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HUMILIATION ABANDONED

Harris explains first year integration

ITEGRATION by humiliation is being abandoned by more progressive universities the world over, except in South Africa, according to Pete Harris, Chairman of the 1967 Fresher's Reception Committee. Rhodes itself had inadvertently followed the South African trend.

He was explaining the new system of initiation to first year students in the Great Hall last week.

"My initial purpose is to convince you that you have become the 'guinea-pigs' is a novel scheme," he said. Previous systems of initiation were often incomplete and had tended to alienate students, not integrate them.

He emphasised the Committee's intention to maintain Freshers' individuality. "Individuality must be respected and maintained in any institution that claims to have an academic ideal."

The compilation of the Freshers' Programme had taken a long time, with every item included for a specific reason. He said that it had been designed to introduce Freshers to every facet of student life.

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On the subject of participation, he said: "Participation must be complete or not at all." He added: "Although we will not force you to participate, failure to do so will harm nobody but yourselves." Avoidance of the three-week initiation period could lead to isolation from campus life for the rest of the year.

He saw the special bow-ties as giving first-year students a feeling of identification with Rhodes and a sense of comradeship among themselves. Name discs made it easier to get to know other Freshers.

POWERS

He concluded by referring to the powers of reprimand which the Committee could use.

Many students on the campus have commented on the term "Fresher" being used extensively by the SRC in preference to "Ink".

This is in keeping with the new progressive trend in the treatment of first-year students, which began in earnest with the abandonment of the Proctor system after 1965.

The term "Fresher's Reception Committee" is itself a far cry from the "Assassination Committee" of pre-war years.

Another Retief film

Piet Retief-MGM is in action again. This year the members of the house are to make a 60-minute film entitled "The Famous Five".

Kodak are to contribute R30 towards the expenses of the film. To raise further money, last year's production of "To Kill a Queen" is being rescreened.

This will be shown on the 20th and 21st March. When shown last year it was a great success, contributing R100 towards Rag funds. The proceeds from "The Famous Five" will also be donated to Rag.

The film will be produced and directed by Keith Davies and John Haigh. "The Famous Five" will star Jill Campbell (of "To Kill a Queen" fame) and the members of Piet Retief House. It will be supported by a news-reel on campus affairs and a 20-minute short about Rag.

Society Finance changes

A substantial reorganisation of society finances will be effected by three motions passed at the last meeting of the SRC.

Society chairmen will have to close all private accounts and submit any future income directly to the Secretary/Treasurer of the SRC.

At the same time the SRC will appoint a Societies' Finance Controller. He is to receive notice of all society meetings, have authority to attend them and can inspect all finance records.



Three Rhodians for Oxford

ONCE AGAIN a high proportion of the Rhodes Scholarships have gone to Rhodes University. They are worth R2,000 a year and automatically gain the recipient a place at Oxford.

Pete de Villiers and Mike Williams will leave Rhodes later in the year to go to Oxford. There they will be joined by Rob Stevens, who was at Rhodes last year.

Both Pete de Villiers and Rob Stevens will study theology and go to Trinity College. Mike

Williams will take Modern Greats (Politics, Philosophy, and Economics) and may be going to either Trinity or Magdalene College.

Other past Rhodians at present Rhodes Scholars at Oxford are Mike Stone, Ronnie Goldblatt and Derek Jacobs.

Four daughters of members of staff at Registration. (Left to right) they are: Janet Nunn, daughter of Professor J. R. Nunn, Dean of Science; Beth Aske, daughter of the Registrar; Dianne Chapman, daughter of the Dean of Students, Professor H. J. Chapman; and Mary Jones, whose father is Mr. R. W. Jones, a lecturer in the Faculty of Law.

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Short causes fire

The cause of the fire on the 27th February in the Leather Research Institute which resulted in damage of R70,000 has been attributed to a short in a switch.

It was thought by many that the fire would affect the transfer of the Rhodes Pharmacy Department to these buildings, but according to Professor Price, head of the department, the Department will be occupying the adjacent Wool Research Buildings.

RHODEO

Isolation

Once more Smuts Hall — popularly known as the Inkubator — has opened its doors to first year men only.

Once more these students are to be isolated from the rest of the campus for a year.

Once more they will start their university education, in the fullest sense, only in their second year at Rhodes.

The Senate has told us they will not allow first year men to enter senior residence unless the SRC eradicates all first year initiation from the campus.

This year sees the most drastic and controversial reforms of all. The SRC admits they are experimental, and critics should perhaps give them a chance to test these reforms to the full.

But, meanwhile, time is being wasted. Ask any "Blot" and he will tell you he only discovered Rhodes this year.

Time is precious. Nobody can afford to waste a year.

And why should men have to waste a year while women start their full university education immediately without any trouble?

Once more RHODEO appeals to the Senate to abolish the Inkubator System. The SRC is playing its part and now it is up to the university authorities.

Gossip

A university is a closed society. A primarily residential university such as Rhodes is particularly inward-looking.

The effects of this can be like too much inbreeding, a process of progressive debilitation. One of the first symptoms of this trend in an academic institution is plain, old-fashioned gossip. Rumours, distortions, lies, truth and half-truth feature large in conversation.

Which, of course, is the situation here at Rhodes. Many students — men as well as women — indulge in slander as naturally as they clean their teeth. The level of common-room conversation would often shame a fish-wife.

Perhaps the most distressing feature is the ease with which a person's reputation can be ruined overnight. The hum of conversation is all too often carrying a sentence of social death.

The only compensation lies in the fact that today's talkers become tomorrow's victims.

Obstrusive Inks

Where have all the Inks gone? "Inkydom," which has been for so many years part of Rhodes University seems doomed to obscurity.

Gone are the days when our first year men students used to roam around the campus greeting their senior students and acknowledging the fact that it was their duty to respect senior members of the university and more important to gain the latter's respect.

The reasonable initiation bestowed upon first year men students in the "proctor day" enabled this enviable situation to be realised.

However with initiation being reduced to a minimum, the pompous, superior attitude of our so-called "Inks" has reared to the forefront. How can senior students accept our first-year students as part of the university when such a situation exists?

EQUALITY

The new integration system of the SRC tends to give new students instant equality — but

VIEWPOINT

does instant equality mean instant integration?

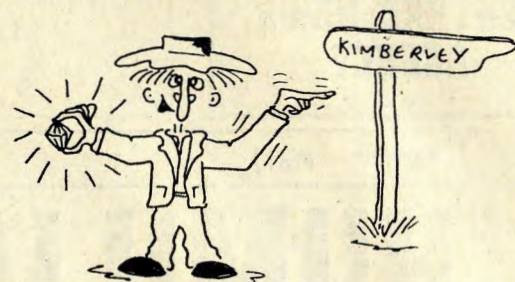
First-year men students marching around the campus with cigarettes dangling from their lips enjoying the same privileges as their senior compatriots immediately become rivals to their more experienced fellow-students. Why should a first-year student be permitted this dominant attitude?

