

COMMENM BALL ROW

THE cost of the annual Commemoration Ball came under attack at a combined Finance Committee/Council meeting last Thursday.

"It makes the rest of the Budget a farce", said one committee-member. Mike Bromwich, who was outlining the Finance Committee's proposals for the Students' Union 1962-63 Budget, moved a committee motion that there be no Commemoration Ball: this was only defeated when ex-officio chairman Vince Gilpin threw his casting vote against it.

It had seemed at that stage that the loss on the Commem. Ball, to be held in the Carlton Rooms, Maida Vale, on December 7, might run to £320 — about 8% of the total Union Budget.

GREATLY MODIFIED

This figure was greatly modified after further discussion, and the previously dissident members of the Finance Committee agreed to support the new figures. Provisional figures are:

	£
Nat Temple Orchestra	130
Noel Brown West Indian Band	80
Hire of Carlton Rooms	100
Printing costs — posters etc.	35
540 suppers @ 12/6	337 10
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On a tentative basis of selling 250 tickets at 45 shillings each, revenue would be £567-10.

GAP OF £115

This leaves a gap of £115, which will be covered in two ways: the President will pay for 40 or 50 guests out of the Commemoration Ball Hospitality Account of £110, and there is a separate Commem. Ball account of £100.

It was said at Thursday's meeting that Social VP Geoff Park was originally intending to get meals at 14/6 a head, but agreed a figure of 13/6 with Bromwich. At the budget meeting, it was decided that this figure would have to be lowered.

TOTAL COST TO UNION

The total cost to the Union is provisionally: President's Reception before the ball: £30 (£21 lower than last year); Hospitality Account £110; subsidy (£115 - £45 covered by the Hospitality Account for President's guests) £70; Total £210. This is all covered by the budget.

When this year's Commem. Ball was debated by the Union on January 19, Social VP Mike Keenoy outlined the probable cost of the ball.

With the full support of the previous Council, he — to quote the Union minutes — "gave his assurance that the Commemoration Ball would not incur a loss to the Union". He also stated that double tickets would cost 35 shillings.

400 Book Stolen from Library

OVER 400 books worth from £400 to £500 have been stolen from the Library over the past year — 116 of them from the new Part I Library.

"We are very concerned at the growing incidence of theft over the past few years", said the Librarian, Mr. G. Woledge "We have even thought of closing the Part I room, but the Library Committee have decided against this for the present. Meanwhile, we shall have to replace the missing books, but have no intention of repeating this next year.

Security

"The Library will attempt to tighten up the security and intend implementing spot checks even if everyone's

pockets have to be emptied. "The most sought-after books are the ones which are missing; we had ten copies of some Part I books at the start of last session and, on an average, eight of them have done a vanishing trick and have not since returned."

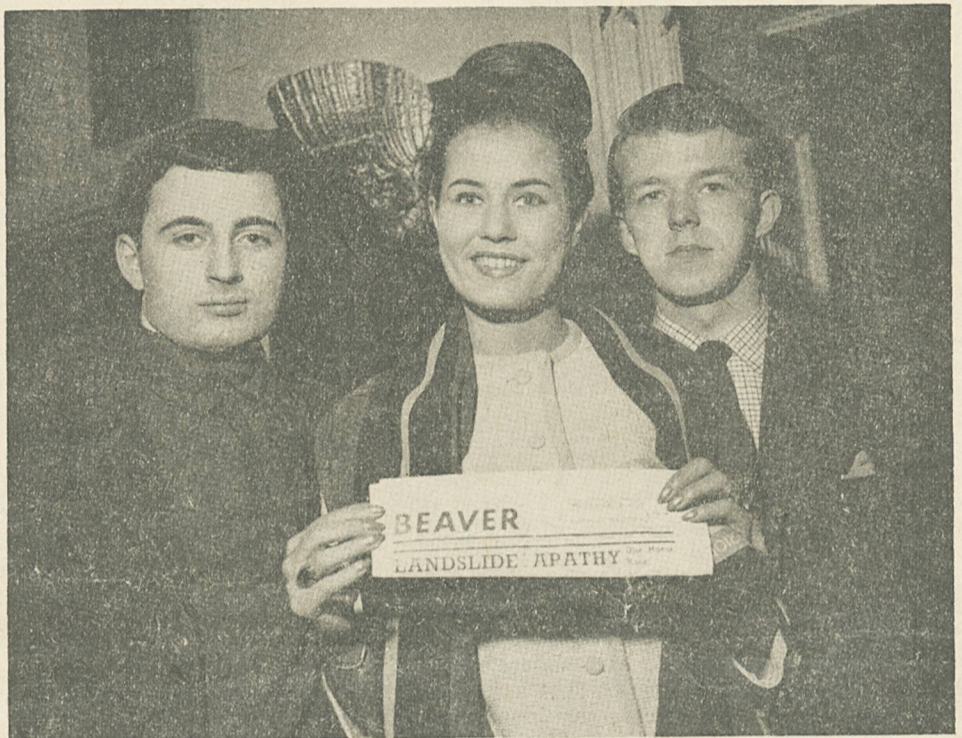
MOSLEY AT ULU

DAVID GEORGE, LSE's President of ULU Debates is causing another stir. It is rumoured that he is to invite Sir Oswald Mosley to speak.

Strong opposition to this suggestion is likely to be aroused, particularly at LSE. Last year a similar attempt failed after angry protests from all parts of the University.

committee-member.

Miss World reads "Beaver"



BEFORE even worrying about her £2,500 cheque Miss World, Catarina Lodders from Holland, said, "It would be a pleasure", to two members of *Beaver* staff. Whether she was more impressed by the colourful scarf, the quality of *Beaver* or the charm of its staff we leave to your imagination.

What the picture doesn't reveal — green eyes, 37-23-37 — and unfortunately thinking of getting married to her present boy friend. Picture by R. F. Bromelow

£ £ £ £ MORE CASH

THE Union income for 1962-63 is estimated at £3,972.

The grant from the School is up £160 to £3,360. Income from other sources, including appropriations from the Union Shop and the Three Tuns Club, has risen by £391 largely due to £240 received from Granada Television.

Telephones

The telephone budget is £100; last year £75 was budgeted, and £147 spent. It is hoped that stricter supervision of the Union phone will cut bills, and the £147 was also partly offset by expenses received from the USA Flight account.

Salaries paid to Union employees will be greater this year. The new permanent secretary, Mrs. Phyll's Vincent, may also be in charge of book-keeping, assisted by a book-keeper for most of the year. Council thinks that it

might evolve a scheme along these lines which will be more efficient and only slightly more expensive than the previous set-up.

External

AIESEC spent £118 last year, after budgeting for £60: it's budget is £60 again this

REST OF THE BUDGET

year. The cost of CEDESE is down from around £78 to £25.

"Beaver" cost £392 for nine issues last year. This year it gets £420, and hopes to produce 12 issues. CMR, which budgeted £80 and needed £276, gets £100.

Officers' expenses were raised after talk of "forced penny-pinching", and suggestions that Union Officers had to pay expenses out of their own pockets, to £100. Last year £68 was spent.

The cost of debates is up £23 to £162, largely because there will be two more debates this year, including an internal competition.

Public business, which spent £16, now gets £41.

Societies

The Arts get a lot of support in the Society subsidies: Dramsoc should get £80, with a few pounds in reserve; Jazz Soc. gets £60, and the Music Society £48. The Sociology Society jumps from £1 to £17.

The Weekend School budget is £40, and the General Reserve, including the TV payment, is £442.

THE Director has promised that LSE will have a general practitioner as part of its Health Service next term.

A staff committee has suggested that Dr. Harry Levitt, a central London GP, should get the job.

Dr. Levitt would have several duties. He would:

- 1) attend the School daily in term-time;
- 2) give immediate medical advice;
- 3) co-operate with students'

GP FOR LSE

National Health Service doctors;

4) advise students on treatment from NHS doctors and dentists.

