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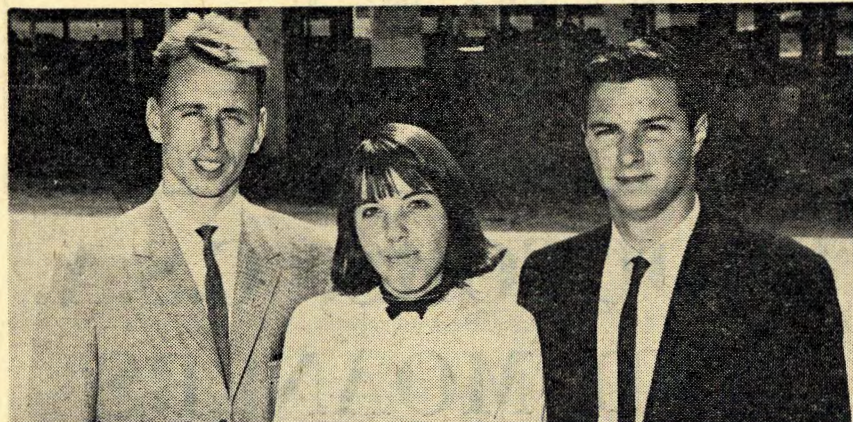
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These are three overseas students studying at Rhodes this year. (Left) Mr. Horst Ruthrof, from the Universities of Munich and Erlangen, Germany, is taking English Linguistics for eight months on an exchange scholarship. Miss Jane Passage (centre) and Mr. Jerome Figursky are from the United States and are at university here while their families are living in Port Elizabeth.

## Programme And Plans For Record Rag

Plans for a record Rhodes Rag are well under way with less than six weeks to go before this Annual Charity Drive. Tonight the Rag Queen will be elected.

The Rag Executive chose the Drum Majorettes on Sunday afternoon as the Inkettes paraded before them, clad in shorts. These 30 beautiful girls will begin training shortly, under the direction of Mr. Rob Steven. Designs for the costumes which they will wear have already been submitted to the Rag Committee.

### PUBLICITY

Publicity stunts for the Rag include the annual 50-mile walk on April 4, which has been organised by the 50-mile club. About 300 walkers are expected to participate. The Rag Committee has challenged the S.R.C. to a cricket match, but no reply has yet been received. An inter-hall pram race from Grahamstown to Port Elizabeth may also take place, depending upon public interest.

Scope Nite will be staged on the Thursday and Friday of Rag Week. In addition, a dress rehearsal, to which a non-Rhodian audience will be invited, will be held on that Tuesday.

The various houses, led by their float chairman and committees, will be constructing the floats on Friday. At 6 a.m. on Saturday morning, Inks and Inkettes, will conduct door-to-door collections in the city.

### FLOAT PROCESSION

At 9 o'clock the float procession will begin. The theme for this year's procession will be "The World of Make-Believe". Grahamstown Training College will enter the float competition for the

first time. The procession will end in front of the City Hall where the winning float will be announced and the Rag Queen crowned by the Mayor.

### CAMPUS CARNIVAL

Campus Carnival on Saturday afternoon will feature an Inkettes rugby match. In addition, there will be a rugby match between Rhodes women and T.C. The highlight of the day will be the double soccer and rugby intervarsity.

The grand finale of the day will be Rag Ball. A Harlequin theme is planned, and the decor will be by Miss Alice Lochner. Tech. Staff, headed by Mr. Duncan Ogilvie, will decorate the hall. Music will be by the Roger Kreusch Quintet.

"Pushing Licences" will be sold at T.C. this year for the first time, as well as at the women's residences.

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## WEBSTER APPEALS FOR MEMBERSHIP OF NUSAS

The Chairman of the S.R.C., Mr. Eddie Webster, has come out strongly in favour of NUSAS, and has appealed to all students to join the Union so Rhodes can "play a moderating role within NUSAS".