He is an inferior member of the university and well remains inferior until he has proved himself to be a worthy member of Rhodes University. A reasonable initiation will have the effect of curbing the pompous "know-how" attitudes of out-first-year men students and will enable them to take their places side by side with the senior students of Rhodes University.

I V O R SCHLOSBERG AND CLARENCE MILLER.

THE CELLS WE LIVE IN

Cecil John



THEN I wake and look around me, at four grey walls that surround me . . . Well, they may not be grey but they certainly are train-lavatory cream. I refer of course to the infamous Rhodes res. cells to which we have returned.

Gaze awhile at your little yellow eight-by-ten — ponder the spiritual enrichment afforded by your surroundings — then get out fast and hie thee off to Samuel and his multifarious delights.

For this is the time when weeping Inks flock to Kaif, the birds sing sweetly, and the hard-bitten others drown their sorrows and reminisce on past glories. In other words, the time when life slowly settles down to its abnormal routine and whistles at grotty Inkettes and all other paraphernalia of University life grind slowly into action.

Seriously though, there must be some mistake. These CAN'T be the Inkettes. Hairy lips, glassy eyes, and wooden legs just aren't in it.

Back to T.C., boys, back to T.C.

Hell.

* * *

"Keep up with Campus Scandal. Read Rhodeo!" scream the posters. You deserve what you pay for . . .

Di Chapman was tired as she walked through the lonely, grey, rain-soaked streets of Rhodes. Forty weary minutes unravelling the subtleties of Sec. Prac. had left her longing for the comforting cheer of home and hearth, and she had decided to forsake tea at J.K. and drop in on Mrs. C.

Her steps quickened as she hurried between the endless rows of gaunt, foreboding asylum-like res. buildings, the cold, grey, street stretching before her. The premature rainy afternoon in Grahams-town dusk was falling . . . not a soul was to be seen.

Suddenly she saw him ahead of her in the misty road — a short dark, stocky figure . . . pulse racing, she recklessly hurried on.

Nearer now, and still he stood there silently in the rain, waiting, waiting . . . heart beating even faster, she approached the silent figure . . . twenty yards, fifteen, ten . . . suddenly they together . . . he grasped her in a tight embrace . . . kissed her . . .

"Hallo Daddy," she said. "Hallo darling," said the Professor. "Here, mind the dog — he hasn't been out all day."

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What did you expect? This isn't the "Sunday Times."

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The world has seen them, admired them, even appreciated them, and now almost forgotten them. Which is of course their cue to break out in Grahams-town.

Thin legs, fat legs, white legs, black legs, even legs in them grotty stockings, and, amazingly, very occasionally reasonably shapely legs are to be seen proudly either tripping or stomping along in all directions, to the accompaniment of gasps of pleasure or rank disgust from the bewildered men-folk.

One unfortunate was so flabbergasted at one of these apparitions in High Street that he drove his car up the pavement.

It's not so much the mini-skirts themselves that are causing our men so much amazement and amusement, but rather the fact that they got here at all. And the fact that at the moment they are more common than those ridiculous bell-bottoms which are at present the latest in-thing in the outside world.

I must say I like the idea of mini-skirts, but dammit ladies, what you wear depends considerably on who you are. Just like with those tight slacks.

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Our happy campus orator, Smiler Surtees no less (or so I am told), thought it bright at the beginning of term to march the newly arrived Rhodesian Inks from the station to T.C. for "registration".

Now much as we can appreciate his kind and generous consideration in introducing the new generation, so to speak, to the finer fruits of Grahams-town, I hardly think it wise of him to have made this premature move which could seriously prejudice senior men's opportunities at Rhodes' Last Stand.

Especially considering some of 'em Inkettes . . .

* * *

The evening started slowly, the School Prefects were well on hand to ensure that it never really got off the ground. The newboys and newgirls were shy and apprehensive — they'd heard rumours that the older boys were planning all sorts of nasty surprises.

They needn't have worried.

The prefects and even their House Master ensured that there was no "trouble," and kept everything nice and pleasant and completely dead and unexciting.

At the end of the evening some nasty seniors threw six newboys into the swimming bath, but the rest flocked behind the protective authority of the School Prefects and so reached their dormitories unscathed.

Their House Master even threatened some nasty senior boys with punishment for daring to think of laying a finger on his precious charges.

In other words, Inky Social for the second year successfully established the fact that all Inks are henceforth in quarantine against the corrupting influences of the grotty senior students of Rhodes. If threatened with acquaintance with the normal way of life of a normal university big brother who sits at the high table is always down the corridor to give the necessary spiritual guidance.

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And so the logical by-product of this concept of integration has once again shown itself in the customary round of drunken Blots' Concerts at most senior residences.

That's about as logical a concept as one could find, I suppose — students ought to waste more time getting re-integrated in their second year because they normally have more work to do in that year.

Most devastatingly logical of all, however, is the concept that this should only apply to men students. Who said the sexes were equal?

This only serves as another magnificent example of the inferiority of the female personality. So inferior are the weaker sex that they can become integrated into a senior residence in one year rather than two . . .

* * *

Will the friendly spirit who walks up and down my door on top floor Botha every night at 2.30 a.m. please clean his boots before indulging in this fun-pastime? My sisi is tired of cleaning mud off the lintel.

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Rag Committee busy already



The Rag Chairman was unable to return to Rhodes at the beginning of this year. This has thrown additional pressure on to the already busy Rag Committee, which is now working at top pressure under the acting leadership of Gordon Martin (centre).

UK fees higher for oversea students

SOUTH AFRICAN students who go to British universities will in future face a substantial increase in expenses as a result of the British Government's decision to raise university fees for overseas students more than three times the existing figure.

The increase in fees — from R436 to R1,500 for students on three-year courses will also hit the donors of scholarships.

The Rhodes Scholarship Trust, for example, sends about 60 students to go to Oxford every year from various parts of the world and the increase will put up the trust's student costs by more than R60,000 a year.

The Rhodes Scholarship, at present about R2,000 a year, provides for a two-year course and gives the student the right to take a third year. To ward off the increase in costs, the trust could confine the scholarship to two years.

BRITAIN

A British Government spokesman in Cape Town said that scholarships awarded by British Government agencies will be increased to cover the new fees. He said the British Government had been subsidising foreign students at considerable cost for many years.

In future, when making grants to universities to cover the costs of foreign students, the former

basis of R140 a year would be increased to R500 a year. Fees for students already studying in Britain would be raised by only R100 to R240.

One result of the increase in fees may be that many South African students will now go to United States universities and to universities on the Continent. In the past British universities were much cheaper for the foreign student, but it is now expected that many South African's will go to the United States, either because their fees are lower or because the difference will be virtually eliminated.—SANSPA.

New campus policeman

Rhodes' "campus policeman" has arrived. The security officer is Mr. A. E. Dawes, previously a member of the Colonial Police in East Africa.

When the post was advertised last year, many students feared a check on their freedom. The purpose of the security officer however, is to help keep discipline within the University as far as possible.

Lady Wardens will now be able to call on Mr. Dawes instead of the S.A.P.