Dr. Levitt would form part of a Health Service which would aim to preserve and promote health. He would carry out the duties of an industrial medical officer.

LSE's psychiatric adviser,

Dr. J. C. Read, would take care of the increased administration, with the title of Senior Health Service Officer.

Dr. Levitt would be a part-time Health Service Officer, with an honorarium of £1,500 p.a.

Health questionnaires for new students and mass x-ray sessions are also envisaged in the staff committee's report.

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COMMENT

GOBBLEDYGOOK

TOMORROW, Friday, the budget for this session is due to be presented to the Union. A lengthy meeting is likely in which much time will be lost in pointless quibbling, and in acrimonious dispute over obscure points from the constitution.

After the brawling in the Old Theatre the painfully created budget proposals revealed by the Council will be mauled and tattered. But what, in substance, will have been altered? Five pounds off this, ten onto that, will be a poor result for the cost in time and temper. The shambles tomorrow will be merely a bad instance of the curse that afflicts the political life of this college—constitutionalism, or rather, excessive constitutionalism.

When section and sub-section are hurled about on the Union floor the freshers are bored and mystified, and go back to the coffee bar. And not only the new members of Union are sickened by the endless bickering. Perhaps there would be some value in keeping to the letter of our law if everyone could master its intricacies. At present those who battle, way above our heads, in what Mr. Curtis has called "constitutional gobbledygook", serve mainly to confuse and delay.

If it is an indication of political inadequacy that we cannot rise above technical wrangling and conduct our affairs in an efficient and reasonable fashion there is little hope of improving our Union organization. We must remember that we are being watched by those who claim LSE has had a greater past. We should aim to make this quite untrue.

Hospitality Matters

THIS is an urgent plea to all LSE Student-Natives of these Sunny Isles (i.e. those of Anglo-Saxon, Ancient British, Celtic, Scots, Irish, Cornwellian and other applicable descents) on behalf of those overseas students who would like to stay in a British home will the Welsh nationalist please put down the

I'm sure that if I conducted a survey, it would emerge that about 90% of British LSE students spend at least part of the vacations at home (though I admit the odd few may live permanently in this sinful city, join the beatniks in Brighton or pitch a hut on the Yorkshire Moors).

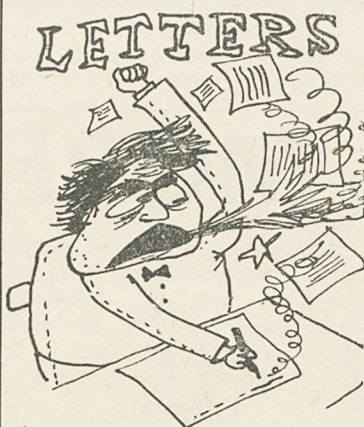
Festive

Seriously, some of you may be genuinely unable to offer hospitality to one of our overseas friends — but I'm sure that the majority of you could do so — and your offer of hospitality would doubtless be especially appreciated if it could be extended during the coming commercialized festive season (i.e. Christmas, for the benefit of those with hangovers).

Why not take an overseas student home for Christmas? If you can, please go to Union office and fill in one of those delightful forms offering to do so.

Sex-appeal

. Girls, now is your chance to get your man, and men, vice versa! (Will the gentleman with the blonde



From the manager of the Economists' Bookshop
Sir,

It is not unusual that misinterpretations arise in the reporting of interviews. What I suggested was that the students of the school are not our **only** concern. In addition to the needs of LSE students the Economists' Bookshop serves those of other universities in addition to libraries and specialist organisations. This fact enables it to carry its present variety of stock instead of the obvious fast-selling textbooks only. The existence of a bookshop specialising in the Social Sciences with a national and world wide clientele would appear to be in the interest of all but the most narrow minded.

Yours faithfully,
GERTI KVERGIC

please wait for the vacation!)

This scheme is an excellent one — but it needs our support. So come on, let's show 'em how the other half live—even if it means sleeping in the dog basket.

Please be hospitable and offer to take an overseas student home during one of the vacations — today.

Tucker Lwanga

I am pleased to inform the Union that we now have a new permanent secretary for the office. She is Mrs. P. Vincent, who will be working three days a week for the rest of this term, and full-time as from next term. We are trying to reorganize the office machinery and I must appeal to all students to cooperate as much as possible to make the new organisation work.

The office will be open five days a week from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. Students are asked to make their various enquires at the office between these hours. I am appealing to any students who are able to type to offer their services even for half an hour or one hour a week at the Union office. This would help to get the work done more quickly for the benefit of the various student societies.

Budget

The budget will be presented to the Union on Friday, November 16, and societies will notice that we have done everything possible to allow them what they have asked for. The aim behind this is to encourage maximum activities for the societies. Some societies in the past have found that their activities are unsupported by the Union as a whole and I am appealing to all societies to give each other mutual support.

The same thing is relevant with regard to Union activities. There are over 2,500 students in London School of Economics and when activities are planned, only a very small number of students take part in these. The latest example is the weekend school where only 60 students attended when beds were available for 180. We hope the weekend school to be held next term will receive your full support.

Fiasco

On December 7, the annual Commemoration Ball will be held in the Carlton Rooms at Maida Vale. This in the past has often been a financial fiasco. If it fails it is because students want it to fail. If it succeeds it means students are interested in the activities of their Union.

Our Welfare Vice-President has several plans for the benefit of students. I would like to mention here his "take - a - foreign - student - home" scheme. Christmas is coming and many foreign students are faced with the prospect of a bleak, lonely Christmas. I am sure you will all be eager to display the best of British hospitality.

When did you last take a shower? Perhaps not for a long time. Perhaps you have been paying for public baths or dropping coins in a slot to get a warm bath in your

PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

Did you know that showers are available in the East Wing behind the gym? I have made the necessary contacts to consider the installation of more showers but my plans were thwarted with a strange rebuff that two showers provided for nearly three thousand students are not sufficiently used. I hope that you will use these showers to the full advantage so that more can be installed if the need arises.

Dubious

College authorities are sympathetic with the idea of installing washing machines for the benefit of students but they are dubious about the need for these. It is felt that many students would not take advantage of a launderette on the premises and so, I plan to do a survey to get your opinion. I shall be sending around a questionnaire with regard to the launderette and the possibility of having a Ladies Hairdresser on the premises. The result of this will determine whether these facilities are made available. One sure way by which students could make their desire for a launderette known is by voting a sum of money towards the installation of a washing machine.

I have received a copy of the report of the Students' Health Centre Sub-Commit-

tee which was working in conjunction with the Board of Governors. This report recommends that a Doctor be appointed to the present Health Service in addition to Dr. Read. This appointment will be as from next term. Further details of this report will be made available in due course.

The coffee bar next to The Three Tuns Bar will be ready for use shortly. The Council has decided not to undertake the running of this coffee bar at first and we have asked the School to do this. The cost of installing this bar is going to be borne largely by the School and Union will pay only the original £200 which was previously decided.

Information

In my future columns I plan to bring to the notice of the Union the departments of the various members of Council. I hope next week to deal with the Deputy-President's department. The aim of this is to provide information about the Union for the benefit of students who are interested in applying for Union posts next year. It will also make it possible for students to know which member of the Council they can approach for certain specified information or help.

Vince Gilpin

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Freshers Column

IN to-day's issue of Beaver, we begin a "Freshers' Column" with an article on the general problems facing the fresher.

It is intended that this column will be maintained by the Freshers themselves — those interested should see Mike Goldstein at the Beaver Office.

ODDS AND ENDS

The "Sunday Times" reported that the NUS will be considering a motion enquiring into the reasons for the high failure rate of Student Union officials. They should certainly come to LSE!

CANON John Collins will be speaking as a guest of the Anglican Society on Tuesday, November 27, at 4 p.m. in the New Theatre. His topic will be "Unilateralism". Members of all societies are welcome.

