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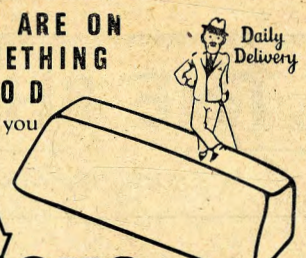
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1955 N. U. S. A. S. CONGRESS

Melunsky on Executive

Rhodes attacking

Well over three hundred South African students assembled in Johannesburg last month for the thirty-first annual Congress of N.U.S.A.S. Our own delegation was headed by Mr. L. Melunsky and Mr. D. de Vos (SRC Chairman and Secretary respectively), Miss June Ginsberg, Mr. Geoff Phillips and Mr. Peter Ackhurst—Mr. Bob Sutherland having at the last moment had to withdraw. In addition, all those who could afford the time and money took advantage of Rhodes' bloc membership of the National Union and went along as delegates to the highly-successful Winter School, or to the Research Council, or to one of the other conferences, or just in a private capacity.

If this year's Congress was not quite as good as it would have been at one of the more intimate University centres, it was nevertheless very good indeed. As always, Congress offered a unique opportunity for social, cultural and intellectual contact of the sort that can best be described by going there. All agreed that it was a stimulating and refreshing experience.

OFFICIAL OPENING

The gathering was opened on 4th July in the Wits Great Hall by the University Chancellor, Hon. Mr. Justice Feetham, whose address, together with the N.U.S.A.S. President's was of such merit that both have been published.

On the official side of Congress, it was of particular interest to Rhodians to learn that the Student "Assembly", (which represents the 13 member-centres of NUSAS), on a motion by the leader of the Capetown delegation, decided not to comment on the closing of Fort Hare until full information was available. At the same time it was resolved to press for publication of the Duminy Commission report. Mr. Melunsky, who seconded this motion, afterwards expressed his great satisfaction with its adoption.

PAPER ON BANTU EDUCATION

A highlight of Congress was the presentation of a paper by Mr. Ernie Wentzel, the Capetown leader, on Bantu Education today. This was followed by what was perhaps the outstanding event of all: a Symposium on the Bantu Education Act in the Wits Great Hall. The speakers were Father Trevor Huddleston, Dr. H. Jowitt, (an educational expert), and Dr. P. A. W. Cook (of the Native Affairs Department). It was unfortunate that the Government representative seemed to have something to auction, for a speaker of Dr. Jowitt's acumen soon had the audience in fits of laughter. The debate was still going strong after nearly three hours, when the Chairman reluctantly closed it.

The inter-varsity debate was won this year by Mr. J. Suzman of Wits who, with Mr. G. Micongwe of Basutoland, tussled in the final round over that House preferring to sleep on the top bunk of the train! The judges were Dr. Sydney Brenner, Adv. Welsh and Mrs. Cross of the Wits English Department.

Then of course there was the usual round of entertainments—

a jazz recital, a variety concert, a special Film Show, three American one-act plays done by the University Players, and an uproarious braaivleis. There was also a tour of the locations organized by the municipality and a visit to the Sterkfontein caves. (Nearly all expenses were covered by the 14/6).

TRIUMPH FOR UNIVERSITY

A feature of Congress was the immaculate organization. In an interview with the Rhodéo, Mr. Melunsky commented on the general success of Congress. Referring to criticisms that are sometimes made of the National Union, he said: "Any student should refrain from criticizing NUSAS until he or she has seen the workings of the NUSAS machine at first hand; and the best way of observing NUSAS is at Congress." Mr. Melunsky's own observation was rewarded by his election to the National Executive—a great triumph both for himself and the University. He succeeds Mr. Michael Nuttall as Director of Publicity and Publications. The last Rhodian to hold a similar office was Miss Margaret Roberts.

An unexpected finishing-touch was put to the Congress by Mr. Micongwe, whose first close experience of NUSAS this was, when a made a point of expressing to the Assembly, on behalf of the delegation from Pius XII University College, his "deep satisfaction" with the work of the National Union, and in particular noting the "spirit of friendship" within it.

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an Executive member) has served under him on that body. Mr. Eigalis enters his second term as Treasurer and has been prominent in the National Catholic Federation of Students. Mr. Rubin is the son of Senator Rubin and Mr. Coombe, Editor of "Nux", has been Chairman of his centre's S.C.A. He is in only his third year.

COMMENTS:

Likes:
Hockey players and Cape Town.

Dislike:
Publicity and photographs.

Pushing:
"Oh, he's gone, gone, gone."

Rhodes:
I like it.



The Annual Soccer Intervarsity was held at Rhodes during the Vac. This picture, taken during the match between Rhodes and Stellenbosch, shows C. Mason (second from the left) the Rhodes Captain, attempting to head the ball into the net. D. Kalil is obscured by the Stellenbosch goalkeeper. Rhodes won this game 4-2.

N. U. S. A. S. AND I. U. S. SPLIT

Association doesn't work

Two years ago NUSAS disaffiliated from the IUS on the ground that it was a partisan political organisation. Last year, resolving that any co-operation was better than none, the National Union entered an "Association" with the International body—involving joint activity in practical fields coupled with an express dissociation from "policy".

NEW EXECUTIVE

Other members of the new Executive of NUSAS are:
President: E. M. Wentzel (Capetown); **Vice-President:** V. P. G. Alexander (Durban); **Treasurer:** H. J. Eigalis (Wits); **Director of Research:** N. Rubin (Capetown); **Student Welfare:** E. Steedman (Durban); **Studies and Winter School:** T. Coombe (Maritzburg).