Mr. Dawes will be able to report troublemakers to the Registrar if necessary.

ATTEMPT TO RETAIN BLEEDING RECORD

Rhodes is once more to attempt a University Blood Donating Record. It holds the record for the most blood collected on a single day, 614 pints collected in 10 hours during the last years' Rag week.

This year the Rag Committee are organising another "Bleed" and hope to collect 1,000 pints, and approach the Wits total of 1,200 pints collected over a week on a campus 4 times our size.

It is for this reason that the Rag Committee is urging everyone to save their blood until the 26th April. Anyone who is 18 years old and at Rhodes and T.C. is asked to donate. Even those who have had jaundice or malaria can donate and everyone will be tested beforehand to ensure against any ill after-effects.

Registration higher again

The total number of students registered at Rhodes continues to grow annually.

Although Registration is not yet over, and enquiries are still being received, it appears that there will be between 1,800 and 1,900 students this year.

There are already over 50 more first-year students this year compared to last year's figures.

Insurance scheme for students

A little known service offered to students by the University is the Accident Insurance Scheme. This service offers extensive cover to students who are involved in accidents while at Rhodes or while travelling to and from Grahamstown.

The underwriters pay Medical Aid and Hospital fees of up to R200 per student — and funeral expenses of R200 as well.

The annual fee is R5.10 for men and R4.10 for women. Only a small number of students have

subscribed.

The insurance scheme is of particular value to sportsmen and women. Science students are also advised to subscribe in view of the possibility of mishaps occurring in the laboratory.

The underwriters, do, however refuse payment in certain cases — injuries resulting from revolution, riot, war, intoxication, pregnancy and childbirth.

Details of the scheme can be obtained from the SRC Permanent Secretary's Office.

NEW MAJORETTES CHOSEN

THE 33 Rag Drum Majorettes were chosen by their trainer, Mr. Brian Surtees, last week. They are:

OLIVE SCHREINER:

Wendy Kauntze.
Diana Newell.
René Robertson.
Stephanie Lindenburg.

ATHERSTONE:

Irma Wilken.
Sally Goodman.
Colleen Butler.

ORIEL:

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Sue Laburn.

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Penny Andrews.
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Alma Chunnnett.
Phillidia Fuller.
Susan Goldswain.

HOBSON:

Judy Tucker.
Annette Kileff.
Lorraine Woodward.

JOHN KOTZE:

Maureen van der Merwe.
Margaret Swann.
Diana Chapman.

MILNER:

Denise Norton.
Gail Richardson.

OPPIDAN:

Philippa Batchelor-Adams.
Rose Doger de Speville.
Peta Jessop.

Rhodes staff to be honoured

Several members of the Rhodes staff have been honoured this year by achieving further national recognition within their particular fields. Others are to receive honorary degrees from Rhodes itself.

At this year's graduation ceremony to be held on the 7th and 8th of April an honorary LL.D will be bestowed on Dr. J. Hyslop, the Vice-Chancellor. Mr. J. A. I. Agar-Hamilton, a former director of the Institute of Social and Economic Research, will also receive an honorary doctorate.

LOCKE

Professor E. Locke, head of the Department of Physical Education, has been appointed President of the South African Gymnasium.

Professor Braae, Head of the Department of Applied Mathematics has been similarly honoured. He is an honorary Vice-President of the South African Association of Engineers.

Professor Price, Head of the Department of Pharmacy, has been elected a Fellow of the Royal Society of Medicine.

MORE OPPIDANS THIS YEAR

There will probably be over 400 oppidans this year as compared with about 350 last year. The town is fuller than ever before and students whose accommodation was not assured last November or December are finding it very difficult to find a room.

A member of the Administrative staff told RHODEO that space for women students is particularly short.

About 20 students are accommodated in hotels, which in itself is unusual.

Of the 400 oppidans this year, about 80 are first year students, and approximately 30 of these are Inks and Inkettes.

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PATRICK J. SLOYAN writes on . . .

NEW WEAPONS IN VIETNAM

America's other war

THE UNITED STATES is spending approximately \$1.8 million a day in nonmilitary aid to South Vietnam. Most of it goes to the country's peasants. America's effort to better the lot of the people may be as important in winning the war as its effort on the battlefield, officials feel.

Officials of the U.S. Department of State, returning from South Vietnam, say the United States aid programme for that embattled nation is revolutionising peasant life. The largest proportion of non-military aid goes to free the peasants from the tyranny of the land, to break the chain of generations of poverty and ignorance, and to destroy a political climate which permits the seed of communism to bloom.

Dramatic successes are reported, but clear-cut victories are obscured by Viet Cong military operations. Albert Fraleigh, 45, who has returned to Washington after three years of co-ordinating aid projects in South Vietnam, said the United States is winning its non-military fight in South Vietnam.

Fraleigh saw communism grow, in mainland China. As a United States foreign service officer in Manchuria he was captured in 1945 by Communist Chinese troops "liberating" Chinese villages.

"They stressed ideas — the same ones over and over again," Fraleigh recalled. "Each soldier carried a little stool. He sat on it twice a day for indoctrination. And they always were given the same promises. The lecture they heard in the morning was the same one they heard at night; day after day it was always the same."

In 1962 Fraleigh was assigned to the United States aid mission in South Vietnam.

(The Agency for International Development).

"It was the same thing in Vietnam," he said. "The Viet Cong leader would hold a meeting as soon as he reached the village. It was the same lecture he had given the day before and the same he would give the next day."

Promises

"Primarily, the Viet Cong promised a Vietnam for the Vietnamese and to give the peasant the land he works."

When Fraleigh arrived in Saigon, he said, he found that Vietnamese farmers were not seeing, much less benefiting from, United States aid materials.

"It was just piling up on the wharves and in warehouses," he said. "The first thing we did was to get it moving to the provinces and then down to the districts, villages, and hamlets."

Introducing chemical fertilisers on an experimental basis, A.I.D. workers found they could increase rice production

by as much as 50 per cent. They also introduced pesticides and improved rice seeds.

As the programme developed, Fraleigh said, the government of South Vietnam began importing fertilisers to move through normal commercial channels. Then it was discovered that South Vietnamese businessmen were diluting the fertiliser with sand. Some of the pesticides also were being watered.

Qualifying villages can request supplies to build and equip a school. Then the residents build the school, christen it with a celebration, and hope for a better life for their children.

The Viet Cong use a simple strategy to destroy the schools. Guerillas hide in the building and wait for a passing United States helicopter. Then they fire on the helicopter, which replies with a devastating rocket and machine gun attack.

Water is often a critical problem. One A.I.D. programme has financed 2,000 wells which provide water for more than a million farmers. Simple wooden windmills have been introduced to raise water levels for irrigation.

"Stop being victimised," A.I.D. officials told the farmers. "Buy from co-operatives and protect yourself."

Under another United States A.I.D. project a farmer was given enough cement to build a pigsty. With an eight per cent loan, he could buy one sow and two market pigs. On credit he bought surplus corn to feed the pigs.

