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OFF TO ISRAEL

Dram. Soc. rehearse 'Dream' for Tour

SHAW LIB. TURN DOWN JUKE BOX

Miss Gillian Higlett, the new Shaw Librarian denied the rumour that a juke-box is to be installed in the Shaw Library.

She did however, say that she hopes to see more activities centred around the Library. Next term for the first time jazz concerts as well as the usual Chamber concerts will be held in the Library.



She would like to see it become less a dormitory and more a cultural centre.

Miss Higlett is a sociology graduate of the School. She left two years ago to go into industry but 'tired of the continual empire building' she is pleased to be back.

While at LSE she was president of the Music Society and so she is well acquainted with the Shaw Library. Apart from music she is interested in films, jazz, sailing and cats.

Above all she is looking forward to working with students, she shares many of their interests and welcomes their suggestions for widening the scope of the Library.

Jose C. Zerpa has been appointed Secretary of Forestry on the Executive Committee of the Merida Branch of the Federacion de Centros Universitarios in Venezuela.

Freddy Cuba has been appointed as a delegate to the University Council.

Rehearsals are now well under way for Dramsoc's latest and most ambitious venture; in just over two weeks' time eighteen members of the Society will set off on a six-week tour to Israel to perform Shakespeare's 'A Midsummer Night's Dream' to an expected total audience of some 10,000 in towns and cities and on kibbutzim throughout the country.

For the last six months a committee has been hard at work on the formidable task of arranging the tour — writing to Israel to book performances, to rail and shipping lines to book passages, and, most important of all, to potential subscribers to the £1,100 fund needed to finance the tour.

Now all is ready. On 4th July the group will leave London by train for Venice and from there the next day embark as deck-passengers for the week's sea journey to Haifa.

Truck travel

Once in Israel they will set off in a hired truck to give five performances in the northern half of the country during their first week; the second week they will spend on a kibbutz near Ashkelon, working and performing the play in return for their keep. Another five performances will be given in the third week, including one in the Red Sea port of Eilat on the south side of the Negev Desert.

In love again

"The cast of 'A Midsummer Night's Dream' is probably of a higher all-round standard than Dramsoc has ever had before", says Ron Legge who is producing the play. Roger Forbes and Liz Swain, the successful 'Richard of Bordeaux' partnership of last December, will be in love again as Lysander and Hermia; the difficult but rewarding part of Helena will be in the capable hands of Maggie Jenkins, one of Dramsoc's most skilful actresses.

Comedy Emphasis

The comedy aspect of the play is being accentuated more than is usual in productions of 'The Dream' with Titania, played by Martha Grossman, and Bottom, played by Mike Lucas — revealing a great and hitherto unused comedy-talent — well to the fore. They will be supported by Charles Pascoe and Ron Legge as Quince and Puck. Graham Jones has the formidable task of playing both Oberon and Theseus. Those

who know his work will be confident of his success.

LSE audiences will have a chance to see the play before the tour begins at a public dress rehearsal on Saturday, 1st July. The company are hoping that those who have enjoyed their earlier productions will come along then to give them a good start to this their exciting venture.

MORE LINES NEEDED

The Research Students' Association feel that there are insufficient telephones in the School.

Although there are to be two new ones in the New Building and possibly another one in the Old Building, the President, Pedro Schwartz, still thinks this is too few. The present number have been in existence since before the war when there were only half as many students.

JACKIE IS REQUESTED

Jacqueline Kennedy, wife of the American President, has been invited to become the Honorary President of the Students' Union for the next session.

It is felt that even if she were unable to appear at the School in person her attractiveness and her eminence would more than compensate for this.



This year's River-Boat Shuffle, turned into a 'Scuffle' by a printing error, started and ended in fine style with the LSE Jazz Band's rendering of the 'Red Flag'; the Houses of Parliament standing primly in the background.

It scuffled itself down the Thames past the rather bleak, dinner-suited ULU Lost World Ball and the rowdy King's Engineers for a leisurely pint at Kew.

It smooched back about midnight and dispersed to London's coffee bars. A good time was had by all.

PASSFIELD WARDEN SAYS FAREWELL

At the Passfield Hall Formal Dinner, Mr. Chapman, the Warden, disclosed that he is to leave the Hall at the end of this term.

He said that the time has come for him to give up something if he is to devote himself to his main interest which is writing. He will still lecture at the School and hopes to be able to spend more time on student activities such as debating, in which he is very interested.

Harry Abernethy, replying to Mr. Chapman's speech, said that for most people Passfield was Mr. Chapman and that everyone regretted his leaving. As a memento of his 10 years stay at Passfield, Mr. Chapman was presented with an inscribed, silver cigarette box.

As yet it is not known who the next warden will be. The opinion was expressed, however, that his education in the traditions of the Hall should begin as soon as possible.

