed that the University would hold its advantage for a remarkable win. Then came the Loughborough goal and a frantic last few minutes.

Kidderminster

The University extended their unbeaten run on Saturday by an effective 1-0 victory over Kidderminster. Although the game was played in fog, the team combined well. Ake and Badwal, who has been selected for the Southern Universities, were the great strength of the defence.

In attack Margrett, in the unaccustomed position of centre-forward, had a good game and was unlucky not to score from three hard hit shots.

It was left to Lineham to scramble home a goal following a long corner just before half-time.

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Interdepartmental soccer secretary Brian Williams.

INTER-DEPT SPORTS FLOURISH

THE range of activities this year is wider and, thanks to the reasonable weather, all sports are flourishing," according to Brian Williams, the Inter-Departmental Soccer Secretary, and under the stimulus of the various league competitions they should continue to do so.

Basketball is the hardest-contested. At the top of the first league, Geography, Maths, and Staff all have 10 points, while Arabs and Chemistry are a game in hand with nine points.

Competition is less felt in Soccer, where the Engineers dominate the Wednesday League with Chem. Eng. leading, and in the Other Day League game.

Manor lead the 'A' Badminton but are menaced by Chem. Eng. and Maths. Metallurgy lead the 'B' league with Law and Mining close at hand.

Sciences also dominate the Table-Tennis with only four points separating Physics, Maths, Civ. Eng. and Medics.

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FIRST-EVER WIN

A REMARKABLE performance by the men's swimming team last Saturday at Harborne gained them their first ever victory over the present BUSF and UAU Champions, Manchester, by 37 points to 25.

The Ladies' team was unable to cope with a vastly stronger Manchester side and lost 27-40. Blewett in the breast-stroke was our sole winner.

The water polo team struggled valiantly to recover some of the prestige lost at Loughborough, but after holding Manchester for most of the game they tired badly and went down 4-8.

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350 pack Council Chamber to hear top Liberal

HOME IS TRIBAL GOD SAYS JO GRIMOND

by REDBRICK reporter



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• Jo Grimond speaks to a packed Council Chamber.

ABOUT 350 people heard Mr. Jo Grimond, the leader of the Liberal Party, express satisfaction last Friday over the Liberal performance in the Luton and Kinross by-elections. He was especially pleased with the latter, where Mr. Millar, he said, "Did very well to come second to Sir Alec."

"Nevertheless," he continued, "we face a long struggle before the general election, without much access to television and the press."

Mr. Grimond could not resist a dig at the Prime Minister and his party, but the audience did not seem to mind. "Have you noticed," he twinkled, "now that Home has evolved, he has become a god—like in all primitive tribes?"

The Liberal leader thought there was nothing very new in the Robbins report, but it was at least "generating a certain amount of interest in education."

"Science however," he observed with cynicism, "is at the moment an extremely fashionable word among politicians—we have just discovered it!" Setting up a Ministry under Lord Hailsham was not enough. "A knowledge of the scientific method should be injected right through the governmental process."

Mr. Grimond thought that the nation's political institutions were badly in need of reform.

"The British Civil Service is superb, but at what?" he asked. "Pointing out the difficulties in doing anything." And the House of Commons "could do nothing; only stop things getting done." But it was good, Jo thought, at "persecuting Henry Brooke."

Moving to foreign affairs, Mr. Grimond declared that "The self-sufficient, sovereign nation state is

out of date. Sooner or later the British people are bound to wake up to the fact that they are Europeans."

Someone tell them, please

CIRCULARS to the heads of the Guild societies sent out recently from General Office have included several to the Rt. Hon. Henri Spaak, Honorary President of the European Society, informing him that notices for the Union boards should be no bigger than 15 by 10 inches. They have not yet been collected from the pigeon holes.

£500 prize for students

"WE certainly hope this will be an added incentive to our students," said Professor Spencer of the new English prize. "Most students reading English would consider £10 worth of books something worth winning."

The prize, in memory of Emeritus Professor A. M. D. Hughes, head of the English department, 1935-39, will be given for work showing "critical ability, wide reading and scholarship." Professor Hughes was 90 last week.

Top people for wastage study

THE student wastage committee announced in last week's REDBRICK has started work. Financed by the UGC, the committee will comprise a statistician, an

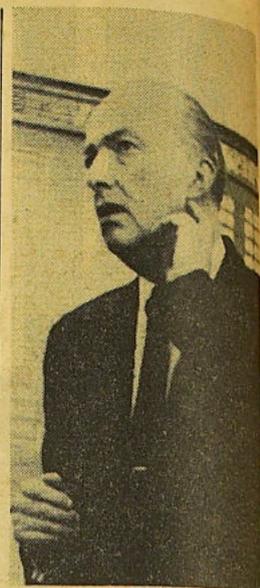


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• Thornycroft listens.

LEFT WING QUESTIONS GET USUAL ANSWERS

GRIMOND'S political speech last Friday was followed by Thornycroft's political forum.

Announcing that he was "tired of political speeches," Mr. Thornycroft, who was speaking to the Conservative Association, invited the audience to cross-examine him for an hour. "I'm sure you're as tired of hearing political speeches as I am of making them," he said.

The defence minister handed the questioning as one would expect an experienced minister to deal with an audience which did not really press him on any weaknesses he showed. Confident, forceful, gaining time with platitudes but not showing much repartee, Mr. Thornycroft produced the usual right-wing answers to the usual left-wing questions.

Angle

The bomb took up most of the time and the questions covered every angle of the subject. The minister answered them with facts and ideals. He justified the independent deterrent by saying "Who is to say that Russia in years to come will not attack Europe alone? I don't believe that there is any safety even in the role of Switzerland"

A slight element of drama was introduced when Mr. Thornycroft had to leave the Chamber to take a telephone call from the Chief Whip. One wit commented that it was probably America ringing up to tell him they had pressed the button.

Mr. Thornycroft displayed all the confidence of a man who had been in office for 12 years and expected to be there for another five.

Arab appeals after six-month ban

AN Arab, accused in connection with the riot reported in last week's REDBRICK ("Arabs Revolt"), is to appeal against the sentence passed on him by Disciplinary Committee.

He has been banned from the Union for six months for unprovoked assault on D. E. Clarke (Chemistry). The

Arab Society, at whose social the trouble took place, have been admonished for letting this standard of conduct continue. Union furniture was thrown about, two non-Arabs were assaulted, and two chairs were damaged.

The secretary of the Arab Society, Mr. S. A. Kubba, said that the Arab Society was not responsible for the damage. He is not even a member of the society," he said. "It just happened that he picked a fight during our social."

More riots this week at the Chem Eng social on Thursday. The society is to be asked to pay for a broken window and chair and damage to the juke-box wiring caused by drunken, rampant engineers. There were no fights at this one, but more damage was caused than at the Arab social the week before.

No disciplinary action is to be taken in this case, said President John Paling. It is not known exactly who the culprits were.

BE FRIENDLY TO FOREIGNERS PLEA

"AFRICANS have much to learn from the British, but English people also have a great deal to learn from Africans, especially with regard to hospitality and kindness to others," said Mr. Morgan, ex-Inspector of Education in the Sudan, at Tuesday's African Forum. He was shocked to find that foreign students often spend up to two years in England without entering an English home.

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