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WHY is there no solidarity among the freshers? Is it because they all try to be sophomores? The fresher's most pressing problem is to integrate himself more fully into the general life of the school. It therefore becomes evident to him from the beginning that there is a certain lack of atmosphere at the LSE, aggravated by the existence of cliques and the fact that he is unaware of many of his 1st Year colleagues.

The remedy is not simply one of burning the building down and starting afresh but of the immediate awareness of the need for gradual change. Hence the problem must first be recognised and then, and only then, can suggested improvements be put into practice.

If University education is to be more than a 9-5 existence, more than a mere workshop then something has to be done and done quickly.

A start can be made by having socials both Saturday and Sunday evenings in addition to later opening hours in the Three Tuns Bar during the week. Sentiments should play but a small part. The provincial student, unaware of his new surroundings, finds that his University life ends at 5 p.m. Friday night and begins again at 9 on Monday morning. His weekend is cut

off from the University.

Yet this is not the complete solution since what is needed is not so much a change in activities but a change in attitudes, of approach, not only amongst the staff.

Here is something in which the fresher, if given the opportunity can play a real part. Soon aware that the existence of cliques makes who you know more important than what you know, he begins to accept the situation, and settles down with his particular group of friends, whether it be the Drama Society or the Judo Society. Not only does he become unaware of the majority of his colleagues, but he is missing part of his University education.

It is up to the old-lags to give the freshers a chance to express themselves, to put forward their new ideas. Instead of seeing their vitality go down like a sinking ship, they must provide the foundation for a new atmosphere.

Within this major problem, there still remain others peculiar to the fresher. Here is the purpose of the Freshers' Column. Not only will it become the voice of the freshers, but it will assimilate them more fully into their environment.

"cold and dark"

HAVING been warned repeatedly to brace for the "cultural shock" which would hit me when I arrived in England, the only shock I received was how much everything was the way I'd expected it to be.

It seems that the American's picture of Britain and Britons is fairly accurate, as far as it goes (which may upset some Britons who are concerned with their "image"); it seemed that all the men were either ruddy-cheeked cap-wearers or stiff-lipped umbrella-toters, and the women were long-haired tweed-wearing stride-walkers, at least for the first week. Other notions confirmed were of children (all short-pants versions of Prince Charlie), the weather (cold), and the food (potatoes, potatoes, potatoes).

Tiny

A group of 41 undergraduate students from Tulane University in New Orleans, soon to be studying all over the British Isles, we made a grand coach tour of this tiny

island. We went from Southampton to Salisbury, Exeter, and Cornwall, then up to Oxford, through Chester and Windermere to Dumfries. Missing Edinburgh, we came down the eastern coast through Durham, Yorkshire, and Cambridge to London, over a 2½-week period. We managed to see most of the Sights; I suppose it can be said that we "did" England.

Reverence

It continually amazes me that British people seem to like cold, dark, drafty, inefficient, old buildings simply because they're cold, dark, drafty, inefficient and old. A man at the Exeter guild-hall told us a story about every stone in the building, his eyes lit up and the pride and almost reverence were nearly tangible.

Every hotel had its famous room or "so-and-so slept here" sign; the deification of Wordsworth at his cottage, however, approached the ridiculous. I finally wouldn't have been surprised at "this is a lock of Wordsworth's doctor's daughter's hair".

FRESHERS

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Fascination

With typical American fascination with anything over fifty years old, we left shoe leather on the steps of every cathedral on the route. I found the massive strength of Durham the most awe-inspiring of any, although Coventry's sheer visual impact is overwhelming; I've never heard organ music anywhere comparable to the glorious walls of sound that flow through English cathedrals.

The British outlook seems to ignore some things I'd been used to thinking were important: speedy travel, hotel

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Eyes Down for an Empty House

THE sounds of our affluent age — the whistle of a jet engine, the intermittent hum of a refrigerator, the blare of stereophonic sound — are being displaced in the aural hierarchy by a new sound, already of Olympian proportions, that of the bingo-caller.

From Bolton to Bognor Regis the cult of bingo has spread with the infection of the plague and the all-consuming passion of the Great Fire. Thus, if I were asked by those little men who inherit distant planets what single institution is truly representative of Britain in 1962. I would be forced to reply bingo. (Implicit in this is the assumption that roulette and chemin-de-fer are merely bourgeois interpretations of the game).

It is a sad reflection on the state of society that there exists a tax on pots and pans but none on the plastic chips that pass on the chemmy table. It is a sad reflection on family life that women herd themselves night after night into disused theatres and cinemas, ever expectant of calling "House".

'What of it?', one might say. 'If these people want to pass their leisure hours in this way, all well and good; any criticism is only sanctimonious and snobbish.'

Moreover, it is said, to condemn this sort of entertainment is to impinge upon a person's right to enjoy himself as he thinks fit. The introduction of betting shops and the relaxation of the laws concerning gaming houses allow the greatest happiness for the greatest number. Such is the case for the maintenance of 'individual freedom'.

There is, however, another side to the coin. For the above argument can be, and frequently is, used as a justification for the peddling of the third-rate. As Mr. Cecil King proclaimed in this very newspaper recently:—

"My policy is to meet the demands of the British public; if they want stories about violence, we'll give it to them".

What could be a more blatant blow to freedom than this constant pandering to man's base and primitive desires? By satiating man's appetite

for such things we stifle that more important freedom: to develop one's capacities to the full for the good of oneself and society.

John Stuart Mill shattered, and quite rightly so, the tenuous principles of Utilitarianism when he claimed that the idea of liberty was not merely the negative principle of absence of restraints, but the positive principle of valuing individuality.

Freedom from immoral psychological techniques in advertising, freedom from a surfeit of violent and pornographic literature, freedom from 'switch' salesman, seem to me more important than freedom to choose the bingo hall or the Hughie Green show.

If people only get violence in their *Daily Mirror* they can hardly be expected to demand much more. Whilst cigarettes are sold as an erotic symbol appealing to our lower instincts, can we ever hope to cure peoples addiction?

I feel the powers that be have a duty to attempt to raise the standards of taste and expectations in society. This will mean the curtailment of factors appealing to our baser instincts, for these stifle our desire for the finer things in life.

Though many will deny that there are such things as qualitative differences in values, claiming that it is all a question of individual taste, it cannot be denied that love is a higher value than lust, charity than selfishness, helping ones neighbour rather than constantly trying to profit by him.

It is to these higher values that society should turn — not to the get-rich-quick ethics of TV quiz shows, nor to the comparable atmosphere of bingo halls and to the milking of expense accounts — so that the cry of our affluent society can be "eyes up for a fuller life".

Leonard Lyle

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room decor, warmth, Delsey . . . "cultural shock" did crop up occasionally. Emphasis on religion, history, politics, manners, tradition; respect for the bobbies contrasted with the apparent willingness to be arrested — these were total reverses from what I'd been used to.

As the tour wound up in London, the dominant feeling

was one of having only scraped the surface of the education available in simply travelling through England. There are yet hundreds of tiny, thousand-stepped hotels in as many towns, with a wider variety of people who "slept here" than I could possibly imagine. My trip through England isn't over yet.

DESTINATION EVERYWHERE

THE BIG COUNTRY ★

SAMUEL JOHNSON once said, "I am willing to love all mankind except an American" — typical of the narrow-minded antagonism of the English towards their former colonials.

But it is only by meeting Americans on their own ground, against the backcloth of their own environment that one can make any true assessment of their character and achievements.

America is a big country, however far you travel in it you cannot fail to be hit by new dynamic contrasts, from the brash superficiality of New York to the pseudo-sophistication of Boston, from the glamour and folly of Hollywood to the squalor of back-street New Orleans.

New York is big and bewildering, a concrete canyon of skyscrapers and tenements. Swank Fifth Avenue apartment blocks converge on ramshackle Harlem rooming-houses. It is hardly possible to breathe or hear oneself speak.

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Stubble - chinned bums sprawl on Bowery sidewalks, waiting for the chance of a fag-end, hopelessly begging an escape in drink. In "Greenwich Village" old men play chess in Washington Square, students drink and talk in Bleecker Street coffee houses, while below the surface lurks the nether-world of drug-addicts and perverts, the weak and the wicked.