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UPHEAVALS

At the last Union Meeting the Constitutional Amendment to increase the terms of office of some Council members was rightly rejected. The main reason given for the amendment was that there is insufficient continuity in Union affairs and that this is made worse by the upheaval caused by elections in the middle of a session.

What Council failed to realise was that wholesale resignations just before the Summer Vacation would cause even greater disruption. At the end of a session officers leave, some even graduate, and are not therefore available to advise their successors. Apart from the few people who remain in London for the Vac., the Summer affords little chance for learning the ins and outs of a Union post.

The answer to the problem does not lie in increasing the periods of office, on the contrary, they are too long already. It is because of this that so many Council members never complete their terms of office; it is because of this that no Editor of *Beaver*, within living memory, has lasted a full year.

The problem of continuity would best be solved by reducing the period of office of all officials including that of President, and appointing their successors at least a term in advance, so that they could learn their jobs before taking over.

Some people might object that this would produce too much continuity and insufficient new ideas, or that the style of officers might be cramped by having their successors breathing down their necks.

These are valid up to a point, but as the Union expands, the need for responsible and efficient administration will increase and this need will outweigh all such objections.

TOO INEFFICIENT

Should the Union expand as the President confidently predicts on page four, we must expect the administration of the Union to pass out of the hands of students.

At present such a suggestion brings forth cries of indignation and a lot of stuff and nonsense about the sovereignty of the Union. The fact remains that students are too busy, too erratic and too irresponsible to run a large organisation such as we expect the Union to become.

In the last Union Meeting there was talk of lost addresses and contacts and of records being lost or forgotten. Frequently work has to be left undone because of examinations or because officers with consciences feel forced to resign.

While we continue our private machinations, while we continue to play at politics and talk blithely of sovereignty this will suffice but the time will come when it will simply not do.

FRED'S MAGAZINE —
WHY NOT MAKE IT YOURS
BUY C.M.R.

I WAS AT LSE

Dear Sir,

Where will your present readers be in three years' time? Scattered to the four corners of the globe: growing groundnuts in Tanganyika, teaching English to Thailand students, pushing British exports in Tokyo, administering relief in the Congo, fighting tuberculosis in India, lecturing at a score of academic institutions in and out of the Commonwealth, or pursuing a variety of activities in the British Isles.

What will they all have in common? Neither political nor philosophical views, neither race nor religion; these will differ as widely as the world is large. Not even work: what can the geographer, trying to locate new oil deposits in barren country, make of his former classmate's expert opinion on an intricate question of industrial relations? How could an education officer in the R.A.F. take charge of an East End problem family entrusted to the care of a social worker once his fellow stu-

dent? Trade union leaders, politicians, industrialists, monopoly busters, monopoly builders — they will find themselves at opposite ends of conference tables, plead opposite cases in courts of law, whisper opposite advice on questions of current controversy into influential ears. Yet the moment will come when one confides to the other: "I was at LSE". This will be the bond between them.

The LSE Assoc.

To keep that bond alive and fresh, there is the LSE Society. In the pages of its magazine *Old Students* tell of the work they do and the people they meet, and read news of what is happening at the School. At its annual dinners the lecturer in economics on leave from Nigeria, the diplomatic representative of a foreign country accredited to the Court of St. James, the United Nations official work-

ing in London rub shoulders with their contemporaries who in geographical terms have not moved far: the lawyer with chambers in the Temple, the economic research officer of a large business organisation in Kingsway, the family welfare worker from the South London slums, the financial journalist writing the City column of a national paper a little way up Fleet Street, the accountant from the office down the Strand.

Would your readers whose study at LSE draws to a close like to take part in this "freemasonry" of Old LSE students? A form of invitation to join the LSE Society will reach them with their exam results, or else would they like to get in touch with

Yours sincerely,

WALTER M. STERN,
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NEW SURVEY

What made you choose your subject? Do you now wish you had chosen something different? Do you think there should be more opportunities to take a general degree course?

These are some of the many questions which will be asked in a mammoth survey of London University Students which will be conducted at the beginning of next session in six or more Colleges, including LSE, Kings and Imperial College.

Rosemarie Whittman, ex-editor of 'Sennet', is organising the survey which is intended to give as comprehensive a picture as possible of London students.

Questions will be asked about income, religious and political affiliations, Union activities, choice of career and which newspapers are read.

Miss Whittman is at present studying English at Westfield but she will probably be transferring to LSE at the end of the session.

THE BULGE

According to the Thailand newspaper 'Prajadhipatai', of the country's 58,000 secondary school graduates last year, only 2,300 were able to enter colleges due to a shortage of school rooms and economic difficulties.

Secondary vocational schools could accept only 4,400 students, although 14,000 had applied.