Despite the refusal of a passport to Mr. Sidney Katz for reasons on which two Cabinet Ministers have disagreed, the National Union reaffirmed its unanimous faith in this student's personal integrity by re-electing him to the position of Vice-President for International Relations.

Mr. Wentzel, aged 22, is the youngest President for some years and a final-year LL.B student. He is the outgoing President of the Capetown SRC, (a position in which Mr. Katz preceded him), and a former editor of the "S.A. Student". Mr. Alexander has been President of the Durban SRC for three years, and Mr. Steedman (twice before

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NUSAS has now alleged that the IUS has abused its associate membership and last month severed all formal connections between the two Unions. It was noted that the IUS were harsh critics of "Western Education Systems" but never once criticised a country behind the Iron Curtain.

It is speculated that the matter may be brought up again next year.

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EDITORIAL

It should be noted with some alarm that the gulf between the Afrikaans- and English-medium Universities widens continually, in spite of unceasing attempts by NUSAS to bring about co-operation between the two groups. There is no doubt that basically and ideologically, the dogmas of the Afrikaans Universities, as they are expressed in the constitution of the "Afrikaanse Studentebond," differ considerably from the views of the constituent NUSAS centres. The ASB expresses a rigid and dogmatic creed, resting on a Christian National basis, and proclaiming an official Afrikaans language. The aims of the ASB are equally clear—to unite Afrikaans students in one organisation, and to protect their interests. There is no express or implied intention of co-operation with any other group of students whose culture and language may be different. And it can be maintained with some sincerity that for all practical purposes, the ASB has ignored all attempts towards reconciliation with the NUSAS Universities.

The Afrikaans Universities left NUSAS between the years 1933—36, because they conceived of a students' Union as a **racially, linguistically, religiously and culturally pure body**; and because they did not wish to co-operate with English speaking students in the same organisation. It is consequently fallacious to blame the so-called "liberalism" of NUSAS for the break away, as NUSAS did not admit any non-European centre until 1945. It is abundantly clear that the Afrikaans centres, then and now, desire a "culturally pure" Afrikaans students' Union—they cannot tolerate membership to a union to which all students are admitted. And in the ASB they have their ideal—their own sectional group for the propagation of their own particular ideology.

Nor would it be out of place to refer to extracts from a speech by a former President of NUSAS, Mr. L. de V. van Winsen, in 1933: "NUSAS... has as its aim the stressing of those many interests which all South African Students have in common, rather than the interests which divide them. NUSAS is accordingly radically opposed to the splitting up of South African Students into racial groups." Nevertheless "NUSAS has always recognised that within the ranks of South African Students there are certain group interests which are peculiar to different sections of... students.... Not only does NUSAS recognise the right of existence of these groups interests among the students, but it believes that the free and unfettered development and expansion of such cultural groups is absolutely essential, if it is to achieve its ideal...."

"However many and diverse the group interests may be, there is one thing that all students in this country have in common, viz. their status as South African Students."

NUSAS has consequently attempted to promote this student unity—"to further genuine co-operation in a spirit of tolerance, goodwill and mutual respect among all students." There is no reason why the Afrikaans-medium Universities should not have their own organisation, but to regard this as an alternative to NUSAS is to widen the existing chasm separating the two organisations. The desirability of an all-student organisation is unquestionable; yet all the NUSAS overtures towards this goal have received scant attention.

To obtain the ideal of an all-students' Union requires a complete change of heart on the part of the Afrikaans centres. NUSAS remains a National Union in that its membership is open to all students. And NUSAS remains constant to this ideal, despite many setbacks. There is no reason why the Afrikaans students should not work together with NUSAS on matters of common interest and concern, which do not involve basic differences of principle. Or rather, there is a reason—the unwillingness on the part of the ASB to recognise this objective.

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Prof. MAXWELL'S INAUGURAL

A University inaugural lecture is always an occasion. The procession, the hoods, the mortar boards, the standing congregation.... parts of its interest, and its feeling, are perhaps to be attributed to its rarity.

On Friday, 29th July, we had the pleasure of listening to such a lecture given by Professor W. A. Maxwell, of the History Department, on "The Study of History in South Africa." The G.L.T. was filled to capacity.

Professor Maxwell was liberal in the interpretation of her theme, and delighted many of us by not resorting solely to discus-

sion of our inadequate school syllabuses. There was little she left untouched, from water pipes in High Street to Collingwood and Theories of Historical Relativism. It seems conclusive that no sociologist can prove why King Alfred burnt the cakes. According to Professor Maxwell, it is neither desirable to seek nor possible to find definite patterns in History. The diversity of human thought and actions, which is the subject of History, do not allow it.

Philosophy of Life

This lecture contained her philosophy of life, which, if it can be put into a nutshell, is a profound faith in and respect for the individual. Abundant in scholarship and learning, in humour and subtle turnings of phrase, Professor Maxwell revealed that warmth and humanity which go a long way to temper the possible rigidities of an academic mind, and which go equally far to explain why she is so well liked by her students. Add inspiration to brilliance, and it is easy to see why the lecture was so well received.

SOLUTION TO PAGE 4 X-WORD PUZZLE

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To Join Survey Team

Mr. C. Board, formerly of the Geography Department of the London School of Economics, will join the Geography branch of the Border Regional Research Survey team at the end of this month. He will work on the Physical Geography and Land usage aspect of the survey.

At present Mr. Board is lecturing in the Geog. Dept., in the absence of Professor J. V. L. Rennie who is attending the Commonwealth Universities Conference in Australia as one of South Africa's two representatives.

