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# JAZZMEN HIT THE TOP

by REDBRICK reporter

THE UNIVERSITY SEXTEF, led by Dennis Wheeler and Don Campbell, is top University jazz band of the year. It won the final of the Inter-University Jazz festival at Croydon on Sunday, defeating eight other bands to carry off the coveted Silver Cornet trophy, presented by Paddy Mc-Kiernan. Commented alto sax player Dennis Wheeler afterwards: "The general standard was very high but we really hit the top tonight."

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The Sextet played splendidly, with controlled drive, technical skill and vivid imagination and pleased the judges as much as it pleased the audience. Its arrangements, varied ensemble passages followed by short, lively solos from Eddie Matthews, Don Campbell and Dave Walton, kept interest and excitement high and contrasted strongly with the more usual, more boring arrangements with the traditional themesolos-theme construction.

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The judges placed the Gardner-Forrest Big Band from Southampton, second. This decision amazed most people as there were several much better bands competing. It was an unwieldy group containing more musicians and fewer good soloists than any other.

The second Birmingham band in the final, the Al Caine Quartet, had he unenviable task of starting the contest. This meant that, in addiction to having undiscovered faulty microphones and awkward stage positioning with the grand piano obscuring Walter Haffenden. It easily achieved this and set a high standard for the following bands to play up to.

Most of the competing bands played enjoyable interesting jazz, but probably the most exciting group was one which was not in the contest—last year's winners, the Dave Gelly Sextet from Cambridge augmented by Pete Burden, Walter Haffenden and Evan Parker.

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Miss Daniels was returned to Reading at Reading's expense, the following afternoon.

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Founders Room.

The upper half of the old section of the Union is being closed off, and the President will receive his guests at the head of the main and if it is raining, the steps will be covered by an awning.

## New threat to car

by REDBRICK reporter

owners

THE UNIVERSITY is still considering the possibility of building a multi-storey car-park to cope with the steadily rising flood of cars and has asked the Guild to suggest ways in which this could be financed . . by Guild members.

This blow was accompanied by the news that British Railways have shelved indefinitely their plans for building a University railway station to serve the University, the Queen Elizabeth Hospital and King Edward VI School.

Queen Elizabeth Hospital and King Edward VI School.

No money for the new car-park will be granted by the UGC and the University has said that unless some way can be found of paying for it, cars may have to be parked on playing-fields, or the lawns between the buildings, or some members would have their right to bring a car withdrawn.

There is no chance that displaced car-drivers could come in by train. Sir Robert Aitken, the Vice-Chancellor, said last Thursday: "Repeated approaches to BR in the last two years—the last one only recently—have drawn a negative response. We must accept that while the present Beeching policy of cutting down on individual branches is in operation, we have no chance of getting this line."

## WHIZZ FOR ATOMS

TWENTY years of university research bore fruit last week as the head of the new Applied Nuclear Science de-partment was appointed, with the task of linking basic nuclear research with use in industry.

From April 1st the new chair will be occupied by ex-Birmingham student Dr. JohnWalker.

Dr. Walker, present reader in Reactor Physics, said, "One of my main aims will be reductions in the cost of nuclear power. It should be possible to provide nuclear energy more cheaply, and also to make more efficient use of the world's power resources through the development of faster reactors." faster reactors.

#### Atom power

"Atomic power is already being used for stimulation of chemical reactions, sterilisation, measurement of metals, detection of flaws and so on." said Dr. Walker, "We shall now be able to consider how the university can help still further in incorporating nuclear power into industry and to reduce costs."

The university already has a sizeable reputation for basic nuclear research, largely through the use of its two atom-smashing and accelerator machines; the cyclotron and the synchrotron.

#### Join the queue GIVE THE PRESIDENT A BIG HAND, MEN



• The queue for Guild Ball tickets.

A NYONE suffering from a compulsive urge to shake the President's hand will be able to gratify their emotion at Guild Dinner this year.

The upper half of the date of the Union will be left open during the dinner than during any previous year, and there will be free access to the Telly and the Bar through the side doors of Founders Room.

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"THE CRUEL SEA" Next Sunday "MAGIC MOVIE MOMENTS"

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## P1 ARE SQUARED BY A 32 PAGE VARSITY

but we get a mention

Cambridge takes a long cool look at bustling Birmingham



TOP student paper "Varsity" (Cambridge) brought out a 32-page issue last Saturday, the largest ever published by any student newspaper in this country. This was another first for "Varsity" which has consistently won the "Daily Mirror" Cup for student journalists.

In the special issue was an eight-page feature on the relationships between Town and Gown in Cambridge and an examination of four other Universities, one in Europe, one in America, one in the East and last, but not least, Birmingham—a "dynamic Redbrick university" said "Varsity" editor, James Cox

\*\*\*\*\* PROVINCIAL University students are not the only people who suffer on long-distance walks across Britain, for Oxford undergraduates are the latest to experience the disillusion and pain of cold nights and thirsty days. Among the teams from Oxford competing in the Daily Sketch's Pace-Setters walk from London to Brighton was an eight-man team from the University newspaper "Cherwell." Thinking that the course was too short, half of the "Cherwell" team added three miles to it by losing their way.