Only a third of the primary schools have permanent school-rooms in Thailand. This situation threatened the future of students and worried their parents, the paper said.

FREE DEGREES

Brian Levy, co-editor of the magazine 'Degree' has announced that it will be given away free next term. He expects to increase circulation in this way.

JUNGLE WARFARE

Dear Sir,

The refectory suggestion box having now remained unemptied and used as a litter depository since the middle of last term, may I through your columns express my utter disgust and anger at the present useless and chaotic queueing system archaically surviving in the canteen.

Barbarism

One is seldom privileged to witness such an atrocious and degrading spectacle as in the refectory at one o'clock when starving students battle to get their meal. The present system of "queueing", if one can

possibly use that word and still maintain respect for the English language, involves jungle warfare with each person fighting to get a plate with further battles to obtain vegetables. The victorious emerge (watch them, with trays held high and battle worn triumphant smiles) to join the cash desk queue and finally sit down to a well deserved if rather cold meal. The whole method is so irrational and stupid that I am sure other readers will agree that it really must be changed to a more efficient and civilised one.

Yours truly,
Andrew Leigh.

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DECIDE ON





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Lone Harriet Hahn arriving at Liverpool Street from Copenhagen to take up an AIESEC traineeship in London. She's 21 years, speaks English, French and German and is much too pretty to spend the Summer in a Bank.

BETTER BEER

Connoisseurs will be pleased to hear that different brands of draught beer will probably be on sale in the new bar.

With the larger bar it seems probable that more firms will be asked to supply beer. The choice of brands will be decided with the results of a survey on drinking preferences, taken two years ago in mind.

One of the great, and to some minds, most important problems still to be solved in the new bar is the site of the dart-boards (two are planned).

Space = Money

Many people dislike the idea of the coffee bar and beer being sold in the same room. It is felt that this might ruin the cosy, pub atmosphere. Even so the fact has to be faced that with the high cost of land in central London every inch has to be used to its best advantage and

as intensively as possible.

In many respects it appears that the architects were not fully aware of the problem faced by student organisations. As a result of this the President of the Union in conjunction with Mr. Collings has made several alterations to the original plans which were drawn up two years ago.

Alterations

The access to the kitchen was inadequate; this meant moving the switch room, rebuilding a wall and making a new door. Also the new shop, which is to sell a wider range of goods than the old one, perhaps including such things as stockings and sports equipment, had to be re-planned for safety purposes.

The SU and AU are to have new offices on the first floor and both are to have a games room. One will probably be used for bridge and chess and the other for table tennis.

CINDERELLAS N.B.

Girl students in England are the 'Cinderellas of the Beauty World', believes Richard Henry, the International Hair Stylist. No-one caters specially for them and all the attention is focussed on their wealthier working sisters.

Hair styling is a costly problem for the student on a limited budget but the Student Weeks to be held in the Autumn in his salons will provide a solution for many of them. During these two weeks, October 16th to 22nd, in towns which have both a University and a Richard Henry Salon, girls will be able to have their hair restyled, shampooed and set for a total of 13s. 6d. instead of the normal price — 22/-.

Students should write to

the Student Week, Richard Henry, TD, 82 Baker Street, London, W.1, for a concession card. When they go to the Salon they will have to produce their NUS card.

ANOTHER MOODY?

Nineteen-year-old Roger Forbes, a B.Sc. (Econ.) student from Twickenham has been accepted for Bristol University's new course in drama.

Roger played the lead in the Drama Society's production of 'Richard of Bordeaux' in his first term at the School; at once he stood out as a most promising actor.

He has always wanted to go on the stage and this could well be his big break.

AIESEC BOOMS

Fifty per cent. more students are bound for such places as Istanbul, Freetown (Sierra Leone), Haifa and Toronto, on AIESEC Traineeships this year than last year.

The intensive publicity campaign conducted at the beginning of the year through the press and by means of sherry parties and receptions, together with the hard work put in by Simon Klinger and his committee have made this the most successful year ever for AIESEC.

Graduates have found jobs abroad with such firms as Shell, Unilever and Time and Life International, and the LSE delegation played a leading part in the Association's Congress at Marseilles.

Speechless!

Our delegation made proposals concerning the re-organisation of the Secretariat in Geneva and the recruitment of graduates for work in under-developed countries.

After many strenuous sessions (in which Klinger lost his voice) these recommendations were unanimously accepted.

The LSE reception of overseas students lags far behind the standards set by the Continent. Despite financial difficulties, John Hartley, the receptions officer is doing a splendid job in organising dances and trips to Oxford, Cambridge and Stratford.

Not least of AIESEC's triumphs this year is to bring Miss Lone Hahn (see photo) to London. She certainly justifies all that tedious paper work.