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Winter School

For the ordinary delegate, the 'private member' of NUSAS, the "draw" to this year's Congress at Wits was undoubtedly the new Winter School.

Organized by Mr. John Horn of U.C.T., the School met ten times to hear and discuss lectures on aspects of the suitably wide theme, "The New Africa." Rhodians will remember that the local NUSAS Committee arranged a series of talks on this theme last term which served as a useful introduction.

The procedure at the Winter School was as follows: a lecture averaging one hour, a break for tea, discussion of the lecture in groups under specific chairmen, and finally a full meeting to put questions raised in discussion to the speaker. The atmosphere was generally friendly and informal, and much thought was provoked. With so many background meetings, it was natural that the level of thinking should be much wider, and very often higher, than on equivalent occasions, at Rhodes—when the size of the audience alone frequently denies the best opportunity for discussion.

The talk by Prof. du Plessis of Potchefstroom, on the Nationalist approach (British, Afrikaans and African) to Unity, was perhaps the most memorable—because of the discussion which ensued. Prof. du Plessis openly favoured the "Christian National" approach.

Other speakers were Dr. Ellen Hellman, President of the S.A. Institute of Race Relations, the Bishop of Johannesburg, Dr. A. B. Xuma, former leader of the African National Congress, Dr. E. R. Roux, Mr. Julius Lewin, Mr. T. O. Duggan, Mr. W. G. A. Meers.

Professor T. J. Haarhoff concluded the series of talks with a paper on the University's task in building up the new Africa.

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MARGINAL COMMENT

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"The students of the University of Pretoria in no way associated themselves with the views expressed by the 13 lecturers in their attack on the Senate Bill, and strongly deprecated and regretted that the sympathies of the Pretoria University were wrongly interpreted with much prominence to the outside world."

The above statement by the Central Student Board of the University in question concluded, "We are still the proud protectors and the custodians of the Voortrekker waggon, Louis Trichardt; it is still our privilege to be named the students of the Voortrekker University." Of all the queer resolutions that have seen the light in this world, the one quoted above defies comment. Being unable to come to grips with the exact significance of the given accumulation of words, your commentator stares stupidly into space, blinks, attempts to utter speech, manages an outburst of wild Homeric laughter. Nobody wishes to deprive the Central Board of their custody of the waggon, or to deny them their stand for things which are sacred and honourable. What fails to be queried, is the assumption that certain lecturers of the University purported to interpret the sympathies of their institution and that a student council ex officio could consider itself entitled to pronounce upon the views of individual members of staff, let alone to interpret the "constitutional" sympathies of their electorate.

There is no purpose in murdering to dissect, or in denying students their little pleasures. Undoubtedly the Pretorian atmosphere proves highly amenable to the sanguine type, which, as the psychologist would inform us, very rarely figures in biographies! Nothing will prevent the particular species from breaking up political meetings, throwing speakers into the Pretorian fishpond, joining processions in petticoats. Even a Vice-Chancellor may from time to time speak exultantly from the steps of his University after general elections if he wishes to do so. What would be of primary concern, is the broader question of our concept of a University and its functions. Continual criticism of relatively small incidents becomes an irksome procedure and leads nowhere. There are eight independent South African Universities—four of them Afrikaans—and the rest English-medium. Is the only distinction a linguistic one? The Vice-Chancellor of Cape Town ventured a cautious answer.

DR. DAVIE

Dr. Davie found "a well-marked division not only in racial origin and home language, but also in religion, in political background, and in the degree of urbanization" on the part of students. "In general it will be found that in the English-medium universities the ideals are those of Great Britain in respect of the policies of the open door and complete academic freedom," whereas the others

"do not regard as essential to their well-being the continual striving towards the ideals of universality, and also that they do not attach to their concept of academic freedom the same desiderata in respect of staff and students..." In Germany and Russia, he pointed out, "the ideals of academic freedom and intellectual integrity were rejected in favour of inculcating the concept of the over-riding claims of the state and the blind submission of the individual to its ideologies."

The Pretorian statement may be careless and even harmless, but what, in fact, is the philosophy behind it? Unfortunately our sense of values changes imperceptibly. At any particular moment we feel ourselves justified in following a certain course of action. Eventually we land up with a *weltanschauung* (if our outlook succeeds in obtaining a passport from the Minister) which knows not heaven from hell, God from the caucus, colour from smell, or law from morals, self-preservation, sovereignty, corruption and irresponsibility. Fortunately these things have their sanctions. We never break the law, the law breaks us. In the breaking process innocent and culprit suffer alike.

Universities are citadels in more than one respect. From these institutions professional leaders in the concrete, and philosophies in the abstract, emanate. Given an adequate amount of noise and hot air, the people follow. They are the voice of God. "A country gets what it deserves," were the words of a retiring South African statesman. To maintain their concept of a University in practice the *socii* (staff and students, present and past) of certain South African institutions will have to adopt a more positive approach, even if this might involve a measure of condescension. Even a liberal can reach the stage where his *laissez-faire* becomes definitely culpable! The rest remains unsaid.

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Three Rhodesian Rags

For many Rhodesian students the July vac was a series of hectic activities usually associated with a rag, for in Bulawayo, Lusaka and Salisbury Rags were held to raise funds for the proposed Rhodesian University in Salisbury. This University will probably be opened in 1957.

RAG QUEEN COLLECTS £3,000

In Bulawayo, 29 prospective Rag Queens worked for months organising fetes, dances and shows. The candidate who collected most money was to be crowned Rag Queen by the Governor General of the Federation. The winner of this competition was from Wankie, collecting the phenomenal sum of £3,000. The total collected by the 29 entrants was £15,000.