• Pulsing life at a dynamic Redbrick

# OFF THE SURE y the departments of neuroQueen Elizabeth Hospital and OINDON University students Last week stormed the Tower of London and held it for twenty minutes as a Rag-week stunt. The operation took six months to plan and was a complete success, apart from the fact that the students were unable to sell the Tower for the £100 they were demanding. However they were the envy of other rag chairmen, since they got nearly a minute in B.B.C. TV news. "IMPACT." the newspaper of Add TAKING OFF THE

PRESSURE

RECENT RESEARCHES by the departments of neurosurgery and physics at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital and
the Children's Hospital have meant new hope for the parents
of children suffering from hydrocephalus.

The lay term for hydrocephalus is "water on the brain."

Some children are born with a defect in their brain structure
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and the almost complete suspension of Union activities during the summer months." This has been a bad time for the Welsh

mally with no lessening of IQ.

the body cavities. Here the liquid is quickly soaked up. Twice a day the parents of the child operate the valve by pressing on it—it lies just under the scalp.



• Actually, Sah, it is not necessary to stand for Guild Council in order to get out of the OTC.

#### COPS CHASE STUDENTS ACROSS THE ROOFTOPS

IT is midnight in Leeds, with all that that implies. The ringing of a phone disturbs the tranquillity of the local police station, and the sergeant, dropping his cards in his cocoa, runs to answer. A frantic female voice relates how a gang of burglars is raiding her father's house from the rooftops.

A dozen policemen and dogs bundle into car and rush to the address given, where the householder is standing, poker in hand, ready to defend his property.

After a swift and typically efficient operation two young men and a rope are dragged into the light and are about to be

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them go."

A chuntering convoy of police heads away from the square to resume their game and peace is restored.

One of the two students, both in the Leeds University Mountaineering Club, had just acquired a new rope, and frustrated by the lack of mountains, had decided to climb the house instead. This, it seems, was easier than the Matterhorn.



#### SUSPENDED

A FUEL Technology student at Sheffield University has been suspended for a fortnight after an incident at his flat which contravened the lodgings regulations. His landlady reported to the censor that a person was seen leaving his flat at four occlock one morning. Upon investigation

#### PUTTING ON THE STYLE

"'MERMAID' is no longer a vehicle for the expression in print of people's sexual frustrations," said next year's editor of "Meraid," David Bird.

So far as actual material is concerned, contributions are coming in quite well from all over the campus. The articles vary in scope, as "Mermaid" is no longer to be a literary magazine as such.

## RATHER RED JOKES

"INSIDE EUROPE" is an "awkward title," said Mr. Bernard Newman, at the open lecture on Tuesday, and from there proceeded to particularise certain countries and their problems. nign look on his face, a about the unpopular Ulbricht. Following his posed death, a knock heard at the Golden (and when St. Peter op it, Herr Ulbricht appeale be allowed in. Whereupo Peter told him, quite lik to go to hell.

Three days later, and knock was heard and st. Peter answered—this it was the Devil—he was ing for political asylum.

and their problems.

The analysis was made with a combination of gravity and humour which rendered an otherwise perhaps dreary political talk into a stimulating and entertaining discourse.

The personal aspect had an undeniable advantage over the detached, abstract view. The audience roared with laughter at political, name-specified jokes, but did not appear unusually interested in factual statements. A short dissertation on the Berlin question led Mr. Newman to relate a number of jokes which he has heard mainly in E. German cafés, where, apparently, funny stories against Communism made was that these flems were for the next eration to solve: "mine made a muck of it."

Bernard Newman.

Harry the King, Bedford, and Exeter, Warwick and Talbot, Salisbury and Gloucester were all famous men -but none of them wrote for WALL.

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SIR,—Despite Mr. Powell-Smith's obviously inti-mate knowledge of esoteric cults, he has failed to distin-guish between witchcraft and black magic, in contrast to Mr. Ranson's article on the former where the difference is stressed. Rom have decided to contributowards the building of new chaplaincy for the U versity. This means that the University gradually

A. R. G. HORTON.

#### GOOD FOR THE WHITES

SIR,-It is a pity that Mr. Powell-Smith should present such a one-sided view of magic and witchcraft. Such a view is based on popular misconceptions concerning the true nature of

This is a theoretical definition which would be acepted by most people. Whether it would become for them a demonstrable reality would depend on their own experiences and the powers they themselves have developed.

From this definition it must follow that a misuse of these forces for evil purposes involves black magic. But if the motive is unselfish and for the good of others white magic ensures and

It is unfortunate that the

Apostles and other great spiritual teachers.

What indeed is the Christian prayer but a magical invocation? Clearly, too, the whole of Christian ritual, particularly the Catholic Mass, must presuppose ancient origins with a magical background. The priest was the white magician who invoked spiritual forces for the good of his needle.