Men in Motion

The publication of the new film magazine 'Motion' means the realisation of the aims of several LSE students. Edited by Ian Johnson, a second year history student, 'Motion' has been launched on a national scale, and is on sale in nearly every University and University College in the country, as well as many London bookshops. Included on the editorial board are Ray Connolly, Allan Eyles and Mike Burage.

SOC. SOC.

The Sociology Society is organising a weekend school in Windsor Great Park during the weekend beginning Friday, October 20th.

Prof. Glass has tentatively agreed to come and Mr. Macrae, Mr. Mackenzie and Mr. Newfield are also giving their active support in organising the School.

INDIANS WIN TROPHY

LSE India Society, represented by Akhil Marfatia and Kishore Bhimani, was the unanimous winner of the Krishna Menon Debate Trophy presented by the Indian Students Union.

Among other prominent competitors were the Cambridge team, the ISU home team, Liverpool and West Ham. The motion before the house was 'Unilateral Nuclear Disarmament is indispensable for world peace'.

Accidental War

Akhil Marfatia, speaking for the motion, was drawn second. He gave a consistent and stirring analysis of the potential evils of nuclear rivalry and sought to expose the hoax behind 'deterrents' — touching on the subject of accidental war.

First Success

Kishore Bhimani, speaking immediately afterwards, against the motion, was the only speaker in the debate to speak extempore. This was a point in favour of the LSE team as emphasised by the judges before conclusion.

Although LSE have entered before, this is our first success. The home team, ISU, were placed second.

COMMEM. BALL

John Shave, the Social VP, says that the next Commemoration Ball will, if anything, be even more lavish than usual.

Although the Festival Hall will not be available this year because of re-decoration and there does not appear to be any other suitable premises except LSE, the ball will not be reduced to Saturday Hop standard.

Indeed the money saved on the hire of the hall will enable the decorations to be more elaborate and the tickets to be cheaper.

Three Bands

There will be two ball-rooms, the Refectory and the Barley Sugar Room, two bars, and a buffet in the Founders Room.

Three bands have been booked in the hope of satisfying all tastes. They will be the Nat Temple Ballroom Band, the Temperance Seven and Leeward Island Steel Band.

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PRESIDENT'S

Now that I have come to the end of my year of office, I should like to make some general comments on Union affairs.

First of all, the year has been a tremendous, though at times rather frustrating experience for me. I came into office, hoping to make some sound progress on staff-student relations. During the year a committee was established on teaching methods, and a certain amount of work was done. For various reasons the work of this committee could not be completed during the year. I do, however, feel that its work must continue, especially since the University Grants Commission has established a special committee under the chairmanship of Sir Edward Hale, to investigate the teaching of undergraduates.

Robbins Committee

With the tremendous growth in the number of universities and in the numbers at universities, it becomes most important that students' unions should have a tradition of intelligent comment on academic administration. In keeping with this attitude I have recently brought together a number of students with special qualifications in order to discuss the work of the Robbins Committee. I hope that the Robbins Committee is set to make a major step forward in the development of our educational system.

It seems to me that many of the distinctions drawn between Universities, Colleges of Advanced Technology, Polytechnics, and Teachers' Training Colleges are historical accidents and that some method must be discovered by which these false distinctions can be eradicated.

We must have a system of education which allows everyone to develop his intellectual ability to his uttermost. Not only must an opportunity be there, but there must also be a positive encouragement to each generation to extend its knowledge.

Wasted Talent

At the moment, many students are unable to extend themselves because they have just missed entry to a university and are, therefore, restricted to the less exacting standards of other sections of our educational system. The best students at Teachers' Training Colleges are undeniably superior to many undergraduates and it is quite wrong that they should be prevented from meeting the challenge of university teaching and that this should be wasted on those less worthy.

No admission system can be perfect and unless there is the intellectual stimulation of listening to the best that is available, many students outside the University are unable to realise their potential, or satisfactorily discover their limitations.

You may disagree with my views, but I think most of you will agree that we should be discussing and expressing our views on these matters within the Students' Union.

Resignations

This year, there has been an unprecedented number of resignations and the work of Council has, of course, suffered enormously because of this. In the first two terms of this year, out of a Council of eight elected members, there were six resignations. These resignations have had one in-

teresting and hopeful factor. A large number of first-year students are very active in Union this year and although many of the things I wanted to achieve have not proved possible, I feel very hopeful that the experience of many people in Students' Union's activities this year will lead to responsible developments in the next two or three years.

Budget

This year commenced with a tremendous row over the



Budget. The Finance Committee and Council had prepared a budget which reflected the traditional interests and financial requirements of the various activities of the Union. This was not acceptable to a very large number of students who felt that Societies should have a bigger share of the cake. Council insisted that the budget be considered by Union because it felt that this was the only budget it could ever submit. The budget was finally accepted with some nominal adjustments being moved from the floor which were generally accepted by Council.