SALISBURY RAG WEEK

Rag week in Salisbury was officially opened by Miss Hilla Schroeder of Rhodes University after she had been crowned Rag Queen by the Mayor. Two floats built by Rhodes University participated in the procession, "The Willow Pattern Story" being acclaimed the best float on view.

It is estimated that about £1,700 was collected during the procession, while the Ball raised £150. £3,000 is expected from the Court of Injustice. The Rag Magazine, "The Unicorn," has still to be circulated in various towns and there is every possibility that the £5,000 mark will be reached.

STUDENTS' LOUNGE AT KAIF

Tribute to Mr. Stott

Extensive renovations are at present being carried out at Kaif and very shortly one of the rooms upstairs will be made available to Students as a Lounge.

Since 1953 the SRC has been pressing for repairs to the Students' Union at Kaif, and at last the University Council has agreed to finance the renovation of the building.

The Chairman of the SRC, Mr. Melunsky, told the RHODEO that the Lounge which is open to all students of the University, will be furnished with easy chairs and tables and possibly carpets and curtains as well.

Mr. Melunsky said, "The Students' Union is an essential part of student life and the focal point of the Social life at a University, and I hope that students will co-operate by bearing in mind that it is a general and not a private lounge and by keeping it tidy."

MR. STOTT AND KAIF

Mr. Stott took over the Management of Kaif in May last year, and in the past fourteen months has tremendously improved the premises at his own expense. Students who have been here for six years agree that Kaif has never been as well run as it is at present.

The RHODEO expresses its thanks to Mr. Stott on behalf of the Students, and hopes that he will continue to take a keen interest in this important aspect of student life.

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GREAT HALL NEARS COMPLETION

The new £40,000 Great Hall is moving rapidly towards its completion, scheduled for the end of September. The Contractors, Messrs Linde Construction of King William's Town, told our Reporter that, although their programme had been interrupted by the delayed arrival of certain building materials, it was still possible to finish within the stipulated time limit.

At present, the wing which will be the new domain of the Music Department awaits the final touches, while the main block is about to be tiled.

STEEL TRUSS COLLAPSES

During the recent vacation an accident occurred. In the process of positioning the roof members, the first main steel truss collapsed, demolishing a considerable amount of brickwork. Three non-European workmen were injured in the cascade of masonry, but the damage was repaired the same evening.

The four towering piers which shadow the main entrance, are an impressive feature of the building. The foyer itself will contain two memorial plaques of bronze, and gives access to both the Hall and the Music Department. The auditorium measures 88 feet by 60 feet, with the one side opening onto the Great Field. The stage facilities will be the particular concern of the Dramatic Society.

The two sculptured panels, depicting Art and Drama, which flank the stage, should prove of some interest. These are the work of a well-known Port Elizabeth artist.

MUSIC DEPARTMENT

The Music Department consists of a lecture room, three music rooms and two studies. Sound-proofing has been effected in the ceilings of this annex with a patent acoustic tile. The necessity for this is emphasised by the proximity of the tennis courts.

Excursions were a popular feature and gave the visitors an opportunity of seeing Grahams-town and its environs. There were also tours of the Albany Museum, the Grahamstown Potteries, the Nature Reserve and the Leather and Wool Institutes.

CASTLE BEER

There IS

NO BETTER!

STEKEL BIDS FAREWELL

Henrietta takes over

Wistfully we wave farewell to the former title of this column, but we would warn our victims that our new creation is equally if not more observant than her predecessor.

N.U.S.A.S. Ball last term was a great success. Chris looked as though he was prepared to put down in Black and White that he likes nothing better than Haig(s), while Mr. Goldman appeared to prefer Gin(s)berg. Tana and Dave looked as though they had no special preference. Sarah, meanwhile, was giving Geoff a fillip. Ackhurst and Walker have both become keen Hunters while Buck looked as though he was Di—ng for some fresh air. It appears as though Pete's Hunting days are over—sad to say he had a bust-up at the end of last term. Reekie found it a Chubby affair, and Denton was hoping that Dawn would never break — and while one Andre showed a distinct list to Lee(ward) the other remained as Viv(acious) as ever. Vac.

Engagements seem to have hit the Campus in a spate. Congrats to Cookie and Dan, Carol and Bugs, Monica Osborne and Neil Cullinan, while Boet and Rina have made it for keeps as have Biff Birrell and Gordon Todd. From overseas we learn that Des Middleton and Harold Currie have announced their engagement.

The Intervarsity produced its usual wealth of experiences. To most of these, however, even HENRIETTA had to turn her back, but we should like to know where the spectators were when the skirts came off at the Women's Hockey?

Question Time.

Where does Tallis go when he turns side on? Does Sand(y) get in Malcolm's Hair—or under

his skin? Is Gray on Staple diet? Was Hymie's limp really necessary? Does Murray still top the popularity Poll at Smuts? Does Pedro know why Elaine left? Campus.

Lurking beneath bundu's bushes we find that Bill has struck it Rich, while Baxter is Browned off. After mutual Psycho-analysis it seemed that Winsome had taken Eric under her maternal wing, but is Eric really Claire in his own mind? Although Baart has lost his beard he seems to have found a better bundle of

fluff to keep him warm. Campbell's future looks a little black. Cameron, although caught in an Eddy, seems to have kept his head above water. John is no longer Hobson's choice, while Jeanette seems to be out of Luck. Neil certainly appears to be neighing nicely these days, while Filly looks fighting fit.

