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S.R.C. TO REQUEST RULE ALTERATIONS

AT a recent meeting of the Student Body, Mr. MacDonald the Chairman, gave notice of the intention of the S.R.C. to submit a letter to the Senate explaining the reasons behind the request that a committee be instituted to discuss rules pertaining to the Students of the University.

As matters stand at present, there is no meeting ground for the University Authorities and the Student Leaders where rules for Student behaviour and discipline can be discussed with greater understanding on both sides.

In his letter to the Vice-Chancellor, Dr. Alty, Mr. MacDonald outlined certain items for consideration, which demonstrate the need for such a Committee. The rules discussed are but a few of many which are viewed, especially by older members, as unreasonable in a University.

LIQUOR IN RESIDENCE

Perhaps the most welcomed change in rules suggested by the S.R.C. for consideration, is the proposed modification to the "Liquor Laws." It is generally felt that the prohibition of liquor in the residence is unwise.

Not only does prohibition increase the tendency for intemperance and encourage illegal drinking on the campus, but a trip down town very seldom ends at one or two drinks, for which any man can vouch.

It is suggested by the S.R.C. that the following are modifications which could be implemented. Students over 18 years old, other than those straight from school, should be granted the right to bring wines and malts into residence. Written permission to do so should be presented by Students under the age of 21. The Warden of the Hall, it is suggested, should be the final Arbitrator in cases where disciplinary action is required.

LIQUOR OUTSIDE RESIDENCE

At present, students are not permitted to join any club which has a liquor licence, other than the Golf Club. Women students, moreover, are forbidden to attend cocktail or sherry parties, except in a private house.

These rules governing drink are interrelated, and work together to produce an attitude to liquor which is psychologically wrong. If men and women students were allowed to drink together naturally, the sense of daring and novelty would soon wear off, and responsible drinking habits could be cultivated.

POLITICS AND PAPERS

Although the formation of political clubs which would aim at the propagation of a particular party programme is not to be desired, it is felt that the right to discuss party politics under the auspices of a university club or society will result in an increase of knowledge and the development of a responsible attitude in the members of the university, most of whom already have the vote.

Another rule which does nothing to enhance student feeling for the authorities, is the prohibition of the publication of student newspapers and magazines without the approval of the Senate. As long as the paper is not sponsored by the University, it is felt that it is responsible only to the Society or body of students publishing it.

INTERHALL VISITING

The suggestion that women students be, at certain specified times, allowed within the now forbidden precincts of men's residences, has given rise to much controversy. Do the men want their freedom with the boys hampered by the presence of the weaker sex?

As long as his freedom is controlled, the answer seems to be "Yes." That the mixing of the sexes should be so very restricted is almost certainly a major cause of the immature attitudes so evident in many students.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

One of the suggestions on which there is great unanimity by the students, is the modification of the rule concerning leave of absence from Grahamstown in term time. The average age of University students—just over 20 years—is such that these rules are unreasonable when applied to nearly half of the Student Body.

Because of the insistence on attending a certain proportion of lectures for permission to sit for an examination, it is unlikely that this privilege would be abused. Among the modifications suggested, is one that it should be the Dean of Students, and not the Vice-Chancellor, who is responsible.

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IS THIS HOUSE HAUNTED?

It is rumoured that this house is haunted. The original story, though vague and ill-informed, is fairly widely known. It is said that at one stage two brothers lived there. They were not on speaking terms, and each lived in his own section of the house without ever so much as greeting the other.

One of them is supposed to have left the country to go overseas, and rather than leave his half of the house to his brother, he broke it down. This would explain the lopsided appearance of the house. We can only assume that if it is supposed to be haunted, one of the brothers thus have died and come back to haunt the other.

Whether or not this story is true, the fact remains that half of

the house does appear to have been broken down. There are huge cracks in the walls, one of which leans outwards, which seem to support the view that it was broken down.

Also, the gap that would have been left between the top of the wall and the roof at one of the gable ends has obviously been filled in at a much later date with bricks. The rest of the house is made of stone, and no mortar.

I went to see Mrs. Snyman, the Historian at the Albany Museum, and she was able to throw some interesting historical light on the old house. Apparently it is thought to be part of the original barracks at Fort England, to which it is very close.

Mrs. Snyman said that this was the only house in the area which still had the original calico ceiling, and also the only one with a wooden roof. Originally the wood was covered with slate, but at the moment it has iron sheeting.

OLD PAINTING

Even more interesting, however, is the fact that Mrs. Snyman found a very old painting on one of the wooden partitions in the house. From the type of oil paints used she estimates that it must have been painted before 1825, probably by a homesick soldier, for it is an English hunting scene. But it reflects the soldier's sojourn in Africa in that it includes a man chasing ostriches!

The building is at present owned by a Miss E. MacArthy, of Johannesburg. Apart from tramps, nobody has lived in the house for about forty years.