#### CAFE AU SANG

SIR.—I found recently that several students have been suffering from bleeding gums this year. Following realisation of this fact, I and some fellow-sufferers de-cided that we had one thing

Even the most long-suffering student could surely only commit himself as far as describing it to be "some sort of liquid" (cold, of course). Indeed, several mistakes have been made during the lunch-hour in Lesser Hall in distinguishing between this so-called coffee and the so-called soup.

called coffee and the so-called soup.

It is hardly surprising, since this liquid neither tastes, even vaguely, like coffee, nor looks, even more vaguely, like coffee, that the cause of such an Irritable complaint as bleeding gums should be attributed to the bleeding coffee. Maybe the analysts and medies could get together to settle this doubt—over coffee,

The Pseudopods

Flooding is new threat

FOR the first time this term, the University sports pitches should be playable this week. All the ice and snow has now disappeared and the biggest problem now is flooding, for excessive rain over the weekend added to the moisture already left by the deep

snow.
The Pritchatts Road pitches are causing most concern as the snow had drifted there and the drainage in any

drifted there and the drainage in any case is sub-standard.

No outdoor sport has been possible at Birmingham this term and fixture lists are now in a chaotic state. Only one and a half weeks remain before the Easter vacation, so the inter-Departmental soccer, rugby and hockey programmes will inevitably be cut. However, as the pitches are mostly unbooked for these last ten days of term, some of the outstanding fixtures should be played off during this period.

This has been the worst winter that Mr. Plowright, the Chief Groundsman, has experienced since he came to the University in 1954. "We've done masses of snow clearance during the cold spell," he says, "but we've concentrated mostly on the roads and paths. Our primary aim has been to keep these clear."



## BRUM IN THE PROVINCIAL carriageways, and building many offices and shops that must surely attract more people, particularly in motor cars, than ever before, so that a congestion must be the result worse than that RUT

Yours etc..

C. M. HAGGETT..

They are improving the roads to the central districts with flowers, underpasses and dual

SIR.—Mr. Nigel Harris was hopelessly wrong in describing the City of Birmingham as being the most progressive in the country, and in claiming it to be planned for the twentieth century.

By the time the planners have done with Brum, it will be as much stuck in its provincial rut of Victoriana as ever.

They are putting up blocks of flats, offices and shops, which, if dissimilar to Victorian buildings in appearance, nevertheless repeat their crude gaudiness, their complete lack of beauty and elegance, and their monotonous, cheap, functional design.

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They have planned the new estates with no garage facilities, their bourgeois minds assuming that working class incomes are always to be static. These estates could easily become social and cultural deserts, proletariat ghetoes, stigmatising their inhabitants in a status-symbol society as surely as the old siums did.

The planners are, in fact, creating an extreme areal differentiation of society within the conurbation that replaces the an older one, rather than demolishing an old-fashioned system that belongs to the nine-teenth century.

Planning should be revolutionary in a revolutionary age, and rid itself of the shackles of the past, but the city surveyor's department remains conservative, perpetuating a dying system

Yours faithfully.
M. GHIRELLI.

#### THE CURATE'S EGG

SIR,-This year 23,000 candidates for university
failed to gain places. Within
the next three years the
children of the post-war
"bulge" will be competing
for a coveted place. Once
again standards will rise, perhaps to heights that would keep you or me out.

ALAN ANDREW JONES.

#### OUT OF ORDER

SIR,-I wish to protest about the person whose doubtful sense of humour moved him to take the "Out Refectory coffee-machine,

Yours, etc.,

#### **ELECTING FOR** EDUCATION

SIR.—Yet again the electorate is being cajoled, by enormous and highly suspect

LIFT OFFERED to Manchester this weekend. Share petrol. Contact Bob Bootle via PH or REDBRICK office.

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WANTED 6 able-bodied sandwich-board carriers. proach from Pritchatts Road.

ANY PERSONS interested in
Astronomy are invited to attend a meeting in Committee
Room 6, today at 5.00 p.m.
when the Constitution of the
new Society will be discussed.

SPRING in the air? Celebrate with Combined Subjects Society Social, Thursday, March 14th. Mixed Lounge, BREAD and Cheese lunches 12.30 p.m.-1.45 p.m. every day next week: Vernon, Mixed Lounge, Priestley Hall, Mason Room (Arts Block). Student's Common Room in Howarth Block, also in Medical School, Dental Hospital, Simplex House, and refectory, to be arranged Every penny collected will go direct to Freedom From Hunger Campaign. Come!

FLAT TO LET—10 mins, from University on Bristol Road.

Double bed-sitter with own cooking facilities and sink of the presence of a fully-trained cooking facilities and sink of the present of the present of the present about time we could trust would keep you or me out.

Having tut-tutted indignantly about this situation for some time, the Labour Party has now suggested a scheme combining a "crash programme" with a long-term plan which it will put intooperation if it is elected.

This will give us 45 new universities.

Assuming that the problems of finance, sites, buildings, equipment, lodgings and administration can be coped with in 10 years, what's left for the end University on Bristol Road.

Double bed-sitter with own cooking facilities and sink of the presence of a fully-trained control of the production facilities will alter the fact that only a small percentage of the population is sufficiently bright or able to put them to good account.