Officials hope that 95,000 Vietnamese families even-

tually will be raising and selling pigs and using the animal wastes for fertiliser. More than 7,000 families report the programme has increased their incomes.

Some of the frustrations in the aid programme appear in building schools. All such programmes depend on the villagers meeting certain United States-Vietnam government requirements — among them free elections of village leaders and refusing to aid the Viet Cong.

Fraleigh said that the United States health programmes have almost eliminated malaria.

"These people know what we are doing for them," Fraleigh said. "Basically, they want no part of the communists. Our programme is a success; it's working fine."

"But the military end of it — eliminating the control of the Viet Cong — keeps it from being a continuing success. In addition to what we are already doing, we have to sell the Vietnamese our ideas . . .

"Through our efforts, the peasants are realising that the government in Saigon is not just something way off in a never-never land. But there never will be a good relationship between farmer and government until there is land reform. That's hard to accomplish because many government officials are large land owners."

"If we can have the same successes with military efforts as we have with A.I.D. projects, we'll be getting closer to a victory."

The rape of Tahiti

MICHAEL SIMPSON writes from London on the ruinous effect of tourism and government policy on the once-beautiful Tahiti.

WHEN I first visited Tahiti it fully lived up to its reputation of an island paradise, and we were made very welcome. Garlanded with leis, we toured the island; we bathed in a coral lagoon.

We ate a meal of roast sucking pig (cooked in an earth oven) with yams, breadfruit, and red bananas; raw fish and fermented coconut juice; and cooked papaya; all eaten off bamboo platters, wiping your fingers on the banana leaves. After the meal came the dancing — wild and primitive tamare by the light of burning palm fronds.

But all this has changed. Tahiti, too, has been ruined by the onslaught of the tourist. An airstrip large enough to take a Boeing has been blasted across the coral reefs. Today's visitors receive a mass-produced salami-and-tomato salad on a paper plate. The price has gone up too. The day is very nearly

gone when your room has running cold water and walking hot water (brought by the host's daughter); the Papeete Hilton cannot be far off.

And the quality of the welcome has changed somewhat. When the liner Northern Star called at Tahiti last year there was a riot on the quay-side. The Tahitians charged extortionate prices for everything and arguments began. Soon passengers and crew were being attacked by the "simple, carefree" islanders, swinging clubs. The captain was forced to turn the ship's hoses on them, in an attempt to cool them off. Sixteen people had to be treated in the ship's hospital; one of the crew was paralysed as a result of his injuries.

But the real rape of Tahiti has been by the French Government. The island's former charm and innocence are being sacrificed to President De Gaulle's insistence that France

too must join the grisly thermonuclear "club". Military lorries thunder past the juke boxes; the islanders now have the doubtful privilege of television too. De Gaulle has ignored the protests of the Polynesian leaders. The atolls of Mururoa and Fangataufa, 775 miles from Papeete, have been evacuated. Soon at one of the installations of the obliquely named "Centre d'Expérimentation du Pacifique" the first hydrogen bomb will be exploded.

Only slightly more subtle agents of that doom to which all places of primitive beauty seem destined, are the tourists. 14,800 last year (65% American) descended upon Tahiti.

I haven't been to Novaya Zemle or the Falklands — perhaps they have escaped so far but it is only a matter of time. The tourist

"armed with large legs rancid voices Baedekers Mothers and kodaks". (e.e. cummings)

has invaded all the accessible and many of the inaccessible parts of the world and left behind a trail of mercenary natives. Cola and colour film are available from Cochin to Columbia; hot dogs from Haiti to Hartebeespoort. It seems such a pity that the tourists, such pleasant people at home, should be such a menace abroad.

A good deal of the blame for the rape of Tahiti must lie with the French authorities for allowing it to happen, and even encouraging the sacrilege; but the rest of the blame must lie at the plastic-sandalled feet of the tourist. The British tourist now beginning to demand fish and chips on the Costa Brava should realise what they will lose when the Spanish coast is converted to a series of shoddy imitations of Blackpool — with a sunray lamp.

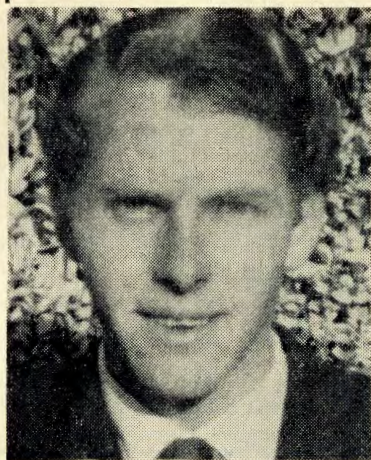
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Grahamstown Branch, E.P.B.T.S. Committee, 1966, 1967.

In 1966, Afrikaans Society production of *Antigone*.

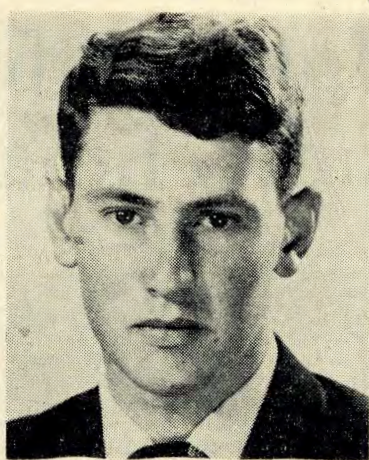
Organiser, 1966 Rhodes Rag Record-Breaking Blood Donation Drive.

MANIFESTO:

If elected to S.R.C., I shall work for the following:

1. A higher degree of co-ordination between campus societies with the aim of creating a more effective term programme.
2. Intersociety co-ordination and co-operation on society level.
3. Greater S.R.C./Senate liaison, especially over matters of discipline and residence rules.
4. To maintain the stabilising and responsible role that the Rhodes S.R.C. plays within NUSAS.
5. To encourage student co-operation in community welfare projects such as the Eastern Province Blood Transfusion Society, GADRA, etc.

PROPOSED: H. Morton.



T. Woods

PEN SKETCH:

At present reading for Masters' Degree in History.

1964 B.A.
1965 1st Class Honours in History.

1966 U.E.D.

1964 Student Councillor.

1965 Senior Student (Smuts Hall).

1964/1965 S.R.C. (Campus) Councillor.

1965/1966 S.R.C. Societies Co-ordinating Councillor.

1962-1966 Hockey 1st XI; Captain 1966.

1963-1966 Squash 1st Team; Captain 1965, 1966.

1963-1967 Cricket 1st XI; Committee Member 1965, 1966, 1967.

MANIFESTO:

I will do my best, if elected to represent the interests of students on the S.R.C. In particular I would like to see a more dynamic approach to collecting funds for the Students' Union.

It is also the duty of the S.R.C. to maintain and extend liaison with the Senate.

I would like to see friendly contact with Port Elizabeth University established.

PROPOSED: M. Williams.

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WALK ON THE WILD COAST

By Eddie Deutschman and Graham Hayman

ALTHOUGH a 180 miles along the Wild Coast from Port St. Johns to East London might sound strenuous, to us it was fun.