In a statement to the Rhodéo, Mr. Webster said:

"I would like, as S.R.C. Chairman to make a special appeal to students at Rhodes to join NUSAS. I make this appeal because I think it is vital for both Rhodes and NUSAS that we continue to play a moderating role within NUSAS."

"For example, in 1962, the overseas degree motion which obviously threatened the academic integrity of our degrees was passed by NUSAS Congress but strongly opposed by Rhodes. At Congress in 1963 it was dropped."

"This role that we have played, and must continue to play, can only be fulfilled if all students at Rhodes become members of NUSAS. It is then, and only then, that we will be placed on an equal footing with the other English-speaking universities."

"If you do not join we will have fewer delegates at the policy-determining Congress in July than other universities, and will obviously be unable to exert the influence which we can and must exert on NUSAS."

Mr. Webster continued:

"Rhodes is the only university within NUSAS which now has what is commonly termed individual membership, that is, we do not have compulsory membership as in the Afrikaanse Studentebond (A.S.B.), nor do we have automatic enrolment as at Maritzburg or Durban."

"At Maritzburg, which has automatic membership, and is roughly the same size as Rhodes, the number of delegates is determined by the number of students. We are placed at a natural disadvantage which can only be overcome by full membership at Rhodes."

"The onus, and quite rightly so, is on you, the individual, to join and therefore determine what the policy of NUSAS will be."

"We cannot afford to let other universities dominate NUSAS. With your support, NUSAS, which fortunately has a democratic structure, can once again play the role which it should play in our university, and thereby represent our views."

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# Rhodeo Editorial

## Rhodes leads for student isolation

Elsewhere in this issue, there is a statement by the S.R.C. Chairman calling upon the students of Rhodes to enrol in NUSAS. It is a tragedy that such a statement has to be made. That the members of the University should have to be exhorted to join a union whose major function is to represent them nationally and internationally is a sad commentary upon the apathy which holds Rhodes in its vice-like grip.

No valid reason for refusing to join NUSAS has ever been advanced by its opponents. Almost everyone has some reason or other for disagreeing with its policy in some respect — that is a tribute to its free-thinking and often controversial nature. Yet its opponents can offer no alternative except isolation.

The only constructive course of action, if one disagrees with either the policy or the practical aspect of NUSAS, is to join it. Nothing can be accomplished by re-treating to an ivory tower and pouring pious scorn upon those who have shown sufficient interest in their university to enrol.

For it is Rhodes which will be affected, and not NUSAS, if the students do not respond to the appeal of their S.R.C. Chairman. Unless membership figures are maintained, then the delegation which will be sent to NUSAS congress in July will be weakened.

Then the influence which Rhodes as a moderate centre, holds in the National Union, will be decreased.

Ironically, the accomplices of apathy who advocate refusing to join NUSAS are aiding and abetting the very element which they profess to despise.

If Rhodes in NUSAS is weakened then a vital blow to the cause of moderation will have been struck.

## Moore to speak

Mr. Basil Moore will speak on National Unions of Students in South Africa on Friday at 5.15 p.m. in the Kaif Graduate Lounge.

Mr. Moore, who is now lecturing in the Divinity Department at Rhodes, was chairman of the S.R.C. in 1961-62. At the 1962 NUSAS Congress he was elected President, but was unable to take up the position because of commitments to the Methodist Church.

# Cecil John



## PROCTORS, C.S.A. AND MOANERS

In the good old days when the Proctors were known as the Assassination Committee, they bore their title proudly. The present nonentities (it is debatable whether even the seniors on the campus know their names) are either over-committed to their task or uncommitted.

One offers an Ink "a double at the Carlton", while yet another fines them for not having their jackets buttoned in public. They can hardly be proud of the fact they are Proctors.

