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RECORD TOPS SRC POLL 1965

A woman student Miss Janet Hollingshead topped the poll with a record 846 votes in the SRC election last Monday. This is over 100 votes more than the previous record held by Mr. Basil Moore since 1961. She also had a close on 200 votes more than the next candidate Mr. Reinier Lock.

A large gathering of students heard Mr. Ivan Zartz, chairman of the Scrutineers announce the election results on Monday night at 10.15. Cheers and clapping greeted each announcement.

EARLIER

The results were released much earlier than in previous years due to a quicker and much more effective system of checking votes.

Commenting on the elections, Mr. Zartz said: "the mere fact that the percentage poll for these elections was a record, proves that to a large extent, the students on the campus are showing a more active and concentrated participation in student affairs."

ART STUDENTS

The new SRC is again predominantly made up of BA students, but consists also of 2 Law, 2 Divinity and 2 Science students. There is one Social Science student. There are 5 graduate members, which is an increase on last year.

All men's halls are represented, with a majority coming from Founders Hall. Of the women's halls, only Oriel is not represented. There is the usual average of 3 Rhodesian students, 5 of the new members may be labelled as sportsmen.

NUSAS

The Council as a whole is

overwhelming pro-NUSAS probably more so than the outgoing SRC. The moderating influence which Rhodes has played so far in the Union will be kept up.

It is expected that the new SRC will take a very strong stand on student-senate relationships. It will also press for the abolition of the Inky system.

RESULTS

J. Hollingshead	846
R. Lock	667
J. Sprack	659
N. Prozesky	597
Miss R. Prentice	582
D. Wanless	561
P. Haxton	557
T. Woods	549
L. Cowie	483
J. Anderson	447
M. Williams	334
M. Verschoor—NUSAS Councillor (Unopposed).	

Percentage Poll 73%. Spoilt Papers 7.



These five Rhodes girls appeared as models in a fashion show held down-town last Saturday in aid of NUSAS relief. They are, left to right at back, Pam Ressen, June Bahlmann and Patricia Anderson. In front are Glynnis McKensie (left) and Catherine Thornley. See Page 4.

Examination system needs revision

The examination system should be revised. This was the conclusion of a Rhodexo survey last week.

Seventy-two percent of the students questioned wanted a system similar to those of the universities of Stellenbosch and the Witwatersrand. At these universities tests are written in all subjects and students with a certain minimum test mark are not required to write final examinations. Another 11% favoured the system at Oxford university, where no examinations are written until the end of the degree course. Students then pass their two years on test marks.

It was thought with the present system students did not work hard throughout the year and then "spotted" at the end—which meant that they did not have a good knowledge of the subject. Regular tests and essays which counted toward passing or failing would counteract this tendency. A student said: "The test system will give a more faithful reflection of ability and powers of application." Students said exams affected people with nervous dispositions who might have known their work well.

There were general complaints

about the timetable, especially from Science, Social Science, and Divinity students. All the Commerce and 50% of the Arts students were satisfied. ("Did a B. Comm. student set the timetable up?")

LITTLE TIME

These complaints were mainly about there being too little time between papers and also about the examinations being too early. A Divinity student said he had 7 subjects in 6 days. "I'm lucky I have Sunday free" he said. B.Sc. students seemed to start very late and therefore their subjects were very close together.

CUBITT COMMENT

A leading Law student, Mr. Conrad Cubitt, said: "There is a tendency to make examinations earlier and earlier. The first thing we suspect is that this is done for the convenience of lecturers and examiners, and this is quite wrong. The first concern should be for the academic welfare of the students, against which nothing counts."

"The Senate, in this matter, has a serious obligation seriously

undertaken both to the students and their parents. Let them look to this obligation."

Last year Mr. Cubitt had to appear before the Vice-Chancellor for similar allegations. This was while he was Editor of RHODEO.

A large number of students said there should be no time limit to papers as this did not allow for a true test of knowledge. Other suggestions were that no examinations be held on Saturdays, that the June examinations be cut out again as they were just a waste of time and served no useful purpose, and that D.P.'s be required for the June exams as well.

● Will the Senate heed any of these complaints and suggestions or at least investigate the matter? We can but wait and see.

ELECTIONS POLARISE

Results of S.R.C. elections at other universities have so far revealed a definite polarisation of opinion. Candidates backing the two major unions of students, NUSAS and A.S.B. have been successful at the English and Afrikaans universities respectively.

Results of the Stellenbosch S.R.C. elections were announced on August 27. Six of the twelve candidates elected were Theological students and the results have been interpreted as a triumph for Christian National principles. A seventh member of the new council was Miss Elsa Vorster, daughter of the Minister of Justice, who polled second highest votes. She was the only woman elected.

Third was Mr. Boy Geldenhuys, Vice-President of the A.S.B. national executive. Contrary to some expectations, C.S.A. candidates did not do well, and the only successful one, Mr. Dave Richter came 12th.

The election results at U.C.T. were also announced last week. Twenty-nine candidates stood for the 15 positions on the S.R.C. The overall result showed strong support for NUSAS.

Mr. Gert van Zyl, the only one of the four C.S.A. candidates to be elected, gained 6th position.

TEACHERS BACK TO SCHOOL

Professor J. Gerber of the U.E.D. department is organizing a refresher course for teachers, from September 20 to 24. The course is designed for teachers of English as a second language in Cape schools.

The course will be opened by the Superintendent General of Education, Dr. G. J. Smit. Other guest speakers will include Professors Z. W. Zanzan (Wits), R. Lands (Natal) and Zightor (C.T.). The programme is being run in conjunction with the Rhodes English department.

About 100 teachers will attend this conference. These teachers have a tremendous responsibility as often they are the only representatives of the English language in the rural districts. A number of these courses have been held over the years and it is hoped that it will become a traditional part of Rhodes' contribution to the community.

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Rhodeo Editorial

Representation a major issue

The S.R.C. Elections have passed, leaving the student body confused with the welter of issues which our new leaders wish to see settled. The majority of the candidates could fasten on to the difficulties in the internal Rhodes situation, but put forward few constructive suggestions as to how they could be remedied.

The most striking proposal to be put forward was that of direct student representation on the Senate. This method of ascertaining student opinion has already been successfully tried by several overseas universities.

Student voice on major body

If the S.R.C. can achieve the goal of having a student voice on the major body of the university, then it will be the most radical breakthrough ever to have been made in the field of Senate-S.R.C. relations.