Yours etc.

# Whodunnit?

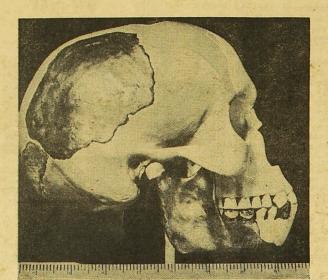


Photo: Courtesy Natural History Museum, S. Kensington.

Piltdown Man in all his established glory; showing a portion of the "coconut" found by Sussex labourer in 1908 and the jawbone . . since condemned as fraudulent. Three doctored teeth are also visible. The white and light grey areas of the skull represent the "reconstruction" attempted on the basis of the discovered fragments.

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# NEVER WAS

PILTDOWN is a story with two villains, one who died but was never born, and another who died unrecognised and was recalled to life for execution 40 years after his death. It is also the story of the greatest scientific hoax of all time.

Piltdown Man, the Missing Link for which scientists have been searching ever since the publication of Darwin's "Descent of Man" in 1871, was born in the brain of the hoaxer in the first decade of this century, and was finally disposed of as a fraud in 1953 by a battery of scientists from the British Museum, headed by Drs. Weiner and Oakley.

The cranium was revealed to be only 50,000 years old and not 450,000 years as had been supposed in December 1912, and parts of it were shown to be heavily stained with potassium chromate; the mandible stained to match, was that of an ape with "doctored" human teeth to fit; all the animal remains found with the skull were also pronounced to be fakes.

As the experts killed Piltdown Man, they resurrected the shade of Charles Dawson, solicitor, of Uckfield, Sussex, the discoverer of the bones which started the whole affair. Dawson, they said, was the second villain; the man who planted the bones on Arthur Smith Woodward, Keeper of the Geology Department at the British Museum.

was on the map,

To cap this wonderful dénouement. Dawson now found two more pieces of bone in a field two miles away from the original site. One piece supposedly fitted a hole in the cranium of the Man, the other bone was a tooth which fitted the jaw!

An X-ray of the teeth in the jaw was made.

The popular press had a field day with the Piltdown scandal and by the time a year had elapsed since the discov-ery, there remained little doubt in anyone's mind that Dawson, and Dawson alone, was responsible.

But were Weiner and Oak-ley right? Their scientific evi-dence on the bones was by no means flawless and that on Dawson's guilt was as full of holes as a string bag.

Dawson was a keen local anti-quary and a well-known man among the middle class of the dis-trict. He was often known to offer small rewards for any eoliths or bones brought to him by workmen; he had made such an offer at Pilt-down where gravel was dug in the grounds of the manor for the local roads

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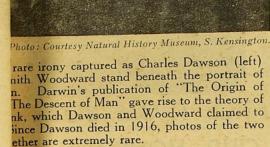
ONE day in 1908 a workman was opening a fresh trench when he saw what he took to be a coconut and, bringing his pick down upon the object, he scattered the fragments into the nearby spoil heaps. Then, remembering Dawson's offer, he picked up one piece of bone and showed it to the local squire, Robert Kenward, who advised him to give it to Dawson.

By dint of further sifting Dawson managed to find another four pieces of bone during the next four years and in 1912 he gave these to his old friend, Smith Woodward, telling him that he had stained the bones with chromate in order to harden them (he was wrong; chromate does not harden, it merely stains). Smith Woodward, intensely excited, drafted several enthusiasts to the spot, including Father Pierre Teilhard de Chardin, later to become famous as an anthropologist and philosopher.

Smith Woodward himself found four more pleces of bone, this time unstained with chromate. Remember this, it is of the greatest importance. Then, in the same year, Woodward and Dawson together found the famous, and faked, lower jaw. Piltdown man

THERE will be two more in the "Whodunnit? Series" next week. One of the articles exposes the splitting of the atom as the biggest hoax in history which has become mixed up with world power politics.

The other deals with the killing of the Princes in the Tower and tries to prove that Richard the III was not the



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It passes the imagination why the whole hoax did not explode completely at this point. Two parts of the same skull found after 450,000 years in fields two miles apart! Who then bashed Piltdown Man on the head so that he shed part of his skull at Piltdown 2 and staggered on to Piltdown 1 to die? Who cleverly removed his tooth along with the lump of cranium? How does it happen that all these priceless relics were still in good condition nearly a half a million years later? Who had a map to tell them where the remains were out of all the fields in the area?

BUT nobody spotted the flaw in the-second find. It was received with as much rapture as the first. And now comes the third odd fact. Smith Woodward had over 300 beautiful plaster casts made of the bones, which he distributed to the world's museums, while he very carefully locked up the actual remains in the British Museum where they stayed until 1948, unexamined!

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IT is easy to imagine the hoaxer's surprise as Piltdown Man was acepted at his face value. Determined to expose the fraud, "X" then planted two horribly-obvious fakes at Piltdown 2 and led Dawson to them (there are references to this un-named friend in the Dawson - Woodward correspondence).