I would point out, however, that in my opinion, Societies this year have made very special efforts and have had their activities handled by unusually able people. I thought this was so when the resistance to the budget was so strong. I am now convinced when I see that all societies have managed to have an extremely successful year, using less money than ever before.

New Building

During the last term I submitted a memorandum to the Director which showed that we were about to expand the work of the Students' Union. We had thought in the past that our expenditure should rise by the end of the next quinquennium in 1967, to £3,600. It seemed to me that with the move into the new building, the time for expansion has arrived. Certainly, with the Students' Union being responsible for a Coffee Bar as well as the present Three Tuns Bar, we cannot afford to have the financial records being kept by someone who is exposed to all the disturbances and hubbub of the Union Office.

Whereas our turnover should increase we will employ considerably more staff. In the new situation a mistake could be very expensive.

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Expansion

Our main concern is now our move to the new building, and establishing ourselves in time for the next session.

Union has passed a constitutional amendment, yet to be assented to by the Court of Governors, to establish a Special Fund. The profits of trading activities, small though they may be, are to be placed here and it is my hope that in a few years' time we shall be able to finance activities that might not be met from the School's annual grant. I am thinking of such projects as UC's hostel, youth clubs and the International Club proposed by our War-on-Want Society.

Union Fee ?

I would also like to express the opinion that the Students' Union should have a recognised fee payable with School fees. Should Union expand, as I am sure it will, there will be the need one day to introduce a senior administrator, as for example exists at ULU.

Parish Pump

The continuity of administration is essential if officers are to quickly grasp the problems and duties of their posts.

I have heard it said that Union affairs are our version of parish politics and that those who participate are "would-be" politicians. This is unfounded. Many hours of intense discussion have reassured me that most of the people who become Union Officers, have a keen sense of social commitment and responsibility.

Thank you

I have striven for this during the year just ending. I hope that at times it has been to your satisfaction, Thank you for the opportunity.

I hope Tom Evans, President for next session and the rest of Council find their year as satisfying as I have mine. I wish them great success.

STUDENT JOURNALISTS IN ROME

The Tenth International Student Press Conference, which will be held in Rome from 2nd to 8th July, is being looked forward to with increasing interest, in view of the growing influence of the student press on the evolution of the university and the national community, especially in those countries which have recently become independent or which are still subjected to colonialist, imperialist or totalitarian regimes, where student publications are vital in the fight for freedom and national independence.

Aims

The aim of these annual meetings is to give student journalists the opportunity to study the development of the student press and to stimulate and encourage better and wider exchanges of experience between the editors of student publications throughout the world. The very positive results of the Conference can be measured in terms of the formal and informal exchange of opinions and experiences, the discussions on the responsibility of the student press, questions related to preserving the freedom of the student press, technical problems of newspaper and journal production and the role of the student press in promoting international student co-operation.

Practical Use

Many practical services to the international student press have arisen from the Conferences. These include the international student press card, issued in four languages and held at the present time by some 500 student editors. On the recommendation of the Press Conference, COSEC has built up a special Press Department, which issues press releases regularly on subjects of international student co-operation to some 1,200 student newspapers, offers a photograph service to student newspapers, and arranges an international "exchange of articles" programme.

Student leaders and student journalists who will come to Rome in July will also be able to meet eminent representatives of the national and international press who will address the Conference on all aspects of the role of press in general.



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SARTRE'S JUDGMENT

by Mark Dickson

'Loser wins!' such is the perennial philosophy of the father in Sartre's 'Altona'. This dictum applies not only to the everyday lives, could such lives ever be everyday, of his own schizoid-incestuous family, but also to the present condition of Germany.

'Yesterday we were a defeated nation, today we are the greatest nation in Europe with all her richest markets open to us and tomorrow . . . and tomorrow we'll have the bomb'. Thus shrouded with this contentment, the defeated family grows rich and prosperous whilst upstairs, locked in voluntary confinement for 14 years, Franz von Gerlach, the son, does penance for Germany's crime.

Dressed in a German uniform he paces about his room continually pelting a large photograph of Hitler with oyster shells and relating on a tape recorder a history of this century, for our successors of the next — the Crabs, who in his eternal and solitary world of fantasy already inhabit the ceiling of his room.

We hear the tragic tale of this, the blackest of centuries, as Franz pleads for judgment from the Crabs, yet he himself believes, owing to the lies told to him by his sister Leni, desirous of his caresses, that Germany is a defeated and crushed nation. Later when the truth is revealed and he learns of the prosperity of his family and of the German nation, the fact that loser has won emerges yet again. Franz leaves his room and goes to an unwitting suicide with his father in the family Porsche, while Leni takes his place in the room carrying on with the eternal penance.

