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## REFECTORY REPLIES

Following upon the critical article on the Refectory which appeared in the last issue of *Beaver*, we invited the two students most closely connected with the Refectory to state the facts as they see them.

After reading the two recently published articles concerning the Refectory, one is obliged to think that *Beaver* has been seeking popularity and a larger circulation upon the basis of inaccurate and provocative statements.

It should be stated emphatically that 2/11½ is not the price of the cheapest meal. Menus may be selected which give 2/5 or 2/6 as the price at which a three course lunch may be bought (e.g., Spanish Rice, or Welsh Rarebit or Macaroni Cheese—11d.; Soup—5d.; Sweet—7d.; Vegetables—7d.). To what then did 2/11½ refer? It is said by those responsible for the statements that 2/11½ relates to a sound, wholesome meal. This may be so and no one denies that at the

it was shown that to meet its commitments, the Refectory would need to make a profit of £1,000 this year. Council is steadfastly opposed to any increases in price and the experiences of the last two years show that any such increases would arouse not only great indignation among the students, but also worsen the whole trading position of the Refectory.

### Questionnaire

The School last year refused to believe allegations made by Council that there was a considerable body of discontent in the College. To get at the truth, Council pressed for a Questionnaire to be circulated to ascertain views upon the problem. This survey has now been brought forward at the insistence of Council from next term to this. Your representatives on the Refectory Committee can only work with facts and you *must* help. Please return your forms, filled as accurately as possible, before November 23rd. The Questionnaire is not a palliative, nor a stall for time; it is indeed an attempt to find out the facts about people's thoughts and habits.

### The Future

The horizon is brighter than it has been for some time, but it can only be reached through a synthesis of indisputable facts. It will recede if you allow your emotions to be fanned by a writer who has scant regard for the truth. Many suggestions have been made regarding Refectory reform—from constructive criticisms to cries of near hysteria. It is suggested to you now that progress will come from (a) your returning your Questionnaires, and (b) giving all your complaints directly to the Refectory Officer. Do not just talk about it. This way you can help.

WELFARE VICE-PRESIDENT.  
REFECTORY OFFICER.

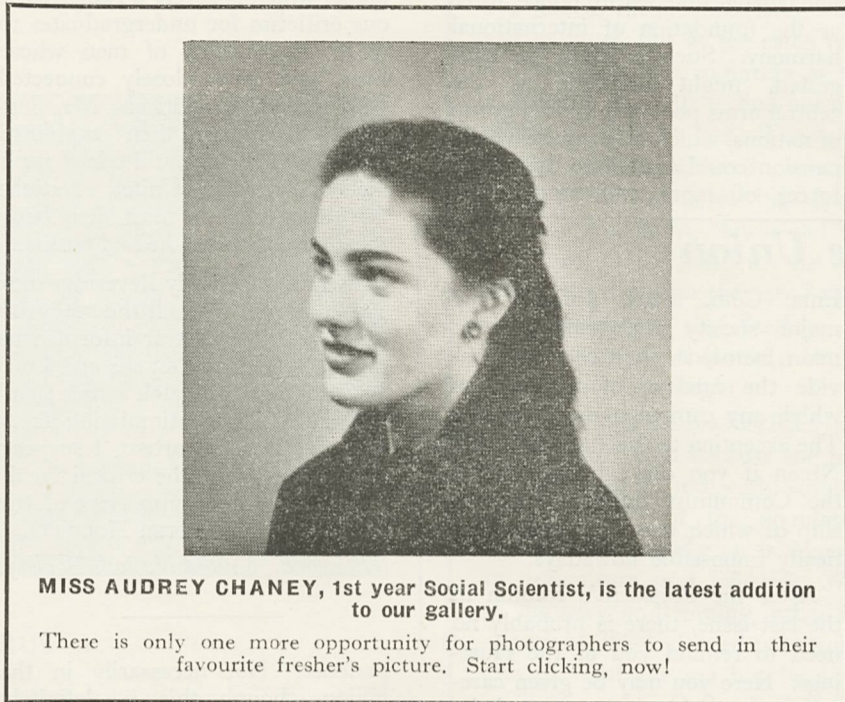
## Do you know . . .

. . . what is approaching quickly? Why are people spending 37/6 each at the Information Stall at lunch-time (and Thursday evenings)?

The answer is—*The Jubilee Commemoration Ball*. Hundreds of L.S.E. students will be flocking to the Royal Festival Hall on December 9th, 1955, at 11 p.m. Is it worth coming? Of course it is! Nat Temple, with the help of his Orchestra, will provide the music for dancing.

Nadia Cattouse, with her Calypso

## COMMITTEE



MISS AUDREY CHANEY, 1st year Social Scientist, is the latest addition to our gallery.

There is only one more opportunity for photographers to send in their favourite fresher's picture. Start clicking, now!

## DEBATING SUCCESS

In the first round of the N.U.S. Debating Competition against Goldsmiths College on Friday, November 4th, both L.S.E. teams were successful in reaching the next round. The motion was "that this House is of the opinion that this is the age of anxiety and not of security". This was proposed by Goldsmiths B team and L.S.E.'s

B team and opposed by both A teams. The motion was carried by 117-28. L.S.E.'s B team, consisting of Bill Capstick and Eric Thompson, was deemed the best team by the judges, while L.S.E.'s A team, Jill Baker and Richard Whitehouse, was the runner-up. These two teams enter the next round against Q.M.C. on December 2nd.

## Jubilee Celebrations ON OR OFF

### L.S.E. Film Unit Opens Up

The decision to make a film of L.S.E. in Jubilee Year has considerably accelerated the Film Society's plans. It was originally intended that shooting should not start before next year. Now the first location shots will be made at the Royal Festival Hall during the Commem. Ball on December 9th/10th.

Scripting and filming conferences are under way and the Committee, already busy with a full term's programmes of film classics, is now on the look-out for potential cameramen and writers.

### Beaver

Copy for the next issue of "Beaver" should reach any member of the Editorial staff by  
NOVEMBER 21st.

During this Session the School celebrates its Diamond Jubilee. Or does it? According to the School authorities the 60th anniversary of the School's foundation needs no celebration. They are waiting for the Centenary.

Believing that most students will have either passed or given up their examinations by then, Union are going ahead with ambitious preparations for the Jubilee Year.

Proposals for a National Social Sciences Conference to be run by L.S.E. were submitted to the School and turned down, together with the suggestion that a dinner be held for past members of the School who now hold prominent positions in public life.

The Jubilee Committee has subsequently been disbanded and the preparations handed over to various sub-committees.

Certain of these arrangements have already been widely publicised, in particular, the Commemoration Ball (for details see earlier issue of "Sennet"), which will be run on a more lavish scale than ever before.

A symposium on "Juvenile Delinquency" will spotlight the activities of the Social Sciences department at L.S.E., and invitations are

## STOP PRESS

A LIGHTNING BOYCOTT OF THE REFECTORY is called for in an amendment to the Council motion at to-night's Union meeting.

The proposer, Peter Fletcher, says: "We shall see if people really do mean what they say about the Refectory by the number who turn up to support the motion". A Council member said that Council believed its traditional policy of negotiation was best for the students.

The Refectory Committee on Thursday, November 10th, agreed that although the Refectory has to meet higher production costs there will be no increase in prices in the near future. Modifications of the services have been suggested, e.g., the supper service now closes at 7 p.m. and not 7.30 p.m., as previously.

Owing to rumours prevalent in the College, the Editor wishes to make it quite clear that there is no connection between his long-meditated resignation (which is for purely personal reasons) and the recent controversy over the Refectory articles in *Beaver*.

being sent out to leading figures in spheres of politics, economics and the social sciences to a week-end conference at Beatrice Webb House, Dorking.

A staff-student debate has also been threatened.

### SPORTS EDITOR RETIRES

It is with much regret that we have to announce the retirement of Gethin Williams who, alone among the *Beaver* staff, has been my colleague during the whole period of my Editorship. Gethin has done much long, hard (and often unrewarding) work as the Sports Editor, and has set an extremely high standard for the sports page.