Flying upwards in ever-decreasing circles, we leave you lovingly and with puddles of purple passion we bid you an adoring adieu.

H-E-N-R-I-E-T-T-A.

Successful N.C.F.S. Conference

About ninety delegates attended the Conference of the National Catholic Federation of Students at Wits University during the Vac. Nine centres were represented.

The theme of the Conference was "The Apostolate and the Professions," and altogether seven papers were read by students on this theme. The papers were of a high standard and will be published by the N.C.F.S. Executive in the near future.

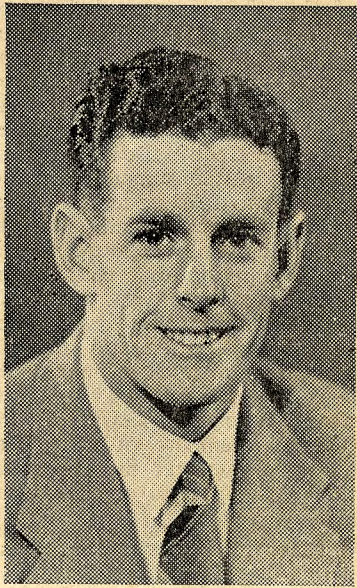
The theme for next year's conference is "Liturgy and the Layman," and will as usual be held in conjunction with N.U.S.A.S. Congress.

CLOSE UP

Too often this column is occupied with details of breaches of rules, deeds of derring-do and feigned bravado.

Our personality this time is, however, quiet and unassuming, efficient in his own way, ambitious, well-liked and whose personal virtues are cloaked in a genuine veil of modesty.

It was not long after Rob Paterson came to Smuts as an Ink in 1951, that he began to make his mark at Rhodes. At Grey High School he had been a prefect and had shown his sporting ability both in Rugby and Athletics at an early age.



ROB PATERSON

At Rhodes he started off well, playing Under 19 A rugger in his first year and Captaining the team in his second year. Like all Inks he was made to box in the time-honoured Inky-Bash tournament where he met with tough opposition in the person of Barrie Hawthorne. Rob maintains that it is to the benevolence of the Judge, who stopped the fight in the second round, that he owes his present survival in toto.

Apart from virtually living on the rugby field and plaguing his "Assasses" Sax Morgan and Fangs Sutton, Rob hoped to graduate with a B. Comm. Degree. This hope was realised in 1953, despite playing 1st XV consistently during that year and in spite of the fact that he had met Rose Lambson.

1954 saw him back again for a Diploma in Production Management. He was soon elected Head Student of Jan Smuts and served on the Rugby Committee. This year he was forced to leave Smuts, and moved to Founders Hall where he was soon elected to the SRC and House Committee.

Rob's career does not end here. Next year he plans to do a year's practical and hopes to finish up overseas in 1957.

COMMENTS

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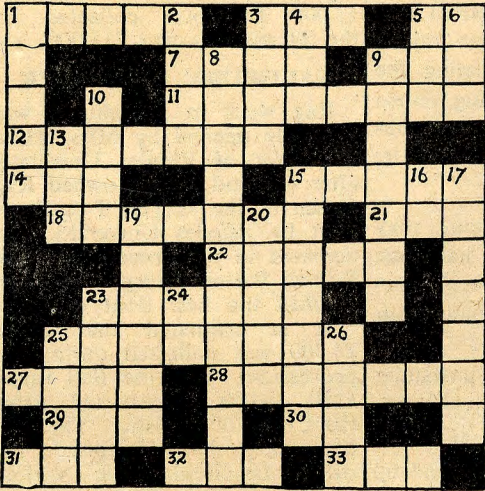
INKS: No Comment.

RHODES: Three years is more than enough!

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CROSSWORD CLUES

Across: 1, It has nothing to do with boxing but is the scene of bashing; 3, Rhodians always find room to swing it; 5, You wouldn't be alive without one; also a famous University Club; 7, Appendage; 9, He's coming, Hurrah; 11, Height; 12, After the eighth point; 14, They either patch you up or batter you down here; 15, A recent



Egyptian 'Messiah'; 18, A flower arrangement which delights your instrument of smell; 21, This goes to the poles, not in the same way, nor to the same places as Arctic explorers; 22, Famous wells in America; 23, By tradition it is a donkey-cart starter button; 25, She played on this instrument and sang of Mount Abara; 27, You wouldn't; 28, If you're a criminal this pays. Be guarded unless you want to be guarded; 29, Scarce at Rhodes. It seems plentiful out in the World; 30, It begins with a question and it implies a multiple; 31, A piece of cake for golfers; 32, You'll grow to it—if you don't think yourself to death beforehand; 33, No good.

Down: 1, They are read three times; 2, What a state to be in; 3, By repute, Grahamstown is this; 4, Muslem name; 5, It brings forth seed; 6, Alone and palely loitering, the Knight at arms would have been all the better for it; 8, This is a very moral tale; 9, The sport of Kings—and other rich people; 10, This year the answer is in the negative; 13, Scotch John; 15, The work of Einstein and the Rhodes Senate; both remains 15 down; 16, Ditto; 17, J.S.; 19, The walls of cities in olden days, like the backs of crocodiles, were —; 20, Just a terribly polite stink; 23, Provoked by wine, women and work; 24, Religious Denomination; 25, A Cape school; 26, Most of us are this thing—broken.

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RAIN MARS HOCKEY

Women drop to Second

Recurrent rain unfortunately marred the tenth annual hockey intervarsity, held in Cape Town during the July vacation. In conditions ranging from a slightly damp field on some days to a veritable mudbath on others, players found it difficult to reproduce their best form and the standard of hockey was consequently lower than it might have been.