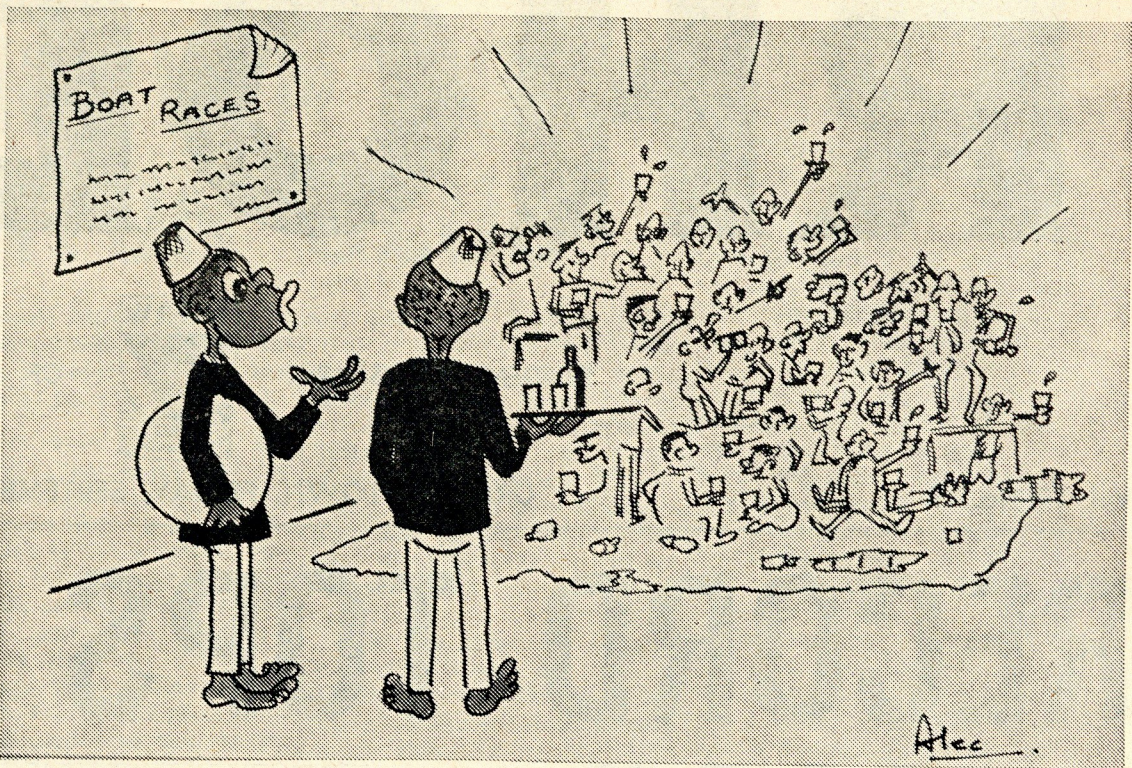
Two years ago, the Senate-S.R.C. Liaison Committee was seized upon as the panacea for the problems of Rhodes. During its revival, and possibly as a result of its existence, relations between student leaders and the Senate have improved considerably. Permission has been granted to have liquor at balls; censorship has been lifted from RHODEO; student opinion with regard to June exams has been recognised.

Liaison Committee not enough

But the Senate-S.R.C. Liaison Committee has not been enough to prevent Rhodes from remaining the least free of the English-speaking universities domestically. Recently, the ban imposed upon Intervarsities during Rag gave cause for anxiety to all those concerned with student activities. That such a ban should have been rushed through the Senate, without any attempt to ascertain student views, or any proper consideration of the alternative, is alarming. We are convinced that the Senate will reconsider its ban.

Surely the authorities will realise, however, that it would have been better to hear both sides of the story in the first instance; rather than go through the tedious and cumbersome process of having the resolution passed, the S.R.C. condemning it, discussing it with the Senate-S.R.C. Liaison Committee, who then refer it back to the Senate. It should be made clear that the Liaison Committee is at present serving a useful function. If it did not exist, then student leaders would have no recourse against the decisions of the Senate when these were contrary to student interests.

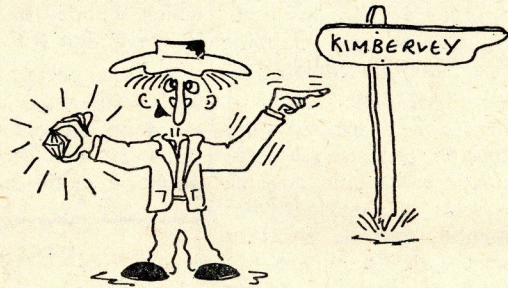
But it would save a good deal of valuable time on both sides if the student case could be put directly at the meetings where decisions are taken which affect the university careers of the members of Rhodes University.



"I'm not knowing what it is—but I'm thinking that maybe it is Rain-Making ceremony—European style."

THIS TWISTED COLUMN UNDER NEW BRILLIANCE

Cecil John



THE ATMOSPHERE in this office seems to have changed somewhat. I have been racking my brains for the past two and half minutes to try and figure out why. The burning question is "Why is this acephalous bunch of female staff so darn happy all of a sardine?" Here they are lounging around chattering and laughing inanely looking mighty pleased with themselves. WHY . . . WHY . . . WHY? Huh?"

The reason must be—the former author of this twisted column has been finally thrown out on his furry ear. He tells you he has resigned . . . don't you believe it . . . these women caught him swiping the honey the other day and stung him into obscurity. That's partly gospel and I don't lie.

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In the days of Henry II the monarch had but to cry out of his drunken and vomitfling stoopid "Who will rid me of this meddlesome priest?" and four trusty knights, girding up their loins and taking a coupla swigs of Liebies, would hie them off to the nearest Cathedral and bump off the patient with little ado about noffink. Another priest kicks the becket. (See I AM educated . . . I HAVE read John Lemmon and associated works, also Modern Grates, whatever furnaces they shiver in).

Now I put it to the students, oh!, and the women, of this eddificational instithreotion "My people, who will rid us of this Toks who crawl out of the Livingstonian abcess annually to try and keep up with the times and join the big boys to see who can get molars the fastest by pouring the mixtures of the hops into their frames with, perforce, much alacrity, so they too can walk around unhealthily with bloated bellies and declare "I too am human, you can trust and confide your

religious doubts to me." Yea . . . who indeed? Old Henery—two had the answer mark my wordsdom. Uhuru, Uhuru!!

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Whenever anything goes wrong in Drostdy I am told a general cry pervades that politically bankrupt Hall: "Its blerry NUSAS again." There was no hot water in Struben the other day, but it wasn't the nationalism coal-shortage that was to blame. OH NO. What was that cry again . . . "Blerry NUSAS."

When the local vampires get thirsty these days because they can't find anything to drink their peroration poured into the murky gloom of Hecate's Cavern (Jameson) is . . . guess what "Its blerry NUSAS, having a Blood Week," drool, drool, slurp . . . gentle trundle to nearest neck.