This scene, taken in Beit House Common Room, is one which the S.R.C. would like to see duplicated in the men's halls. Men and women should be able to meet freely, in pleasant surroundings, unhampered by petty restrictions, they feel. Since facilities are not available for this, students have to make use of the Botanical Gardens, and such places, in order to enjoy the company of members of the opposite sex.

Varsity Students fight

NUSAS Press Agency informs us that fighting broke out a couple of weeks ago between Wits and Tukkies students in Johannesburg. The reason (they tersely inform us) was Inter-Varsity. Several students were arrested, and a report in a newspaper says that various Johannesburg citizens have requested that Inter-Varsity be abolished.

Knowledge that Rhodes is not the only 'varsity which indulges in infantile behaviour might be some cold comfort to the Grahamstown citizens, who can be thankful that there is only one university in the city. Another university would make "City of Saints" even more of a misnomer than it is.

Imagine what Republic Day would have been like if there was an Afrikaans university here!

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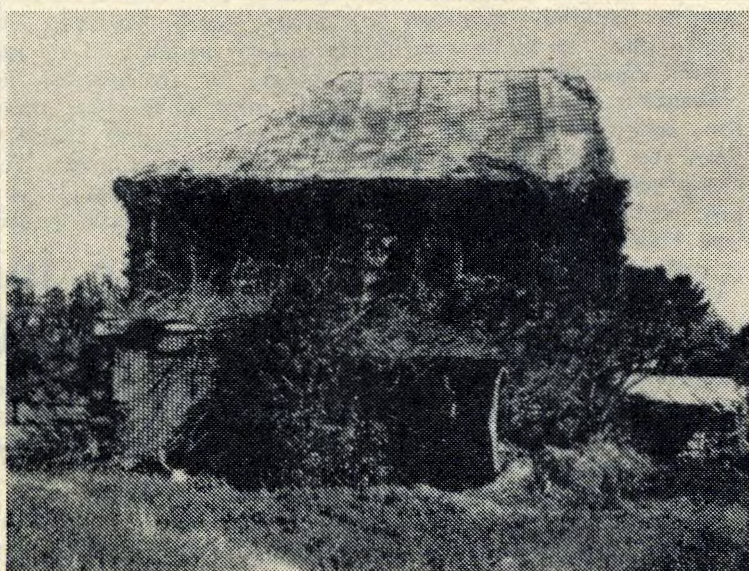
As usual this year the Eastern Province Writers' Club is holding a competition open to all residents of the Eastern Province, except full-time journalists. What is required is an original article on "How to make South Africans litter conscious."

The article must be between 1,000 and 1,500 words, and the closing date for entries is 31st October.

The first prize will be a silver floating trophy plus R20.00. Second prize will be R12.00, and third prize R6.00. Each prize will

also carry a club Certificate of Merit.

Full details of the competition have been posted on the Student Noticeboard, and are also available, together with entry forms, from The Competition Organizer, E.P. Writers' Club, P.O. Box 1313, Port Elizabeth.



THE RHODEO

MONDAY, AUGUST 14, 1961

EDITORIAL

OVER TO YOU

In the past this paper has often been criticised; to the extent that the "Rhodeo" has become a byword for slackness, stale news and irregularity. That this is the reputation that the official newspaper of the students has acquired is deplorable, but true.

It is not for us to maintain that such a reputation has or has not been deserved. Whatever factors have contributed to these stigmata, the facts are that people have been chary of being associated with the paper.

It is sincerely hoped, no less by the students we are sure, than by the Editorial Board of the paper, that the University will produce, not a belated review of events, not an amateurish paper, but a newspaper worthy of the name.

It was with this in mind that we applied for the use of one of the rooms in old Kaif for a Rhodeo office, and instituted the New Organization of the "Rhodeo".

Under the New Organization the policy of the paper is towards greater frequency and regularity, coupled with a heightened interest value.

The subscription of the students together with revenue derived from advertising are totally insufficient to cover any large scale expansion this year. It is hoped, however, that while the New Organization can only be theoretically established this year, the theory will, through the experience gained, become a reality in 1962.

In brief, the New Organization is this. Four Sectional Editors have been appointed, under whom are the sectional reporters, two to four to each section.

These reporters, while receiving no remuneration, have the formidable task of covering, not only campus activities, but also local and South African affairs. The paper needs, therefore, many more reporters.

Separate managers are responsible for attempts to increase circulation and advertising to gain additional revenue for the expansion of the paper.

With this organisation we hope to be successful in establishing the proposed development plan for 1962. Under this plan the paper would be issued every second Wednesday throughout the University Year. News would be more topical, comment and review less necessary.

Since the present printers take six to eight days to print an issue, under the development plan manifestly either a change of printer would be necessary, or else a slightly higher printing cost.