Luck dealt an even crueller blow to the hoaxer. Smith Woodward smelt a rat and instead of an-nouncing how he and Dawson had been fooled, he locked up the bones in the depths of the Museum for the rest of his life. Even the X-ray was taken at the wrong angle.

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E XAMINING the whole sorry story carefully it is eviednt that Dawson's conduct was always that of an honest, if over-enthusiastic amateur. Behind him and the equally - enthusiastic Woodward lurks the mysterious "X"; who he is we shall probably never know.

What strikes one about the Piltdown story is the whole odour of scientific infallibility which permeates it. The scientists were infallible when Piltdown Man was discovered; they are now equally infallible in destroying the Man and in attacking Dawson.

Until the day that new evidence

Until the day that new evidence comes to light, either convicting or exonerating Dawson of perpetrating the biggest practical joke of all time, the verdict must surely remain, at the very least, NOT PROVEN.

## ittle victims play

It showed that the teeth roots were human — another incredible blunder since the teeth are definitely simian. The X-ray also missed the fact that the new tooth from Piltdown 2 was so clumsily faked that at one point a hole which had been drilled in the side of the enamel, had been carelessly of the enamel, had been carelessly filled with some plastic substance.

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Drs. Weiner and Oakley have said that this was "a remarkably skilful forgery." But this is just what it was not, as is evident from the account given, and this is why it is improbable that Dawson did the faking.

Dawson had no motive for the hoax, neither had Smith Woodward, Both were intensely respectable professional men with everyand claims.

One should be prepared, he said, to use the normal logical processes to examine Christianity's credentials.

Despite dismal weather the conference was ranked as a success by those who came, and will probably take place annually in future.

next year to read Physics asked if this were an annual event.

The Rev. M. Cole, a travelling secretary of the Inter-Varsity Fellowship (of which BUECU is a member) spoke after tea on whether Christianity is relevant to the student. He advocated a personal study of the gospel records for information on Christ's person and claims.

One should be prepared, he said, to use the normal logical processes to examine Christianity's

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#### SHE'S NUDE UNDER ALL THOSE CLOTHES Gypsy

William Orwin

"REMEMBER, you're a lady, and you're gonna be a star," says stage-struck mamma to her darling daughter when both are faced with the stark realities of poverty, a washed-up act and the relentless advance of the new strip-tease appeal. Gypsy Rose Lee thus became the queen of strippers in the 'thirties by a mixture of accident, compromise and one hell of a push from mamma.

But in the film, "Gypsy" (Bristol Cinema), Rose (Natalie Wood) hardly gets a look-in. What we have instead is a minute study of Mamma (Rosalind Russell): the indefatigable mamma who is for ever dreaming up a new gipmpick for an exa new gimmick for an exhausted act; the she-bear mamma ("my girls have the only talent on this stage"); the ultimately frustrated mamma, clutching neurotically at a what-I-would-havebeen product of her sublimation ("I thought you did it for me, mama").

The story of the film is exasperatingly shapeless: it is not until about half-way through that we realise who is going to be Rose Lee, her career having been almost entirely obscured by her young sister's prodigious talent and her mother's attention-begging efforts on behalf of "the act."

Well done

All this is well done, and Rosa-lind Russell successfully conveys the feverish and determined exuberance of small-time vaude-ville.

But there is an obtruding air of artificiality which is a drag on her attempts at realism. The sets, for instance, though successfully redolent of the crudity and the clutter of the 'thirties, are astonishingly clean, and the

Mike Coe



#### WAS THAT ALL?

THE EXHIBITION of University Bookshop opened with a bang last

THE INTENTION of the exhibition in

College, demonstrating as many facets of the process and the product of the courses provided, without losing sight of the ori-ginal intention of the work.

Loughborough is a "craft college" rather than a school for painters and sculptors. Thus it is divided into two faculties, textiles and dress design, and three-dimensional design, including furniture, silverwork, and, especially, pottery.

On the other hand, painting and sculpture

some 350 books, covering 15 subjects, together with a molecular model and a vase of daffodils, presumably to appeal to the more æsthetically minded.

tically minded.

One research student commented: "Although this is a good idea, the organisers have not taken sufficient account of the topics in which the various departments are particularly concerned." The exhibition was organised by the Association of Book Publishers

sion.

Delius has a peculiar attraction, and "Brigg Fair" is always well received, like Tschalkowsky's Violin Concerto, to be played by Finder Wolf. The concert will be conducted by the orchestra's resident conductor, Hugo Righold.

Alan Smith

WORKING AT CRAFT FOR ART'S SAKE

Story

And when she does emerge, about fifteen minutes from the end, we are taken hurriedly through five one-minute shows and an easily-won bid for independence. Or perhaps Gypsy had been too kind to mamma in her memoirs.

On the whole, the film is reasonably entertaining, but I couldn't sit through it again. And, in case you're still wondering: no, she doesn't strip right off.

#### FIRST IS LAST

A POPULAR programme concludes the Thursday though with a new work for the CBSO included—Robert Simpson's Third Symphony.