Knowing little of the coast and its peoples, we were a bit apprehensive when we set out. Our fears as regards the people were needless. Africans and Europeans alike gave us every assistance, and were always friendly and courteous.

The Africans were always willing to show us the easiest path and as the coast between Port St. Johns and the Xora River is mainly impassable (because of cliffs), they directed us along their inland paths. These first days were the worst because of the rugged country through which we had to pass.

Our day usually began at about six or seven o'clock. We never rushed to get going. Breakfast was varied and light, consisting usually of bread, coffee and porridge. Coffee, which we always drank cold, made a refreshing drink. We never slept farther than 100 yards from the sea and this made washing up easy. After breakfast we packed our rucksacks and set off around eight or nine o'clock.

RUCKSACKS

In our rucksacks we carried sleeping bags, ground sheets, (which doubled as raincoats), a change of clothes, toilet articles, cooking and eating utensils, a small solid-fuel stove, bathing costumes, towels, half-a-gallon of water and a small first-aid outfit of adhesive tape, Dettol, Zambuk (for sore feet). This together with food weighed 40lb. Our stock of food consisted of a tin of sugar, a can or two of meat or fruit, porridge, bread, butter, soup, dried fruits and eggs.

The walking pace which we set was usually three m.p.h., an easy, medium, walking speed. At 11 o'clock we stopped (in a shady grassy spot if we could find it) for lunch. This was followed by a short sleep. Lunch consisted of

cold coffee, canned fruit, bread and butter. Some days, especially in the southern section, when we were mostly on beaches, we would have a swim and tan a little. In the afternoon we walked until about five. After, while it was still light, we had a swim, collected wood for our fire and ate supper. We always bedded down at about seven or eight.

Sometimes we would stop at an hotel to collect water or buy food. In these places we were usually offered free accommodation for the night. The hotel guests, however, would often eye us askance because of our unkempt appearance.

We have often been asked what difficult or unusual experiences we underwent. Our only real difficulty was the weather. On the 4th, 5th and 6th days it rained almost continuously. This would not have been so bad had we been on the beach, but at that stage we were walking in land and we slipped and slithered terribly over the hillpaths and

through the mealie fields. On the 12th day we had to walk through a cloud burst. Five inches of rain fell that morning, and sent every river, spruit and trickle down in flood, so that for two days afterwards we had to walk inland to be able to cross previously blind or shallow rivers.

The wind was also troublesome. It blew on several days, and always against us. The heat was bearable, as the shade or the sea was always on hand.

The natives' conception of distance was something to which we could never become accustomed. When they said our destination was "over the next hill" they usually meant that it was the next big ridge, anything up to three miles away.

We were surprised to find that a coastline which on the map looked barren, was so heavily populated. There were many Africans and quite a few White people. One seldom felt alone.



Looking fit and tanned after their 180-mile walk along the Transkei Wild Coast, are Eddie Deutschman and Graham Hayman. Both Eddie and Graham are on the staff of RHODEO.

jane lurie observes...

campus "looks" —1967

SUDDENLY RHODES campus is a small forest of Twiggies... The beginning of the academic year has produced the usual crop of the most unacademic-looking young ladies, and this year fine feathers are finer (or brighter, at least) than ever before.

Skirts are up, up. One Rhodian is rumoured to have tripped over a kerbstone in High Street while appreciating the leggy look of a bunch of Inkettes on their blithe way to town.

On the whole the miniskirters have sensibly confined the brief look to casuals. Mini-shirtwaists are becoming popular; they usually appear in gingham and striped or pastel cottons.

One micro-skirt has been seen, I believe, on an Inkette cavorting at Inky Social. One can only admire her courage. Still, some seem to think that courage is the only thing needed for the wear-

ing of short skirts... I have seen a number of mini-shifts in brilliant, attractive flower prints; here the fashionable new purples, pinks and green bloom riotously.

"LOOKS"

And the various "looks". The "Baby Doll" look, — high-waisted and ruffy — is happily still with us. So is the rather done-to-death but nevertheless sweet and dainty "Granny Look". The new cut-away sleeve line is receiving all the attention it so well deserves, and the "Tent Look" has drawn ribald remarks from male observers of the Inkette mannequin parades. ("Two at once" quipped one jester.)

Trouser suits are slowly but surely establishing themselves, many of them still unfortunately featuring "bell-bottoms", one of the least chic fashions that have been seen for a long time. They

provide a particularly straggly silhouette together with the popular skinny top, which looks far more attractive with a short hipster skirt.

The average Rhodes girl has not made great changes in her accessories, it seems, except of course for those regrettably popular op-art ear-rings which are persisting. Sandals are as dainty and pretty as ever, and I have seen a few particularly striking versions of the new "Granny" style shoe.

MARCH

So much for March fashions at Rhodes. But give them a few months, I say. Then the Inkettes, having ensnared their men or given up hope for ever more, and the seniors, gratefully observing the decline of competition, will all make their annual return to baggy black stretch pants and pastel jumpers; a sort of Rhodes uniform worn by all, regardless of shape, size and colouring. Well, they're comfortable, admittedly. I must get some new ones...

Bye-election

The S.R.C. bye-election is caused by the resignation of Rob Stevens. In February he was appointed the Travelling Secretary of the new University Christian Movement. He leaves South Africa for Oxford in September.

Agony & Ecstasy

"THE AGONY and the Ecstasy" is the film version of Irving Wallace's epic novel of the same name.

The film is set during the Italian Renaissance. In 140 minutes the frescoes on the ceiling of the Sistine Chapel are completed by Michaelangelo Buonarroti (Charlton Heston).

Besides the visually impressive close-ups of Michaelangelo at work (this constitutes most of the "agony"), Carol Reed's production lays emphasis on Michaelangelo's artistic conflicts with Pope Julius II (penetratingly played by Rex Harrison) and his entanglements with the Medici countess (Diane Cilento).

The film is set against a background of war and love, pageantry and piety, and a superb replica of the Sistine Chapel (as conceived by 20th Century-Fox).

Both Charlton Heston and Rex Harrison sustain their parts well and have some powerful moments in this uneven film. Visually, it is well worth seeing.

KATIE ELDER

All next week we will have "The Sons of Katie Elder" from the makers of "Last Train from Gun Hill" and "Gunfight at the O.K. Corral".

The film deals with the determined efforts of four brothers who attempt to redeem the legacy of a blackened reputation. The stars are John Wayne acting as John Wayne (ostensibly a tough gunslinger) and Dean Martin who is good with a deck of cards and a gun when he has to be.

Although I think that women should stay out of Western films, Martha Hyer ("Some Came Running") is a pleasant distraction and gives John Wayne a chance to be tough and tender.

But who cares about sentiment when "... from the four winds they came, the four brothers, their eyes smoking and their fingers itching..."

Arthur Clarke.

THE STUDENT WORLD

THE UNITED STATES is recovering after being rocked by the sensational disclosure that the Central Intelligence Agency had been heavily financing the National Students' Association for more than 15 years.