So we emerge from 'Altona' with the feeling that we've been hit by an intellectual steamroller; we pick ourselves up and ask the meaning of it

all. Surely this three hour epic is not merely concerned with the von Gerlachs, with their incestuous relationships, with the father dying of cancer—even though all this provides a play in itself? Nor does it refer merely to Germany's crime, to Belsen, to Auschwitz; it is far wider in its tremendous impact—social and political comment give way to Weltanschauung.

We have here perhaps not Franz's but Sartre's advocacy for this century, which leaves 'an inspired and rancid taste in the mouth'. Are the Germans any more to blame, than are the French for their torture of Algerians, than the Russians for starving millions of peasants, than the British for Hola Camp, than the Americans for Hiroshima?

Since Cain and Abel we have been guilty of sin—do we blame Germany for the century or the century for it? Do we blame Christ for the disinheritance of the meek? Can man be totally bad or are some worse than others? Think had before answering for either answer damns.

I strongly urge everyone to

make a pilgrimage to this play. Though lengthy (it was initially four hours but French critics persuaded Sartre to cut it), complex and terribly pessimistic, it must surely be one of the most important plays to be written since the war.

It is brilliantly acted by Kenneth Haig (whose part must be one every actor dreams of playing), Claire Bloom and Diane Cilento, with settings by Sean Kenny who seems to have the phenomenal knack of realising the author's inner vision. The only complaint is that its showing at the Saville is criminally restricted to a mere four weeks.

If you miss 'Altona', take your place in the queue for 'Beyond the Fringe', the new, four-man revue at the Fortune Theatre. Take a Dostoyevski novel and a flask and you should get in by next term. See Jonathan Miller's rangy, ginger-capped form worming about the stage and puzzling 'I can't understand the high incidence of shops selling rupture appliances round about the Charing Cross Road—perhaps it's something to do with the strenuous physical activity of that area'.

The establishment shakes, crumbles and sinks, but our tears are only those of laughter, plus the fact that we won't be able to savour it again for at least another three months—but there is always 'Altona'.



Courtesy Paramount Films

In his latest film, 'One Eyed Jacks', Marlon Brando in his own inimitable style plays a bad but sympathetic cowboy. Although he is not entirely happy in the part his unique method of acting sees him through. Karl Malden gives an outstanding portrayal of a crook who double-crossed his partner and becomes respectable but cannot forget the past. This is a dynamic production dominated throughout by the Brando touch.

'Throwaway Age'

by D. G. MacRae

(Reader in Sociology)

Sociologists cannot make up their minds whether to hate Mr. Packard more for being a rather bad and slapdash social scientist, or for making a great deal of money by turning sociology itself into a best seller. I suppose the latter is the more unforgivable sin. Packard's early book on advertising and motivation research, 'The Hidden Persuaders', was really pretty bad. 'The Status Seekers' was attacked by professional sociologists, but any one who wants to learn about social class in modern society would do well to read it, and it can be read without pain. There are minor inaccuracies, but the picture is broadly true and very clear. His latest book is probably his best: 'The Waste Makers' is extremely well-written at the highest journalistic level and constantly interesting. It also makes something quite clear about Mr. Packard.

Mr. Packard is above all a puritan: a believer in old-fashioned virtue, thrift, foresight, intelligence, and self-discipline—in a word, a believer in 'the values of the Protestant Ethic'. He belongs to the older America, the America of New England before the Civil War. And, like Henry Adam and Henry James in their day, he is acutely aware of the changing world. He is a puritan who lives firmly in the present but does not like it.

His waste makers are 'those who are seeking to make their fellow citizens more prodigal in their daily lives . . . most Americans are becoming waste makers . . . A charge of rape cannot be sustained by any adult when consent or co-operation has been given. Prodigality is the spirit of the era. Historians, I suspect, may allude to this

as the "Throwaway Age". This is what our author deplores and yet he accepts it, for it is deeply involved in the working of a system of abundance. Like Professor Galbraith, he would like to see private affluence—particularly as expressed in obsolescence—turned against public squalor. It is a worthy motive. Unfortunately, the conclusion is lame: "Americans must learn to live with their abundance without being forced to impoverish their spirit by being damned fools about it."

The journey between the problem and the conclusion is well worth anyone's time. Here is an amusing, one-sided, but accurate picture of the world of obsolescence, the ad-men, and hire purchase. Here is a documentation of the change from inner-directed to other-directed character structure. It is great fun to read—all Mr. Packard forgets is that it can also be quite considerable fun to live.

'The Waste Makers' by Vance Packard. Published by Longmans, London. 21s. pp.340.

Books received
'Economic Aid to underdeveloped countries' by Frederic Benham. Published for the Royal Institute of International Affairs. 12/6d.