Simpson was born in Leamington and is best known by his string quartets; but, as in this medium, his ability to handle the orchestra well is shown in his previous symphonies. Even if his musical ideas tend to be rather static, he always manages to carry them to a logical conclusion.

Just under 400 people visited the exhibition the first day it was open on Monday, and three or four people were interested enough to enquire about buying some of the works on show.

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## A FARCE FROM BOTH OUR HOUSES

A LTHOUGH "The Matchmaker," by Thornton Wilder A DIMOUGH The Matchinaker, by Thomas which contains all the elements of a classic farce—slastic mistaken identity, and a happy ending—it has more that this alone. It tries to exhibit the urge felt by the individuate oget out of his particular rut and take a fuller part in his to expand and enrich his experience.

(Natalie Wood)

finally

to expand and enrich his experience.

The characters are interesting in their own right, and a great deal of homespun cynicism is tossed at the audience.

The most important factor in the success of a farce, as opposed to other theatre, is that the timing should be split-second perfect. This has been recognised in the current production of Wilder's play at Manor House, and by dint of painstaking effort on the part of cast and producers it has been achieved.

what seems like effortless expressed by Minds supported by Minds Routledge, a worm that turn Bob Shrine, his gormless size kick. Fanny Pope, a domineem milliner, and a company of weging waters, histrionic hater milliner, and a

Earlier

The play, an adaptation of an earlier work "The Merchant of Yonkers," concerns the efforts of a young artist to marry the niece of a rich merchant, Horace Vandergelder, who is himself contemplating remarriage, to which end he has requested a friend of his late wife to find him a suitable woman.

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There is a lively sub-plot, concerning the attempts of two of Vandergelder's employees to try to see something of life before they get too old, and the interaction of this with the main run of the play provides most of the humour.

"The Matchmaker" is a joint production by University House and Manor House, and with such small numbers to choose from it is surprising that such an amount of acting talent has been found.

The two leading parts are particularly well performed, Don Waite carries the central figure, the blustering, twitching selfmade man, with great verve and vigour, and Sue Frost plays the Matchmaker. Dolly Levi, with

BEGIN

WELL

# BELGIANS

Birmingham University ... 31 Ghent University ..... 54

THE Ghent University basrived in this country on Monday began their four-match tour with a convincing victory at Bournbrook on Tuesday. The tour was arranged by Bristol University that they had toured sity after they had toured Belgium last year.

Belgium last year.

Ghent have a great deal of match practice, and this showed in their crisp and decisive game. Although they took a while to settle down, they built up a useful lead by the interval.

In the second half, Birmingham again held their own for a few minutes, but the introduction of Knaepen proved an astute move, as he took Ghent far ahead with a burst of scoring.

Ghent are also playing Swan-sea, Bristol and Southampton.

• An incident in last week's basketball game against Ghent. Though Birmingham played well, they could not match the Belgians'

Photo: Peter Murray

## LADIES WIN IN WIVAB FINAL

A VERY nervous Ladies' Badminton team left Birmingham with a coach load of supporters on Saturday to play Bristol in the WIVAB final at London.

Birmingham were fairly confident of four wins, expected to lose three, leaving two matches doubtful. The first of these, and the one carrying the most prestige was between the respective first pairs. respective first pairs,

Heather Blaire and Chi
Shan in fact won without
much trouble. They also
won their other two matches
losing only a handful of
noints

Jane Wright and Jill Watson played together with the
ease that their long association has given to beat Bristol's second and third pairs
soundly. Against the first

## sports comment

T has been a fascinating and varied week for sport, both at national and university level, and among the usual disputes and increasing emphasis on defensive play, several flashes of success keep up morale and

**Variety Time** 

interest among sports followers.

The Italians mock the idea of a world soccer team playing England later this year as part of the FA centenary celebrations. Why should they bother? After all, it will be the best comedy show of the year:
Manchester City and Nottingham Forest meanwhile

struggle for the title of the First Division's most un-attractive teams with their eight-men defences, and Birmingham attempt to emulate the McIlroy fiasco at Burnley with the Bloomfield farce at St. Andrews.

The University front reveals heavy defeats where hopes were high; the Basketball Club crashed to the Ghent touring team in the much-vaunted match last week; back in action for the first time this term the Rugby Club went down heavily away to Bristol Univer-sity; and the Golf Club continued its negotiations with the Moseley Club about where it can play.
On the credit side the form of the MCC touring team

n New Zealand and Ireland's rugby display against Wales were distinctly encouraging, while the highlights of the University's sporting week have been Mr. Price's splendid win in the REDBRICK Snooker Final, Birmingham's fine victory in the WIVAB Badminton Final against Bristol, the Rugby Club's redemption by beating Camp Hill OEs with a much-improved display, and the excellent form of the Soccer Club.

In any case, most outdoor sports players will agree

pair they put up a good fight taking the second set to 3 but just lost the third.