Whichever alternative is adopted, coupled with the increased number of issues in the year, subscription to the paper would suffer a sharp increase to R1.00 per annum.

Such is the New Organization of the Rhodeo, an organization we hope will produce an interesting newspaper, and one that will be worth its subscription rate. It depends, however, in the final assessment on the backing of each and every student of the University.

We feel that with the students behind us we can look forward to resuscitating interest in the paper, and to clearing the name of The Rhodeo of all charges of dilatoriness and remissness.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

All letters to the Editor will, where practicable, be printed in the Rhodeo. Letters should be signed but may, if the writer wishes, be printed under a nom de plume.

The Editor would like to make it clear that views expressed in letters and signed articles do not necessarily reflect the views held by the Rhodeo and its Staff.

AN APPEAL

Dear Mr. Editor,

Please allow me the privilege of a few precious inches of my paper to ask myself why no-one ever writes me letters.

I say I will print every letter where practicable. I beg people to write to my paper to express their views or grievances. But I get no letters.

Please, please, Mr. Editor, print my letter in my paper.

(Sgd. Editor).

A SPECIAL SUPPLEMENT WILL BE PRINTED IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS TO COVER THE EVENTS OF ARTS AND SCIENCE WEEK.

PISTORIUS AT WORK

Rhodes was privileged to hear Prof. P. V. Pistorius, of Pretoria University, and of rebel-Afrikaner-intellectual fame, expound on what threatened to be a formidable subject, but which was transformed by a brilliant wit and an assured grasp of principle into a discussion of great fascination and entertainment.

GROUP CONCEPT

The talk was arranged by the World Affairs Society, and took place on August 25. Its title was the "Moral Implications of the Group Concept," and during the hour of Prof. Pistorius's speech, the relevance of the theme to South Africa emerged with startling clarity. The Professor is a small man in size, mild-looking, but with a voice of great power and eloquence, and what seems a most capacious mind. He left a great impression on the large audience which heard him, and his visit will be remembered.

DOOM, DOOM, DOOM

His discussion was not concerned primarily with South Africa because of the Senate ban on "political" meetings; he dealt rather with the broader historical implications of the group concept, in short, with the results of "apartheid" in past ages. And he drew his illustrations from periods ranging from the age of the dinosaurs to that of the French Revolution, weaving a pattern of precept all pointing with incontrovertible emphasis on the inevitable doom of men (and animals) who find their whole being and justification in the group to which they belong, in the laager to which they are forever committed.

With skill and insight, Prof. Pistorius brought home his thesis of a universal natural law, which sees any evolution, whether racial or social or intellectual, of fellow creatures from participation in universal rights, as fatal to the maintenance of civilization.

THEN AS NOW

Mr. J. G. Strijdom, Minister of Lands, said: "It is the personal task of every member of the Nationale Jeugbond to gain a firm footing in the United Party — controlled Universities, where the Communist cancer has been allowed to flourish." (31/7/49). Watch it Rhodes.



ROSENBERG ELECTION: Part of the crowd who gathered outside the G.L.T. last week to hear Dereck Rosenberg propose Mr. Legassick as Radical Independent. The Rhodeo wishes Mr. Rosenberg and his candidate a joyous election, and compliments them both on the efficient manner in which they have stimulated the political conscience of the Inks.

Political leader

Into the laager, boys!

The recent Rhodes Parliamentary Debate led many to browse in Hansard. Now Hansard can be highly entertaining. Parliament is transformed into a theatre, and its members become a lot of little puppets dutifully sprouting what their party tells them to sprout.

A few snippets out of the debate (7th April, 1961) on the U.O.F.S. Conscience Clause are particularly illuminating. In their sedulous emphasis on authority's right to tell others what to think, they reflect a tendency which in attenuated form is emerging in the Councils which govern us.

The Government wants to remove the Conscience Clause from U.O.F.S. Mr. Mostert is very entertaining when he tells us why: "Mr. Speaker, freedom is a concept which is sadly ill-treated in this country. One finds far too many people who all day long shout about freedom; they want to be free to do as they please, free to do harm and to destroy; they want to live irreligiously and without purpose. (Rhodes, curb yourself.) But these same people who are such sticklers for freedom do not grant freedom to other people who want to be truly religious."

The Conscience Clause is "not only unnecessary, but it is a burden," — it restricts our free-

dom to be "positively" (sic) religious. Not, of course, that we want to influence our students, says Mr. Mostert. "This amendment only relates to the staff. It shows that the University has not the slightest intention of interfering with the religious rights and beliefs of any of its students."

Cut down to the barest outline as his argument has been, it naturally appears somewhat spurious.

An examination of Hansard, however, reveals that Mr. Mostert, when all the padding is removed, says very little more than what is conveyed here i) he has no very high opinion of freedom; ii) the Conscience Clause is unnecessary in a democratic and free country; and iii) while it is necessary to check the staff, students will not have their brains tampered with.