I should like to take this opportunity of thanking him for his tireless and excellent work; it is my sincere regret that he was unable to continue as Sports Editor for this, my final edition.

MALCOLM R. ROSS.

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present level of prices 3/- may be paid for a meal containing soup, meat, 2 vegs., sweet. If this is what was intended then the word "cheapest" should not have been used.

### 2/- Lunch

Another inaccuracy related to the 2/- lunch service of the Barley Sugar Room. This service was not an experiment of the Summer Term. The service was started on November 30th and was finally stopped on March 14th. The reason was that students were just not interested in it. Although it could not be specifically proved that the service involved the Refectory in any extra loss, the response from students had so fallen as to cast a reasonable doubt upon the profitability of it.

The article also implied that the sale of cheese had been discontinued, because it was realised that students were able to buy a cheap snack lunch. First; cheese has been sold uninterruptedly since 31st January, although the type may have been changed. Second, no request or complaints were made either to the Steward or the Refectory Officer either verbally or in writing (the "numerous requests" to which the article referred numbered nought).

### Union Policy

Council is not, as the last article implies, satisfied with the present situation; particularly in view of the financial position of the Refectory at the beginning of the year, when



# LORD BEVERIDGE RETURNS TO L.S.E.

It was flattering that in his speech, given in the Old Theatre on Friday, 28th October, Lord Beveridge should comment that L.S.E. students to-day are the same progressive, cosmopolitan group that they were when he was Director.



He was speaking at a well attended meeting of International Forum on "World Federalism". Lord Beveridge based his argument on two main contentions; first, that only by federal control of nuclear weapons and armed forces can the world avoid self destruction, and second, that there are immense benefits to be reaped, in the social and economic sphere, from a system of mutual world-wide co-operation.

The case for federalism was continued by Mr. Henry Osborne, M.P., who, by drawing on the example of North American federalism, showed the basic need for an unchallengeable world police force as the foundation of international harmony. Such a force, he suggested, might originate as the central arms pool of a limited group of nations, which by progressive expansion could assimilate the armed forces of more and more other

nations. When it reached a stage of near-maturity, it would then safely include the two giants of world affairs, the U.S.S.R. and U.S.A. This international arms authority would have to have certain powers of control, which could be gradually expanded till world government attained reality.

The opinion of the many eager questioners from the floor seemed to imply that the speakers dealt with world affairs on too idealistic a plane, which is surely a rather curious criticism for undergraduates to make of concepts of men whose lives have been closely connected with practical politics! Mr. Osborne, however, then explained that provided it would adapt itself sufficiently, the United Nations Organisation is the most likely body to achieve the aims he had outlined.

At this stage Lady Beveridge took the floor, and with all the authority of an L.S.E. registrar informed us kindly but firmly that she and Lord Beveridge had to catch a train; and so finished a most stimulating meeting, especially important, I suspect, in keeping awake the critical faculties of all active supporters of the United Nations. PETER HOLWELL, Chairman, United Nations Society.

perience. Not necessarily in the Union—though this is definitely preferable—but in some very responsible position in the School or University. If you select the three candidates for whom you vote on this basis you will not go far wrong. As for my opinion; well, we will maybe publish our forecast in the next issue, which will be published after the results are out, though it will go to press before even the Hustings take place.

That, we are afraid, is all there is room for on this issue, but we cannot close without a gesture (rude) to our fans. Mr. Fletcher we thank for the plug when proposing Boulter for N.U.S. observer (too bad it didn't work, Peter), and to the five correspondents in the last issue we offer our condolences. Of course the politicians do not like an outsider having a chance to comment on them—but then, they are not meant to. We confess that we

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## Colonial Students

A few weeks ago, an L.S.E. post-graduate student from the Gold Coast, reading for his M.Sc., received a rather offensive letter from some "gentlemen" deploring the fact that African, West Indian, and Asiatic students were allowed to study in England.

By any enlightened standards such ignorance is treated with all the contempt it deserves, and the student in question looked on it more or less as a joke. But in a general conversation afterwards, it became quite clear that the question of home University training for the overseas undergraduate is one quite as near to their hearts as it is to the heart of their critic from Essex.

The percentage of students from the Colonies themselves is pitifully low. In 1953 the Universities of Hong Kong, Malaya, and Malta had a combined student population of only 2,146 out of a total population of some nine and a half millions. The University college of Ibadan had only 406 students from 31.5 million people; whilst Makerere College could only accommodate 367 of the 20 millions then living in East Africa.

Money seems to be the great drawback in enlarging the University quotas. For example, the capital cost per student at Ibadan is somewhere between £4,000 and £5,000; whilst it will cost £50,000 to train a doctor there!

These high costs are by no means surprising. All the University colleges have to be residential, since they serve vast areas, and often the building of a University involves the complete construction of a modern town to go with it. Every

book and instrument has to be imported, and in the majority of cases the administrative as well as the academic staff have to be brought in to run the establishment. However, despite the most lavish spending of money, difficulties still arise, and academic staff are not easily attracted away from home.

The output of qualified men is not high; how could it be? In 1952 less than 60 Nigerian students graduated either here or in Ibadan. Unfortunately, it seems impossible to appreciably increase the intake of undergraduates from abroad in British Universities, which are already overcrowded. But this in itself may be a blessing in disguise, for it will ensure in the long run that adequate University facilities will be provided in all overseas territories, regardless of the initial costs.

The colleges are now flourishing as never before. Before the war, jobs for graduates were not plentiful; to-day there are always places waiting for the trained men. And academic training is but one of their functions. The West Indian University College will help to cement the new Federation. The East and Central African colleges have both embraced the principle of multi-racial training, and the importance of this innovation may well be incalculable. The foundation costs of all the Colonial Universities may indeed seem extortionate, but surely they represent the very finest investment that we as a nation have ever made in our Colonies, and should be regarded with pride rather than parsimony.

wrote this article independently to the one on the Communist Society, but we still regard our information as better than that obtained by—but then, "no names, no pack

drill" for the right wing too! Do not get too worried though—you will not forfeit your seats in Heaven because of us . . . A. POLITICUS.

## State of the Union

First we must apologise for our early failure to live up to our promise of appearing each week. The Editor felt, however, that he had better keep his "Libel Fund" for the Refectory article . . .

In fact, things are still quite quiet on the political scene and (apart from a rather good paragraph on Bill Capstick) you didn't miss much.

Though the surface may remain quiet, however, the political underworld has already started recruiting publicity men, supporters, and (in a few cases) even candidates for the forthcoming V.P. elections. Even at the time of writing it is already possible (God and the Boat Club willing) to make a reasonably safe guess as to the candidates and result. Unless organised by the Stats. Department such estimates are, we regret to say, contrary to Editorial Policy (bet that's the first time you knew we had one—policy, that is) so we must be content with a few general remarks.

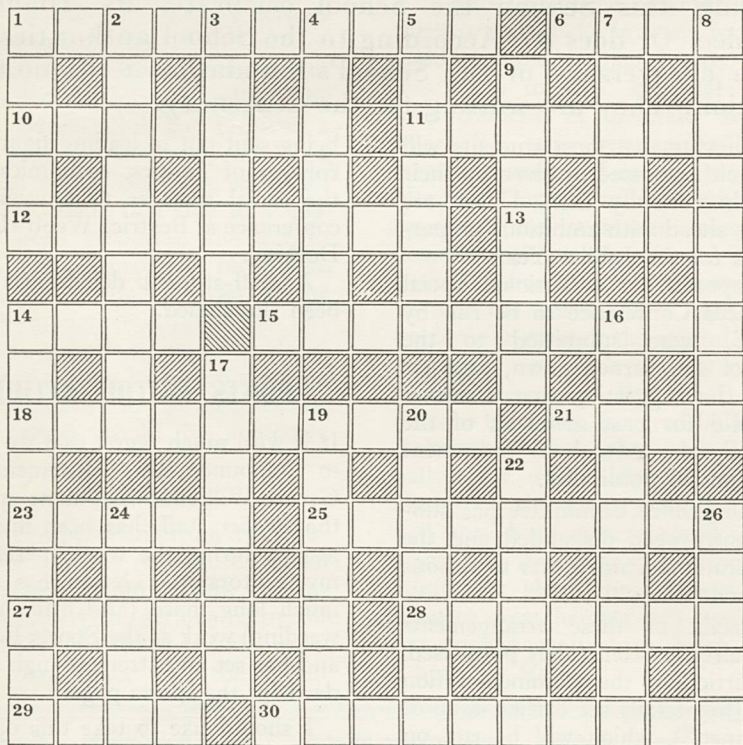
First, how to pick a winning candidate. The best guide is the list of qualifications. Chairmen of

Ents. Com. apart, political and major society affiliations are the main factor, as such societies provide the nucleus of workers on which any campaign must depend. The exception to this (and ask Ruth Nixon if you don't believe us) is the Communist Society, membership of which makes election practically impossible nowadays.