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Talking of necks reminds me this is Spring. The Spring is sproinged etc etc ad nauseam. And being spring the great unwashed thinks it is now time to indulge in various forms of flirtation. I won't go into the nature of the flirtations, what does concern me is the vast, seething, panting, groaning hordes of girls and boys saying (they don't do much saying that's for sure) good-night on

the steps of sundry women's abodes.

Don't get me wrong, I am **FOR** sex but the point is what a guy does to his doll is between the guy, the doll and the proverbial lamppost and not between them and all the rest of the great unwashed. I suppose these remarks will spark such gripes as " . . . there's nowhere else to go," "What else is there to do in Grahams-town?" and "Its bloody NUSAS," and so on and so fifth. Fellow Rhodie-ous, start forking out for the proposed Students Union and remember your duty to your friends and family, and maybe the difficulty will be solved . . . one day?

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My power of concentration must be fantastic. For the past three hours some stripe has been leaning over my shoulder burbling something about "What about mocking the S.R.C. elections?" Ha-Ha, this charly must have been undertaking much imbibication over the week-end to be so amazingly original. All during the campaign week the candidates mocked themselves all by themselves without assistance from anyone else. I dont think somehow they are going to be clamouring for my comments.

SMALLS

APPLICATIONS are invited from members of the student-body for the following posts:—
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Rhodeo fan writes . . .

Sir—I assume that the readers of this "newspaper" are proud of their "loyal, dedicated idiots" as you describe them. I suppose they are loyal and dedicated to wine, women and song.

Why is it that we received only six pages of this rag last week? I advance two theories: 1) That the staff were in no fit state to produce a reasonable issue after the party on Friday night, or 2) That they ate and drank the money supposed to provide the normal size copy, or perhaps both these theories together.

Where did the money come from to pay for this party? Do we pay good money to the purpose of providing drinking money for the inebriates of Rhodeo staff? Next thing you will be starting a branch of A.A. (and I don't mean the Automobile Association either). I appeal to the incoming S.R.C. to see that this sort of thing comes to a stop.

Iago was moaning last week that nobody cared what he/she (I imagine it must be some stupid man) said or did. I think we must have the Senate introduce censoring again if this insult to our intelligence goes on. Pseudo-intellectuals go home. We know what we think of a flick, and don't want anyone telling us what to think. The only thing I understand of this week's Iago is the last sentence, and even I could have said that if asked to. I certainly hope you don't pay your columnists. None of them is worth a cent.

It certainly will be a relief to see the end of Cecil John. I must confess I read him first to see what rubbish he has to say this week, and have a good laugh at his witticisms, but of course one doesn't like to mention this in front of people.

The people in your photo look none of them like the serious group of people you should have on a student newspaper. More like a bunch of grinning apes, except for the serious looking young man third from the left on the front row. He looks a nice young man and I would like to meet him. That is actually why I am writing this letter, so sorry I have taken so long to get to the point. Please could you leave his name in the Rhodeo shelf in old Kaif, and I will pick it up there.

Yours in expectation.

—INKETTE.

Politically one-sided

Sir—Like many other students on this campus, I am getting sick and tired of the one-sided political views, which are expressed in almost every issue of the Rhodeo. In the September 9 issue, these views screaming for "Academic Freedom," attack and condemn the latest action taken by the Rhodesian Government concerning grants and loans.

It is so very easy for one to criticize from a distance, but let me quote the views held by a third-year student, at present attending the University College of Rhodesia, in Salisbury. In a letter to the Bulawayo Chronicle he says:—

"Such gatherings (at the Students' Union) seem to be regarded by a certain number of Africans and Europeans as a

glorious opportunity to generate ill-feeling within the student body. Reason often disappears, emotionalism runs riot and the Government is bitterly attacked for everything it is doing. Constructive criticism is very rare, and never is the Government complimented on all the good work it is doing for African education, health, agriculture and housing."

The Africans and Europeans, who thus condemn the Government and all of its activities, openly support African Nationalism and violent methods of intimidation. Somehow these students have forgotten that it is only through the generosity of the Rhodesian Government and its progressive policy that they (the students) have been afforded the opportunity and privilege of attending the University in Salisbury. We Rhodesian students, who have accepted Government assistance, should be grateful, because the Government could quite easily have spent the money elsewhere.

I contend that if these students, or any other students—at South African Universities—with similar anti-government views, were truly intellectual, they would be more discreet in expressing their opinions. They would not be guilty of making public scenes which are detrimental to the reputation of wonderful Universities.

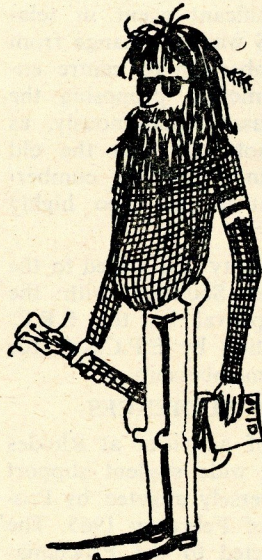
Thank you sir for the opportunity to express my views in the Rhodeo.—CHRIS E. D. WAUGH. (A RHODESIAN).

Publicity

Sir—Not long ago Chief Rabbi F. G. Casper delivered an address entitled "An Analysis of Faith." Following as it did hard on the heels of the Mission conducted by Ds. Attie van Wyk, I feel that this brilliant lecture should have been far more widely publicised than it was. Chief Rabbi Casper is a thinker and speaker of the most profound type. As a non-Jewish student I was deeply impressed by the depth of this insight. No-one can live without faith, and this talk was of the calibre which would have proved of the greatest benefit and interest to every student in his or her daily life.

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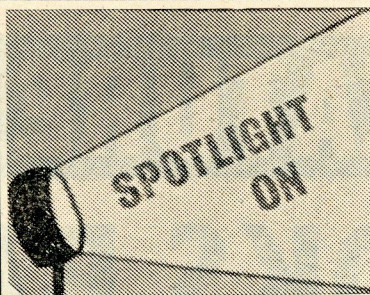
IAGO



One of the most interesting things about Europe at the moment is that John Osborne's **Inadmissible Evidence** is running in London.

The play opens with a court scene showing Bill Maitland, the central figure, attempting to defend himself against a charge of unethical behaviour. That self-defence in court is dangerous is proved by his not being able to get his evidence admitted to court.

The scene then shifts to his



ACCUSED of being too liberal by some and of being too conservative by others, Maeder Osler is liked by all who know him.

As President of N.U.S.A.S. he has tried to steer a middle course—always a difficult task. He had to take over from controversial Jonty Driver whose Botha's Hill speech caused two centres to threaten disaffiliation.

Who is this man Osler?

He was interviewed by RHODEO on Sunday when he passed through Grahamstown on his way to Natal.