MORE SUCCESS

THE Women's Hockey team also reached their WIVAB

At Bristol the Southern Group UAU champions provided a formidable task, particularly as they had played four games

The home team had a cohesion which Birmingham not surprisingly lacked and the Birmingham forwards never appeared to get sufficient possession. Bristol dominated the set scrums and even when Birmingham won the ball, the heel was too slow, and Bristol's magnificent back row had ample time to stifle any attacking ideas from the Birmingham halves.

In the line-outs, too, a similar pattern emerged. Symptomatic of the Bristol forwards' domination was the fact that four of their five tries were scored by forwards.

Lacking an adequate service from the pack, the Birmingham backs had four opportunities, but the centres Shaw and Evans tackled well, and winger Green had a splendid match, forcing himself into the game on every occasion.

Saturday's match against

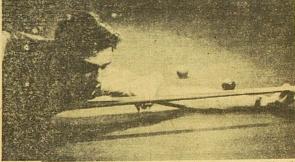
RUGBY CLUB HAVE

A MIXED WEEK

for the once familiar game of rugby and in a week of mixed fortunes, were crushed by Bristol University and recovered well to beat Camp Hill O.E.'s on Saturday.

At Bristol the Southern Group UAU champions provided a formidable task, particularly as they had played four games in recent weeks—a decisive factor in the final result of 19-0.

One win, one defeat AFTER thirteen weeks' enforced inactivity the Rugby Club at last forsook basketball



• K. R. Price in action during Friday's Final.

#### Snooker cup goes to skilful Price

THE REDBRICK Snooker Tournament was won last Friday by K. R. Price, of the Physics Department, who comfortably beat B. Sedgwick of Medical Biochemistry by two frames to nil. Watched by a big crowd, Price (seen in action above) started well and never looked as if he would lose his grip on the game.

His first good break of 22 was in fact, the best of the match and even though Sedgwick fought back well with a break of 14, he was unable to combat the power and accuracy of Price's hitting.

Sedgwick began the second

The second crucial match was between the third pairs and as it happened this decided the competition. It was a tremendously exciting match with a grand finish. Birmingham's Mary Woodward and Moira Wilson pulling off a fine win 15-7, 17-14.

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The final score of 6-3 was well deserved reward for this talented and hard-working Birmingham team, and it means that they have now won this trophy for four successive years. What a pity some of the University's male teams cannot follow their example.

filled it with beer and stated that he was "born jammy." He had

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Saturday, March 16th, v Cardiff.

BASKETBALL: Saturday, March 16th, v Manchester.
WOMEN'S HOCKEY: Wednesday, March 13th, v Aberystwyth.
Saturday, March 16th, v Warwickshire II.
MEN'S HOCKEY: Wednesday, March 16th, v Bristol.
MEN'S FENCING: Saturday, March 16th, v London School of Econ.
JUDO: Saturday, March 16th, v Cardiff.
UAU SOCCER FINAL: Wed., Mar. 13th, Loughborough v Reading.
at Moorgreen.

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## INTO DARKEST

PLANS for the establishment on the campus of a Centre of West African Studies have taken a further step forward. Dr. D. J. Fage, at present Lec-turer in African History in the London School of African and Oriental Studies, has been appointed Director of the new centre and takes up his ap-pointment on April 1st; he will be known as Professor of African History.

AFRICA

Initially, the Centre will consist of the Director and five lecturers, who will cover the ethnology, geography, history, sociology, economics, law, government and languages of the major West African countries,

The Centre wil cater at first for research students and it is later hoped to introduce optional courses for undergraduates. A temporary home has been allocated to the Centre at "Westmere," the old Staff House in Edgbaston Park Road.

A committee is at present considering the establishment of a similar Centre for Russian and East European Studies. There is a further long term possibility for a centre of Latin American Studies.



to: Peter Bond. Noel Picarda.

#### Conversion SHAREHOLDERS APPROVE MERGER

THE proposed merger of the Anglican and Methodist Churches has met with almost universal, albeit reserved, ap-proval among Christian stud-ents in the University.

"It will be a good thing as long as it is on a sound theological basis, and not a purely administrative link-up." commented one Anglican student. This summed up the feelings of many students, but many were sceptical whether people would be prepared to adjust their position.

IF CONSTANT trivial and irrelevant interruptions were possible on Television or in the press, they would no doubt be able to reduce the level of those two media to that of last Thursday's debate, "That this House prefers the Fourth Estate to the Third

Channel."

Correspondent for "Private Eye," Mr. Noel Picarda, entertained the House with satires on popular TV programmes, impersonations of Harold Macmillan and George Brown (?) and a splendid take-off of himself, in an effort to convince his hearers that TV could serve no useful purpose.

He claimed that the masses were dangerous.

knowledge to the masses were dangerous the attempts of the papers to entertain the proletariat with divorce cases and vast expanses of female flesh were far more worthy.

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Obviously believing that defence
is the best form of attack, Bamber
Gascoigne, of "University Challenge" and "Spectator", produced
as yet unpublished reports of the
night's debate and hoist Mr.
Picarda with his own misrepresentational petard.