After the President's column in the last issue, there is probably no need to remind you of the Hustings. Here you may be given carefully prepared questions to ask by some kind philanthropist—possibly even a duplicated sheet to ensure that the questions come in the right order. By all means ask them—but to the right person.

What, then, are the points for which one should look when choosing a Vice-President? First, he (or she) must be willing to work hard. Secondly, a good speaker is an asset to the Department he represents and, thus, to the Union. Thirdly, an independent person is needed who can make up his own mind on important issues. Most important of all, of course, is ex-

### BEAVER CROSSWORD



#### ACROSS

- This man from the Wild West is a case for the R.S.P.C.A. (10).
- Real liquid nectar (4).
- At first sight this ship seems rudderless (7).
- But is he a mature gentleman? (7).
- A wartime female relative? (9).
- What Richardson and Vaughan Williams have in common (5).
- It's repeated in agreement (4).
- A type of fever (10).
- Described to-day as an anti-rodent officer (10).
- Barrie character (4).
- A type of work (5).
- Footballers and infants are thus described (9).
- The thing most lacking in all skeletons (7).
- Famous ship of the American Civil War (7).
- Might be an average 23 (4).
- Where Dickens sought local colour for Bleak House (2 & 8).

#### DOWN

- Any army officer must have been one once upon a time (5).
- Small fry (9).
- It nearly comes unstuck (6).
- A dog's extremity? (7).
- On this much may hang (and we're not stretching a point) (7).
- In a certain measure we may be found in this Surrey town (5).
- The one to watch (9).
- These may be chilled, made into jam, or simply used as vegetables (7).
- Close cropped deer (9).
- Abstemeous (9).
- Road accident? (3 & 4).
- Blackguardly and ignoble kind of victory (7).
- One is always just too late to read one's own (7).
- To be found in boat (6).
- I'm after this in the meanwhile (7).
- What put the Foreign Secretary in such a lather? O, a spy! (5).

A small prize is offered for the first correct solution to reach the Editor.

## QUESTIONNAIRE — APPALLING CRIME ?

Dear Sir,

An appalling crime is being perpetrated in the name of Statistics, which we feel the urge to disclaim. We mean, of course, the Refectory Questionnaire which may now be being filled in by thousands of long-suffering students.

To our fellow sufferers we offer two pieces of advice: first, cut your name off the form and then forget to fill in 13(a). For the addition of names to "Strictly Confidential" questionnaire, no excuse can be sufficient—surely the results will not be analysed according to initial letters of surnames, and we can see no point in our filling in our income figure, which would be meaningless unless related to lodgings charges and services, marital status, and so on.

We also wish to complain, Sir, about the ambiguity of 12(b). Surely an academic body can no longer believe in the myth of race.

However, we shall have to get down to working out what the other questions mean—after cutting off our names like the rest of your readers.

Yours, etc., BIVARIATE NORMAL. (Room 315.)

Dear Sir,

I am certain that many students welcomed your spotlight on the Refectory service and prices in the edition of 3/11/1955. I am equally

certain, however, that many would disagree with your meaning (implied) of the word "charity".

You implied that charity is "getting something for nothing", something to be despised, in fact.

Charity implies brotherly love, as Ignatius of Loyola said: "Caritas est universalis amor". Love—true love, is not sloppy nor sentimental, but definite, and practical. Real love shows itself in the desire to be generous, selfless, to give for the other's benefit, even at cost to oneself.

It doesn't matter how intelligent we are; if we lack charity we count for nothing.

As St. Paul says, "Charity is patient, is kind; charity feels no envy, is never perverse or proud, never insolent . . . but - - sustains, believes, hopes, endures, to the last . . . Meanwhile, faith, hope and charity persist, all three; but the greatest of them all is charity."

Yours sincerely, BILL CAPSTICK.

Dear Sir,  
How has L.S.E. come by the reputation it undoubtedly has? Many freshers have experienced the shrug and raised eyebrows with which parents and teachers are accustomed to greet the news of their intentions of coming to L.S.E. Can it be that we deserve this stigma, generally placed on us by outsiders?

To a large extent our reputation

was earned by the activities of the strong Communist Society here just after the war. At the beginning of the international "cold war" naturally came in for a great deal of disapprobation. But now the Society is small and dying, though its death agonies are noisy and prolonged.

The motley of races, which enjoy the comfort of L.S.E., have lent colour to political eccentricities. But surely our multi-national society is something to be proud of. We are unique in possessing attributes which attract so many people from overseas. Our fame is world-wide in this respect.

L.S.E. Society also has been much criticised for riotous behaviour. Inmates of Passfield Hall and anyone who went to Oxford with the Soccer Club may feel there is some justice in this. However, these occasional exhibitions of high spirits show no more than enthusiasm and zest for life. L.S.E. is very much alive, and a good thing too.

Indeed, our relatively bad reputation is by no means merited. Our critics are misled by the perpetual bustle of L.S.E. life, but the size of the School and our eccentricities in the past, our unique international position, high intellectual standard and virile society demand pride and respect, not a bad name.

Yours, etc. DAVID TACKLEY.



# ENTS: COMM: TAKES A BOW

In the world of Union activities, where so much of the "glamour" and kudos falls upon the elected representatives, such as the President and Secretary, it is very easy for the average Union member to forget just how much is owed to the many committees that are responsible for carrying out the spade work in Union affairs.

The best known and least understood of these committees is the Entertainments Committee, better known as Ents. Comm.

There is a certain amount of prestige and glamour attached to membership of Ents. Comm., and it is sometimes said that this committee is the first stepping stone to reaching the heights of L.S.E.'s Social Life—for what it's worth. Be this as it may, the fact is that Ents. Comm. is one of the hardest working committees in the Union; members have to give up at least three lunch hours every week for a committee meeting and the selling of dance tickets. On top of this they are required to come into School every other Saturday morning by about 10 a.m. to help decorate the refectory for the evening "hop". A very active publicity department calls for a great deal of work from members responsible for this function, whilst there is always routine work in the form of preparing bar socials, lending out the gramophone and records, and organising dancing classes.

### Versatility

Members are expected to bully and cajole people into writing scripts and attending rehearsals—not to speak of the writing and acting they themselves do also: beginning in the previous June, and culminating with Ents. Comm. spending the whole day of the Ball at the Festival Hall making general preparations such as the blowing up of three thousand balloons.

### Genii

While it would be invidious to mention any particular members of this active committee I feel that a word of praise is due to its Chairman, Cyril Trup. In the established tradition of his predecessors, such as Mike Sharman and John Barter, Cyril has carried the committee along with his intense enthusiasm and hard work, bearing a great deal of the burden on his own.



CYPRUS

Each week *Beaver* intends to publish photographs of general interest which have been taken by members of this College. Photographs, which should be of a reasonable size, should be sent to David Tackley via the *Beaver* pigeon-hole. This is the first photograph in the series and was taken earlier this year by a member of *Beaver* staff.

If you have any photographs which you have taken on your holidays then please let us have them. The Editor's decision as to their suitability for publication will be final.

Much of the success of the social activities of the Union depends upon an intelligent, industrious Chairman of Ents. Comm., and with Cyril Trup in this post we could want for none better.

Not that this is meant to detract in any way from the energy and enthusiasm of the rest of the commit-

tee; without their fullest support the best Chairman can do nothing. So I would only add that whilst Ents. Comm. has a great many attractions and privileges to offer to those who wish to do something in the Union, it will also demand much in return.