As usual the Rhodes women's side made a far more resounding impression than the men's. They were at a great disadvantage, however, in having only twelve players among the party. Since the single replacement was a forward, there was no recognised half to take the place of Jennie Vels who played for most of the week with cartilage trouble. Her injury was almost certainly the cause of her failure to be reselected for the Combined side. Congratulations must go to skipper Yvonne Lyell and to Anne Elliott, both of whom were chosen for Combined Varsities. Yvonne, whose stickwork and ball-control were outstanding throughout the week, was accorded the added distinction of being made vice-captain.

The girls started off in winning style with convincing victories over Free State, Stellenbosch, Pretoria and Natal. Against Natal Rhodes played their best hockey of the tournament and completely outshone their opponents until the final stages of the game when, with Jennie Vels off the field after a fall, Natal succeeded in netting twice. On the following day heavy rain made it necessary to stop their game against Potchefstroom at half-time with the score nil-nil. In the crucial match against Cape Town Rhodes played indifferently for most of the game, and it was only when U.C.T. had built up a formidable lead of 5-0 that Rhodes were shocked into a comeback. In the short time left for play they scored three times and were well on top when the final whistle went. In pouring rain the girls went on to draw with the definitely inferior Wits side, thus tying with them for second place.

Opponents learnt to fear the crack shooting of centre-forward Edith Allnutt, chief goalscorer for Rhodes, who must have come very near to selection for Combined Varsities.

THE MEN

The men started with a far from convincing win over the eventual wooden-spoonists, Pretoria. Rupert Bromley netted midway through the second half

after numerous opportunities had been missed. Conditions underfoot were slippery and on a grass field the forwards had difficulty in making headway.

All through the tournament the Rhodes attack was unimpressive, due in no small measure to the inability of both Van Blomestein and Hooper (who has since been selected for E.P.) to make the trip. The defence acquitted itself more creditably, with Stokes a tower of strength at right back.

Rhodes went down badly to Stellenbosch (0-4), but as was the case last year the heaviest defeat came at the hands of Cape Town, by whom they were thrashed by seven goals to one. In all fairness it must be admitted that Rhodes put everything they had into this game and if sheer determination was taken into account a much smaller margin of victory would have been a better reflection of the play. In a slightly more even encounter Rhodes lost to Natal by three goals to one, and on the final day all but held their own against Wits, who were more than a little lucky to emerge eventual winners of the tournament, ahead of Cape Town and Natal.

The Rhodes-Wits match was fought out in driving rain and with an icy wind lifting off the sea; the pitch itself was more in the nature of a bog than a hockey field by the time the second half had got under way. With Wits two up David Jacobs netted quite the best goal scored by Rhodes the whole week and on more than one occasion subsequently the Wits goal was in grave peril.

Table Tennis at Durban

The annual intervarsity held at Durban was attended by six universities. Our men's team which came third consisted of Bernstein, Howard, Meier and Perelson. The women's team, which also came third, was M. Caley, J. Hartley, M. Neuth and M. Turnbull.

On the opening day of the tournament the men drew 6-6 with Pretoria. This was a slightly disappointing start and none of the players showed the form expected of them, although Howard turned in a sound performance, being unlucky to lose to their No. 1. The next match against Wits resulted in an 11-1 defeat. Rhodes were unlucky to lose several close doubles matches and this margin was not a true indication of the game. Next Rhodes beat Stellenbosch 8-4, due partly to the fine play of Perelson, and to the badly off-form Meier, who recovered from 4-20 to win a great victory. Bernstein had to drop out for the match against U.C.T. and the team was swamped 11-1. We were back to our full strength for the final match against Natal in which we ran out close winners 7-5. This victory gave Rhodes third place, the best we have ever accomplished.

The women went down 12-0 to both Wits and Cape Town, being unable to cope with their more experienced opponents. Margaret Caley and Mads Turnbull, however, showed that with better match practice they could easily become a threat to leading players from other varsities.

The best form of the Rhodians was turned in by Bernstein who won 10 out of 12 singles matches and was unlucky to be ineligible for the Combined Team. Perelson too proved himself a player who on form could cope with the best, and the others played soundly, if at times below form.

Congratulations to Bernstein on being selected again for Province, and who reached the semi-finals of the E.P. Championships on his return to Port Elizabeth.

GOLF INTERVARSITY

Thorpe in Combined Team

The Golf Intersity was held this year at the Beachwood Course in Durban. Natal, Wits and U.C.T. each entered two teams of six players.

The Rhodes team, consisting of Thorpe, Bernstein, Rosen, Jardine, Ossip and Rawson, had a clean sweep against Stellenbosch, and beat the U.C.T., B. Natal B, and Wits B teams, although Natal B beat Rhodes in the final log. Out of 72 matches played by members of the team 31 were won which, although not outstanding, was a creditable performance considering the handicap of the Rhodes players.

Two interesting highlights were Ossip losing to his Natal B opponent at the 25th hole, and Ivor Rosen's fascination by the monkeys which abounded on the course.

Thorpe tied for fourth place in the Championship, thereby gaining a position in the Combined Universities team, which lost 6-2 to a strong Natal side.

ZAMBESI REGATTA

BIGGEST EVER

A team of 13 ardent Rhodes rowers participated in the rowing regatta held at Livingstone over the Rhodes and Founders Celebrations week. Nearly every club in the Union and the Rhodesias competed, making the regatta the biggest and most successful Livingstone has yet seen.