The whole high school set-up originates from the unfortunate Inky system. This delightful system designed by the infinitely wise Senate is meant to protect poor, innocent, fragile, 190 pound, Judo, liquor and women wise ex-army ruffians from the seniors. But the Senate knows best. Yes, the Senate knows best. Guy Fawkes thought he knew best, and look where he ended up.

Just how many members of Senate have had to sit in Smuts and listen to "what school did you go to?", and "did you know so and so who played first team rugby in 1960?"

Why don't the Senate move a Prof. or two into Smuts intellectual isolation chamber — preferably a psycho prof. to test the effects of prolonged isolation from intelligent stimulation of the critical faculties? They might even train them to ask fifty-pound a year student councillors questions like "have you written home to mommy this week?" Or tell them their toothpaste is nearly finished.

The Inky system produces Inks — enough said.

Before the results of the recent bye-election one of the rejects that stood, proudly proclaimed in her pen sketch that she was secretary of a sectional Broederbond-type organisation. The student body showed its abhorrence of these sectionalist organisations at the student level; all that remains is for the students to reject the Broederbond at the national level. But Rhodes never thinks nationally — Rhodes never thinks.

Numerous people have accused me of being nasty to the Inkettes, compères, second-year Inks, etc., etc. We are not running a popularity poll — House Committee elections fulfil this function adequately. Neither do we award merit stars for exhibitionism, inadequate performances, those who wince at the truth or just plain incompetence.

An attempt has been made to smear this column as being cynical. As Ambrose Bierce said: "A cynic is a man who can see the truth and gets his eyes put out for his trouble". In that case I'm happy to be called a cynic — I've never been afraid of the truth.

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# C.S.A. CHAIRMAN ATTACKS NUSAS

The chairman of the Conservative Students' Association at the University of Cape Town, Mr. Gert van Zyl, may institute legal proceedings against the University because of the system of automatic enrolment into NUSAS.

Mr. van Zyl said: "I have tried other less severe measures, but anti-NUSAS feeling is simply stifled on the campus. I feel that this measure will succeed."

"I have taken this step because the issue has been raised by many students who feel that they cannot belong to an organisation which they do not want to belong to."

Both the President of NUSAS, Mr. Maedar Osler, and the President of the Cape Town S.R.C., Mr. Peter Maggs, have replied to Mr. van Zyl's threat.

"The issue of enrolment to NUSAS has always been decided by the S.R.C.'s and student bodies at our universities.

"Now a certain individual, without consulting the S.R.C. or the students, wishes to alter this decision. His methods may be legal; his motives must be suspect.

"He should display his colours openly before the students of U.C.T. if he is genuinely concerned with South African student affairs. If he is merely concerned with an individual's political bandwagon, then he should not use the issue of enrolment as a smokescreen."

Mr. Maggs said: "Mr. van Zyl has not taken the honourable and obvious step of bringing the matter to an S.R.C. meeting, but rather chooses this incredible method of threatening to act against the University Council.

"He knows that the system of membership of NUSAS at U.C.T. is just, efficient and acceptable to the vast majority of students, and that the S.R.C. would not dream of changing it. So he hopes to employ a legal trick to force a change."

"Despite the fact that he claims to have Senior Council's opinion, I do not believe that he can win. I am confident that the University Council will fight this impudent claim with all that it has. The S.R.C. certainly shall.

— VARSITY, SANSPA.

## RAG GENEROSITY OVERWHELMING

Sir — I should like, on behalf of a large section of the Rhodes campus, to congratulate the Rag Committee on inviting the Training College girls to 'join in' our traditional university Rag. Poor dears! They have a raw deal! However, we must be charitable and share our enjoyment with those less fortunate than ourselves.

We feel they richly deserve to win the float competition (although it might have been fitting to select a T.C. girl as a Rag Queen contestant and also to include them in our drum-majorette squadron) seeing they will have to struggle with only 300-odd girls to contribute to their float.

One small error on the committee's part was not to extend the invitation to the Defence Force, schools and other charitable institutions.