PETER MITCHELL.

# UNKNOWN HOLLAND

she was seriously hit by the floods of February, 1954, but she struggled and emerged. In doing this she set an example for the whole of Holland because Holland struggled against her eternal enemy, "the sea", and conquered.

### Betimes a Friend

The sea is not only our enemy, but just as much our friend. She can be cruel, but at the same time she instigates the engineers at the University on Delft to find out new means to conquer her. The latest bold plan is to enclose the inlets in Zeeland by means of big dykes. And, as you know, this is not the only project on hand at the moment: the dykes for the new South-East polder in the Ysellake are nearly ready and then the pumping of the water can begin.

Besides this the sea has been, and still is, our friend because she provides directly or indirectly employment to 15% of the population (20% of the population is engaged in agriculture and fisheries, 37% in industry and mining, other occupations 28%). I need not remind you of what the sea has been for us in the past. Holland's interests often clashed with the English. De Ruyter and Tromp are not unknown to you.

### Internationalism

"Embarras de richesse" prevents me from making Holland a bit more familiar to you. There are many points of interest which throw light on Holland. I should like to emphasise the point that—according to the American Amba-

sador—moral influence is one of our main assets.

Holland played an important part in laying the basis for the earliest and most practical attempt at unification in Europe.

During the second world war the Governments of Belgium, Luxembourg and Holland came together in London in order to discuss what has now become known as the Benelux, which is an example of economic integration with tangible results.

Holland was among the countries which were willing to give up part of their power in order to create supra-national authorities. The active part played in the preparations for the E.D.C. and N.A.T.O. are proof.

The European Payments Union and the Schumann plan which welded together the coal and iron industries of the Benelux countries, Germany and France, are examples of the strong European creative force. Holland contributes to this creative force in several ways besides political and economic integration. Modern architecture knows three schools: the Stockholm, the Vienna and the Amsterdam schools. Amsterdam's modern quarters can stand comparison with any of those in Stockholm and Berlin. Hilversum's town hall is a beauty in the architectural world. Rotterdam's new shopping centres have had much attention paid to them in the press. All I can do is to emphasise that a visit to Holland cannot fail to make a deep impression on an active people.

V. SIDDREE.

# PARADISE FOUND

DAVID TACKLEY

**Have you been to the new University of London Union Building yet? Compared with the prefabricated lair used previously the new premises are indeed a palace. To the crowded, rush-sore L.S.E. fresher it can be a sanctuary. To the battle-hardened veteran it provides another comfortable bar.**

### Inspiring ?

The first thing that strikes you about the building is its spaciousness, inside and out. It gives an impression of strength and dignity. Someone suggested that this was in order to discourage vandals and vituperation respectively, the twin evils of undergraduate life. In view of the impeccable reputation enjoyed by the London undergraduate, this comment was obviously the product of a petty intellect. Nevertheless, U.L.U. is rather a change from the Three Tuns . . .

### Blessed Irony

From the architectural viewpoint the building matches its high and august calling, namely to nurture us in our leisure. This very elevatedness, however, has been known to call forth ungentlemanly remarks from those who are crowded out of the one lift. Ah well, such is life; little minds never appreciate big things.

### Enjoyment of All Sorts

From the recreational point of

view the building is most valuable. There are four table tennis tables, a library, a pleasant, spacious lounge, and . . . but yours truly found the bar before he had time to see anything else. Apparently the billiard room, assembly hall and bathing pool will soon be completed. The ladies' discussion room, with built in knitting needles, mirrors, and photographs of Rock Hudson and Johnny Ray, will be completed after the designer's next nightmare.

The decorator set to design the men's room was last seen three months ago studying the Monroe calendar, and his room has been locked ever since. Well, we can but hope that his worst tastes will predominate . . .

### But Where ?

Finally, some of you freshers may like to know where the building is—it's always useful to have a fair idea. It is near Senate House, in Malet Street, to be precise. Be sure you visit it soon. You will find it a pleasant refuge from the crowds at L.S.E.

DAVID TACKLEY.

BILL CAPSTICK wishes to thank Union for electing him as L.S.E. observer to the Ormskirk Council Meeting of N.U.S.

# The Silent Social Interaction

or... Going Down to Slough

The recent publication of two important pictorial works on English character, "Tableaux Vicants", by Osbert Lancaster, and "Modern Types", by Geoffrey Corer and N. Bentley, made me reflect on the many and varied types of people I meet as I commute from Slough to L.S.E. At first, I thought about compiling a classification myself but realised that "Observation alone is no longer enough". Then I realised the impossibility of gaining a balanced impression of these characters because I am a part of the Silent Social Interaction.

### Pointed Introductions

Although I may tread on a Debutante's heel in the tube or be prodded by one of those most lethal fashionable ladies' umbrellas, or read all the evening papers without paying for them, never a word is spoken. Occasionally these travellers do speak—there is some minor accident, when a student ruins a secretary's nylons and they both apologise profusely, insisting that it was their own fault.

### An Epic Struggle

On the other hand, the coup de grace, the opening of a carriage window between September and June, is accompanied by complete silence—the window is shut again, of course. Who shuts the window? As the opener I am always curious to know who my adversary is to be. Usually one of the "Old Guard" regards this function as his prerogative. He is on the wrong side of sixty but is not worried about pensions as he travels on the Executive train at 9.15 a.m. One of the four expensive "dailies" is lying beside him and a brief case, which probably saw the heyday of the Holborn Restaurant, rests under his bowler hat on the rack above him. Wrapped in a dark overcoat and swathed in scarves, he is slumped in the corner in a semi-conscious state: whether this condition is due to the night before or the birth trauma is hard to determine.

### Action

The window opens with a "thump" and the temperature in the compartment plummets down to 70°. Like the "backwoods"

peers emerging to reject the 1911 Budget, the enemy comes to life. Stretching out a florid hand he grasps the leather window strap and swiftly shuts the window. As this operation takes about two seconds I estimate that I am facing an enemy of at least twenty years' active service. The status quo restored, the old chap relapses into sleep. Meanwhile I am feeling a bit like Florence Nightingale trying to get sanitation in India, only to be thwarted at the last moment by an unenlightened peer. I sit back again in the corner, temporarily defeated, and begin to read one of the four expensive "dailies"; my new brief case rests above me on the rack.

### Finale

As the temperature soars I sink slowly into a slumber swathed in my duffle and L.S.E. scarf. Will I be the man who shuts the window in another forty years? Sorry I cannot tell you now as I must hurry to Paddington to catch the 5.20. You know, of course, who else catches that train . . .

IAN MCCREERY.



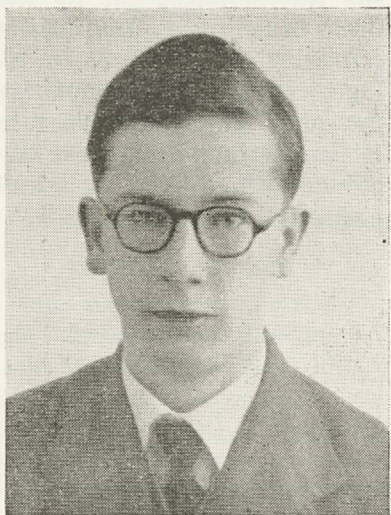
# SPOTLIGHT ON

This week we swing our spotlight away from members of the Union Council and the "Three Tuns Bar" in order to pick out the features of somebody who has been described as Council's Number One critic: from his photograph, removed from his dossier, it seems quite likely that he has also acted as Public Enemy Number One.

This, of course, may convey a wrong impression, but those who only see Eric in action at Union meetings would hardly think so! Mr. "Constitution" Thompson has attended nearly every Union meeting held since he came up to the L.S.E. and it is not unusual for at least one "point of order" to be raised, or interruption to be made, from his seat on the left of the Centre block.