Mr. Gascoigne, while suggesting that despite the apparent
variety of opinions in the press,
the limited diet of a one-newspaper public was pale in contrast
to the sparkling fires of Television,
did not, himself attempt any advertising.

#### Outmatched

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"The Anglicans must be prepared to make concessions, they cannot just absorb the Methodist church." The Methodists were concerned that the much larger Anglican church would bulldoze over the Methodist point of view.

A Roman Catholic student also approved: "It will make it easier to convert the lot."

Dutmatched

Sylvester who spent most of his time plugging "Arms and the Man." Mr. Sylvester was unsmused by the fact that while REDBRICK and the "Birmingham Mail" had advertised the play, TV had not.

Miss Ann Doran was shattered by the unmannerly comments of a certain notable bearded gentleman from the floor but launched several barbed shafts during her period at the box.

The motion was carried, after an emotional summing-up by Mr. Picarda by 89 votes to eight with 27 abstentions.

#### A HOPE FOR CLASSICAL **MADNESS**

"S CHIZOPHRENIA cripples for life, it does not kill. At present we have clues which may enable us to secure control over it, but no preventative measures."

Dr. David Stafford-Clark, the anonymous TV psychiatrist, spoke clearly and enthusiastically to a crowded audience in the Arts Lecture Theatre last Tuesday.

"The schizophrenic is a dreamer in a world awake. Most of us are familiar with the state of awakening at night and imagining that there is

someone in the room and this is the feeling that pervades the schizo-phrenic's world. Physical and emotional vitality is

preatly diminished,
Dr. Stafford-Clark said
that one-fifth of all hospital beds are occupied by
schizophrenics, and one per cent of the population are sufferers. Between the ages of 15 and 25 the proportion rises to five per cent.

## LOOK ROUND

RENOWNED opponent of apar-theid, Trevor Huddleston, now the Bishop of Masai, will be speaking on Tuesday 19th at 8.00 p.m. in the Great Hall.

BRISTOL RAG takes a Birming-ham-type knock. This year's total is provisionally down by £2,000 to £6,500. A barbecue organised as a rag week event by the U.S.A.F. was held in "a near riotous atmosphere" with fights breaking out among students and local yobs.

QUESTIGNNAIRE for students in Halls as a result of the recent Halls of Residence visiting-hours rumpus. The main object is to find out how satisfied inmates are with present facilities.

IT TOOK five men several hours to scrape the words "Buy Rag Mag" off Leicester City Football Club pitch. Students had painted them on eight feet high.

VERNON GRILL Closed Friday evening because of Guild

VOTE in Guild elections tomorrow.

#### CAR PARKS GALORE NEEDED SOON, SAYS TRAFFIC SCHOOL

THE CONCLUSION is that new development re-quires one square foot of park-ing for each square foot of office and store area if the total demand is to be met.'

This startling observation is the result of surveys on Birmingham's parking problems over the past three years conducted by members of the Graduate School of Highway and Traffic Engineering, reported in its recently published research bulletin.

The "total demand" mentioned is a combination of three demands—one realised and two suppressed. The first is the parking space used at present, the second is that required by car owners who do not use their vehicles because of lack of parking space and the third that demanded by those who would own cars if there was somewhere to park them.

The School has been undertaking a number of "origin and destination surveys." One, involving the Solihull commuters, revealed that most people travelled to work by car or rail and that there was a fine balance between the two modes of transport, so that any



· Checking on traffic on the Bristol Road

delay on the one will cause an increase in traffic on the other.

A vast traffic volume survey is being carried out by the School and the Worcestershire County Council to assess the effect of the M5 motorway. The results are being interpreted in terms of changes of traffic volume in the area and the social consequences of improved road communications and traffic volume changes. These latter include housing developments in rural areas.

An analysis of vehicle dimensions

An analysis of vehicle dimensions and performance has been carried out to ascertain accurate data for the vehicles which actually use the roads. The sample was the traffic stream of the M1.

## Miscalculation

THE long awaited arrival of the Computer, to be housed in a specially-prepared and sound-proofed room in the basement of the Physics-Maths building, has been delayed for several months.

#### JINX HITS **PROOF** READERS

ONE can guarantee that ONE can guarantee that at least once a term something unpleasant is going to happen to the REDBRICK proof-reading party that goes to Ripley in Derbyshire each week. In the past cars have broken down, or editions been lost. This time it was a car accident. The van in which the party was travelling ran into the back of a lorry outside Derby, due to brake failure. None of the party was injured, luckily, but they arrived in Ripley rather late and with some scratched blocks. "It's just as well," said the leader of the party, "that we weren't travelling fast at the time!"

#### BLUEBOTTLES BOTTLED UP

STUDENTS dressed as police men put up diversion sign on the A6 and competitors Leicester University's pra pushing race tore off in wrong direction.

Later in the evening 150 and competitors besieged 15 of the policemen in their hostel; hammering at the main door and shouten "let's get at them." Eventually the real police were called and the dispersed the crowd.

Said one of the mock policems "We expected retaliation of humorous nature, but what we's was nearly a lynching. We we all scared stiff."

#### Another of those wet jokes

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