- In Britain students continue to protest against legislation which will increase the fees of overseas students to nearly £700 p.a. Their latest tactic was to descend in hundreds on the House of Commons and demand to see their M.P.'s.
- In the present unrest, there has been no university education in Communist China for the last seven months, and the 1967 intake of students was postponed. A new system of selection of students will eliminate those who do not support Mao.
- KAMI, the United University Students' Action Front of Indonesia, is continuing agitation and large-scale student demonstrations involving thousands in its effort to have President Sukarno removed from office.
- Following the political fragmentation of their country, university students in Eastern Nigeria have formed their own Eastern Nigerian National Union of Students, which supports demands for complete separation.
- A recent investigation of universities in well developed countries has revealed that U.S. has the highest percentage of students (2.5%) in higher education. Spain is at the bottom of the list (0.3%). The U.S. is followed by the U.S.S.R. (1.2%), Australia and France.

Education Bill—attacks mount

Opposition to Senator de Klerk's controversial National Education Policy Bill which is now before Parliament, is mounting. The Bill, which is designed to enforce a Transvaal-type of control over education in South Africa by the Central Government, has been termed 'deplorable', 'autocratic', and 'wicked'.

Controversy over the Bill centres on the following points:

- The Minister, after consultation with Administrators and the council, may determine the general policy to be pursued in schools.
- Education in State schools is to have a Christian and a broad national character.
- The mother tongue — English or Afrikaans — is to be the medium of instruction.
- The Minister is to establish a National Advisory Education Council, and is to appoint the executive committee of the Council.
- The Minister may have an inspection made of schools to ascertain to what extent the national education policy is being carried out, and may make regulations to enforce that policy where it is not being carried out.

The Bill confers unprecedented powers on the Minister of Education to pursue a policy of providing education for White persons. But it is pointed out that while it is stated with clarity and precision how all matters concerning White education will be in the hands and control of the Minister, it is not stated with any clarity and precision what policy the Minister will pursue.—SANSPA.

NEW UCT CONSTITUTION Rejected by SRC

The vacation executive of the Students Representative Council of the University of Cape Town unanimously confirmed its adherence to its entrenched policy that all student activities should be open to all students on a non-segregated basis last week.

This policy is part of the old SRC constitution which expires on March 6, when a new constitution, severely curtailing SRC powers, is due to come into effect. The new constitution will allow clubs and societies with memberships limited to one race to be registered on the campus.

Last week the University Council indicated that it was prepared to negotiate with the SRC about "outstanding differences" in the new constitution. At the SRC meeting last night the vacation executive decided unanimously to negotiate on the basis that it stood by its "open" membership policy.

Mr. Raymond Suttner, who proposed the motion, said it was central to freedom of association that all members of the university should be able to participate in full in all activities of the university, as long as they did not infringe on the rights of others. Segregated societies would infringe on those rights.

Speaking to the motion, Mr. Ian Hume, SRC President, said it was not only a question of race. "We have many races and nationalities, many religions and creeds on the campus," he said. "General openness can be our only policy."

"This university took a stand on the question of academic freedom in 1959. We must decide whether that stand is to be meaningful or not."

DRASTIC CURB

The new constitution, which was drawn up by a constitutional commission appointed by the University Council, drastically curbs the SRC powers. Apart from allowing segregated clubs and societies it enables the University Council to terminate the period of office of the SRC and to rescind any decision of the SRC.

As a result of this constitution the Minister of Education, Senator de Klerk, is to withdraw his two controversial University Bills.

The Bills, the Universities' Amendment Bill and the Extension of University Amendment Bill were introduced during the last session of Parliament and evoked strong protest against the wide scope of powers and against inroads into academic freedom.

The Minister of Education was given power to withhold State grants-in-aid to universities if anyone was discriminated against on the grounds that they advocated racial separation on the campus.

There were also a number of far-reaching clauses which would have ended freedom of association on the campus and prevented non-White students from belonging to any university associations other than academic ones.

Now Senator de Klerk has decided to drop these measures. He said he was satisfied that "student unpleasantness at the University of Cape Town" would be prevented in future by improvements in the SRC constitution and by the University of Cape Town Amendment Bill now before Parliament.

But student leaders feel that the withdrawal of the two Bills confirms their suspicions that the SRC constitutional revision was very much tied to the government's plan to bring the University of Cape Town to heel.

RUBBER STAMP

The new constitution reduces the SRC to what is in effect a purely rubber stamp council. But the main bone of contention is

the clause in the new constitution permitting segregated societies.

The trouble over the UCT constitution first began last year when Mr. Gert van Zyl, a member of the UCT SRC, tried to set up the Conservative Students Association (CSA), dedicated to "relentlessly opposing all forms of multi-racialism in South Africa." The association was to be open to Whites only.

The SRC refused to give ratification to CSA, and when the matter was taken on appeal to the University Council, the SRC's decision was upheld.

This raised a storm of protest, with the CSA claiming the UCT campus was not free, because they were not free to segregate. Shortly afterwards, Senator de Klerk drafted his University Bills which were to permit segregation on all campuses.

DIRTY WORK

The University administration set up a commission to redraft the SRC constitution, which will now permit segregation. And Senator de Klerk dropped his Bills.

Student leaders feel the University Council has been frightened into doing the Government's dirty work. Mr. John Sprack, Vice-President of NUSAS, said the Government's programme of intimidation against UCT had met with outstanding success.

"I believe their main motive in introducing the University Bills was to ensure that discrimination would be permitted on the campus," he said. "The action of the drafters of the constitution, in tying the hands of the democratically elected representative spokesmen of students, has played right into Senator de Klerk's hands."

POSTPONEMENT

"By their course of appeasement they have ignored the fine tradition of UCT and incurred the contempt of all South African students who stand for academic freedom and non-racialism," he said.

The University Council has decided to reopen discussions with the SRC, and have indicated that the coming into effect of the constitution may be postponed for a month.

Political observers feel that there is a direct link between this and the election of a new Chancellor for UCT. The election is due to take place on March 31.

Mr. Justice Diemont, the chairman of the constitutional commission, is one of the candidates for the Chancellorship. Should he win the election, this will put the Council in a very much stronger position.

On the other hand, should the dispute between the Council and the SRC flare up before March 31, Mr. Justice Diemont could lose considerable support to the two more left-wing candidates, Mr. Harry Oppenheimer and Mr. Leo Marquard.—SANSPA.

Inkette fears anti-climax

Sir, — Much has been said, and more written, about the beauty, culture, and magnificence of Rhodes in general. I have seen the dour 4th years wax lyrical, and tough old maids smile for the first time in years at the memories of their long-ago days at Rhodes.

Friends grow green with envy when they hear I am one of the Chosen Few: A stray aunt, hearing I was at Rhodes, collapsed round my neck with joy all of which brings me to the conclusion that Rhodes is an anti-climax.

Will I one day join the ranks of the Blessed? They, of course are those miles above — the seniors: evidently, a rare race of Demi-gods.

—Inkette.