The power boat section was not without its highlights, and spectators lined the banks for miles, rejoicing in the warmth of a tropical winter. The hippos on occasions found they could not accommodate themselves to their new water friends and wreaked their revenge on the slower moving and more flimsy rowing craft. Our Novice A crew had a particularly close shave when, on one occasion, they nearly rowed into the open mouth of an irate hippo bull.

On the opening day of the rowing regatta, Rhodes gave a very creditable account of itself. In the Head of the River race, rowed over two and a half miles, the Rhodes senior crew, Shaw, Henderson, Streicher and Nimmo, rowed into 4th place, while the Novice A crew, Heath, Kirby, Konig and Ritson came 7th. Our senior crew were unfortunate to draw Leander B in the heats of the Redwood Trophy but gave them a good run for their money. The Novice A crew in their first heat of the Zambesi Boat Club Bowl romped ahead to a 7 length

win against Hunyani, only to be beaten by a narrow margin by Cape Town in the semi-final.

Water Choppy

All the crews were obliged to row under very adverse circumstances. The water was so choppy on the first two days of the regatta that three boats sank while many boats came in with both bow and stern canvasses under water.

The regatta was brought to a close by the annual Intersity. U.C.T. made a clean sweep, winning the senior five fours, junior and novice fours and senior eights; the remaining two, namely the women's fours and junior eights going to Wits.

Though Rhodes as a team did not fare exceptionally well on the whole, they left Livingstone with a wealth of rowing experience that will undoubtedly prove invaluable to younger members at future regattas, while the trip up there and the Victoria Falls themselves made the regatta a memorable occasion for all who participated.



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RHODES SECOND IN CROSS-COUNTRY

The fifth Intersarsity Cross-Country Championship was held on the Rhodes course during the Vac. Seven teams, each consisting of 6 runners, competed for the Suzman Trophy. In the team event, Wits "A" won with 22 points (1st, 2nd, 8th and 11th places) with Natal and Rhodes joint runners up in second place with 32 points each. Pretoria came 4th, Cape Town 5th, Stellenbosch 6th and Wits "B" 7th.

Brian Peers of Wits University won the event in the new record time of 36 mins. 14 secs. Peers took over the lead from his teammate, Wally Barker (who came second) at the top of the hill, and from then on there was no stopping him. As far as Rhodes was concerned, Childs, Cragg and Cooper filled fifth, sixth and seventh places—illustrating the value of training together throughout the season. Rhodes' fourth man, Colbourne, came 14th while Mackay and Standenmacher filled the 16th and 25th places respectively.

COMBINED VARSITIES

Two Rhodians, Cragg and Childs were selected to represent the first Combined Varsities Cross-Country team ever to be selected, for their race against Eastern Province over the Rhodes course four days later. Cooper was chosen as reserve. However, Cooper, Mackay and Colbourne were selected for the E.P. "A" the race with ease, scoring 13 points as opposed to E.P.'s 28. Peers was first home in the new record time of 35 mins. 54 secs.,

WOMEN WIN FENCING

This year Rhodes sent a team of three men and four women to the Fencing Intersarsity at Pretoria and the results show a vast improvement on last year, when the club made its debut. The credit must go to the women's team who won all three of their matches, against Tukkie's, U.C.T., and Wits, to win their section of the intersarsity.

All their matches were extremely exciting, being won by the narrow margin 5-4 in each case; particularly that against Tukkie's where the position by the last bout was four wins each. In this bout the score went to three points each so that the final hit decided the match, which Barbara White scored for Rhodes. Paradoxically, though Rhodes was the champion team, none of the women were selected for the Combined Varsities team; Eugenie Day with six wins out of nine narrowly missing selection by one point. Yet the team as a whole did remarkably well, the majority of them not having facilities which the other varsities possess.

The men's results do not look good at first sight. They finished fourth out of five varsities, their only victory being a very substantial one over Stellenbosch. Yet the details show that they made their opponents fight hard for their wins. For in the Sabre against Wits, although they lost six-three, Rhodes scored as many hits, 35, as were scored against them, and Alex Matheson, although he won only one of his three bouts, scored 13 points against his opponent and received only 12 against himself—a paradox which can happen in fencing. One of the best bouts was in sabre between Peter Beumont (Rhodes) and Graham Cox, the U.C.T. No. 1, which Beumont eventually lost 5-4. Cox also acknowledged that his hardest bout of the intersarsity in foil was against Brian Sibson, the Rhodes captain, which Cox finally

while John Anderson the young P. E. runner was second.

This year's Intersarsity was voted the best ever.

King—E.L. Road Relay

On Saturday, 30th July, Rhodes sent a team of 6 runners to compete in the King—E.L. relay, a race which Rhodes won comfortably last year. However, although once again tipped to win the event, ill-fortune paid the Rhodes camp a visit. Gordon Cragg, who ran the first leg for Rhodes, developed cramp in both legs about 1½ miles from the change-over when well in the lead. Sheer will-power enabled him to stagger the remaining distance while runners from the other six teams passed him. The lead created by this mishap proved far too great for the remaining Rhodes runners and they had to be content with 4th place behind Queenstown, E.L. and the P.E. Club.

RUGBY TOUR OF UPINGTON

Successful . . . Socially

A very depleted Rhodes XV toured Upington and district during the July vacation. If results are any criterion, then the tour was far from being a success, as the students won only one of the four games they played. But rugby, experience is worth many a defeat and towards the end of the tour there was a marked improvement in all departments of the game, which should be manifest in Rhodes matches for the remainder of the season.