He has had a distinguished career in student politics. He served three terms of office on S.R.C. of the University of Natal (Pietermaritzburg), two as S.R.C. President. He served on NUSAS Executive as Regional Secretary of Natal, as Director of Welfare and as Vice-President before being elected to the Presidency.

RUGBY

He has also been successful in many other fields. He played rugby for Natal under-20 XV, Natal "Duikers" XV, Natal province XV, and for Central South African 'Varsities in their match against the Wallabies. He holds the Rag Relay (long distance) record at U.N.P.

In answer to the question "What should NUSAS aim at?" Mr. Osler said: "Although we have since 1924 achieved considerable progress in drawing together S.A. students into one organisation based on studenthood, NUSAS should continually emphasise that it has a home for every student."

COMMUNICATION

"It should devote itself constantly towards presenting all

Maeder Osler

BY GEOFF VERSCHOOR

S.A. students with this singular opportunity for communication, understanding and mutual work. This object should be the ideal of every student and the cause of NUSAS as a whole. With the opposition of those outside forces who have vested interest in lack of dialogue and in isolation, and with the present racial and tribal balkanisation in education alone, this fundamental aim of NUSAS is going to be more and more difficult.

"We know that a national union of students does work in practice and we know from practical experience that this is one effective way in which true harmony and understanding is fostered."

ALLEVIATION

"NUSAS should concentrate more on alleviating the welfare and study conditions of students, where such alleviation is most needed. There is a staggering amount left unattended to and there is a staggering mass of privileged students who loaf about doing nothing for their fellow students."

Concerning the weaknesses of NUSAS, Mr. Osler said it was difficult to decide whether these weaknesses were the Union's own or were the inevitable result of the milieu in which it exists. "I am hesitant to point out weaknesses after being so unobjectively involved. I would say our main weakness is we do not take enough trouble and spend enough money in producing, for everyone to see,

research—mainly into educational matters. In other words we must take pains to produce in the open what is really happening in student society and also wider society.

NO WITHDRAWAL

"On the basis of this we must not be so inclined to withdraw from the attitudes which many students fear may be ill-received by those behind the present myths in South Africa."

"Thirdly we should involve more students practically in alleviating deplorable social conditions existing for those less privileged in our society. Students should go into the ghettos of South African life, see how things really are, attempt to help and attempt to waken more influential sections in the facts."

INTROSPECTION

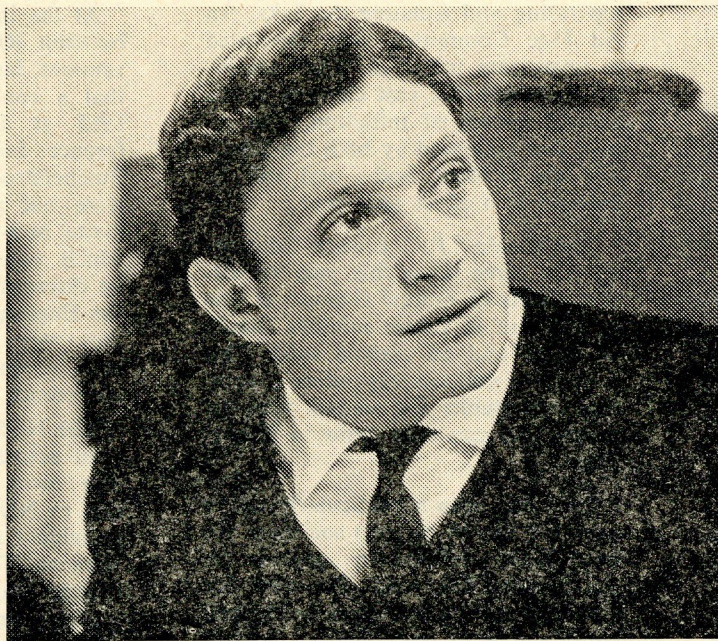
"Fourthly, we must avoid a recent tendency to become too introspective. There is no time or space for petty struggles."

Mr. Osler said his own policy as President of NUSAS had been to implement the policies of the Union as decided by its student assembly. "The President can have no policies of his own for the Union."

OBLIGATIONS

He was asked if he thought he had succeeded in his work. He said there had been a great deal left undone and large potential untapped. "The President never feels he has lived up to his obligations and in a sense one never can in a students' organisation."

Mr. Osler, who recently resigned his post as President, leaves for England later this year to study at Oxford. The Vice-President of NUSAS, Mr. Peter Mansfield, will act as President for the remainder of this year.



—'Photo—Sanspa.

S. M. OSLER

office (he is a lawyer) where the evidence was amassed. Maitland is a sensitive man who has always tried to create his own ethic because the generally accepted ethic is unsatisfactory. In one sense, therefore, his behaviour has always been unethical.

But the drama of one man's clash with society does not begin before it is evident that his attempt to create a new ethic is unsuccessful—unsuccessful in the sense that he is unable to cope, emotionally and reasonably, with the effects of his ethic on himself and the people with whom he comes into contact.

By his very nature Maitland is a character for whom one's sympathy varies almost minute by minute from agonised compassion when he himself is suffering greatly to hateful disgust when he is causing the suffering of

others. Nicol Williamson's brilliant acting is probably largely responsible for the dramatic success of the character on the stage, but Osborne's creation of the man torn and tearing is something truly great. The dramatic complexity that makes the play something more than simple monodrama is due to the fact that Maitland is torn apart precisely by his tearing of other people.

Osborne's great achievement in this play is his dramatically successful portrayal of the tragic conflict arising from a rejection of society by a man who cannot reject people and who is not strong enough to create a new society within or beside the one he has rejected. It is this essential humanity and perennial topicality that make the play so appealing and so well worth reading.

Bibliography

OWING TO space requirements, a bibliography could not be included with last week's feature on Nationalism. This is now included here.

Johan Huizinga—lectures on "Patriotism and Nationalism in European History."

Carleton Hayes—"Nationalism" in the Encyclopedia of the Social Sciences.

Alfred Cobban—"National Self-Determination."

Elie Kedourie—"Nationalism, 1960."

Nehru—"Autobiography" with an American edition, "Towards Freedom."

Lord Acton—"On Nationality" in his "History of Freedom."

Ernest Renan—"Qu'est-ce qu'une Nation?" in "Discours et Conférences."

Mr. Davenport said the feature was primarily of academic interest, and indicated that he hoped the bibliography would encourage students interested in the topic to do further reading on their own.

Before the Exams:

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PAGE FOUR FEATURE OF THE WEEK

LEADER LOOKS BACK AT 1965



By the Outgoing S.R.C. Chairman,
Eddie Webster

IT IS MY privilege and pleasure to present the report on the activities of Rhodes University S.R.C. for the period September 1964 to September 1965.