Help

Sir, — Rhodes has the reputation of being a friendly university. As an Ink I find the attitude of senior women

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students towards us is that of unwarranted superiority and that of senior men one of insufferably condescension. Surely we are human. We would like to be given an opportunity to prove ourselves worthy to be part of your life here.

JAN SMUTS.

Security Money

Sir,—I hope that the leaders of NUSAS are not so unimaginative as they seem. The financing of the American National Student Association by the CIA opens up vast possibilities of a new relationship between NUSAS and the Special Branch.

—SPHINX.

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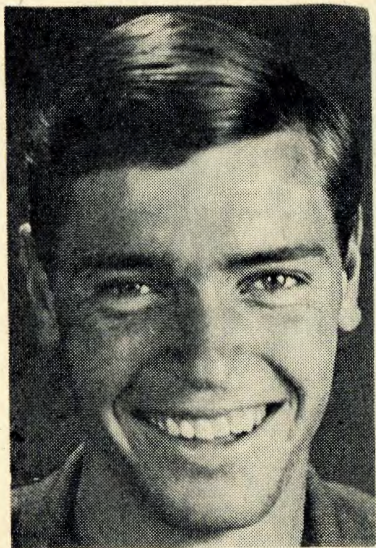
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SPORTRAIT



Ricky Buwaldo

Our sports star this week is the Proteas tennis player Richard Allan Buwaldo.

Ricky — a modest second year B.A. student, who is not very talkative about himself and his sporting achievements.

He was educated at Pretoria Boys High and first began to play tennis seriously there in 1962. He represented his school's first tennis team for three years and also played in the first cricket and rugby teams.

In 1962 he won the N. Tvl. junior singles title and played at the S.A. junior championships in 1962, 63 and 64.

After leaving school he played for the S.A. defence force team while doing his military training.

Ricky came to Rhodes in 1966 and represented the Rhodes tennis team throughout the year. He also represented E.P. and was invited by both E.P. and Northern Transvaal to play at the S.A. senior championships. He represented N. Transvaal against the touring British side in 1966.

At Rhodes he won the men's singles last year, the men's doubles with Rob Meara and the Grahamstown and district men's doubles. He also represented Rhodes at the Inter-Varsity and was selected for the S.A. University side (Proteas) as No. 3 seed. This year he has been elected vice-captain of the Rhodes team.

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BIRCH'S

UK students radical

A new note of military agitation has entered British student politics as the recently formed Left-wing pressure group, the Radical Students' Alliance, makes a concerted bid for control of Britain's 336,000-strong National Union of Students (NUS).

Playing a key role in the struggle is South African-born Mr. David Adelstein, President of the Students' Union at the London School of Economics and newly elected leader of the Radical Students Alliance.

The aim of the Alliance is mainly to transform the largely non-political NUS into a strong left-wing force. NUS has tended to avoid politics and to deal mainly with matters 'directly affecting' education.

The Alliance is already a major force among students at the London School of Economics and at Manchester University, and is gaining footholds at a number of others.

The new note of military characterising student demonstrations first became apparent in October last year when LSE students protested against the appointment as director of the School of Dr. Walter Adams, former principal of the University College of Rhodesia. But trouble had been brewing for some time beforehand.

Reforms were introduced towards the end of last year—then came the news that Dr. Adams was to be the next director and the half-stilled discontent exploded. In the resulting demonstrations a porter fell dead with a heart attack when on orders he barred the demonstrators' path.

— SANSPA.

Smalls

The Rhodeo has decided to offer an advertising facility to its readers. Unclassified smalls will be published on request, the cost being:

20 cents for 10 words.

Thereafter 2 cents per word.

WANTED — Singers, actors and musicians for Iolanthe. Apply Great Hall, Sunday, March 12, at 2 p.m.

WANTED to swop — One used 2nd year. Condition guaranteed. One owner. For well built inkette.

FOUND — Top of bikini—white with pink polka dots. Can be redeemed at Botha.

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SHOES for sale — Apply room 54 Botha. Good condition, only need a shine.

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FOUND — Bottom of bikini — white with pink polka dots. Can be redeemed at College.

WELCOME FIRST YEARS GRANDSTAND VIEW

THE SPORTING fraternity extends a warm welcome to all the first-year sportsmen and -women at Rhodes this year. You should find the sporting aspect of campus life as active and stimulating as it ever was.

The old adage of "All work no play . . . etc." is an extremely important one to bear in mind, especially when under the stresses of one's academic obligations.

From the various provincial schools' blazers one sees on the campus, the new talents seem promising, and our whole hearted encouragement is assured.

Many established Rhodes sporting types have returned and we look forward to seeing you all in action again this year.

Personally, I can't wait for the second term to see our old hero of the hockey field, Brian Surtees, with his gymnastics and Colgates' advertisement. Let us turn out by the hundreds so his little side-show will not be in "vain."

I am told that U.20 rugby practices are going to be run on similar lines to those of the Stellenbosch Rugby Club. This entails at least four nights' practice a week and plenty of cross country runs thrown into the bargain.

This is all very well, but I bring it to your attention that notwithstanding this fanatical approach to the game — and it is a game after all — the much-vaunted Matie Junior side was beaten by Swifts U.20 last year.

I put Rhodes on a par with the Uitenhage side.

To crown this ignominious defeat, the match was played in typical Western Cape weather — steady rain and a mud bath underfoot.

Hard training is one thing but don't overdo this aspect, as even the fittest side will go "stale" if too hard pressed.

Apart from this is the increased possibility of practice injuries — probably one of the more ridiculous things to happen to any player.

With most of last year's outstanding U.20 rugby side in the senior club, we should have a much improved first XV.

The accent will be on speed, but what we really need is more brawn in the pack — any offers from the Phys. Ed. Department, ladies?

I am positive that every student is extremely proud of the outstanding achievements of the Rhodes contingent at the S.A. championships.

Brian Elliot, in particular, deserves our congratulations on his magnificent effort in capturing the 220 and 440 yards freestyle events as well as the individual medley. In addition he retained the 1,650 yards title which he won in 1966.

Shirley van der Poel excelled in retaining her 110-yards breaststroke title and being narrowly beaten in the 220-yards event.

The fastest swimmer in South Africa is still Jon Reen who once more showed his brilliance in the freestyle sprint.

Jon and Brian were also key members of the E.P. team which won the freestyle relay. Rhodes is very proud of you.



This year Rhodeo would like to give more coverage to the lesser known sports on the campus. For example, the Rifle Club which, notwithstanding excellent achievements, has been sadly ignored.

We congratulate Tom Cloete on his selection for E.P. after shooting very well at various bisleys. Another Rhodes student was also selected and will be noted in next week's column.

It may be of interest to note that Rhodes has produced Springbok shottists fairly regularly in the past, and we look forward to more B'oks on the range in the near future.

The Women's section of the Rifle Club continues to flourish and support would be welcomed.

Are there any budding Muhamed Ali's among the Inks? John "Lindberg" Gardner complains that he keeps running out of sparring part-

ners and his fists are itching for some "new" blood.

But seriously, the Boxing Club had some excellent bouts last year and I understood that quite a few fights will be arranged against P.E. and Army teams this year.