One inevitably wonders for how long. One wonders, too, what vision of society leads to this kind of argument. The vision is revealed below.

The fundamental classification

Here follows Mr. Mostert's classification of Universities, and it is fundamental to an understanding of the whole university system in South Africa, and to the understanding of Mr. Mostert himself.

"Mr. Speaker, the tendency at many universities in the world to-day is a two-fold one. The one university wishes to become cosmopolitan and collective; it wants to see one great State; it wants to see one great nation for the whole world.

"We have heard enough of that type of thing, and we are tired of it. . . . The other tendency is for an educational institution to root itself in the soul and heart of the community and to get away from the concept of one State, one language, one race and one doctrine for the whole world. In other words, the object of this legislation is to safeguard and to confirm the individuality of its people and its community. For that reason

I support the Bill whole-heartedly."

Mr. Mostert is accurate in his classification, commendably so. And unawares, perhaps, he reveals the dilemma of this country, the opposition between two ways of thought, irreconcilable and irremediable. Each side is determined not to give in. Rhodes aims at the cosmopolitanism of the first category. Despite Senate bans on such Symposia as that mooted by the World Affairs Society, despite our many pettinesses, we seem to believe in a freedom rather more expansive than that advocated by Mr. Mostert and his many friends. Self-congratulation is not always desirable, but in this case, we had better recognise what is good in our system while there is still time.

Parliamentary Debate

A unique venture was undertaken by the Debating Society recently in holding a Parliamentary Debate, which turned out to be a well-attended and informative meeting.

The debate was organised on the lines of the Parliament of the Republic of South Africa, and, as far as possible, the same procedure was followed.

The proceedings opened with a procession led by the Sergeant-at-arms, bearing a ceremonial axe, followed by the Speaker, Dr. Terry, resplendent in wig and gown, while the Clerk of the House brought up the rear.

NO CONFIDENCE

The business of the evening commenced with a motion of No Confidence in the Government, proposed by the Leader of the Opposition, James Moulder. He launched his attack on the Government by calling on it to resign forthwith, and demanded a policy of white leadership with justice. The present Government, he declared, was unable to hold the whites of South Africa together. He was continuously heckled by Government members sitting opposite.

In reply to the motion, the Prime Minister, Ian MacDonald, said that the Opposition, as usual, was totally ignorant of the real facts. He stressed that the situation throughout the country was calm, but that the English press both in the Republic and overseas was misinterpreting the facts. His speech was interrupted by roars of approval from the members of his party.

COMEDY

A touch of comedy was lent to the political proceedings by a rather obstreperous member of the gallery who persisted in airing his opinions too freely. He had to be forcibly ejected by the Sergeant-at-arms and Parliament

tary members on a number of occasions much to everyone's amusement, except for the disappointed remarks of the ejected victim concerned.

The two main speakers were followed by Government and Opposition front benchers. Mr. Van Zyl, leader of the Progressives, called for a positive policy as advocated by his Party.

Mr. Davenport, Minister of Economic Affairs, gave a brief resumé of the situation. He informed members of the House that South Africa was the most prosperous state in Africa and stated that there were no grounds for pessimism regarding the economic future of the Republic.

Ron Atwell added a touch of humour when he started reading his speech in Afrikaans. After being reprimanded by the Speaker for reading his speech, he continued in a mixture of Afrikaans and English.

The Motion was summed up by the Prime Minister and Leader of the Opposition.

THE HAND OF GOD

As far as the voting went, three counts had to be taken, for the members of the Government insisted on raising both their hands, including the Prime Minister who solemnly declared that one was the hand of God. The Opposition won the Motion 45-40.

Dr. Terry ended the evening's proceedings in congratulating the Debating Society on the success of the Debate. He also passed on some constructive advice on the rudiments of parliamentary procedure, advice which will surely bear fruit in future debates of this nature.

Rhodesia's Constitution

The Contemporary Africa Society held an extremely interesting meeting on Thursday 17th, at which four Rhodesians (Mr. Colin Rendell-Green, Mr. Ron Reeves-Johnson, Mr. Tony Koenderman, and Mr. Tony Davenport), discussed the new constitutional proposals of Northern and Southern Rhodesia.

U.F. PARTY

Mr. Reeves-Johnson, the first speaker, spoke on behalf of the United Federal Party. First of all he said that the United Federal Party intended to uphold Southern Rhodesia's status and rights within the Federation, and press for the removal of the reservations in the constitution under which the British Government can veto certain legislation concerning Africans if it considers them discriminatory. He then went on to outline the new franchise proposals.

ELECTORAL ROLL

The second speaker, Mr. Koenderman, spoke specifically on the Northern Rhodesian constitution, and came out also in favour of the general principle of the double electoral roll as a means of enfranchising Africans. He mentioned the faults of the Northern Rhodesian constitution. An equal number of seats are retained for each race. Then there are a number which can be won by candidates of either race.