My report will be divided into two sections:

DOMESTIC

The Senate have granted the students a number of long-awaited concessions.

In June last year the Senate made the consumption of malts and wines official for a trial period of six months. In February this year, we were informed that this concession had been extended for one year. To date it has been most successful.

The Senate agreed in March to lift censorship of the Rhodexo for a trial period of six months. The trial period ended this month and the Senate have agreed to extend this trial period for a further nine months.

This term the inter-hall dining was introduced for a trial period of three meals. The experiment has been reviewed by both the Senior Students and the S.R.C., who have recommended that inter-hall dining take place every Friday on a voluntary basis. It is hoped that the success of inter-hall dining will pave the way for further concessions with regard to contact between the residences at Rhodes.

STUDENTS' UNION

The S.R.C. appointed a committee to recommend to Senate the layout of a new Union. To date the Senate have made positive steps towards its creation by drawing an ambitious and attractive draft plan, as well as creating a special fund earmarked for the Union. The building will cost an estimated R100,000 and it will be necessary for the University to raise R25,000. Here the students may be able to help in the coming year by launching a fund-raising drive amongst students and their parents.

The S.R.C. has consistently opposed the Rhodes system of separate residences for first year men students. In November 1964 the Senate said they were not prepared to change the system, but would consider it in three years time. The S.R.C. decided

to raise the whole question at a Senate-S.R.C. Liaison meeting. We argued that initiation was the result of separate residences, and it was unfair to ask us to change an attitude which they had forced upon us by separating and isolating the Inks. An Ad Hoc Committee was appointed to investigate initiation. The committee recommended vast changes in the present system of initiation. The report was approved by both the S.R.C. and the Student Body, and will be brought into effect next year.

The Senate-S.R.C. Liaison Committee met three times this year to discuss points of mutual interest. It was agreed that in future minutes should be taken and an agenda used. This committee undoubtedly offers a valuable opportunity for contact with the Senate and can only grow in importance.

1965 has been a particularly active year for the 38 campus societies. We have heard well-known speakers on the campus this year. The new Societies General Committee has helped considerably in co-ordinating Society activity, but the clashes that result from an overloaded term programme are still considerable.

Publications, under the co-ordination of R.U.P.U., have improved considerably this year. The standard of the Rhodexo has risen with the introduction of such columnists as Cecil John, as well as a feature page. The circulation has also risen to over 1000. Perhaps the most significant feature in publications is the arrival of Forum, a joint staff-student magazine offering an outlet for intellectual and creative writing. The outgoing Publications Councillor has recommended that a staff member be co-opted on to the Editorial Board of Forum, to give the staff representation in determining the policy of the magazine.

Arts and Science Week proved a great success, and both the university and the public were offered an opportunity of partaking in a wide range of intellectual and cultural activity.

The control of Kaif has been completely reorganised thanks to the

staff-student Committee, the Kaif Board of Management. The 1964 accounts revealed a severe nett loss in Kaif. This was largely due to the fact that while Kaif traded for only eight months of the year, it had to bear expenses for twelve months. This handicap was overcome by the approval of the University Council of a subsidy of R1000 per annum. The situation has been further improved by the adequate control of sales through the introduction of a quarterly system of stock-taking as well as a cash register, valued at R550, granted by the University Council. Both the University Council and the Board deserve our thanks.

The Rhodes S.R.C. acted as hosts to the annual national day of affirmation of academic freedom this year. The ceremony was held on May 10 in the Great Hall, and representatives from all English speaking universities attended. The meeting was chaired by the Rhodes S.R.C. Chairman, while Prof. Hewson introduced the guest speaker, Mr. Hamilton-Russell.

A record rag was held this year with a nett profit of date of R10,175. This is an increase of R2,195 over the 1964 nett total. Training College participated in all events with a total contribution of R435. Inter-varsities have however, subsequently been banned for future years. The S.R.C. have made representations on behalf of the students to have this lifted and the matter is to be considered at the next Senate meeting.

EXTERNAL

At the inter-S.R.C. conference held between Rhodes and Afrikaans Universities last August it was decided that a conference would be held in 1965 at Potchefstroom. This conference failed to materialise when Potchefstroom informed me that they were not prepared, on principle, to invite non-whites to a conference at which non-whites and whites would be discussing common problems. All the English Universities declared that they were not prepared to attend such a conference. Unfortunately the conference was cancelled.

The NUSAS Local Committee have been active on the campus this year. The most significant event in relation to NUSAS was the change from individual membership to centre enrolment. The motion proposing the change was passed unanimously, as students felt not only that the old system was administratively cumbersome, but that it was also highly anomalous.

A further society was added to the list of Rhodes Societies with the unanimous approval by the S.R.C. of the application by E.P.C.S.A. for official S.R.C. membership.

MIXED AUDIENCES

A number of activities at Rhodes which demand wide student support have been adversely affected by Proclamation 26 of February 1965. The University reacted to the Proclamation by applying for an omnibus permit for all activities involving mixed audiences at Rhodes.

We were informed two days before the event that Africans would not be allowed to attend our traditional campus carnival at Rag and that a permit had been granted to Coloureds and Asiatics to attend on condition that no refreshments would be served.

On Sunday May 2, we received a petition from over 10% of the student body instructing us to call a student body meeting. A motion was passed instructing the S.R.C. to ne-

gotiate with the Government in an attempt to have the ban rescinded. No progress was made and on Monday May 21, a further student body meeting was called. In the meantime, the S.R.C. had, on May 12, applied to the City Council to hold a protest March. A reply was received on May 14 informing the S.R.C. that "the Mayor cannot see his way to calling a special meeting of the City Council to consider your application." By stalling the Council had prevented yet another protest.

A motion was passed at the student body meeting calling on the S.R.C. to organise a protest "to take the form of a sacrifice of two meals, the money accruing to be given to some deserving charity." This form of protest was blocked when the university authorities refused to allow the money arising from a sacrifice to be distributed.

On Thursday evening, May 21, the student body overwhelmingly supported a motion to protest by "fasting from sunrise to sunset on the Library steps" the following morning. Approximately 15% of the student body participated in the full protest and nearly 50% identified themselves in some way with the protest. A petition signed by approximately 50% of the students and 50% of the staff was sent to the minister of B.A.D.

GUINEY

It is with deep regret that I record the death of Father G., Permanent Secretary/Treasurer since 1957, who passed away during the July vacation. In memory of Father G. the S.R.C. are arranging for the purchase of a clock to hang in the Council Chamber. He has been replaced by a Mrs. Haigh.

Attempts were made to establish a greater degree of co-operation between Rhodes and Grahamstown T.C. The only field where success was visible was over Rag.