Although a very vocal critic of Council decisions, Eric is a very hard working member of the Union hierarchy. In his time he has acted in numerous capacities, including the University of London Union Officer and Returning Officer. At the present moment he is a Junior Treasurer and is on the Management Committee of the Three Tuns Club. His most influential position was, however, as Secretary to the Constitution Committee last session, which supervised the revising of the Constitution, and its subsequent printing. At the end of last session, when the Deputy Presidency fell vacant, Eric stood as a candidate, but was defeated by Jim Sharpe.

What of Thompson outside Union? A Yorkshireman to his bones, Eric is a third year student



ERIC THOMPSON

for the B.Sc. (Econ.) degree, specialising in Statistics, and for the first two years he was a resident of Passfield Hall. At least, that was the address he gave to the Registrar, although other residents denied the fact. He was very rarely seen in the Hall, and it is reported he only once made an appearance at meal times. Talking of food, I cannot discover anybody who has ever seen him eat a square meal. If anyone has, perhaps they could pass on the information—via the Editor. No prizes offered! Anyway, as compensation, Passfield elected him "Master of the Rolls".

Politics and music are the chief hobbies of Eric T. As Secretary of the L.S.E. Liberal Society, and Press Officer of the University of London Liberal Federation, he has had plenty of scope—both for his journalistic talent and for his politi-

cal sense. Other Societies in which he is active include the Rationalist Society, the Republican Society and the Scottish Covenant Society. His artistic talent lies in the field of music, though he does not see "eye to eye" with the policy of the L.S.E. Music Society. Eric plays in the U.L.U. Orchestra, where it is said he leads the second violins. It's also said he plays the Recorder, reads poetry and is very fond of El Greco's painting.

With all these outside activities, one wonders how he ever manages to do any academic work, being a very rare visitor to the Library. Probably he does it at the National Liberal Club, where he is a member.

Latest news of his activities is that, together with Bill Capstick, he has won the first round of the N.U.S. National Debating Competition held at Goldsmiths College. The judges complimented him on his debating ability. Perhaps more speeches are now going to be the order of the day.

Anyway, whatever happens in the future, Eric has certainly made his mark—good or bad—on the L.S.E., and is probably one of the best known members of the Union outside Union Council, and one of the few L.S.E. students known in U.L.U. To those of us who know him really well, Eric is no constitution monger. He works hard for the things he believes in, and even if we cannot stomach his radical views on all questions, we know that if there is a difficult job to be done really well, Thompson will always fill the breach.

AUTOLYCUS.

# MUSIC, MUSIC, MUSIC

The Music Society is more active now than it has been for a very long time, and it intends to keep up to the high standard it has set itself. At present it is in the throes of rehearsing for the ordeal (!) of the Oration Day Concert, and, due to the enthusiasm which is being shown by both the Choir and the Orchestra, the concert promises to be perhaps not such an ordeal after all. The main works in the programme will be the 85th Symphony by Haydn, Mozart's 12th Piano Concerto, and a joint performance by the Choir and Orchestra of the Mozart Requiem (abridged). The whole performance promises to be

of an even higher standard than usual, owing to both the increased number of performers and the higher level of talent.

But this is only one part of the Society's present activities. Various groups within the society have been formed, a chamber group and a madrigal-singing group being the two most promising. Professional concerts are attracting larger audiences than usual; the next one is being given by the Robert Masters Trio on November 25th, performing instead of the London Harpsichord Ensemble, who have offered to come next term instead. On December 2nd there will be a full scale performance of the "Messiah"—we visualise the entire Shaw Library being taken up by the performers! And on December 9th the L.S.E. Choir and Orchestra turn professional. That is, if said bodies do not contract exam. fever before then! JANETTE BOLAND.

## Diamond Dubilee

Où est mon oncle? Il est avec la tante de ma fille.

Ooh, my uncle is a one! He is in a tantrum with my daughter.

Tous les deux sont au Bal Commémoratif à THE ROYAL FESTIVAL HALL à Londres.

All eyes are on the Commemoration Ball (do this bit yourselves) in London.

Ayant passé la nuit en dansant, en buvant, et plusieurs autre chose comme ça, ils sont 'hors de Festival' (comme ils disent en Angleterre) au-dessous de la table. Ships that pass in the night, and drinkers, who do other things as well, are riding in a festive way (pardon our French!) or suing "The Tablet".

Aux billets, citoyennes!

To the woods, Babes!

Au mêlée!

Food for the R.F.C.!

(Text and loose translation by E.J.T. and P.J.H.)

## FREE EUROPE SOCIETY

The aims of this Society, which was founded and practically run last year by Peter Woolcott, is to encourage real integration of Europe, or pan-Europeanism. Some of its members would like the Council of Europe to be turned into a real Parliament, while some would prefer a rather looser federation. However, none of these aims can be achieved unless the people of Europe are free to think of Europe as an entity and not as a number of separate States with little in common. Consequently, the Society would like to see the end of the present division of Europe by the Iron Curtain.

To return to the state of the Society in L.S.E., the committee, which was elected last year, made no attempt to recruit members at the Freshers' Conference, and as a result both the committee and the Society were practically defunct.

The President, Gus Moran, who had been fully occupied with Liberal affairs, then decided to call a General Meeting of members and other interested persons. At this meeting, which was very poorly attended, a number of resolutions proposed from the chair were carried. These declared all offices of the Society vacant, that elections to fill them would be held at that meeting, and empowered the officers elected to fill by co-option any places which remained vacant on the committee after the meeting.

However, this Society is still not functioning actively, and the new committee should really start to carry out the admirable aims of the Society immediately. As an alternative the Society should disappear from the political scene at L.S.E. as unnecessary and superfluous. It is up to the members to justify by their activity the existence of the Society. JOHN SIDLE.

## IT'S INFECTIOUS

I have the rather unfortunate habit of overhearing people. I don't make it a point to and I really wish I didn't. But the fact remains that I do—and some of the things I hear can be classified under "high explosives". Presumably it's because of my personal interest in people—I just like people. Perhaps it's because of my "unfortunate habit"—inquisitiveness—in a nice sort of way. Or could it be curiosity and the desire to satisfy it?

"Chum, I am dead broke. Could you lend me a couple of quid?"

"I am still waiting for my grants to come in and I need some 'jake'."

"Well!" the other chap said.

"Well, how about it?" the broke guy demands.

This is the type of stuff I hear at Charlie's—the Three Tuns. "Blimey!" I said to myself. "It's a bit early to be dead broke. The session has just started and here is a guy asking for a quid." Need I mention that being a fresher I didn't think this a good start. Nor was that all! Honestly, I was a bit flabbergasted. But I was to hear more.

Oh! Again! Yes, that was just the beginning of the "I am broke" stuff I was overhearing. Some more were to be overheard. But "they" were either "I am broke" or "I am waiting for my grants". Whatever it was, the idea was implied. So, I got the impression that a lot

of people in L.S.E. must be broke. Or should I say, a lot waiting for the "almighty" grant to come in.

And what do you know? I didn't like that impression I had formed. I still thought it was too soon for people to go broke—some "pretty dames" included (in case one imagined this strictly to do with the "tough sex"). But I was soon to learn that being broke and therefore being insolvent were some, and perhaps ever will be, of the privileges and prerogatives of University students.

Not only didn't I realise that insolvency is one of the privileges and prerogatives of undergraduates and sometimes of graduates, I didn't realise that this "I am broke" stuff is infectious. Sure it is! I know—because I have joined in the chorus. It isn't a disease and yet one just catches it—no logic about this! Like a lot of things in university life, logic plays an infinitesimal part.

So I am telling you—this "Disease" is highly infectious! What do you call it? One of the "academic" diseases? Who cares anyway—just put it down to "academic frivolity". Remember, insolvency is an undergraduate and graduate privilege.

Of course, I could do with a quid or two—since I am broke. Who is in the money? Ken Pearmain or Peggy Longbottom?

JOE CESSIDY.

## Advantage for International Relationists

At the beginning of term "International Forum", through the good offices of their Secretary, Honor Kibblewhite, were invited by the *British Student Federalists* to take part in a Conference called "Geneva—Before and After". This is being held on the weekend of November 26th/27th at Balls Park Training College, Hertford, which, according to my information is a country house, set in a park; apparently a smaller edition of Cumberland Lodge.