Mr. Koenderman felt that the proposals were a step in the right direction. He expressed the opinion that the creed of "one man, one vote" will not work in Africa, because the Africans are not politically mature, and also because African nations comprise a highly heterogeneous complex of peoples. But partnership envisaged a new concept of democracy.

Finally Mr. Davenport, representing the Dominion Party made an attacking speech, in which he first stated the attitude of the Dominion Party to the franchise, and then enumerated a number of objections which the Dominion Party have to the proposals. "The whole basis of our policy regarding African Political development," he said, "is that all men should have an equal opportunity, regardless of whether they are Black or White."

Mr. Davenport then listed a number of objections to the constitution. Firstly the Dominion Party objects to the fact that chiefs are to be given votes, even if they do not have the necessary qualifications.

Secondly, Mr. Davenport objected to the low qualification requirements for the B voters' roll in Southern Rhodesia. (Mr. Davenport did not speak on Northern Rhodesia.) The belief of the Dominion Party is that government must remain in civilized hands. Thirdly, he objected to the principle of racial representation, under which one voters' roll was to comprise almost entirely Europeans, the other Africans.

After Mr. Davenport had spoken, Mr. Reeves-Johnson was given a chance to reply to Mr. Davenport's criticisms, and lively debate ensued, in which several members of the floor took part.

PROFILE

JOHN DICKSON

In 1958 John Dickson arrived as an unpretentious ink at Jan Smuts. Now, after three and a half years, he has risen to the dizzy heights of the Founders house committee.

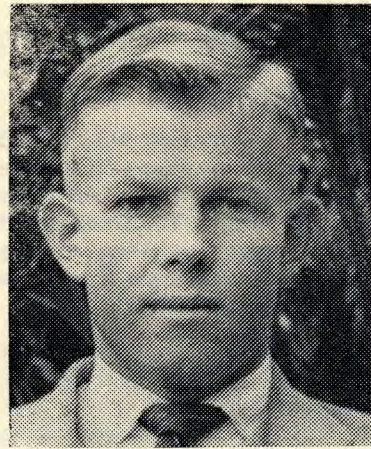
Coming from Queen's College where he was a prefect, John threw himself wholeheartedly into university life. He completed his degree last year, majoring in Politics and Roman Dutch Law, and is now reading for an LL.B., which he hopes to complete at the end of next year.

He is especially recognised for sporting achievements. This year he is the captain of the cross-country club, and the secretary of the cricket club.

He has excelled himself notably in hockey, however, being a member of the first team. In both 1960 and 1961 he played for the E.P. Festival team, and as vice-captain this year. More important is that he has now been chosen to play for the Proteas who will tour the British Isles during the long vac.

Although he seems quiet and unassuming, his companions in College deny this! In December 1959 he was a galley boy on the Danish ship, the "Thorshope," and sailed to Canada and the East and West coasts of Africa, only arriving back in South Africa two days before term began.

Culturally speaking, he likes to be remembered for two things. The first was the famous one-night stand he made performing the Can-Can at the ill-fated Campus Carnival of 1959; the



JOHN DICKSON

other is the part he claims he played with such gusto in the scope nite of the same year. As he was denied a part last year, he declined to audition this year as a protest!

It was John who with five others braved the heat and hills to help break the "bed-pushing" world record. And it was he who was gated last year after rag, for "ticking off" his house warden! John took his punishment very spiritedly.

On the committee of the Law Society, and with his great interest in law, John hopes to become a solicitor: considering his exam. results last year, it seems as though his prospects are very promising.

Favourite Sport: "Sevens."

Likes: "J.D.'s" (Juvenile Delinquents? John Dicksons?)

Hates: Elvis.

Loves: Champagne.

Admires: Culture, especially ballet.

Greatest moment: Drinking a beer alone after the bed-pushing race.

AT YOUR CONVENIENCE

Among the various and beguiling attractions of Arts and Science Week the most insolent is to be a play. There are several other considerable productions offered for our digestion in this annual cultural bun-feast, but this takes the cake.

Not only will the audience not be required to pay entrance fee, many of them will not even have to move to see it: the play, in fact, is coming to visit them, in the Beit Common Room, on the afternoon of Saturday 2nd September.

SECOND PRIZE-WINNER

"Imitate February," is the name of this piece, cooked up by Lance Salway on the recipe of Ionesco, the zany modern playwright. It won second prize in the University one-act play competition. (Lance Salway won first prize as well with "The Caryatid," a sentimental delicatessen.)

It is a short play, about half-an-hour in length, no more than an hors d'oeuvre before Saturday's rugby match. In style "Imitate February" is as ludicrous as "The Sport of My Mad Mother," just as entertaining though in a different mood, and by means of the absurd points out a very relevant observation: our susceptibility to any brainwashing, advertising, lectures or what you will.