One's only refuge from the humid claustrophobia of the City is Long Island, a super-suburbia of beaches and boating . . . and industry too!

Washington is a big surprise after New York. So all America isn't big and brash, you think. Built primarily as a seat of Government it is one of the most consistently appealing cities in the States.

Good planning and tasteful buildings have contributed to an atmosphere of peace and content behind which the intrigues of politics run full throttle.

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Atlanta is just another big city, but a ride out of town will reveal the magnificent homes of Southern millionaires.

In Atlanta itself I went into a restaurant, but since I only wanted a snack, the "soda fountain" section.

There wasn't a single white person in the place. People stared at me and I had the uncomfortably nagging feeling that the waitress would soon ironically say, "No whites served!" Fortunately my fears were unjustified and I was soon downing a mint julep with the rest of them.

New Orleans is everything I expected. The French Quarter has a piquant charm which is all its own. The jazz clubs of old have largely given way to ubiquitous Strip Clubs, and I nearly went into a club which according to the next morning's paper was "RAIDED ON SUSPICION OF DRUG-PEDDLING"! L.S.E. STUDENT IN NEW ORLEANS JAIL" — how I visualised those headlines.

materialism but as a contrast to our "keeping up with the Jones's, their materialistic economy is based on the criterion that the consumer is king.

If some lack culture it is because they have had no

time to develop it, but at least they know where they are going while we only tend to think about where we have come from.

On coming home, don't be afraid of being slightly Americanized — you may

have lost your stiff upper lip and your inhibitions, your love of the slightly outmoded and the inefficient, your predilection for back-slapping and false heartiness. You may even have taken a fresh look at yourself!

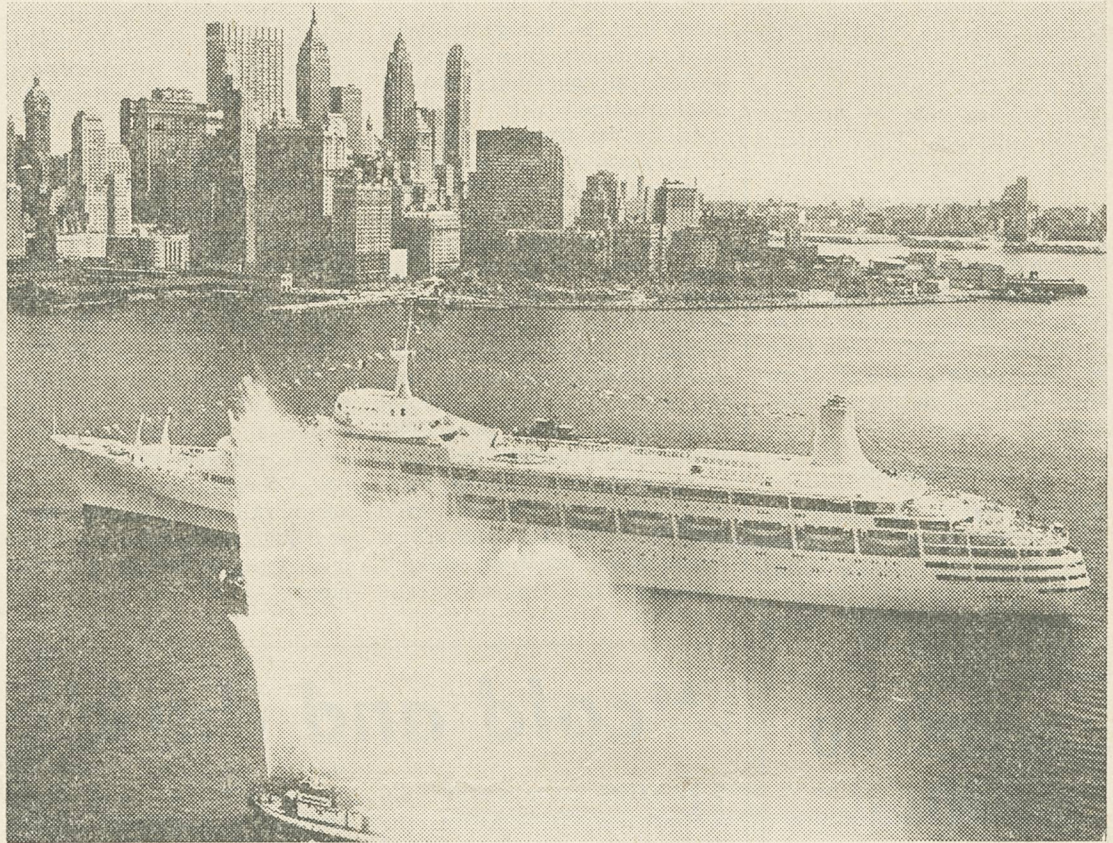
by
Alan Kay

California, here I come. Vine and orange groves lining the sloping plains and miles of beaches delight the eye. Los Angeles is a disappointment, but Hollywood is worth a visit. They live for kicks there; so some students should be at home.

But in San Francisco you find the nearest you'll approach to the real America in one city. Cosmopolitan to an extreme, tolerant of alien customs and attitudes, it exudes all that is best in America. Its buildings are faintly Spanish and its location in the Bay is stunning.

Its inhabitants are even friendlier than the Texans who welcome strangers with open arms. If one has been searching for an America to love, here it is.

The Americans are warm-hearted, friendly and surprisingly pro-British; they are hard-working and live life to the full. We complain of their



MOUNTAIN WILD

FAR from the sophistication of Warsaw and Cracow, in the South Eastern coner of Poland, lie the Bieszczady mountains. Their attraction lies not only in their height and beauty, but in the fact that this is the wildest and most uninhabited region in Poland, and perhaps the remotest in Western Europe.

A few years ago there were no shops in the Bieszczady, but now they are found at about three days walking distance, but there is seldom a hamlet inbetween.

Walking in a group in these mountains without coming across another soul for several days is indeed an unforgettable experience.

The ravages of war saw the total destruction of every hamlet in the Bieszczady. You often come across neat rows of stinging nettles on each side of the path, and behind them fruit trees, now wild. This is the sign of a former village or town.

But it is inadvisible to reach the fruit trees, however

appetising they may look, for having bravely walked into the nettles, one is apt to fall into a deep pit, the cellar of a former house, and help may be several days in coming.

The frontiers of Poland, Czechoslovakia and Russia meet in these mountains so that looking down a summit you have the added attraction of finding immediately below you, Russia to the east, and Czechoslovakia to the west. It is a cloudy day. Quite suddenly the sun peeps from behind the clouds, reflecting into the binoculars of an armed frontier guard, as he sits . . . in a tree.

Hallina Grubert

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PERHAPS you are thinking of going to America this year. If you are I'm sure many of you will be taking the Greyhound Unlimited Travel Ticket. By European standards America is so large, so vastly different, yet a number of students always manage to get to the West Coast.

by Geoff. Fielding

First stop: Los Angeles. And when they get there they are invariably disappointed; Hollywood isn't on their doorstep and Disneyland is a long and uninteresting bus journey away.

But how many students visit Las Vegas? Certainly the number is small. It's off the two main routes to Los Angeles from the East and it's the devil's own job to hit Vegas in anything but a 'plane.

That's the answer then . . . go by 'plane, it's simple and here's how. Put your best clothes on, go to the airport at L.A. and tell them you want to go to Vegas for the weekend.

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When you go to a good hotel in Vegas 'good' is always an understatement. Your room is superb, large, spacious, air-conditioned with its own TV. The food, which is on the house, is the last word and the hotels always have their own swimming pools, night clubs, and . . . casinos.

There's the catch, because this is where they hope to catch you.

When you walk from the bus to the main lobby you always have to go through a large casino. If you're a gambler, this is the end my friend. If you're an occasional gambler you are at death's door. If you have only once before had a flutter you are on the danger list. And if you've never gambled at all you are almost certain to catch the disease.