The Conference should have a particular interest to International Relations specialists. In fact the sub-title of the Conference is "Problems of International Relations since the War". Among the speakers listed I see Prof. Schwarzenberger, Christopher Boyd, M.P., Martin Maddan, M.P., and Mr. Ralph Lombardie (former Director of Education for the U.S.A.A.F. in Great Britain).

The topics to be discussed are, according to the information sheet, "The World Since 1945", "Peoples Awake—Events in Africa and the East", "United States and Europe", and "The Future and Us".

On the Saturday evening a Dance will be held at the College. Accommodation is available at very cheap

rates, and the conference fee (10/6) includes meals.

The International Forum Committee, and especially the Chairman, Geoffrey Stern, and the Secretary, Honor Kibblewhite, are to be congratulated on their enterprise. Following on their successful meeting with Lord Beveridge and Henry Usborn, M.P., and their visit to the House of Commons to meet the Parliamentary Group for World Government, this Conference is a step forward for student Societies, and especially for the International Forum. TOM DALE.

## Don Salvador de Madariga

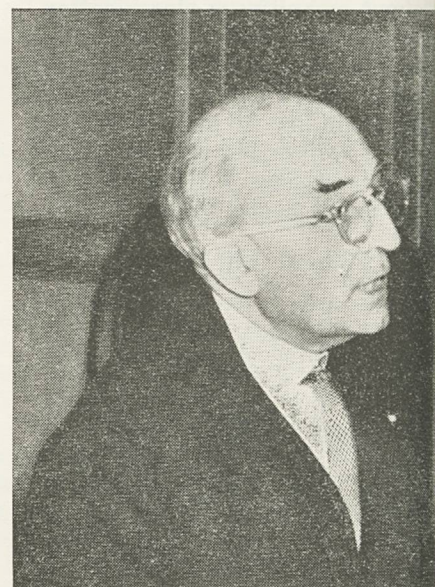
Don Salvador de Madariga will address the Union tonight on "The Cold War, a new campaign".

Don Salvador de Madariga is President of Honour of the Liberal-International—the international Liberal movement, and is an Hon. Fellow of Exeter College, Oxford. For many years he has been a student of international affairs, and his writings on international topics are world famed.

He was Director of the Disarmament section of the League of Nations Secretariat, and permanent Spanish Delegate to the League Assembly from 1931 to 1936. He has been Spanish Ambassador to the U.S.A. and France. Author and man of letters, Don Salvador is President of the Cultural section of the European Movement, and a Knight Grand Cross of the Legion of Honour.

During the session 1952-1953 Don Salvador was Hon. President of the Union, and this session he has been elected Hon. President of the Liberal Society. A forthright speaker and an avowed enemy of Communism, it is expected that he will not pull any punches when dealing with the Cold War.

TOM DALE.



# Leonard Lyle

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## Exam. Results, 1955

We have been asked by the Welfare Vice-President to publish the following official results of the 1955 examinations:

B.Sc. (ECON.)

Part I

Passed	....	....	73%
Referred	....	....	13.5%
Failed	....	....	12.5%

Part II

Passed	....	....	91%
Failed	....	....	4%
Retired	....	....	5%

B.Sc. (Soc.)

Passed	....	....	84%
Failed	....	....	9%
Retired	....	....	7%



# THE CATH. SOC.

L.S.E. SOCIETIES No. 2 U.N.S.A.

The academic atmosphere at the school is super-charged with progressive social and cultural evolution, which is gathering momentum as the knowledge and understanding of Man in his social and economical relationships grow year by year. How does the Catholic Society—representing perhaps for the majority of undergraduates a society for the prolongation of an ancient, antiquated Thomist philosophy and a reactionary religion—react in such an atmosphere, and how does it attempt to satisfy the spiritual, intellectual and social needs of its members?

The Society is a constituent part of the University of London Catholic Society, the chaplain of which is Mgr. G. Tomlinson. The Monseigneur helps the students spiritual and intellectual life by arranging for a series of conferences by well-known and learned preachers. These conferences are combined with High Mass, which is celebrated on Sundays at the University Parish Church, St. Ethelredas's, Holborn. A mention of some subjects of these conferences should give some inkling as to the attempt—and ability—of the Church to stimulate the inquisitive, progressive student mind: "Anthropology and Genesis," "The Greek Mind and Christianity," "Psychology and the Soul," "The Virgin Birth of Christ," "The Union of the Divine and Human Natures in Christ". There is also a lecture course in philosophy at the Chaplaincy every Monday night, which is proving itself to L.S.E. Catholics and non-Catholics alike. The Chaplaincy (13 Devonshire Place, W.1) takes care of the social life at the week-end by providing for

Sunday evenings a lecture, a social, the use of a library and a television room. Such a synopsis of activity aims at spot-lighting the aim of the Catholic Society at the University: to give the student every opportunity of advancing in knowledge and understanding and love of God while remaining the social and humane individual. There should be no dichotomy!

The Society in the School attempts to fulfil this aim by giving some fill-up to the general diet of economics and political science, of which most of us partake. In the spiritual sphere the Society has Mass in St. Anselms on Kingsway and the Rosary is recited once a week. Also two study groups are organised to cover various topics—the life and teachings of our Lord and various points of Christian teaching which are of special interest to the students, e.g., wages, the role of trade unions, the family, the State.

There are the usual number of speakers each term, and it is the hope of the Society to give to L.S.E. as well as its members such

personalities as Colin Clark, Tom O'Brien and Lord Pakenham.

Social life is not neglected, far from it. So far this term there has been a visit to the theatre, a social and numerous proposals for other activities. Let's hope they materialise.

There is no supernatural significance in the fact that the Catholic Society has its devotees, its prodigal sons, its non-paying unenthusiastic Catholics, its unknowns, yet it does attempt to give satisfaction to those minds in search of the permanent and abiding, the fluxless reality, the Truth.

LEN CROSBIE.

## BLOOD DONATIONS

The recent "blood-letting" at L.S.E. netted 123 pints, which is a record for all time at the college, although 164 people did make appointments. Council wishes to express its congratulations to Ray Hearn, the Health Officer, and the Health Committee for organising the whole affair so successfully. Ray however, is still bemoaning the 20 odd people who turned up after all his entreaties without their parents' permission.

R. GARDINER.

## WANTED

### Your college needs YOU

Are you a "clued-up" curtain puller? Could you assist a wardrobe or a make-up man? Wouldn't you just love to swivel a spotlight? The forthcoming revue still needs helpers behind the scenes.

Mimi Barnet or Peggy Longbottom would be only too pleased to see you at the next rehearsal. The show is to take place on November 30th and December 1st. Watch notice boards for details of rehearsal times.

foot would be a masterpiece of understatement, and no doubt this latest event will touch off a new round in the old struggle. Be this as it may, perhaps in last Friday's fully quorate meeting we witnessed an expression of the opinion of most of the students of L.S.E., including the vast number who take little interest in Union affairs, affirming their support for an international body which is in reality both democratic and widely representative of the students of the world.

PETER MITCHELL.

## Weekend at Windsor

Cumberland Lodge, to the Fresher, means a week-end far from the madding crowds of London and L.S.E. Peace reigns over all discussions; cool, calm surroundings of Country House Life entice fruitful argument.

For those unlucky enough to have missed the enjoyment of a stay in the Royal Park during Autumn, perhaps a fresher, new to the hurly-burly of "Beaver's" domains could point out the features of this fortune.

Do we have a happy rest for a few days? Oh no! Hard work prevails and hard work goes on prevailing to all hours of the night; discussions linger until the early hours, language deeper, as we argue and learn. Do we get anywhere? Of course we make headway when we join together over a common problem. The aim of holding such a week-end is to elucidate the ideas that we hold in somewhat shaky form, if at all, concerning the layout of our particular course, which in this instance was International Relations.

SHIRLEY SMITH.

# U.L.U. Welfare Committee

The Welfare Committee, unlike the Social Committee, is still in its infancy. At long last, having recovered from teething troubles, it has embarked upon some experimental activities.