The cast is a select group of four: Ron Ayling, Janet Henderson, Geoff Haresnape and Paul Trehwela.

S.R.C. RULE ALTERATIONS

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ible for the granting of permission to leave Grahamstown for periods up to one week.

WIDE RANGE OF AGES

Perhaps the main difficulty in the making of disciplinary rules in a University is the very wide range of Age Groups. Rules made for the guidance of 17 year-olds straight from school, cannot justifiably be applied to men and women who are of age. Most of the changes suggested by the S.R.C. for consideration would therefore not affect those first-years straight from school.

The suggestions made by the S.R.C. are just a sample of those that students would like discussed by such a Committee as has been asked for by the Student Leaders.

The results of the Sociological Survey carried out last year could provide invaluable material if used as a basis of discussion by the proposed Committee.

If such a Committee be formed, it is certain that rules which are more realistic and more capable of being effectively carried out could be decided upon. Not only would discipline be maintained, but the desires and needs of the Student Body could be adequately interpreted and realized at last.

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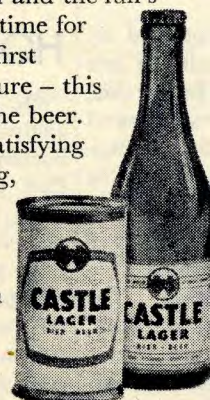
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THE SWALLOWS WERE TOO SWIFT FOR RHODES

Rhodes beaten by two short corners

In near-summer weather, which the visitors may have brought with them, a large crowd saw the touring Swallows (Combined Oxford-Cambridge Hockey side) beat Rhodes by three goals to one on the Rhodes field on Wednesday 23rd August. The sizzling stickwork of the Swallows matched the summery weather, although Rhodes were far from outplayed. They lost by a margin of two short corners, having had numerous scoring chances themselves.

In the first few minutes the Swallows swept on to the attack, spearheaded by the scintillating stickwork of Veit, inside right. A good save by John Dickson prevented them being one up.

RHODES ATTACK

Rhodes soon took the initiative, and held a definite territorial advantage. Frequently they beat the defence into the circle, but good covering by the Swallows' captain Bobby Hawes, and poor shooting robbed them of the opening goal.

Apart from a few sorties into the Rhodes half the visitors were kept on the defensive until shortly before half-time, when Elmitt, centre-forward netted a sizzling short corner, to put them one goal up, rather against the run of play.

LEAD INCREASED

Despite having adapted themselves to the unusual conditions of the gravel pitch, the Swallows could not increase their lead until the seventeenth minute of the second half, when Elmitt netted another short corner.

White and Du Plessis were particularly sound on defence for Rhodes, but the home side lacked

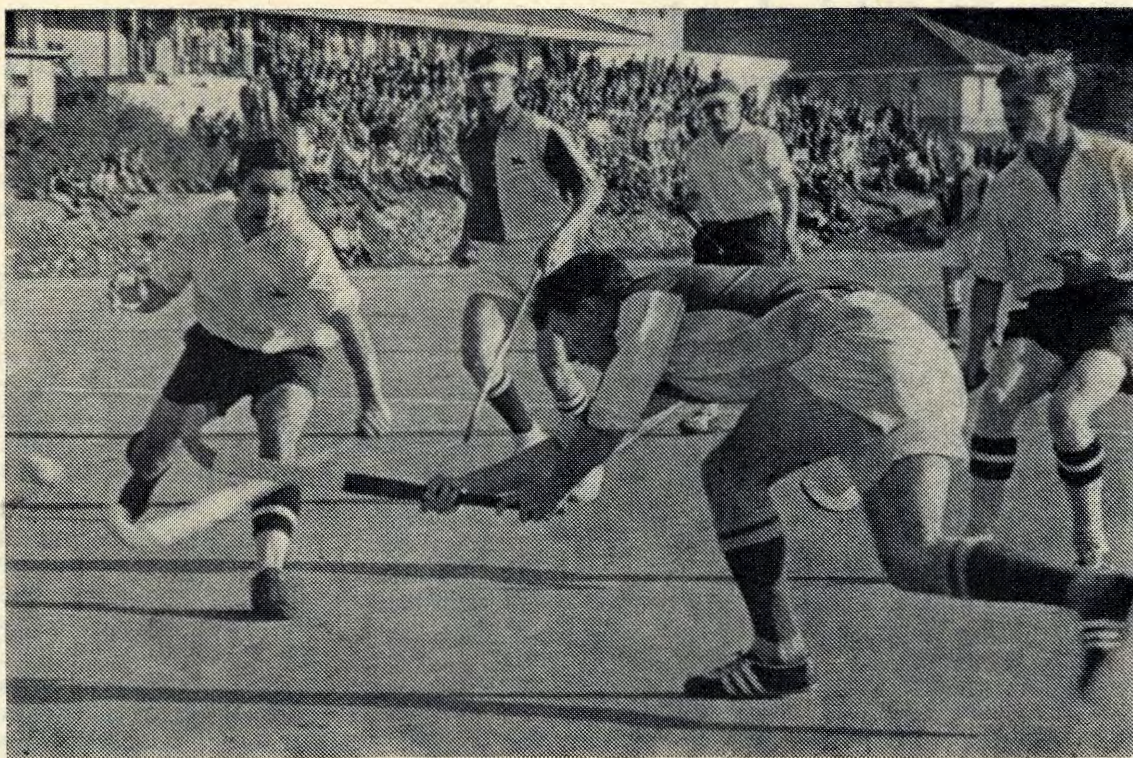
penetration in midfield, although Huggett always looked dangerous on the right wing.