The team contained only five members of the regular Rhodes XV. Since they had never played together before they took some time to settle down, losing the first two games by a considerable margin, before winning the third. The opposing teams were chosen from eight separate clubs in the district and in the final match Rhodes met a combined side representing the whole area, losing narrowly 3-0.

The team went to Upington expecting to play on hard fields and against rough opponents but this was by no means the actual case. The fields were in surprisingly good condition and compared favourably with the best in Grahamstown and the Midlands. Moreover they found that clean and attractive rugby was the order of the day and their opponents showed a spirit worthy of any touring team. The credit for this must certainly go to Mr. Harold Holmes, president of the Oranje Rugby Union, and his colleagues for instilling into the players a most commendable attitude towards the game.

However the one thing that will remain most permanently in the minds of the visitors was the wonderful hospitality afforded to

won 5-3. After losing successively to Tukkie's, Wits and U.C.T., Rhodes profited from their experience and an improved team beat Stellenbosch 5-4 in the foil, 4-5 in epee and 6-3 in sabre.

Beumont, in his first appearance in competitive fencing, emerged with 12 wins to his credit, a third of his bouts, and Sibson with 11. As newcomers to this sport, Rhodes is showing a marked improvement each year.

Teams: (men) Brian Sibson (capt.), Peter Beumont, Alex Matheson. (Women) Eugenie Day (capt.), Barbara White, Grace Tarr, Ann Esser.



The Annual Cross-Country Intersarsity was won by Wits University this year. Rhodes were the hosts. The above picture shows the start of the Intersarsity event with Brian Peers on the extreme right, while Gordon Cragg and Nicol Childs can be seen in the centre of the picture. Peers won the race in record time.

TENNIS PLAYERS OUTSTANDING

Women first, Men second

The annual Intersarsity Tennis Tournament was held this year at Pretoria, and was easily the most successful that Rhodes has participated in for many years. The men's team, Farrer, Pringle, Meyers, Frazer and Emslie, came second, and the women's team, D. Allunt, M. Farrer, R. Collett, J. Acheson and E. van Reenen, came first.

Detailed results of the men's matches:

Beat U.C.T. 3-3 (the match was decided on sets). Lost to Wits 6-0, Beat Pretoria B 6-0, Beat Free State 6-0, Beat Pretoria A 4-2.

Farrer was selected as No. 2 for Combined Varsities, and the final result of the tournament was Wits, Rhodes, Pretoria, U.C.T.

The women acquitted themselves very well by winning the tournament for the first time, and this in spite of the fact that they were without two of their stronger players, Diana Dodds and Ann Campbell-Rodger.

Detailed results of the women's matches:

Beat Pretoria 5-1, Beat U.C.T. 5-1, Beat O.F.S. 7-6, Beat Wits 5-1.

The match against Wits was played on the last day of the tournament and was the deciding match—both teams being yet undefeated. Two Rhodes women were chosen to represent Combined Varsities in a match against Northern Transvaal, D. Allunt and M. Farrer, playing No. 1 and 2 respectively. Mention must also be made of J. Acheson who was reserve for the Combined side.

the high standard of their home league. Natal played the usual very attractive short passing game but were a bit weak on defence. Of the Rhodes players, the most outstanding was Derek Norman, the diminutive goal keeper who is at his best against overwhelming odds. Others who impressed were G. Bamford and A. Davies, who with Derek Norman were deservedly picked for the combined Southern Universities side to play Northern Universities in Port Elizabeth.

Among the more outstanding of the Rhodes players were C. Rudman, a member of the Under Nineteen team, R. Cumming, the club captain, and M. Briedenhann, whose defence against the Springbok Ian Kirkpatrick in the final game was an object lesson to all. The Rhodes team received valuable coaching from Springbok Willem Barnard, whose knowledge of forward play is outstanding, and from Kirkpatrick.

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PROFILE

Small, dark, attractive and unassuming; Yvonne Lyell is one of the finest sportswomen at Rhodes. In her four years here she has distinguished herself in sporting, social and academic spheres, and is now in her final year of her Fine Arts degree.

Yvonne, who is from Nelspruit, was educated at Barnato Park Girls High in Jo'burg, and in her Matric year removed to Middelburg High School, Transvaal, where she was captain of no less than three teams, Hockey, Tennis and Athletics. Not content with this she also played Hockey for Eastern Transvaal.

She came to Rhodes in 1952, making the hockey team without much difficulty. She waltzed away with the women's 100 yards title at the Rhodes Athletic Championships and then gracefully retired from that sport. She also admitted under pressure to playing cricket for the women's club. Yvonne has played hockey for Rhodes ever since then, and this year was elected captain, and was also chosen for the Combined Universities team after the Hockey tournament last vac. In first class hockey she has also played for Albany for three years, captaining the side this year.

As an indication of her outstanding sporting ability, Yvonne only started playing squash at the end of 1953, represented Rhodes at that sport in the following year, and this year was chosen for the Combined Varsities Squash team.

Yvonne has been on the House Committee in J.K. for the past two years, and on her retirement from university circles next year Rhodes will be losing a first class student. (P.S. She denies all rumours of marriage in the near future.)

Soccer Intersarsity

The eighth annual soccer intersarsity was held at Rhodes this year. Cape Town, the winners, were unbeaten throughout the tournament, followed by Natal and Wits.

The Rhodes team showed an immense improvement in their play and were unfortunate not to win more games. The most memorable matches for the Rhodes side were those against Wits and Stellenbosch. They lost the former but played hard, fast football, which is an encouraging sign for future years. In the Stellenbosch game, which was at the end of the tournament, a weary Rhodes side showed great determination in winning 4-2.

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