At the beginning of this session, the Union, through the Welfare Committee, gave receptions to most of the Overseas students. Although we at L.S.E. are not in favour of this type of activity, we could say that it was somewhat of a success. Although the Committee had invited officers of the Union, we found that the Overseas students outnumbered the British students.

Now however, the Committee has accepted the opinion prevalent at L.S.E. regarding special receptions. At present, plans are in hand for a Christmas social to be held in the early part of December. The important point to bear in mind is that the Committee is attempting to have equal numbers of British and achieve this by asking the Overseas

students to bring along a British student, and for the British student to bring an Overseas student. The success of this social lies in your hands. More information will be available during the next week.

Another idea of the Committee is to organise regular meetings of the International Club. Membership of the Club will be free to all students of the University. We hope that at the Club neither British nor Overseas students will be strangers. The meetings will enable students from one country to another to talk to the rest of us, in an informed way. Here again, the success will depend on your co-operation.

If you need more information, do not hesitate to contact any member of the Overseas Students' Committee.

DUDLEY FERNANDO,  
Overseas Students' Officer.

# DRAMA AND LUDS

The Dramatic Society seems to be working "full blast" this term; not only are they preparing to scare everybody out of their wits with the Oration Day production, but they have also entered for the London University Dramatic Society One-Act Play Festival, which will be held at the Institute of Education Hall on November 17th, 18th and 19th.

The L.S.E. entry is "No Man's Land", by David Shellan. The play is being produced by Gill Whittick, Vice-President of the Society, assisted by Yvonne Bromley and Dulcie Grey, both first-year students. The members of the cast are Barrie Radcliffe (Treasurer of the Dramatic Society), Peter Williams and Gill Whittick. All three are experienced members of the Society, having toured Germany in the Vacation and appeared in past productions.

In this festival the L.S.E. are competing against Q.M.C., Sir John Cass, Westfield, Kings, Institute of Education, Battersea

Poly., Royal Holloway, Birkbeck and Imperial. Last year the Society got honourable mention, and it is hoped this year to do even better! The adjudicator is Mr. William Kendall.

It is hoped that as large a contingent as possible from L.S.E. will fill the Institute of Education Hall on Thursday, November 17th, when our Society is competing. If we really want U.L.U. to work we have got to support its component parts. What about it?

The Dramatic Society are also making plans to enter for the National Union of Students' Drama Week at Bristol from December 31st. It is hoped to enter excerpts from "Macbeth". This is being produced by Bill Martin. If the production is successful it will also be entered for the British Drama League Festival on February 28th. Certainly the histrionic art seems to be gaining ground in College.

TOM DALE.

## QUOTE NOTES

- "I saw nothing to object to . . ." Peter Holden on returning from seeing Kismet.
- "Oh! I don't read 'Beaver'." John Sidle.
- "You did say Norton came from Cornwall and not the Carribean." Graham Gooding at the Passfield Party.
- "I must go and buy some pyjamas; I'm sleeping out to-night." Passfield inmate (or Graham Norton).
- "I had cubs." Female committee member's excuse for not attending meeting.
- "I woke the night shift." Overheard at Passfield, John King.

## VIVA I.S.C.!!!

At 1.50 p.m. approximately, on Friday, November 11th, a world shaking—or at least Union shaking—event took place in the Students' Union meeting.

In a debate on whether or not the Union delegation to N.U.S. Council should abstain on the motion proposed by Queen's University, Belfast, that "Council reaffirms its opinion that the International Student Conference is the best medium for achieving one world student community"—an amendment proposed by Gus Moran mandating the delegation to support this motion instead of abstaining on it, was carried.

To freshers this may mean little; but to those of us of the second and third year who have long been accustomed to the I.U.S.-I.S.C. battles which regularly occur in the Union, it was something of a revelation. When, last term, the Union passed a resolution favouring a policy of equal co-operation on the part of L.S.E. between I.U.S. and I.S.C., it was regarded as a major triumph by the Centre and Right Wings of the Union. For probably the first time since the creation of I.U.S., the L.S.E. Union (or at least a majority of it) was prepared to admit that this undemocratic, Communist dominated student body was perhaps after all not such a "knight in shining armour," and that the democratically organised I.S.C., with its fifty-two member National Unions (as opposed to the twenty-five or so in I.U.S.), might at least be entitled to equal status. It was perhaps a significant coincidence that the day on which this motion was passed—June 17th—was the anniversary of

the uprising in East Germany against the Communist Government.

This, it would seem, was only the beginning of a movement away from I.U.S. The motion proposed by Mr. Moran now means that this Union supports I.S.C. rather than I.U.S., as "the best medium for achieving one world student community"—a policy which will have been proclaimed to N.U.S. Council by the time this article appears. To say that the Left Wing "I.U.S. addicts" were caught on the wrong

## BEAVER CROSSWORD

### Answers to No. 1

#### ACROSS

- 1. Metronome; 6. Gnome; 10. Sleuth; 11. Rollcall; 12. Windowpane; 13. Erin; 14. Egremont; 16. Osmond; 18. Syndic; 20. Mayoress; 22. Uses; 24. Long-fellow; 26. Embitter; 27. Answer; 28. Skier; 29. Spokesmen.

#### DOWN

- 2. Erlking; 3. Roundhead; 4. No How; 5. Mordant; 7. Niche; 8. Mullion; 9. Allegory; 15. Osculate; 17. Moralists; 19. Yashmak; 20. Mantrap; 21. Slovene; 23. Shine; 25. Flask.



Today, Nov. 17th  
LORD AMULREE

(Chief Liberal Whip in the House of Lords)

on

Security in Old Age  
Room 301 at 1.10 p.m.

These meetings are open to all

## Liberal Society

Thurs., Nov. 24th

### STUDY GROUP

#### BILL CAPSTICK

(Chairman, Liberal Society)

on

### Co-ownership

Questions answered and put by

#### Miss B. NANCY SEEAR

(Lecturer at L.S.E., Liberal Candidate Truro, 1955, Liberal T.V. Star)



# L.S.E. Soccer Club

## VARIED SUCCESS

The L.S.E. Soccer team has shown a marked improvement in form over the past fortnight, and three of the four matches played have resulted in victories for the College. The win against Reading University was a notable achievement, and the team was not at full strength during the crashing defeat suffered at the hands of U.C.L.

Oct. 29th: Oriol (Oxon.) 1, L.S.E. 2.

This friendly fixture enabled a few experiments to be made. Ward and Chaffey, two newcomers, did all that was expected of them in this rather easy game.

### Difficult Conditions

Stallard opened the scoring with a good opportunist goal, but in the first half too many passes were airborne so that a big Oriol defence was able to cut out some promising moves. L.S.E. continued to press but found a light, small ball difficult to control. White increased the lead from short range mid-way through the second half, and Oriol's goal scoring effort came after a goal kick had been charged down.

### Successful Day

The friendly spirit in which this game was played added much to the enjoyment of our first Oxford trip for a couple of seasons.

Nov. 2nd: L.S.E. 3; Reading Univ. 2.

This was by far the most exciting game, and from our viewpoint the most satisfactory match of the season.

### Good Football

L.S.E. held the initiative throughout the game to the closing stages, when the defence held firm against determined attempts to equalise. The forwards played fast and direct football and took their chances well, while the defence displayed a solidity and understanding that had been so sadly lacking in earlier matches.

### Opportunist Goal

The climax of the game was L.S.E.'s winning goal. Stallard retrieved a ball which appeared to be lost, and crossed perfectly for

Chellew to nod down into the goal. Scorers were Chellew (2) and Harris.

Nov. 5th: L.S.E. 3; Westminster Medical School 1 (U.L. Cup).

The side included four University players in this 1st round Cup match, but found a strong, bustling side no easy hurdle.

### Tough Going

Goals by Carter and Crawshaw reflected L.S.E.'s first half superiority, and only excellent goal-keeping prevented a bigger tally. The opening of the 2nd half brought a further goal from the right wing, but the visitors at this stage made it obvious that if they could not make their mark with football skill, they would do so with dubious methods. Play descended to a scrappy level and in the later stages a defensive misunderstanding led to the Medical School reducing the arrears.