Ten minutes from full time the Rhodes defence seemed to flag and Elmitt made it a hat-trick when he picked up a free hit from outside the circle and beat Macdonald with a hard shot.

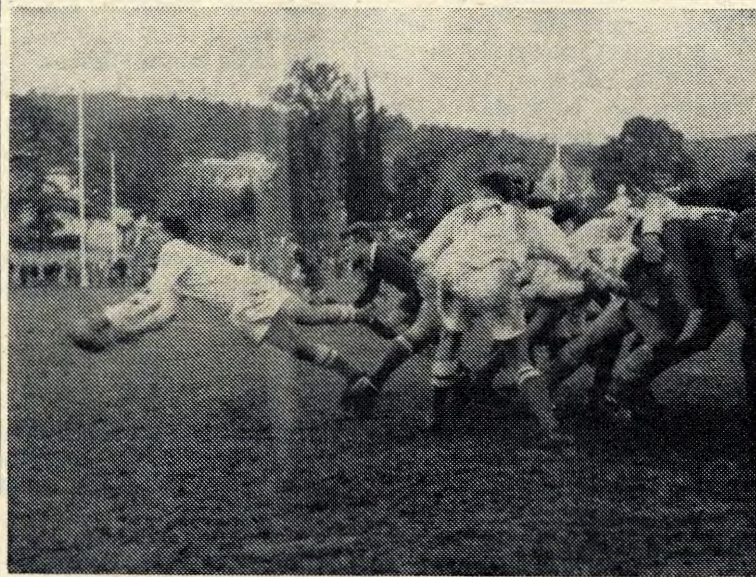
RHODES SCORE

In the closing minutes of the game Rhodes came back on the attack. Derek Rosenberg, captain and centre-forward, who had looked out of touch until this stage, positioned himself well for a centre from Huggett and netted the home side's only goal.

The Swallows' display of stickwork, positional play and precision passing was delightful, yet Rhodes played with great determination. They lost through lack of accuracy and finish.



Baxter, the Rhodes left wing gets his pass away despite the attempted tackle by Bobbie Hawes, Swallows centre-half and tour vice-captain. Brian Bowles, Rhodes left inner and Selwyn Kossuth, Swallows' South African left back look on



A scene from the third Rhodes Albany game of the season, in which Rhodes won 11-9 and regained the Birch Cup. The speed with which Rogers is getting his line away can be gauged from the fact that no Albany loose forwards appear in the picture.

Good tennis win for Rhodes

Symbolic of the renewed vigour of the Rhodes tennis club, was the victory of the First Men's team over Selborne by 8 matches to 6. This is Rhodes' first victory over the strong East London Schoolboys for four years.

Rhodes had a close match, although this is not reflected in the score, against East London and Districts on 20th August. The Border side was composed largely of Senior and Junior provincial players. Rhodes went down 6-18, but individual matches were very close.

It is unfortunate that the vigour shown by top players in the club is not emulated by those lower down the ladder. The potential is there and it is rich, but the concentration and determination are sadly lacking.

HOCKEY FIELD DAY

On the eve of their match against Swallows, the Rhodes first hockey eleven had a field day in Port Elizabeth. On Sunday 20th Aug. they beat Redhouse 6-0, and drew with P.E. 4-4. The P.E. game was particularly exciting. Until minutes from the end P.E. were leading 4-3, but were robbed of full points by a fine goal by Derek Rosenberg. This brought the Rhodes' captain's personal tally of goals scored for the day to six.

Rhodes rugby record redeemed by two games

The Rhodes rugby record since the July vacation, though it does not make over-impressive reading (Played 5, won 1, drew 1, lost 3), has two highlights which reflect great credit on the side.

These are the two matches from which we scored league points; to victory over Albany and the draw with Swifts.

The traditional rivalry between Rhodes and Albany makes this match the focus of the Rhodes season, and the fact that Rhodes have three times beaten Albany this season is in itself something of an achievement.