It is unfortunate, however, that some Rhodes students will have to stand back over Rag, owing to the inevitable overcrowding of the Rag functions.

Perhaps, one day, Rhodes may also be cordially invited to contribute our pathetic efforts to the T.C. Rag.

CHARITY BEGINS AT HOME?

## LETTERS

Letters for publication must not be longer than 250 words. They must be placed in the Rhodéo pigeon-hole before 2 p.m. on Sundays. Letters must be signed even if a nom de plume is used.

## OPEN LIBRARY AT WEEKENDS

Sir — It has for a long time seemed strange to me that at a modern university of the calibre of Rhodes work is somehow presumed to come to a halt during the weekends and that there is therefore no need for the library to open.

I know, however, of many people who would like to work there over this period and others who would like to consult books, not necessarily wanting to take them out.

It would be sufficient if the library were merely open — there is less need for books to be taken out. Only one assistant would therefore be necessary to look after affairs. Perhaps even a student could be put in charge.

The desirability of such an innovation will be even more obvious towards the time of the examinations.

T. J. COUZENS.

## Sparkling Scope Nite This Year

This year's Scope-Nite, entitled "The Rise and Fall of Kidney Stone", is being written and produced by Messrs. Pete Dekker and Mike Burton.

Together with Ian Wells, who wrote the music, and Les. Cowie, they have put together a show which promises to "stick to the good Scope-Nite tradition".

Mr. Dekker said it would be a "bright show", relying largely on "gimmicks". Variety with something for everybody will be the keynote in both script and music.

Auditions are being held this week. A cast of about 35 are required for the

show. There will be approximately 20 speaking parts with the rest of the cast acting as chorus. A few character parts are included among the main speakers.

The story is woven around a Rhodes geologist who builds a time machine in order to study rock groups in the Stone Age. Unfortunately, due to some mishap he finds himself in the Wood Age where he is involved in a number of incidents.

The show promises to maintain the high standard set by previous Scope Nites.

## ATTACKS ON CECIL JOHN

Sir — We would like to comment on the standard and tone of the section entitled "Ban Skirts on S.R.C." appearing anonymously in the Rhodéo of March 11.

Satire can often be a very useful medium of criticism, and can serve some positive purpose. When one is faced with sarcastic, caustic, facetious writing, however, one can only conclude that some people are endowed with a great deal of personal malice and self-importance.

The suffragist-controversy is very much outmoded, and the personal back-biting tone of its presentation renders it rather small and rather vulgar.

The Kaif service complaint is so well-worn by now that one would think that its exponents might have transferred their critical attentions to some more worthy cause.

But the section on the Kaif Krawl and the selection of the Miss Rugby Inkette is so callous, so unsympathetic and so unnecessary that one without wishing to sound pompous, might feel very justifiably annoyed.

This was a light-hearted occasion, as all Kaif Krawls are meant to be, and the election of a "Miss Rugby Inkette" was never intended to be anything more than a happy 'gimmick' to attract a crowd.

Was it then necessary for such pungent, vulgar and highly personal criticism to be levelled at the compere and the Inkettes, comments like "incompetent compere", "clot" and "faces of the rather unfortunate young ladies were suitably covered by a thick layer of oily cosmetics" are comments worthy only of disgust and disregard.

This type of criticism is thoroughly disagreeable and unconstructive, and it is unfortunate but true that a good deal of this sort of talk prevails about the university, and appears to constitute the overall atmosphere.

R. K. AMM.

R. RADLOFF.

# JOIN IN THE SWING TO THE VIC

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# Page Four Feature of the Week

## 1965 RAG QUEEN ELECTIONS TONIGHT



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# Who Is The Fairest Of Them All?