This is no idle jest. If you have any money at all before the weekend is over you will be helping to boost the main source of revenue in Nevada, simply because in Vegas there is nothing else to do.

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AND ALL POINTS WEST AND EAST

A STAGECOACH RATTLED ALONG THE COBBLED, FOREST-FLANKED ROADS OF NORTHERN GERMANY TOWARDS DENMARK.

One of the passengers was a young officer in the Danish army. On his lap was a large container which he fostered, almost religiously.

At each halt, for a change of horses or refreshment for the weary travellers at the inn, the young soldier dashed wildly from the coach to the nearest waterpump and moistened the contents of the container which he guarded so reverently, so mysteriously.

To the other occupants of the carriage the oft-repeated ritual was indeed very puzzling. Until he explained.

The officer was Captain J. C. Jacobsen of the Danish army. But his life's ambition was to become a brewer in Copenhagen. His visit to Germany had taken him south to the Bayern country, to Munich where brewers had discovered a new technique in the use of yeast.

In that curious container Jacobsen was taking back to Denmark some of the yeast employed by the Munich brewers.

And the "descendant" of that same yeast is today cultivated by and used in the world-famous Carlsberg Breweries in Copenhagen. For in 1847 Denmark's first lager-beer brewery was started by Capt. J. C. Jacobsen, who called it "Carlsberg" after his son, Carl.

by
Mark Harris

While in Copenhagen this summer we naturally felt a sincere obligation to visit Carlsberg. This area of buildings and green spaces occupies more than 60 acres about a mile from the famous Tivoli Gardens in the heart of Copenhagen.

Happily, an extremely witty, English-speaking guide was provided.

Several thousand people, as many breadwinners as in an average-sized Danish provincial town, work at Carlsberg. All workers have the right to drink free eight bottles per day of a specially-labelled lager-beer; no one, but no one, outside Carlsberg has ever wet his/her whistle with this brew. It would be illegal for it to leave the premises.

Not only does the Carlsberg Organisation concern itself with, one might say, the "spiritual" welfare of its workers but also the physical welfare of its workers' children. The bright modern day nursery for employee's offspring was proudly pointed out to us.

Passing through the new

modern bottling hall and out under the famous Elephant Gate we found ourselves in a large and cobbled courtyard. Strangely, our guide suddenly suggested we observe a minute's silence.

We stared at him quizzically.

He smiled broadly and, with eyes glowing, informed us that we stood on sacred ground . . . but not solid ground! For beneath our feet sprawled a titanic underground storage depot containing 1,060 tanks always holding enough lager-beer to fill more than 100 million bottles.

A mass sigh rose through the beer-scented air at the mind-boggling, mouth-watering statistics.

Buttoning our jackets we were led through the sub-zero climate of that vast subterranean storage chamber, dwarfed by the huge white storage tanks; each tank holding enough lager-beer to last a man who drank twelve bottles a day one hundred years.

But indeed the most fascin-

CARLSBERG

OF COPENHAGEN

ating, most remarkable feature of Carlsberg which distinguishes it from any other brewery is that the profits of the Carlsberg Breweries are for all time secured for cultural purposes.

J. C. Jacobsen had always been profoundly interested in the sciences. In 1876 he established the "Carlsberg Foundation" to which he bequeathed "Gamle Carlsberg" with sole proprietary rights (1888). The objects of the Foundation are to support the fundamental sciences and to operate the Carlsberg Laboratory as well as the Museum of National History at Frederiksberg Castle.

Unlike his father, Carl

Jacobsen had always maintained a keen interest in the Arts, and in 1902 presented "Ny Carlsberg" to the "Carlsberg Foundation". He established the "Ny Carlsberg Foundation", the purpose of which is to promote and encourage the creative arts, including the Ny Carlsberg Glyptothek, in Copenhagen, which he founded and houses outstanding collections of both classical and modern art.

We were surprised to hear that the famous Little Mermaid, on Langelinie, immortalised by Hans Andersen in his fairytale, was presented to the City of Copenhagen by Carl Jacobsen in 1913.

And so the most fascinating hour-long tour ended.

Royally concluded with the traditional slap-up binge.

Frontier Gun-Battle

ISRAEL, with its back against the calm Mediterranean, faces imminent attack on its vulnerable borders from four hostile Arab neighbour-states.

However, the arrogant Israelis have learnt to live with this continual threat of armed conflict and are apparently indifferent to these external pressures.

But, ironically, one of their greatest tourist attractions is a trip to the border, which is never far away.

One border episode we experienced was being held up by a tough Jordanian guard, sub-machine gun at the ready. The incident occurred outside Jerusalem where the boundary line runs through the middle of a village! This sort of dangerous inconvenience is unhappily far from rare along the border and typifies the myopic attitude of the UN in handling such hair-triggered situations.

For a time we worked on a kibbutz at Sha'alavim, strategically located as part of the Israeli defence system at the southernmost end of the Jerusalem Corridor, just outside Ramle (with the prison of Eichmann fame).

One of the fields of the Kibbutz is actually in no-man's land. In all the fields we were overlooked in the East by an Arab defence fort, and no one working in the field ever went out without a gun!



Our main incident occurred at Ein Gev which lies between Lake Tiberias and the Syrian border. This is probably the most susceptible part of Israel as it is nearly completely cut off from the mainland and is beside Israel's most active neighbour. We were told that this is because SYRIA is trying to divert attention off its troubled political front.

It was late afternoon. We were swimming near the left bank of the lake when gunfire suddenly broke out around the Syrian watch-post, apparently a continuation of an early-morning skirmish during which a kibbutznitz driving a tractor at Ein Gev was shot at.

There was a short exchange of rifle-fire . . . then silence.

Most of us thought the incident to have been specially arranged by the Tourist Board and treated it as a great joke. But the guide soon convinced us of its seriousness, and we hurried to safety.

The shooting went on spasmodically for another two hours. Fires which had started in the fields of the kibbutz blazed steadily through the night.

Although not a land flowing with milk and honey, there are many awe-inspiring places to be seen, many exciting things to do. I will never forget the sunrise over the Red Sea seen from Massada, Ein Gedi, an oasis in the Negev with a natural swimming pool, the panoramic view of Haifa at night from Mount Carmel, the glorious bathing, particularly at Elat.

It's a great country.

IAN LANDAU

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Twenty dollars is all you need and if you don't gamble or have a phenomenally strong will you can get 15 dollars back. So for five dollars you can have a great weekend.

It starts when you board the silver jet at L.A. You are then whisked off to the gambling capital of the world where you arrive less than an hour later. The only thing you have time to do on the 'plane is to drink champagne served by shapely hostesses, while you relax in your deeply cushioned armchair.

Once in Vegas you step off the 'plane into a moderate 115 degrees. So you step even more quickly into the awaiting air-conditioned bus, which takes you straight to one of the best hotels.

I'm not going to describe Las Vegas because you have to see it to believe it. It's a large town which, at night, puts most of dazzling Broadway to shame. It's a gambler's paradise. Every major gambling game in the world is played there, and plenty more you've never even thought of.

Most of the casinos are the size of the Albert Hall though none of the buildings are very tall. The main street has over 20 casinos alone.

Wherever you go you hear the sound of money; the call of the croupiers, the rattle of fruit-machines and the buzz of roulette wheels.

But if you can last, and if you want to be among the select few out of the hundreds of thousands of unwary, unsuspecting tourists you can have a relaxing weekend.

Out of the original 20 dollars, you are given 15 dollars in chips. When the weekend is over you can get your 15 dollars back.

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So you can have free meals, and free drinks if you gamble, your hotel room and use of the swimming pool, a free night-club ticket where only world-famous artists appear and your flight back to L.A. where you get a plastic beaker of luke-warm lemonade and not champagne.