'The Common People' by Cole & Postgate. Methuen paperback, 12/6d.

'Economic History of England'. Methuen, 12/6d.

ANDERSONVILLE

(Mermaid Theatre)

'I was only the medium or, I may better say, the tool in the hands of my superiors'. Thus rests the defence of Captain Wirz, ex-commandant of the Civil War's notorious P.O.W. camp, Andersonville.

In 1956 Saul Levitt wrote this play because he saw in the war-crimes trials which took place after the Civil War a striking parallel to the Nuremberg trials of our generation.

'Andersonville Trial' goes beyond this purpose, however, in that it encompasses some of the same problems which

are being raised in the Eichmann trial today.

The actual trial of Wirz was held in 1865 just a few months after Appomatox in an atmosphere of bitterness and revenge. Wirz complains that the Court is prejudiced against him and that he is doomed to be hung, more because of the South's defeat than because of his own actions.

Lt.-Col. Chipman, the prosecuting attorney, brilliantly portrayed by William Sylvester, is not content to win the case on its political merit, and insists instead on raising the question of Wirz's moral guilt. Chipman insists that although we are all of us subject to the powers we have raised up in society, i.e., the powers of government, of army, etc., we cannot give the ultimate responsibility for our individual moral decisions to these authorities.

These diametrically opposed arguments by Wirz and Chipman are the highlight of the play.

Maurice Denham successfully presents Wirz as both a religious man who is a victim of war-time circumstances and

as the inhuman robot who let thousands of Yankee soldiers die from over-exposure, malnutrition, and insanitary conditions.

A most disappointing performance was given by William Squire acting as Wirz's defence counsel cum Southern gentleman. It is true that it is difficult for anyone but a Southerner to achieve a true 'Dixie' accent, but sadly enough it is also true that if the accent is too atrocious, then what the person says has little effect. Such was the case with the unfortunate Mr. Squires.

The standard of performance of the remainder of the cast is well above-average with an outstanding bit of acting done by Christopher Guinee depicting a shattered youth who has somehow survived the horrors of Andersonville and is now trying to readjust to civilian life.

The play itself is rather unobtrusive in pointing out the similarities between what occurred in 1865 and in 1945, but it is interesting in its study of the moral issues involved in 'chain of command' responsibilities.

R.R.

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CRICKETERS ON FORM

Good weather, a good team and the lovely Berrylands wicket have produced a start to the cricket season which has been both enjoyable and successful. The only regret is that it could have been even better.

With a large nucleus of established players, the club needed only a reasonable quota of regularly-playing freshers to be assured of a really good year. Unfortunately this was not forthcoming. While three freshers, M. Evans, C. Margerison and A. Morton, are to be congratulated on securing a place in the University XI, only three others have consistently made themselves available for selection—S. Cowie, D. Knowles and A. Mehta.

Before the examinations loomed over the horizon, the team's record was impressive. The first five matches against London club opponents were all won by substantial margins, a notable feature of the team's performance being an ability to recover after a bad start, suggesting a welcome depth in batting strength.

The Cup

Meanwhile chief interest was focussed on the ULU cup. In the first round, Sir John Cass were soundly thrashed, LSE running up a total of 250 and dismissing the opposition for little over 100. The 2nd round brought us face to face with King's in what has undoubtedly been the highlight of the season to date.

Kings Win

LSE scored 180 in the allotted 40 overs, due largely to a fine stand between A. Morton (51) and C. Margerison (41 n.o.), who came together when five wickets had fallen for 69 runs. A. Torevell (31) and D. Searle (23) also contributed useful runs. Against steady bowling, King's surprisingly collapsed, and were dismissed for a mere 115, H. Griffiths taking 6 wickets and A. Morton 3. After such a famous victory—our first over King's for many years—hopes were high of a successful cup run, but alas!

CEM abruptly halted further progress in the semi-final. A strong LSE batting side allowed itself to be bowled out for the ignominious total of 106, of which meagre sum Datta scored 34. CEM made no mistake about an easy task, winning by 7 wickets.

Batsmen

On the individual rather than the team level, Derek Searle has allowed neither the worries of accounting nor captaining to disturb him, and is, predictably, the leading batsman with 367 runs to his credit. He has already scored his annual century, giving him three centuries in his three years at LSE, quite possibly a record for any LSE player. M. Shuttleworth, A. Torevell and H. Griffiths have also scored over 250 runs apiece, while K. Datta, M. Evans, C. Margerison, A. Morton, R. Mallinson and C. Beeby have all contributed high scores on various occasions.

Shrewd Jones

Bowling has never been the team's strongest point; this year the leading wicket-taker is again Jones, who with deep Devonian cunning, and inspiration derived from the family pisces, has persuaded 34 unsuspecting opponents to present him with their wickets. H. Griffiths and S. Cowie have done most of the rest of the bowling, with 26 and 24 wickets respectively, demonstrating in the process the virtues of the Berrylands wicket—for batsmen.