*Which of Rhodes' twelve most beautiful girls will be the 1965 Rag Queen? The elections for the Queen and her two Princesses, who will reign supreme on Rag Day, May 1, will be held in the Great Hall tonight at 8 p.m.*

*The contestants, shown on the opposite page, will parade down a long ramp built into the centre of the hall, in evening dress. The compere, Mr. Bill Clarke, a well-known radio personality now working for an East London printing firm, will ask them questions to give the expected capacity audience a chance to hear them speak. The contestants will not make short speeches as they did last year, but will speak entirely off the cuff.*

*The Evening Post is running a competition to forecast the Rag Queen, and a prize of R50 is being offered*

*The twelve finalists will be coached by a professional model before the elections, and will be advised on what dresses to wear, how to style their hair, and how to walk properly.*

*The election of the Queen and two Princesses will be by secret ballot immediately after the show. Everybody is entitled to vote. The results will be announced within the following few days.*

## RHODES XI LOSE TO K.W.T.

Rhodes batted first on an easy-paced wicket in their match against King William's Town last Sunday. They were soon in trouble having lost 3 wickets for 30 runs but a back to the wall innings by Woods helped to relieve the situation somewhat.

Paul Abbot (21) was associated with Tim Woods (48) in a stand which realised nearly 50 runs. The remaining batsmen however, were unable to consolidate the position and consequently wickets fell cheaply. Rhodes were all out before lunch for a meagre total of 129.

This low score can be attributed to weak batting generally and in particular to the excellent display of fielding by the opposition. In contrast Rhodes were unable to hold their vital catches, and thus King William's Town, due to a fine innings by ex-Springbok Buster Farrer

(58) were able to pass the total with 5 wickets in hand.

The Rhodes attack lacked variation, in the absence of Mike Burton, but Bill Cowper (3/39) and Paul Bradford (2/36) were the best of the bowlers.

**Summary:** Rhodes: 129 all out (Woods 48, Abbot 21). King William's Town: 130 for 5 (Farrer 58) (Cowper 3/39, Bradford 2/36).

## Pharmacy Students

Rhodes final year pharmacy students are to be the guests of a well-known pharmaceutical firm during the last four days of the July vacation this year.

The firm's Cape Town laboratories are among the most modern in the country, and of special interest during the tour will be the organisation's narcotics plant which is the only one of its kind in the Republic.

Students will leave Port Elizabeth for Cape Town by air or rail four days before the end of the July vacation and will return in time for the next term.

## BADMINTON

Badminton is becoming increasingly popular and the Rhodes club now boasts an active membership of well over fifty. Facilities are limited at the moment, but conditions will be vastly improved when the new sports hall is ready.

The club hopes to enter four teams in the local league. Due to the arrival of several promising players this year, competition for team places should be keen.

An innovation this season will be the staging of a Rhodes badminton championship.

The following office-bearers were elected for 1965: Captain — Peter Harvey, vice-captain — Rod van Zuylen, Secretary — Judy Tedder, Committee — Joan Dangerfield and Alan Maker.

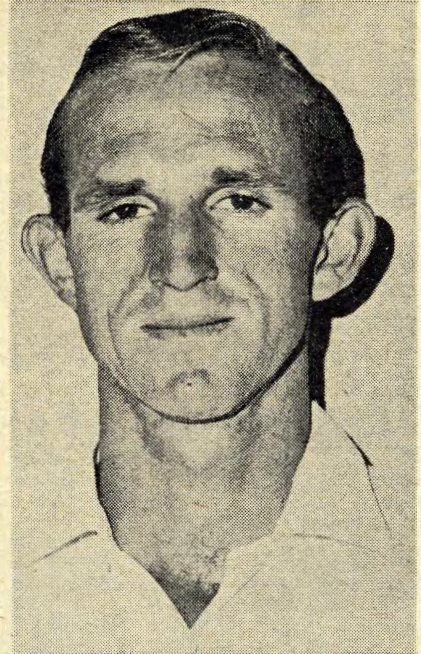
## Strong hockey side expected

**Hockey club membership has risen since last season and a strong team is expected to play this season. All but one of last year's first team has returned.**

Last year there were four provincial players in the first team, Paul Abbott, Brian Surtees, Colin Archibald and Tim Woods, and all four have returned, but Archibald and Woods will not be playing this season.