### Disappointing

On the whole this was a disappointing display—the inside forwards wasted some glorious chances and there was a general lack of cohesion in defence. Experience has taught us that the babes of the University Cup—the hospital sides—invariably play with rough-house tactics. It is to be hoped, however, that in the next round our players will spend rather more of their time in trying to score goals than indulging in verbal attacks on the opposition.

Nov. 9th: U.C.L. 6; L.S.E. 2.

This defeat considerably lessened

L.S.E.'s chances of winning League honours this year. With Boultsbee and White injured, Jones took over the Captaincy and two reserves, Chaffey and Levine, were introduced to Premier League football.

### Unfortunate Slips

An utter lack of confidence by Hopkins in goal, after earlier lapses, contributed a great deal to the second half collapse in defence, and in the end L.S.E. were a well beaten side.

The referee insisted on starting the game with only 8 of our players on the field and U.C. were one up within 30 seconds. A good equaliser by Owen—a player who is to be praised for his industrious and consistent play this season—followed shortly, but an "own goal" by Strutt, for which the goalkeeper must be blamed, put L.S.E. behind. An excellent chipped shot by Holden brought L.S.E. back into the game and at this stage we were the better side.

### L.S.E. Weaknesses

After the interval U.C. claimed two quick goals and the rot set in. A nippy inside forward trio had a leaden-footed defence all at sea, and covering was practically non-existent.

Although goalkeeping lapses always have a demoralising effect on any team, the weakness in the side can be traced to the fact that the opposing inside forwards were allowed all the scope in the world and exploited their freedom to the tune of 4 good second half goals.

# RUGBY FOOTBALL

L.S.E. v. U.C. (1st round Cup)  
Draw 0-0.

L.S.E., in a match which they were expected to lose, fought nobly to force a draw against U.C.L.—on paper the strongest team in the University.

The Shenley ground was heavy, but the ball was not particularly difficult to handle. Nevertheless, the play for the most part conformed to the traditional pattern of cup-tie Rugby—a rousing struggle forward and good defensive work by the backs.

### Tense Half

The L.S.E. pack was soon in its stride, and thanks to some fine hooking by Dwyer, L.S.E. got a major share of the ball. Against the quick-breaking U.C. forwards however, little progress was possible and Howard Price, at stand-off, received a merciless battering. In view of this it became obvious that our best tactics were to work the line, and in this Howard's two-footed kicking was invaluable. L.S.E. nearly scored through Viv Davies after a loose Maul on the U.C. line, and soon afterwards Gethin Williams was just wide with a penalty kick. Despite our territorial advantage, however, half-time came with no score and in the last ten minutes of this half there were

signs that the U.C. pack, which had been outplayed till then, was beginning to liven up.

### Honours Even

These fears were realised in the second half, for the U.C. pack at least held its own, and this improvement amongst the forwards, aided by some fine kicking by Byron, the U.C. scrum-half, enabled them to have the better of things territorially. Some stout defensive work by the entire team, however, prevented a score and the final whistle came with L.S.E. still holding their own.

A draw was the fairest result in a match which neither side deserved to lose. The entire L.S.E. team played well, but particular mention should be made of John Cox, who played a true Captain's part and who must be largely responsible for the unison which the pack showed in this game. Malcolm Candlish also played outstandingly well, on two occasions saving possible tries by his fine covering, while Gethin Williams produced an immaculate performance at full back.

## L.S.E. Rifle Club

On Thursday, November 4th, the newly formed Rifle Club fired its first match at Kings College.

In spite of not having a regular range and only two previous practices, the team acquitted itself fairly well, losing by only a small margin from an already well established club.

Scores were: Kings College 577; L.S.E. 555.

Scorers: B. Deakin, 98; P. Harrison, 96; J. Alberti, 94; J. Munro, 91; G. Bobin, 89; M. Maude, 87.

## SOCCER RECORD

(to Nov. 9th)

### League and Friendlies

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.
1st	6	3	1	2	16	17
2nd	8	6	0	2	35	16
3rd	7	4	2	1	30	19
4th	3	1	0	2	13	9

## Cricket for Beginners

A Union official explaining cricket to an American student recently, said:—

"It's quite simple. You have two sides, one out in the field and one in. Each man on the side that's in goes out and when he's out he comes in and the next man goes

in until he's out. When they are all out the side that's been out in the field comes in and the side that's been in goes out and tries to get those coming in out. Sometimes you get men still in and not out.

"When both sides have been in and out—including not outs—that's the end of the game."

## HOCKEY CORNER

One of the chief criticisms levelled at L.S.E. Hockey teams in the past, frequently based on fact, has been their inability to retaliate with any vigour following the concession of a goal or two. This criticism was savagely battered, if not completely shattered, by the display of the First Eleven against King's College Hospital, when a one goal deficit was converted, in the last five minutes of the game, into a 2-1 victory.

The opening phases of the game, as so often, saw the L.S.E. forwards, who combine what is essential to any successful Hockey teams—central craft mustering to the speed of fleet wingers—gaining and maintaining an undoubted territorial advantage, while yet failing to score. When K.C.H. did manage to break through in mid-field their approach to the penalty box was quickly and effectively thwarted by L.S.E.'s rear section (*Beaver's* rear section—Publish and Be Damned) in which Rayner and Barehick performed with decisive calmness, and in which Russell at centre half proved an admirable substitute for Welsh trialist Wil-

liams. Inevitably in one of the lone thrusts which did penetrate K.C.H. scored.

After the interval, play moved swiftly from half to half. Thrust was parried and counter thrust followed. But despite the foraging of Kofi, the scheming of Rees and two fine weaving runs by Boaden, nothing concrete was achieved in *Beaver's* favour. General pattern remained the same throughout and it seemed then, the closing stages reached, that nothing could avert another L.S.E. defeat.

Most surprisingly *Beaver* responded to the stimulant of desperation with a surge of energy which compelled K.C.H. to seek a respite in conceding a short corner. From it, to K.C.H.'s grave concern, Rees slashed in a decapitating shot which made the netting erupt violently. Half a minute later, inbred with the same spirit, L.S.E. attacked and, following some finely co-ordinated approach work, Rees sent home a drive which left the grass smouldering.

2nd XI continues to improve: 3-3 draw with Ealing Dean.

## FIRES OVER ENGLAND

Deep in the orchard of an old oast house among the Kentish hills, fires were lit to exorcise the spirits from the Hallow-e'en Barbecue which was the high spot of a week-end at Doddington on October 29th-31st, held by the Y.H.A. Club.

Over twenty people gathered to roast chestnuts and potatoes around a camp fire on which bubbled a cauldron of soup. Meanwhile, on a requisitioned bedstead over the glowing embers of an outdoor stove, chops and sausages grilled rapidly, to be eaten in the primitive style.

It was a night for the epicure, and for the romantic, for the moon rose above the smoke screen, undaunted by the singing below, and the villainous leers of the turnip head lanterns. These brought back memories of absent friends, including that of he who had fallen by the wayside after too much draught cider at noon and retired to bed, thereafter to be seen no more. He forfeited his deposit, and others ate his chop. A guitarist, imported from Comm. Soc., and his stock of American songs, added to the festivities. Good rapport was established with the Warden and it is hoped to repeat this event next year.

A bonfire and fireworks will also grace the U.L.U.Y.A. week-end at Ivinghoe, originally meant to celebrate Guy Fawkes night but now put back to November 11th/12th. There will also be country dancing, and a large crowd from all member-colleges is expected.

The smoke should have died down by November 18th/20th, when the week-end at Jordans and Henley is to take place. The final objective is Windsor Great Park, and the beauty of the Thames Valley, plus the opportunity for boating and exploring, should make the walk well worth while.

SHIRLEY JACK (V.P.).

## Wanted

A.U. Needs  
New Sports Editor  
for Beaver.

## HELPING HAND

In view of the A.U.'s dire financial situation revealed in *Beaver's* last edition, the Governors have given an increased grant of £300. This particular example of the Governors' generosity is especially welcome in this the A.U.'s hour of need. Before their intervention it seemed likely that A.U. would have to curtail their programme considerably in many respects. Now the situation is much better, thanks to the Governors' consistent appreciation of the Union's difficult and important task.

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