The Tour

From the 12th to the 19th July, the peaceful rural life of South Devon will be shattered by the invasion of the cricket team in quest of more victories and a different brand of beer. Eight matches have been arranged for eight days, so plenty of cricket is guaranteed for the near-sober. Fourteen players are wanted, and names are still required. Any interested cricketer is asked to put his name on the list on the C.C. notice board as soon as possible.

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THREE WINS

LSE's Boat Club has rowed itself into its strongest position for ten years. With three cups to its credit so far it hopes to carry off a fourth before the season's end.

Purples in Crew

The season's first victory came in the Putney Amateur Race. LSE beat seven crews to win the maiden fours. In the Whitsun break we beat Chester and Northwich but lost to Boston by a small margin. In the University of London Regatta LSE beat St. Mary's Hospital to win the clinker fours. In the last race against Putney Town the boat all but sunk in some very rough water.

The club has made a fine contribution to the London University Boat Club. John

James is the Secretary of the UL Boat Club. He won the University Sculling Championship and also strokes the purple boat. R. Yates coxes the purple boat. Before this season began the Club's only success was a single victory in the clinker eights at Richmond.

The crew comprises: M. Haslam, T. Jensen, N. Wood, J. Lipsombe, J. Stenson.

A MIXTURE

The Ladies' Lawn Tennis Club are having a mixed season. They began with a fine 7-2 win over Newnham College, Cambridge, but have subsequently lost to UC and Goldsmiths.

Like so many other clubs they have been badly hit by cancellations.



ANDES TRIP

Pete Bebbington and Ted Booth, ex-president of the Mountaineering Club are leading a party of five to the Andes this summer. This is the most ambitious project ever undertaken by the Club. The preparatory work has been enormous but if the trip is successful it will have been well worth while.

Alps also

Other members are planning expeditions to the Alps and the Dolomites as well as the more usual meets in Scotland, North Wales, the Isle of Skye, and the Lake District.

This term climbing activities have been centred on the practice ground, a sandstone wall, called Harrison's Rocks, near Tunbridge Wells. This together with the gritstone of the Lake District, has given

the members valuable experience.

Recently experiments have been made with artificial climbing aids such as pitons but the general feeling seems to be against these, primarily on the grounds of expense.

As a result of the annual elections the following officers were elected:

President: D. Wall; Vice-President: P. Westnidge; Treasurer: D. Charity; Secretary: N. Townsend; Meet Sec.: N. Armstrong; Equipment Sec.: D. Condict.

D.C.

SAILING

The Sailing Club are bound for the Channel Islands this week. On the way they are to race against Exeter University and then they go straight to Jersey for two more matches.

A.U. NEWS

Mike Shuttleworth, this year's Senior Treasurer, is to be the next President of the AU. In the election he was fought to a surprisingly close finish by Jim Milnes. Though the news is some weeks old Mike is to be congratulated and wished every success in the coming year.

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In the recent Vice-Presidential elections Arthur Hindmarsh and Phil Jacobson were the successful candidates. They polled 46 and 45 votes respectively; Steve Pilbeam got 23.

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To B. Wagle goes the Steel-Maitland Cup for the outstanding sportsman. The cup for the outstanding sports-woman goes to Julie Charles for the second year in succession.

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Dave Allen gets the Wilson-Potter Cup for the outstanding sportsman-administrator, and the Earnest Cornwall Cup, for the outstanding club has been awarded to the Basketball Club which won the University League this year.

Tennis

POOR SEASON

The Men's Tennis Club are having a disappointing season so far. The fixtures have been heavily hit by cancellations and examinations have taken a heavy toll of the players.

The 1st VI, when at full strength is certainly one of the strongest in the University. They reached the Semi-final of the ULU Cup with a 5-4 win over QMC but were then beaten by a powerful IC side.

The Cup

On the few occasions on which the 2nd VI have played, they have been beaten pretty soundly. They have yet to win a match. However with the exams over there is every possibility of improving on this record.

Despite this dismal account the fact remains that we can turn out a side to beat most Universities in the country and that we have reached the semis of the ULU competition for the third year in succession.

On June 10th the LSE Singles Championships were held at Berrylands, on very hard, wind-swept courts which were not conducive to good tennis. The event was won by R. Stevenson who beat M. Tanner 6-2, 6-4 in the final.

UNIV. CHAMPS

In the University Athletic Championships, Treacher of LSE won the long-jump event with a jump of 21ft. 6ins. Treacher has represented the University on several occasions.

Other LSE successes were by Smee, who was second in the hop, step and jump, and Mrs. Mather, who won the 220yds. and was second in the 100yds.