Training will begin shortly in preparation for the first game to be played in the second term. A short tour will be held before Intervarsity, and there is the slight possibility of a match against a German touring team.

## SPORTRAIT



## Cliff Hopkins

One of the most dedicated sportsmen at Rhodes is athlete Cliff Hopkins, who is the Rhodexo Sports Star this week.

He came to Rhodes in 1963, and quickly established himself as our leading middle distance runner, winning the mile at both the 1963 and 1964 Rhodes Championships. At the Stirk Bowl tournament in 1964 he broke a Rhodes record that had stood for 32 years, when he won the mile in a time of 4 minutes 21.6 seconds. He also held the E.P. Junior half-mile title for two years, and represented the province at junior level in 1959, 1960, and 1962.

During the winter Cliff is the Rhodes cross-country captain, and came second to John Cave in the Rhodes cross-country last year. He is also a road runner of considerable repute, winning the 1964 marathon from King William's Town to East London, and coming third in the E.P. marathon a fortnight ago.

Despite these achievements, the best is still to be seen of Cliff. During the past three years he has been in the process of building himself to a peak of fitness, and has had no real break in training. For nine months of the year he runs ten miles a day, and the remaining three months he spends on the track, sharpening himself up. Cliff directs his own training which is based on the methods of Lydiard and Cerutti.

Cliff explains the aim of his training: "With middle-distance running, more than any other sport, you must lay a foundation for success, otherwise you merely stay at the same level. Every mile you run is like a penny in the bank: once it is there you know you can call on it in the future. This basis training builds up your stamina, and then you have 2 months on the track to put an edge on yourself and develop pace judgement."

Cliff hopes to reach his peak at inter-varsity, where we hope his love of running and devotion to training and fitness will be fully rewarded.

## Chief Matanzima May Talk Here

Chief Kaiser Matanzima may speak at Rhodes this term, if he accepts his invitation from the World Affairs Society.

The chairman of the Society hopes to invite other speakers to talk on Transkei politics, including Mr. Knowledge Guzana, and Mr. Hans Abraham, the Commissioner-General of the Transkei.

Later in the year W.A.S. hopes to arrange for representatives from states neighbouring S.A. to speak on the situation in their countries.

## SMALLS

The House Cricket Champions (self-appointed), Matthews, cordially invite any other house to a game of cricket — if they feel capable.

Phone 0024, I. McGibbon.

## Oklahoma!

The Light Opera Society are holding auditions for parts in the Roger's and Hammerstein musical production of 'Oklahoma'. It will be held on the Rhodes campus in August during the third term.

After holding a series of annual productions of Gilbert and Sullivan, it was decided to make a tentative break from the tradition and produce something more modern.

Gillian McGillivray is producing the show. Erica Lobb is the musical director and the choreographer is Irene Styles.



# RHODES ATHLETES PROMINENT AT CRADOCK MEETING



Rising out of the water, and clawing the air for the ball, are Rhodes first-team water-polo players, Ewan Copeland (left) and Phil Grafton. The interested looker-on is Ron. Prior. This picture was taken during the Rhodes inter-hall water-polo tournament last week.

## Successful Inter-Hall Water-Polo Matches

For the first time at Rhodes, an Inter-Hall Water-Polo tournament was held by the Swimming Club. The idea was to introduce the game to more students and to encourage players.

Fairly strong teams were fielded by the four main halls: Pringle had the strongest swimming team, including Reen, Prior, Skinner and Gould; Drostdy, combining with Oppidans, included van Heerden, Cuff, Hillstrom and Potgieter; Founders had the most experienced team with four first team members of goal-keeper Fransfield, Copeland (Capt.), Grafton and McGaw. Smuts did not have a very strong team, since most of their players were new to the game.