Despite two letters, we have as yet been unable to establish contact with P.E. University. An attempt at a triangular debate between Fort Hare, P.E. University and Rhodes failed, as P.E. University felt that they could not attend since it was not the country's policy to attend debates with non-whites.

Rhodes have maintained contact with World University Service. A donation of R30.00 was forwarded to the organisation arising from a fund-raising drive on the campus.

CONCLUSION

In conclusion I would like to take this opportunity of thanking all those who have assisted the S.R.C. on sub-committees and S.R.C. Society Committees. Without their co-operation and work, any student activity on the campus would be virtually impossible. I have deliberately not mentioned anyone in my report, but I would like to pay tribute to the members of the S.R.C., who have so loyally and conscientiously supported me.

Finally I would like to make this observation. In a country where criticism of the status quo is becoming increasingly difficult, a community such as ours, dedicated to what we call the pursuit of truth, will find itself and others like it more and more the target of relentless criticism by malicious or ill-informed critics. But I know that so long as we have men and women dedicated to the ideals upon which our University was founded, we have nothing to fear.

SPORTRAIT

More blood required

THE VAMPIRES have arrived! That is not strictly correct, but the Eastern Province Blood Transfusion Service is here, and it needs blood as much as any vampire.

In a talk in the G.L.T. last Thursday, the man in charge of recruiting blood donors in the Eastern Cape, Mr. Axton, said two thousand pints of blood are required each month in the Eastern Province, and that the increase in consumption is about 15% per year. Last month a record number of 2,150 pints was used.

DONORS

There are at present 8,500 blood donors in the area, but to be safe for at least eighteen months another 1,500 people will have to be recruited. Another factor influencing the rise in the consumption of blood will be the heart-lung machine which will probably come into operation in Port Elizabeth next year. This will require 15 pints of blood just to prime it.

Next year the Blood Transfusion Service will start manufacturing freeze-dried plasma, which will be stock-piled until there is a year's supply. Plasma may be kept indefinitely, but unprocessed blood is only usable for 21 days.

In a demonstration in the G.L.T. Mr. Denis Newton gave his twenty-fifth pint of blood, which is a lot when one considers that donors are bled not oftener than once every two months.

It is hoped that many students will become donors. Transport is provided to the clinic and the medical test which one has to undergo is free of charge. If you would like a form they may be collected from Professor Smith in Room 337.

HOCKEY WIN

THE RHODES First Hockey eleven beat Old Grey 2-1 in a scrappy game played in Port Elizabeth over the week-end.

Much of the scrappy play was due to the shocking condition of the field. The Rhodes side played the more constructive game and, but for Fensham in the Old Grey goal the score would have been much higher in Rhodes' favour.

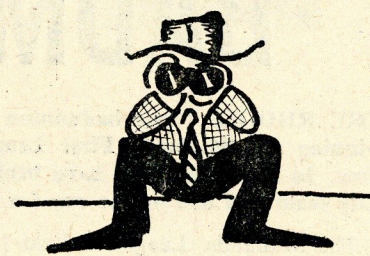
A notable feature of the game was that there was no penalization for "sticks" and one wonders how a compromise will be reached next season.

Boatracers down 150 pints in GRANDSTAND VIEW

FOUNDERS Day is always a significant day in the Rhodes sporting calendar. It is the day on which that most stimulating and satisfying sport — house "boatracing"—takes place.

This year's "boat-race" was more successful than most. Not only were more pints downed in less time (150 in 480 seconds), but also the organization of the plastered and semi-plastered was far superior to normal. Last year the contestants were confronted by an inadequately tutored personage dressed in a monocle and yard-long scarf, whose voice, although normally reaching great heights, never really rose to this boat-racing occasion. This year an efficient band of Drostydites, manned with a microphone, blackboard (with chalk), glass-washing apparatus, and, most surprising of all, a stopwatch, were in charge of proceedings. And, despite the condition of the majority of the participants and spectators, they managed to stay in charge.

Last year's champions, Botha, succumbed in the semi-finals to the capacious gullets of J-Lork and Co. from College House. In the final, College met the Inks,



whom they defeated with time to spare. College deserved their victory, as they were obviously the most practised team there.

After the team event, the individual competition started. Numerous drink-offs were necessary before a winner emerged. (It wasn't the J-Lork—he didn't enter). The victorious downer, following a long line of previous Cory champs, was Norman Wegerhoff, who flattened his beer in two ticks.

All in all this was the most exciting sporting occasion of the year—certainly there was spectator support in abundance. What is more, the spectators made themselves heard.

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The spectators had little to shout about in Saturday's rugby game on the Great Field. For the first 35 minutes, Rhodes made one boob after another, as they handed the uninspired G.M. team 14 points on a plate. Rhodes played better in the se-

cond half, but I am unable to enlighten you on that: I was one of the many who left before half-time.

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I can think of nothing worse than running flatout on a hard road, seemingly all uphill, for 1½ miles. Nevertheless, every year "Loyal and dedicated idiots" (to borrow an expression I read somewhere last week) run their guts out for their houses. I am referring to the Round the Block road relay, won this year by Pringle, as was expected.

However, the best performance was returned not by a Pringle man, but by the ubiquitous Paul Bradford of College. Had Paul not eased up over the last thirty yards, he could have eclipsed the record time for the course. As it was, he was only 1 second outside the record, and his time of 5 mins. 47 secs. was equalled only by the well-known E.P. road runner, Cliff Hopkins.

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Cricket is coming to the fore on the campus. Everywhere games are being played on house lawns. Each day more and more cricketers troop down to the nets to loosen their rusty bowling arms and feel once more the thud of leather against willow. If one watches or participates in these cricket sessions, one is immediately confronted by the thought: can Rhodians field? (I am not referring here to ex-Rhodians).

PERSPECTIVE

The Afrikaans Student Press

FREE LOVE is approved of by 24% of the students at the Afrikaans Universities, and by 56% of their English counterparts.

On the other hand at the Afrikaans institutions 63% disapprove of free love before marriage while at the English centres only 37% disapprove of it.

These are the findings of a recent survey by "Die Ster" which was reprinted by "Die Perdeby," student newspaper of Pretoria University.

The general opinion amongst students is that the same moral chastity as that of some years ago does not exist any more. One student expressed the general sentiment with the following quote:

"With the necessary requirements nearly being perfected and

so much simpler the consequences of free intercourse are no longer feared by girls."

To bear this out even further there is the exposure of a certain club, the Seven Doves at Stellenbosch University where seven girls competed against each other to see who could have the most sexual intercourse.

The reasons given for this moral decay are varied. One student was of the opinion that whereas our parents could rid themselves of sadistic streaks during the last World War by deliberately killing people, we cannot rid ourselves of sadistic streaks except with barbaric music and sex.