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films

RENOIR

LE Caporal Epingle, hailed as the 'Grand Illusion' of the second world war seems most accurately described as the disillusion of the post-war Renoir.

wartime values

Once again Renoir presents the social disorganisation during war time, and the way in which the army becomes a unit and prisoner of war camps become autonomous universes. Peace time restraints, sanctions and differentiations dissolve. Societal pressures are lifted, new methods of self justification and new reasons for motivation develop within the men. Respect for one another is charismatic rather than hereditary or occupational; self respect is dependent upon the new ideals which each prisoner has to hack out for himself. The base line of what is morally right and what is materially prosperous is shaken and values become mobile or differently regrouped.

micro-society

Inside the micro-structure of the camp, prisoners can live with satisfaction, if ironically they are prepared to relinquish national issues and allegiances. Lone wolves in peace time can become popular, happy and even adapted to POW life, until they narrow their values to the extent of defining their well-being in terms of whether they manage to intercept both champagne and pate from the German Post Office for lunch.

Some prisoners cannot subsume themselves completely under this micro-regime; others are forced out of it by their friends. Here comes the sadness in Renoir, when he sees that all men are not capable of relating their actions from the camp to the actual events of war. Some, like the corporal, can relate and can formulate possible escape plans. His friend cannot; the fragmentation of values in war-time has shown him nothing but his own inadequacies. His only response is to sacrifice himself and be shot in a futile attempt to walk out of the prison gates.

innate disillusion

This sadness and feeling of men's inadequacy pervades the film. Each escape attempt is almost a parody, if a funny one, with the lorry travelling from the camp, eventually tipping the escapists into the rubble at one of the work sites.

But this parody, often so acute and oblique in the comment occasionally veers into pastiche of a too overt kind.

Renoir's unique blend of humanity and social observation, of sharp criticism and lack of vindictiveness, and of sympathy with most, and comprehension of the rest, underpin the whole film. But the concluding shots of the corporal pacing the deserted Paris street at dawn, resolved to fight again and yet realizing the pointlessness of it all, seem remarkably close to Renoir's own position.

Margaret Archer

AFTER KOREA

WE have been dealt with a surfeit of films about War; from the Wars of the Roses to the Civil War, from Crimea to the First World War, and, more protractedly, from the Second World War to Korea.

We see the boys leaving home and marching off to fight for God and country, their sufferings in battle, and their return home to receive their medals.

But they met a force more cunning, more deadly than they had ever known, whose rules of warfare were totally alien to their own. Many succumbed, and lost their souls in the process.

Never having tackled this provocative subject before, Hollywood puts the record well and truly right with **The Manchurian Candidate** (Odeon Leicester Square), the most

Back home he wheedles his way into government circles, and the die is cast . . . But a fellow patrolman, Ben Marco (Frank Sinatra) is befogged by nightmares and the nagging thought that Shaw is not the fine hero he has been put up to be.

The consequences help make this a masterpiece of suspense and drama. But this is no conventional thriller, no bag of tricks, contrived to jerk an audience from its seats from time to time.

There is a frightening realism in evidence — not only are one's nerves frayed by the end but one's mind is too.

America's hysterical fear of Communism is well conveyed and is never overplayed. And here is an America admitting the presence of Communism in its midst and making no excuses for it.

director's film

This is primarily a writer's and a director's film, but its acting is still noteworthy. Frank Sinatra is adequate and suitably harrowed as Marco, and Laurence Harvey is at his best since "Room at the Top"; evil but unable to control his own mind and racked with doubts in his role of Communist tool.

John Frankenheimer, relatively new to screen direction, reaches a convincing and startling maturity with this film — my Candidate for this year's Oscar.

Alan Kay



Tense moment — Sinatra and Harvey

But no-one ever stops to think what may happen to such men when they try to settle down to normal life, nor of the impact their war experiences may have on their whole attitude to life.

At no time was this problem more rife than after Korea; here Americans had been fighting for the preservation of modern civilisation, for God, liberty and life as they wanted to live it.

forthright and fascinating film to come from America for sometime.

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It deals with the effects of brainwashing on the mind of Patrol Leader Raymond Shaw (Laurence Harvey), captured by the Reds in Korea. The rest of his patrol is so brainwashed that they have no awareness of what has happened to him or them.

Dramsoc

WEEKEND SCHOOL

Last weekend twenty-five members of Drama Society became unbelievably enthusiastic about trying to digest a two year drama course in three days. R.A.D.A. lecturer David Giles valiantly attacked them.

TWO of you take a cigarette. Now improvise something round it. Offer it, you perhaps refuse it, ask for one, well pretend you're strangers. I don't believe you try harder both of you; no you wouldn't give way like that would you? Well if you're sure convince us. Who can tell me what they're doing? Is that right? Yes, I thought so too. Okay, relax for a moment. Any questions?

Right, scream. No hold it. Now what have you done? There's been a revolution. Yes fine, you come into your kitchen and find three dead men on the floor. Well let us know it, here you can help her, both together. I suppose you could drop something. Yes get those buckets out. Drop them. No, try on the concrete. How did that sound out there? Oh good.

The first trunk comes to here, the second to here. I just don't believe those are heavy. I still don't, do you?

Here try this, come on, I'm only eleven stone. Thats better, now try without me. Fine. Mind your fingers there — those corners are sharp. No stop, can anybody help her? Yes I think you'd almost fall over it first; okay, sorry—no no I'm not. Carry on.

Now this is very lecherous. Know how to look most lecherous? Here watch. See? Okay you try. Now one, get hold of the pike. Two, push it in his stomach. Three, up with the other two. Four push them down and run. Five after her, trip over the other two, okay turn and twist it in your legs and down. You keep running. Right. One two three four five. Fine, fine.

I remember one production of Macbeth when the producer made us do the whole thing in Chinese. We had to make it up as we went along. The killing danger of a classic is that everybody knows what everybody is and does. It was a bad production in many ways but it gave us all a new outlook on Macbeth. Okay let's do that with the piece we rehearsed this morning. Everybody onto the stage. Do you think this is any help? Of course it is.

S.R.

Theatre

Aldwych Diabolism

THE stark dramatisation of the mingling of sexual and religious lust in a French convent in **The Devils** returning to the Aldwych repertory until the beginning of December, often seems to sweep the actors to powers of conviction they themselves are not consciously aware of; at times it certainly proves too powerful for the audience.

In the play, by John Whiting, shades of Beaumont and Fletcher's bloody and ribald tragedies can be felt, every character taking on a sinister and uncomfortably decadent light.

Corruption and hypocrisy in the church and in seventeenth century governing

One Act Plays

THE difficulty in selecting two one-act plays for a Double Bill is to find two wholly dissimilar plays which must nevertheless be sufficiently different to complement one another.

Faced with this problem, Drama Soc. has chosen Jean Giradoux's comedy "The Apollo de Bellac", and Miles Malleon's suspenseful treatment of Chekhov's short story "The Bet", which will be performed at 7.30 p.m. in the Old Theatre, on Wednesday and Thursday next, November 21 and 22. One of these plays will be entered for the N.U.S. Drama Festival.

society is the basis of the plot. The deformed nun, Sister Jeanne, played by Dorothy Tutin, fixes her repressed lust on Grandier, Richard Johnson, the sensual pleasure-seeking parish priest who is a man she has only seen once, believing it herself, she accuses him of bewitching her.

Into this framework are fitted some of the most horrifying scenes that one can ever have seen on the contemporary stage.

The brutality of the devil exorcism and torture episodes is increased by Peter Wood's direction which gives an air of calculated calm and religious piety to the systematic destruction of Grandier. Nowhere is humanity made more base than when the nuns are herded together to give a public performance and the effeminate Condé tells his sycophantic little boys, "that's why I hate women".

Richard Johnson's performance as Grandier fully exploits the overweening pride

and ruthless sensuality of the priest yet brings a magnificent tragic stature to the broken man at the end of the play. As the professional exorcist, Max Adrian gurgles menacing about the methods of his trade.

The contrast within Dorothy Tutin's performance is startling as she changes from the pious nun to the mad, demon — possessed woman.