The Cricket seems promising for this, the final quarter of the season with first-years of standing like Bill Fenner who played for the successful E.P. Nuffield eleven.

Mike Burton, who has represented E.P., has been spotted on the campus lately, and we anticipate another year of his scintillating bowling.

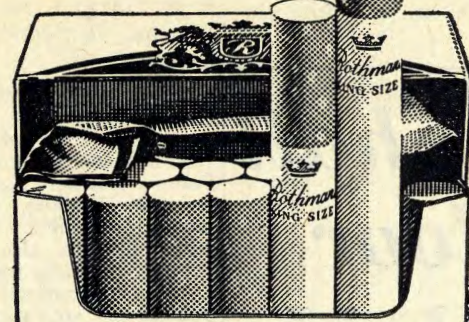
I note with regret that the Karate Club is unlikely to be active this year as last year's coach, Duncan Clarke, will be indisposed owing to other commitments.

In conclusion, I (with tears in my eyes) ask Sherry Garlick to refrain from playing with that yo-yo in Kaif.

The Inks and their female counterparts are probably rather impressionable and one year of appeals for team-blazer and colour awards for this moronic sport was quite enough.

Thank you in anticipation.

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TENNIS TEAM EXCELLS

Buwaldo — chosen for S.A. Universities

THE RHODES tennis team wound up a highly successful season when they ended third in the men's section and fourth in the women's section the 1966 Intervarsity Tennis Tournament.

The men were third to Wits. and U.C.T., and only Stellenbosch, Wits. and Pretoria ended ahead of the women.

Rick Buwaldo was the outstanding member of the men's team and was selected as No. 3 for the Protea side. Sally Harvey, of the women's team, also played well and was elected second reserve for the women's Protea side.

Other Rhodians whose performances were worthy of comment are Rob Meara and Tony Gower, whose consistent play greatly helped the men's side attain their position. Unfortunately, Penny Beale, the Rhodes Women's No. 1 was injured and was unable to play in the tournament and this weakened the women's side considerably.

GOOD YEAR

Apart from the Inter-Varsity, Rhodes did well throughout the year. The first team played ten matches, won eight, drew one and lost one. The only side to beat the Rhodians was the P.E. Lawn Tennis Club.

Although a few of the more experienced Rhodes players such as Rob Meara, Tony Gower and Pam Blyth have left, there is a good selection of new talent amongst the first years.

This year's tennis programme for both the first and second teams has been finalised and arrangements have been made for a Men's Inter-Hall Tennis Tournament to be held this Saturday and Sunday and a Staff match on the following Sunday.

New hall floor relaid

The new Sports Hall officially opened last year, has had to have its floor relaid.

The boards were originally laid too close together and moist air underneath could not escape. This caused the floor to "ripple" necessitating relaying. The Hall will come into use again this week.

Weakened cricket team fairs well

A Rhodes cricket team, weakened by the unavailability of some of the more experienced players, fared better than was expected at the cricket Inter-Varsity held at Wits during the December vacation.

In all, Rhodes played five games, winning one, drawing two and losing two. These results do give a fair reflection on the strength of the side on the whole. The most impressive Rhodian was undoubtedly Paul Abbot, who scored an excellent undefeated 145, giving a fine display of fluent driving throughout the week and was justly chosen for the South African Universities Second Eleven.

Other players who gave performances worthy of comment were Schroeder, who ended with the highest individual average, Pete Haxton and Antony Brownlee-Walker, who was the most impressive bowler. The other players also gave sound support in many instances. Brian Surtees was more than competent behind the stumps; Ken Pringle and Kevin Whitehead, the two replacements, filled their positions very adequately and Neill Davidson shone in the outfield.

CATCHES HELD

The play was generally good, especially the fielding which was tight, and most catches were held, although there was a lack in specialist slip fielding. The top order batting was a little unreliable and the bowling was too often erratic. This situation was partly due to the absence of some of the more regular players. The bowlers exerted themselves but there was a definite lack of a consistent spin bowler in the same class as Mike Burton.

Altogether Rhodes was well represented by the team both on and off the field and enjoyed the week under the able management of Brian Surtees, who rose to the occasion and handled a difficult job well. The organisation of the week was excellent and the Rhodes team appreciated the hard work put in by John Landau, whose organisation ensured the complete success of the whole Inter-Varsity.



Fencers tour Europe

Pictured above are Pete Lawton and Anne Miller, two Rhodians who have just returned from a successful tour of Europe with the South African Universities Fencing Team.

The team fought against teams from Hungary, Germany, Holland, England, Wales, Ireland, Scotland, Belgium, Luxembourg and France.

At first the team suffered heavy losses, but after a twelve hour a day training course at Frankfurt the teams performances improved considerably. Particularly noteworthy was the double win in one afternoon, when the Proteas beat the Queen University from Belfast, and then proceeded to demolish the Northern Ireland team.

Anne and Pete were more than averagely successful due to their unorthodox styles which worried their opponents.

Vast rugby potential

Now that the University has re-assembled it is possible to make some assessment of our likely potential for this season. We knew that a great number of "The Old Guard" would be returning but what is more encouraging is the large number of experienced players who come up to us from Under 20.

Last year's Under 20 captain, Brian Carlson, together with players like Blake, Gordon, Yeo, Vice, Cowley and Bowen will all be representing the senior club this year.

Then, there has been a most welcome influx of provincial-standard players from the outside. Kit Pitman played for Rhodesia, and should supply plenty of thrust in the backline if he hits his old form.

DAVE LEWIS

Denis Bottcher who is an old Rhodes stalwart, and who has been playing good rugby in East London, will probably be returning in the second term, and should further strengthen the backline.

The hub of the side is again likely to be Dave Lewis, whose "never say die" attitude to the game proved such an inspiration to the relatively inexperienced team of last season.

Fortunately, a great number of the players who will form the likely core of this year's first team have been satisfactorily

"blooded" in first league play, and for them it can hold few terrors.

There will be Macconnachie, Muirhead, Forbes, Jooste, Henderson, Rowett, Rothman, Shaw, Hughes and, not least, Geoff Illsley to draw from.

Lyn Schroeder and Roy Simpson will also be giving school-mastering a break to turn out, and there will be Graham Crossan, who never showed his full paces last season, once more in the running.

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The potential is obviously there, but there are a few question marks: Rhodes has missed weight "up front" over the last years, and this appears likely to be the case again this year.

Then there is a key position of full-back to be filled.

If the team can be fast on the loose ball, much can be expected in spite of lightness; pugnacity is worth its weight in gold. The Intervarsity against Cape Town on March 25 should be a valuable pointer to the way things will trend this season.

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Badminton XI

It is hoped that this year will be more successful for the Badminton club than last year.

Lack of enthusiasm and a shortage of players hindered the complete success of the club last year. This made it impossible to send a team to Inter-Varsity, although league games were played throughout the year. This year it is hoped that competitive activities will be widened and that three league teams will be entered in the local league. Also internal competitions will be arranged if membership is sufficient.

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