Another feature of the survey concerned smoking and drinking. Potchefstroom showed itself to be the most conservative with 30% disapproving of moderate smoking and drinking.

Two new portfolios created on Tuckies S.R.C.

THE S.R.C. of the University of Pretoria have increased their number from 18 to 20 councillors. It is interesting to note just what the two newly created portfolios are. The one is "Studentevaria" and the other is Co-ordination with Other Universities and Visitors.

These two portfolios have become necessary according to Mr. Rouse Marnitz, the S.R.C. chairman of U.P. The "Studentevaria" Councillor will supply publicity of the university's activities over the radio program "Studentevaria," which is broadcast on the Afrikaans station of Radio South Africa. The Co-ordination Councillor's task will be to receive guests, show them the campus etc.

It is a humiliating fact for the English students that there does not even exist a programme of a similar nature to "Studentevaria" in English.

FASHION FOR NUSAS RELIEF

A fashion show by the newly-opened Boutique was held at St. George's Hall last Saturday. The authorities refused to allow the event to take place in the Great Hall as they felt it would be "advertising on the campus." The show was held in aid of the NUSAS Relief fund and organised by Miss Jill Freeman, Director of Relief on the NUSAS Local Committee.

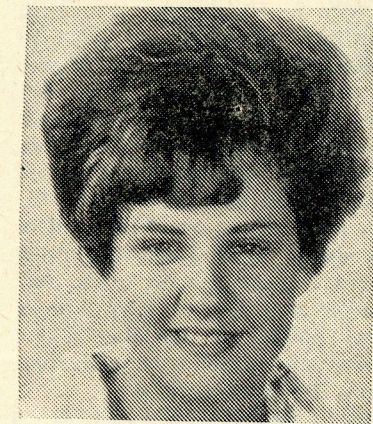
The hall was decorated with carpets, flowers and furniture donated by various shops. The models were June Bahlman, 1965 Rag Queen, Glynis Mackenzie, 1964 Rag Queen, Pat Anderson, Kass Thornley, and Pam Resman.

The popular colour for this summer appears to be pink. A most attractive item among the casual wear was a pink slacks suit worn with a turquoise straw bag and hat, modelled by Pam. Kass typified the "mod" look in a grey denim dress with red and white trimming and white lacey stockings.

With her casual elegance Pat looked especially good in a pink cocktail frock with ruched sleeves. The two Rag Queens carried off the evening wear to perfection. Glynis wore a long multi-coloured skirt with a pink top, while June's long black satin dress with a daring décolletage neckline, was acclaimed by many as being the highlight of the show.

After the show, Miss Freeman said "I would like to thank all those who were so co-operative, especially Mrs. Van Tonder of the Boutique, Mrs. Tarr for compering and Mrs. Isted, who played the piano.

"The object of the Relief Department is to raise money, and in doing so we try to cater for the interests of as many people as possible."



Judy Tedder

RHODES' MOST successful badminton player, Judy Tedder, is Sportrait for this week. She has only lost one singles game this season; to Proteas' No. 1 player, in the semi-finals at this year's Interschools held in Pretoria.

On coming to Rhodes in 1963 she was introduced to her first game of badminton by Brian Gilbertson, and has since then taken to the game seriously. In this year she attained first team standard and represented Rhodes at the Interschools held at Cape Town.

The following year she was chosen as a reserve for the Proteas' team which played against Boland. At the Pretoria Interschools this year she gained her Proteas' colours in playing a match against Northern Transvaal.

Whilst at Girls High School, Salisbury, Judy's main interests were tennis and hockey. On the tennis courts she achieved some success in the Mashonaland and Rhodesian Junior Tennis tournaments by reaching the quarter and semi-finals in each respectively.

At Rhodes she has been the mainstay of the second team, playing left back. However, she has represented Rhodes at the Interschools Hockey tournament at Pretoria in 1964 where she gained recommendation for Proteas.

Tennis has had to take a back seat to badminton and hockey. Judy entered Inky Tennis in her first year but only social tennis in her second and third years. During the vacations she plays league tennis on the Mashonaland courts.

After finishing her B.A. Degree in History and Geography she intends doing her U.E.D. and hopes to become S.A. Universities Champion badminton player.



All eyes are on the glasses held by Justin Bosman of Graham House (left) and John Turner of Struben (right). Graham won this first round battle for alcoholic superiority, reasserting their authority over their traditional rivals, whom they defeated 5-3 at rugby last week.

—Photograph—Hepburn and Jeanes

Drostdy Cup

GRAHAM HOUSE won the Drostdy Cup for the first time since its inception nine years ago when they beat Struben 5-3 last Friday night.

Struben kicked off, and immediately went into the attack. The Struben backs were off-form and numerous handling errors allowed Graham to hold a distinct territorial advantage in the first half. Just before half-time Posselt, the Graham centre, scored a good try near the posts. Landman converted to make the half-time score 5-0.

The second half saw much exciting play, and on several occasions both sides were unlucky not to score. During this half, Struben held a slight territorial advantage. In the dying minutes of the game, Seton-Rogers kicked a high up-and-under and Turner, the Struben centre, followed up to score far out. Yiannakis missed the conversion (5-3).

At this stage poor light made handling of the ball difficult, and although Struben were pressing strongly, the Graham defence held firm.

HISTORIC WIN FOR BADMINTON CLUB

THE RHODES Firsts badminton team made history this year by winning the Midlands First League Championships for the first time. In so doing they have broken the monopoly that the First City team had had on the cup for the past 24 years.

The Midlands League is divided into two zones—a North Zone comprising teams from Fort Beaufort, Adelaide, Cookhouse, etc., while the South Zone has several teams from Grahamstown (Rhodes, G.A.B.O., First City, Trinity), and includes teams from Alexandria, Alicedale and Sandflats.

RHODES TEAM

Rhodes was represented this year by Judy Tedder, Denny Martin, Pam White, Alma Klumper, Meg Dugmore, Diana Stock, Peter Harvey (Capt.), Allen Appel, Rod van Zuylen, Tim Radloff, Ollie Claasen and Pete Pearson.

The South Zone competition

was very even this year, and throughout the season the top teams were never separated by more than a few og points. The last match of the Southern Zone section, between Rhodes and G.A.B.O., proved to be the most exciting and most important match of the year. Rhodes at this stage were trailing Trinity and G.A.B.O. by one point in the log, and needed an outright win to clinch the league.

A draw would have seen G.A.B.O. emerge on top. The match started off at a very brisk pace, the eight mixed doubles games dividing up evenly between the two teams.

The singles were then played,

and proved to be the turning point of the match. Judy Tedder won her match against strong opposition, and Peter Harvey provided an upset by defeating Richard Bradfield, a former Midlands champion and Melville Cup player. This gave Rhodes a slight lead, but was soon whittled away when G.A.B.O. proved the stronger team in the ladies' doubles.