Throughout the play the audience is left breathless with horror until the climax; Grandier is seen in the torture chamber, screaming as wedges are driven through his legs while sister Jeanne shrieks in unison from the convent.

Then the play errs too much on the side of reality; then as a defence mechanism the audience, after the first dramatic shock, seemed to suspend their belief in the action.

After this final offering of pain to God by Grandier the end is rather an anti-climax, except that the incense which wafts from the stage precipitates the departure of those who were about to leave to be ill anyway.

From a production point of view, "The Devils" is magnificent; from an emotional point of view it is like finding that, by mistake, you are watching a public execution.

M.C.

All at Sea

ON November 3 the LSE Sailing Club beat Southampton University in one race and narrowly lost a second. The races were held on the River Hamble and Southampton Water.

The wind was fresh and blowing from the south-west, promising choppy seas once the shelter of the river had been left.

In the first race, after some brief encounters with several moored yachts and a dredger, the team found itself with a

commanding lead in open water.

A few anxious moments were spent trying to find a minute can buoy bordering on the edge of the main shipping lane.

This having been located, the next buoy, being bigger than our boats, was treated with respect.

The second race followed without incident, apart from all concerned being soaked to the skin, but none the less happy for a convincing win.

LSE were 1st and 2nd in the first race and 2nd and 3rd in the second.

Running In

IT was "Westward Ho!" for the cross-country team on November 3, when its minibus finally roared into life at seven a.m. to take a dishevelled-looking group to race in Exeter.

The Woodbury Road Relay is perhaps the biggest event in the West Country and all the top Athletic Clubs and Universities in the area entered teams.

Although never right to the fore, thanks to a very fast fifth leg by fresher Carl

Stott and a gallant last leg by Gerry Chaplin — running for the second time in the afternoon — LSE finished 20th out of 35.

After a rather disappointing start to the season, dogged by injuries — notably to Dave Bagshaw — the team has settled down well.

A decisive win was recorded over London Hospital when Keith Ord finished 2nd to lead in a bunch of 5 LSE men to a 28-59 win.

With two of the five league matches already run, LSE are lying 6th out of 10 in Division 1, and a good season seems highly probable.

Basketball

AFTER two substantial victories over other London colleges, the Club travelled hopefully to Cambridge on Saturday to take part in a triangular match against Cambridge University and the Army.

In the first match against Cambridge the team played well despite the fouling out of Bill Roach after only ten minutes play.

However we could not

match Cambridge in rebounding strength on both offence and defence and we finally went down 65 pts. - 43.; a creditable defeat against one of the strongest university teams in the country.

It is difficult to single out any outstanding players in the team but Gene Tidrick, Dick Goeltz and Hartwig Krieg were the most prominent.

In the second game, against a superbly fit Army team, we went down somewhat more heavily, 105 - 64.

Relegation Worries

THE early form of LSE football teams suggests that they will be hard pressed to keep their present league status in the months ahead.

A total of eleven games up to November 7 has resulted in only three wins.

While the college is fortunate in having four good goal-keepers, there is a general shortage of centre halves and full backs, especially noticeable in the lower teams.

The 1st XI opened their league campaign with a 3-2 (Holmes, Summers, Habeshaw) away victory over newly promoted Northampton College, but were outclassed for threequarters of the game before losing 4-1 (Summers) to a smart Goldsmith's side.

Freshers Summers, Dunn and Phillipson have shown form suggesting that they will prove useful acquisitions.

The 2nd team position seems more secure with two wins from their three games. After losing 3-2 to U.C. 2nds they beat Kings 2nds twice, 1-0 and 5-1.

In the latter game, they sunk our near neighbours with a superb late burst of four goals in seven minutes.

A fortunate draw against

A.U. CASH

AS from to-day, people who have not paid their subs., and who travel on A.U. coaches to away matches, will have to pay their full share of the cost.

This decision, reached at last Thursdays Exec. Committee meeting, was made to try and increase revenue.

It was also agreed that a

1st XV ON THE UPGRADE

THE record of the LSE Rugby 1st XV up to November 3, played 9, won 5, lost 4. Unbeaten at home, they recorded victories over Blackheath A., Charlton Park, City and Guilds, C.E.M. and Queen's, Oxford.

Heavy reverses were suffered against Reading and Southampton Universities, while the team was only narrowly defeated by Borough Road T. C. and University College.

It is unfortunate that away games against sides of the calibre of Reading and Southampton should be arranged before the team has settled down, but these trips do much to foster the growth of team spirit in the club.

Improvement

In recent matches the 1st XV has shown a marked improvement. This is particularly noticeable in the newcomers to the side.

Among these John Niehuss, lately of Michigan University, has been an outstanding acquisition at full back and the

centre three-quarters J. Maudsky and D. Griffiths form the most potent pair available for some years.

Others who have done well since gaining regular 1st XV places are the 2nd year students Nick Hellings, John Saltred and Mike Sutcliffe.

Stupid error

Two late tries following stupid LSE errors led to a 6-3 defeat against U.C., but this was partially redeemed by a comfortable 11-0 victory over Queen's (Oxford) on the following Saturday.

Thomas, who also converted one.

The second row pair of John Kirkham and Ken Hurley played excellently both in the lineouts and in the loose. If this standard of play is maintained LSE should do well in this season's Gutteridge Cup.

Settling down

The 2nd and 3rd XVs are new settling down after an indifferent start to the season, displaying form that suggests they should hold their own against similar teams from other London colleges.

The 2nd XV scored notable victories over Charlton Park Boro' Road and C.E.M., but were heavily defeated by Southampton, Reading and U.C. Injuries during matches have dogged the team and several members have suffered from concussion.

Outstanding

Outstanding players have been E. Bowmann and Tom Borkett.

Shortage of players has proved a headache to 3rd XV captain Sproule Jones, who has done well to keep the side functioning. This XV contains many of the characters of the club, including Mr. Richard Oberman, prop forward and calypso singer.

University side

Five players from LSE have represented the University this season, two having gained regular places in the 1st XV. Steve Pilbeam, a 4th year student, has at last gained the recognition that some thought he should have attained in his 1st year at LSE and Dave Flatman has figured prominently in all matches to date.

The club wishes these players further success in representative rugby.

J. R. Davies



John Kirkham and Ken Hurley (partly hidden) go up for a ball in the game against Queens' College, Oxford. Nick Hellings waits to pounce.

Goldsmith's 2nds has provided the 3rd XI's only point to date. Other matches have resulted in losses of 5-3 and 2-1 against Goldsmiths and U.C. respectively.

Scorers

In a match in which the pack deserve special mention, tries were scored by P. McDonnell, J. Mitchell and Dai

OXBORROW ANSWERED

IN the last issue of "Beaver", John Oxborrow said that A.U. administration could be made more efficient by giving the Standing Officers more power.

Any appeals against a decision would, he suggested, cause a "good row" and thus make administration more efficient.

I wonder if Mr. Oxborrow has considered whether it is possible to promote efficiency and enthusiasm without having a "good row".

I would have thought that a treasurer and secretary of one of the sporting clubs of this college would have had a more mature solution for this problem.

He further stated he was extremely keen on sport, but then went on to say that he very much doubted if he, or anyone else would attend union meetings, unless they wanted something for their own particular club.

This was, I think, the whole point of Mr. Buckle's complaint in an earlier issue, except that he was generous enough to call it apathy and not selfishness.

Duty

Representatives of some clubs should realise they have a duty to the sporting life of LSE as a whole, as well as to their own individual sport.

Only when they carry out their duty can the A.U. administer efficiently.

Albert Vince

HEAVY POLL IN A.U. ELECTION

BERNIE CROOP became of the A.U. when he votes to 60. John Foulsham was third with 11 votes.

Bernie is a member of the Rugby Club — he normally plays for the 2nd XV. He succeeds John Kirkham, who became Gen. Sec. in succession to Ken Hurley.

The most interesting feature of the election was that far more votes were recorded than anyone can remember in a previous election.