Clive Ulyate's temporary return to the side made a vast difference. At full-back against Albany, he was the basis of our defence, and his move to fly-half against Swifts speeded up the line by allowing Kenny Weakley to move to his rightful position of centre. It was team-work however, that won Rhodes the Birch Cup.

DEFEAT AVENGED

Saddled with the memory of a 40-0 defeat at their last encounter, Roley Rogers' men must have run on against Swifts with a certain trepidation. Their gallant play, which held Swifts to a 3-all

draw, really vindicated the name of Rhodes.

Despite this, morale was low for the match against General Motors. There were seven (7) changes in the side from the team which drew with Swifts. Among the most important men thus missed were Clive Ulyate, who had re-retired, Max Fine, who was injured; Rolfe and Moorcroft were playing for PUGS.

The Rhodes forwards worked hard against G.M., but the only backs who looked at all happy were Roberts, Baxter and Ferguson (under 19A wing). G.M. deservedly won 11-6.

With six league matches still to be played, Rhodes have still a hard fight before them. If they can regain the form of the Albany and Swifts matches, they may end the season on a bright note.

STANDARD OF SOCCER IMPROVED

There has been a considerable improvement in the standard of Rhodes soccer this year. Playing in the Eastern Province First Division for the first time, the first team has to date won 5 of its eleven matches. This places them 5th out of eight teams in the log—an achievement for a team of players nurtured in second league football.

This improvement is attributed to the better opposition encountered in the higher league. Southgate (a versatile forward, anywhere from wing to centre-forward) and Palframan (goalkeeper) have been the outstanding players, both having been selected to play for an Eastern Province Invitation XI against the full Provincial side. The side as a whole, however, has shown improvement in all departments of the game.

RESULTS

The side was expected to benefit from the experience of intervarsity, but the first games after the vacation were disappointing; Rhodes lost 4-0 to Arcadia and 3-0 to P.E.M.

Palframan was concussed in the first minute of the P.E.M. game and played the rest of the match at left wing. This was a blow to the side and the result does not shame the Rhodes team.

FENCING CHAMPS

The first two events in the Eastern Province fencing championships were concluded at Rhodes on the 28th of August. These were the Men's Sabre and the Ladies' Foil.

The Men's Sabre produced one of the closest matches ever contested. After the preliminary bouts Hugo Snyckers and Steve Godwin, both of Rhodes were tied for first place. In the final barrage to decide the winner, Snyckers won by 5 to 4, in a match for the best of nine.

The first places in this event were all filled by Rhodians.

Rhodians, or ex-Rhodians also featured prominently in the Ladies' Foil. This event was won by Mrs. Ward-Cox of Uitenhage, who is ex-South African National Champion. She was closely followed by Rhodes Inkette Miss I. Roché, and third place was taken by Miss B. Ehman.

Rhodes set to win hockey league

With only two matches to go in the Grahamstown Ladies' Hockey League, the Rhodes first team is still unbeaten. They have lately had good wins over Town (14-0), Training College (4-2) and V.G.H.S. (6-0). In the Town match all the goals were scored by the Rhodes inside forwards, Hazel Howard (5), Di van Aardt (4) and Penny Rubidge (5). Training College, who are Rhodes' closest rivals in the league gave the girls in white a hard game.

BROTHERTON TAKES E.L. SQUASH TITLE

Eric Brotherton produced the best squash seen in East London for some time when he beat Dave Woods, the holder, in the final of the West Bank Club Open Championship in straight sets, 9-6, 9-2, 9-2.

Woods had been the more impressive of the two players in the opening rounds of the tournament, having won all his matches in straight sets, while Brotherton had twice conceded a set.

The match was a fitting final to a grand tournament. Brotherton was slow in starting but once he had settled down he assumed control of the match. Woods battled to the end, and fought back to produce some long exciting rallies.

LEAGUE OPENS

The Eastern Province Men's Squash league opened on Sunday 20th Aug. Two of Rhodes' three first league sides had two matches each. Rhodes B lost to Jokers and Old Grey B; the A side beat Old Grey A and Command.

Kuhn, the Rhodes A no. 3 did well to beat both Coppin and Murray. These are two experienced players, although it must be remembered that Murray has only recently returned from overseas.

During the September vacation a Rhodes social squash side, known as the Cavaliers, will tour the Border. They will play eight games; five in East London, two in King William's Town and one in Queenstown.

The side will be captained by Rowan Algie. There will be one other first team player in the side, Doug Barrow. Other members of the side are Cranke and Ezekowitz, with one tourist still to be chosen.

It is likely that Rhodes will again provide the Eastern Province singles champion. The championships start next week, and likely finalists are Dave Woods and Eric Brotherton. After his convincing win in East London West Bank Open, Brotherton must be tipped to win.

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