With one game left to play the score stood at 9-8 in Rhodes' favour. Everything depended on this last men's doubles match. Peter Harvey and Allen Appel started off shakily against experienced opponents, but settled down gradually and produced good badminton to take the game and clinch the Southern League.

OPPOSITION

The championship match against the winners of the North Zone, Fort Beaufort, was played off in the newly finished Sports Hall before an enthusiastic crowd of spectators. Although fierce opposition was met from the experienced and capable Fort Beaufort players, Rhodes proved to be the stronger team and ran out fairly comfortable winners (12-6).

Under 20 go down

RHODES UNDER-20 A were beaten 9-12 by Crusaders in an exciting game played in Port Elizabeth over the weekend. Crusaders kicked off and took an early lead when full-back Kirby was caught in possession. From the resulting loose scrum the Saders lock dived over for an unconverted try. Rhodes then produced some good rugby and were unlucky not to score. Just before half-time a lucky bounce was picked up by the Saders flank, who scored an unconverted try. Half-time score 0-6.

SECOND HALF

In the second half Rhodes pressed strongly and when Yeo worked a blind-side move Crossean went over for a good try. Yeo missed the conversion. Saders scored again when their fly-half kicked a good drop goal from just outside the Rhodes twenty-five, (3-9). Shortly after Yeo kicked a good penalty to make the score 6-9. Saders scored next when the referee awarded them an extremely doubtful try. (6-12).

Rhodes then produced the best rugby of the match, and Ilsley ended off a lovely movement by scoring in the corner. Yeo's kick rebounded off the upright. (9-12). Rhodes continued to press but the Sader defence held out. The Rhodes three-quarters always looked dangerous with many good movements breaking down through handling lapses.

SOCCER TEAM IN LUCKY WIN

Rhodes First Soccer Eleven, fielding a near full strength N.F.L. side, were very lucky to beat a plucky young Saints team at Fiddlers Green on Saturday.

The final score (2-1 to Rhodes) might so easily have been 3-2 to Saints, but for some fine goalkeeping by Thorpe, sound defensive work from Lee Sui, and amazing misses by the opposition.

The first half was quiet, producing no goals and no incidents of note. Each side was looking for the weak links.

The second half was a battle royal with no quarter asked or given. Although Rhodes were always in control midfield, Saints often played over the top with the long ball. Only the crossbar, lucky bounces and rebounds, Thorpe's anticipation and Lee Sui's head kept the opposition out.

In the 60th minute, against the run of play, a corner was forced by Rhodes. Knapton took the kick, and McGibbon nodded the ball into the net (1-0 to Rhodes).

Three minutes later McGibbon repeated the dose with another header, this time from a corner by Graham on the left (2-0 to Rhodes).

In the 70th minute Rischbeter replied for Saints (2-1), and despite the slippery conditions both sides were playing attractive football. Rhodes pulled the stops out and a seven man move ended with McGibbon's powerful right foot thudding the ball against the upright with the Saints goalkeeper hopelessly beaten.

In the closing minutes Saints nearly equalised during several attacks on the goal.

Rhodes play Port Elizabeth Municipals in the Grand Final of the Dewar Shield at Fiddlers Green on either Saturday, September 25 or October 2. Everyone is urged to go along and give the team their vocal support.

FIRST XV UNDER THE WEATHER

IN THEIR last match of the season, a wet field and a slippery ball made conditions difficult in the cup rugby match between Rhodes and G.M. last Saturday afternoon. At half-time G.M. were leading by 14 points to nil.

Although Rhodes had their moments, G.M. were generally the more lively team and deserved their lead. Although in the second half both teams played with more cohesion, G.M. went steadily ahead until the score stood at 22-3 in their favour. Rhodes points came from a penalty converted by "Fairy" Newman.

In the last fifteen minutes, however, Rhodes suddenly burst to life and shocked G.M. with two quick tries. Fine handling in the back line saw Basil Blumrick and Bill Myburg cross the line. "Fairy" made no mistake in converting the tries which made the final score 22-13.



—Photograph: Hepburn and Jeanes

Over a half-century ago some bright spark invented the motor car. Since then this vehicle has become fast, efficient and reliable . . . however some people will never learn and still insist on running on roads expressly designed for the said vehicle. Here a whole crowd leap enthusiastically into action for the start of the Annual Inter-House Round-the-Block Relay. The race was won by Pringle in record time.

Pringle sets new record

IN THE Inter-House Round the Block Relay held on Wednesday, Thomas Pringle House were once again winners by a good margin from Jan Smuts and Oppidan Houses, in a new record time of 36 mins. 58 secs.

At the end of the first leg, due to inexperienced recorders, there were some mistakes in the placing of the runners home. These have now been cleared up. John Cave's time on the second leg was announced as 5 mins. 59 secs., but was verified later as being 5 mins. 42 secs.—4 seconds inside the old record for the course. This cannot be entered in the record book as such and he will stand as joint record holder with Cliff Hopkins and John Dickson at 5 mins. 46 secs. Cave, taking over in 7th position and 29 seconds behind the Thomas Pringle runner, pulled the Oppidan into 1st. place with a 15 sec. lead.

Cliff Hopkins and Paul Bradford were both credited with times of 5 mins. 47 secs. Hopkins, anchoring for Thomas Pringle, had no competition on his run home.

Trevor Anderson clocked the next fastest time at 6 mins. 0 secs. Anthony Salusbury and Willie Marais, who ran neck and neck the whole way, both finished in the good time of 6 mins. 03 secs.

Rhodes athletes beaten

The University of the Orange Free State upset Rhodes in both the men's and women's sections of the Inter-varsity athletics meeting held in Queenstown last Monday. The weather conditions were ideal and some fine performances were recorded.

The Free State women won 62-52, and the men 106-77.

One of the best efforts came from Vera Smit of Rhodes who won the hundred yards (11.6), and the 220 yards (26.0) and the long jump.

In the long jump Miss Smit twice cleared 18ft. and one of her jumps was 18ft. 8in. but she unfortunately flicked the sand with her hand to lose eight inches.

BORDER RECORD

Phyllis Cumming, also Rhodes, clocked 2:28.9 to win the half-mile and set a new Border re-

cord. She also won the javelin event.

Tom van der Merwe had a good throw in the javelin, and Basil Haworth of Rhodes, who was second, also did well to reach 180:7.

Jeff Ilsley surprised by placing second in the 100 and winning the 220 yards.

Ant. Salusbury clocked 50.5 for second place in the 440 and Rory Taylor was timed at 1:58.0 for second place in the half-mile.

O.F.S. just pipped Rhodes in the men's and women's relays.

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