Twice as many voted as in

Assistant General Secretary defeated Pete Jones by 72

the previous election for the post.

I don't suppose that this was due to recent appeals on this page for people to take a greater interest in A.U. affairs; the real reason seems to be that Pete Jones organised a very efficient campaign.

He got most of the Soccer Club members and many peo-

ple from smaller clubs to vote for him on the first day of the election and appeared to build up a substantial lead.

This forced the Rugby Club to bring their massive resources into action and they just managed to get their man home.

Foulsham was a feeble candidate, making little effort to get votes.

The preponderance of Rugby men on the A.U. Council has been considerably reduced by the appointment of Margaret Cooper, of the Women's Hockey and Tennis Clubs, and Bruce Wood, who plays Soccer and Cricket, as Junior Treasurers.

LSE SHUT OUT

IT was reported to Union Council that despite a reciprocal arrangement admitting each others members, University College were not allowing LSE members to their dances.

The Chairman of University College Entertainment's Committee has denied this.

"The same conditions apply to them as to anybody else", he said. "They are always admitted to Saturday night dances but they must be signed in by a member of

the college for those on Sunday and Monday nights".

Geoff Park, Social VP is looking into the matter, and a letter has been sent to UC Union.

Splash!

Southampton University has suggested an inquiry into the possibilities of waterborne student accommodation. What about the *Discovery*, Sir Sydney?

"childish"

FRICITION on Council came to a head on Friday when Admin VP Mal Heap accused the General Secretary, Yvonne Lukey, of having a "damned childish" attitude.

He protested that Miss Lukey brings personal squabbles into Council discussions, and said, if she was going to maintain that attitude, "don't come on Council".

Miss Lukey left the meeting shortly afterwards without replying to the attack.

EXPANSION

More development inside and outside the School

NEW RESTAURANT — BIG DEMAND

IN the first weeks, the new Robinson Room restaurant has exceeded all expectations.

"We were hoping for a demand of about 400 meals a day", said one of the two joint-manageresses especially drafted from the refectory to look after the new restaurant, "but we have been serving between six and seven hundred meals daily".

Undergrads

Despite much higher prices aimed primarily at staff and post graduates, about forty per cent of the meals have been served to undergraduates.

But the joint-manageresses are not surprised. "We are serving much better food which is well worth the average of 7/- a meal".

No profiteering

Big demand and high prices will not make for big profits however. The Robinson Room is running at the same margin as the Refectory and food sold in both costs the same.

So far there has only been one complaint. No mashed potatoes. "We are trying to avoid duplicating the service given by the refectory" is the reason given.

CHALLENGE OF MARXISM

Thursday 15 November, 7.30
The Inadequacy of Sociology
SAM AARONOVITCH
London School of Economics

Sunday 18 November, 7.0
The Revolutionary Artist
ARNOLD KETTLE
University of London Union

Tuesday 20 November, 7.30
Science and the Humanities
J. D. BERNAL
University of London Union

Thursday 22 November, 7.30
Ways of Industrializing Under-developed Countries
MAURICE DOBB
London School of Economics

ACCOMMODATION

WHAT efforts are being made to find a site for a new Hall of Residence, within the terms laid down by the mysterious benefactor?

I am not at present in a position to make a statement. I hope to be able to do so before the end of the current session.

Will the Passfield Hall lease be renewed when it expires in 1969?

London University will not automatically renew it, but I am very hopeful that they will. The University, however, are believed to have plans for the redevelopment of the site. This may or may not mean that the lease will not be renewed. Nevertheless I feel sure that the University will do the right thing by us, and will not use the site to build a Hall of Residence for themselves. I am confident that they will let LSE continue to use the site for a Hall till such time as they need it themselves for other essential building.

In general, are you happy about the present arrangements for student accommodation?

No. The situation is not at all satisfactory. A great deal more ought to be done to provide adequate residential accommodation for undergraduate students in London. The problem is even more difficult for post-graduate students, especially if they are married.

To ease the position somewhat, the School has just opened 7 flats in North London for graduate students with families.

Varied ideas

Looking at the accommodation problem as a whole, the School is aware that varied ideas exist among students about the type of residence they prefer. Some like the community life of a Hall; others prefer a little more independence, and so opt for flats.

The School Authorities are sympathetic to both types of student and are willing and eager to initiate development schemes to meet the need.

The greatest obstacle, however, remains the shortage of money.

REFECTORY; EXTRA LIFT, EXIT, LOCKERS

The expansion programme being undergone by LSE buildings at a cost of over £100,000 is now in its second year and will be completed by the beginning of the 1963-64 session.

Focus of the "substantial expansion" is the refectory services: the third-floor storage and kitchen areas will become three times their present size.

Seating area will be increased "somewhat," according to Mr. W. S. Collings, the bursar, with the relocation of the corner shop and the addition of one small room, but the main improvement will be in the way in which the students will be served "more food more quickly".

Dishwasher

More refrigeration, modern equipment including a new dishwasher, and an extended service counter are among the changes now in the process of being made. The present demand for 1,200 meals per meal session on the third floor will be handled easily by comparison with the present strain on the staff and the recourse to manufactured foods now made necessary by a setup geared to serve 500 meals.

Connections

The newly-completed Robinson Room on the second floor and the enlarged staff dining room on the fourth floor will be connected to the kitchen by three lifts — at present there is only one. A service lift will also be installed leading directly from Clare Market to the stores on the third floor.

The new snack bar next to the Three Tuns' is ready in the St. Clements building, according to Mr. Collings; it is only a question of who is to operate it — the Students' Union or the Refectory. At present the Refectory services are run on a no-profit-or-loss basis by Mrs. Mary A. Ellis.

No traffic jams

Other improvements financed by the University Grants Committee, will include a new lift for the main building entrance hall, a new basement locker room, and a new exit and stairway from the Old Theatre gallery to avoid the present up-down traffic jams that occur on the mezzanine landing.

TV QUIZ RUMPUS

SURPRISE developments have arisen from LSE's third appearance in the Granada TV quiz programme, *University Challenge*.

This match, screened on October 29th, saw a strong Edinburgh team end LSE's unbeaten record with a last-minute burst.

The Scotsmen were trailing by five points until the last few moments when they flashed the answer to the final "starter" question thus becoming entitled to three free bonus questions.

As a result Edinburgh just managed to pip the LSE team on the post.

But the answer they gave to the crucial "starter" question was wrong, and the compe accepted it.

This was "Who was the first Prince of Wales?" Edinburgh answered "The Black Prince", whereas it was actually Edward II.

But for this LSE might have won, instead of losing by only 25 points.

The Director of the school, Sir Sydney Caine, who is also

a director of ITA wrote to the team pointing out the error. A letter from the team to Granada TV was sent, enclosing Sir Sydney's historical research.

Commented team-member Harry Davis: "We had not intended to mention the mistake, but Sir Sydney's letter prompted us to write to Granada".

The programme's three-appearance limit makes a replay unlikely, though LSE may reasonably expect an apology. In the next series the undefeated teams are playing off, LSE may be invited to participate.

It is interesting that there have been no anguished yells of protest around LSE after the contest. This, of course, is because we are far too sporting to complain—not (perish the thought) because we're too ignorant of history to realise that we was robbed!

Nobody Cares

THE constitutional amendment tabled by Mike Cunningham and John Hilbourne fell without being discussed after the union meeting at which it was presented was adjourned.

President Vince Gilpin adjourned the meeting on Friday November 2 on the grounds that there were insufficient people present to discuss something as important as a constitutional amendment: but when the meeting reconvened on the following day only about 20 people were present.

Eventually 36 people were collected, and the meeting was closed.

Many people said later that they failed to attend the reconvened meeting because there was no publicity to make them aware of its existence.

Amendments to the constitution cannot be considered again until next session.

India Flop

A Special Meeting to debate the situation between India and China was due to be held at one p.m. on Tuesday when we went to press.

The meeting was called by Council because an earlier motion had fallen when an adjourned meeting did not achieve a quorum, when it reconvened.

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