Pringle and Founders won both their early matches and met in an exciting final. The standard of play was good. Founders won 4-2; "Quick-Draw" McGaw scoring two long shots which beat the goal-keeper completely in the last quarter.

The tournament was successful in its aim and a number of new players now turn out to practices. Training is under way for the Inter-Varsity match during the Rhodes Gala on Saturday afternoon, 20th.

## RHODES GALA LINE-UP

The Rhodes gala is to be held on Saturday afternoon and it promises to be a record breaking one, with a line up of 3 Springboks and over 20 provincial swimmers.

Rhodes has been fortunate in gaining more girl swimmers this year — J. Able, J. Halley, P. Keyes and diver A. Barker. Among the men Joe Hellstrom of Zambia should feature well, and two first years, Barrow and Coker, show promise.

The feature events will be the Invitation 220 yds. and 100 yds. freestyle, when Geoff Grylls will be trying for a fast time after his illness. Geoff

Rhodes athletes put up a sparkling performance at Cradock last Sunday in the Eastern Province Junior Championships. Against keen competition five first places were gained — three of these by sprinter Peter de Villiers.

The first event of the day put Rhodes in the picture when Willem Marais, a new member of the team, fought hard in the three miles walk to finish second in the very good time of 25 minutes 21 seconds.

Once again Peter de Villiers proved himself to be an outstanding athlete and an example to his team when despite a mid-week attack of 'flu, he managed to break one record and equal two.

**In the heats of the U19 hundred yards, he astounded the crowd with a sizzling 9.9 seconds. He smashed the domestic record by 0.2 seconds. Again in the heats of the 220 yards U.19 he thrilled the spectators with a time equalling the record of 22.2 seconds. He won the finals of both these events with times of 10.1 and 22.4 for the 100 yards and 220 respectively.**

The mile U.19 proved to be an exciting race between John Taylor, the Rhodes miler, and Botha of Gill College. The lead changed hands several times before John took over at the bell to finish first with a time of 4 minutes 31.8 seconds.

## Table-Tennis

This promises to be a good year for the table-tennis club. A match against an E.P. invitation side is being arranged, as well as other friendlies, and it is possible that a fixture will be obtained with a Border invitation team.

Once more, the club is entering a men's team in the E.P. league in which Rhodes was well placed last year; there will also be Rhodes teams (men and women) participating in the Cape Midlands leagues, both of which were won in 1964 by Rhodes.

Issy Kanfer, a past E.P. open and closed champion, is at Rhodes this year, and with this valuable acquisition, Rhodes stands a good chance of winning the E.P. League. Issy is also a past S.A. Universities singles and doubles champion, and must be rated among the best 20 players in South Africa.

has to pass a time-trial before final selection for the Springbok tour this year, so with Jon Reen and Ron Prior pushing him, this will be a good race. During the gala there will be an inter-House 15 X 1 length freestyle relay for men and a 6 X 1 for women.

The gala will be followed by a water-polo inter-varsity match — Rhodes vs. P.E., and then at 8 p.m. there will be the traditional "Beat Brawl".

Another Rhodes victory was gained by Clyde Cole, also a new member of the team with an excellent jump of 41 ft. 6½ inches in the U.19 triple jump.

John Thing proved to be on the up and up when he came 4th in the U.19 880 yards with a good time of 2 minutes 5.2 seconds.

Penny Todd gained 3rd place in the women's pentathlon.

On Sunday three Rhodes athletes will go to Bloemfontein to represent E.P. Seniors against O.F.S. and about fifteen athletes will take part in the Border Championships at King William's Town.

Other results were:

Billy Futter came 4th in the final of the 120 hurdles.

Jocelyn Carlisle qualified for the finals of the long jump. Rhodes came second in the medley relay, and 4th in the 4 X 110 yards relay, with a time of 46.9 seconds.

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