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NUSAS upset over mixed meals ban

by Bryan Rostron

THE 43rd ANNUAL NUSAS Congress opened at Rhodes during the July vacation in the balze of a nation-wide controversy. The student delegates themselves were split over the issue and there was an early bid to suspend the congress.

This followed a dramatic statement issued by the University authorities only three days before the Congress was due to start. The statement said Non-white delegates could not be accommodated in the University residence or eat their meals on the campus.

The Vice-Chancellor, Dr. J. Hyslop had said earlier that all delegates would be able to use the University's facilities. The

order was rescinded by the University Council during the absence of the Vice-Chancellor.

Alternative accommodation was immediately found. The African delegates went to the location and the other non-Whites were put-up in private homes.

Mr. G. Fourie, the Chancellor's liaison officer, said this week; "The University authorities took legal advice and acted on this interpretation."

He commented, "I fully understand how people felt and I want to assure them that the University did not restrict them for any other reason."

HUNGER STRIKE

The 160 delegates went on a one-day hunger strike in protest and during the Congress they had their meals off the campus. Mr. F. Sudano, the University caterer, estimated the cost of meals that R112 and said, "The whole affair the delegates did not eat at was chaotic."

The food that had been prepared for the delegates was given to the Africans in the location.

Mr. Peter Harris, SRC Treasurer, said: "Legal opinion seems to indicate that mixed dining in the residences is not contrary to any Government legislation. As far I am able to gather, mixed dining took place during the 1962 Congress held at Rhodes."

BACK-STEPPING

The Pro-Vice-Chancellor, Mr. J. Rennie declined to comment.

Mr. Mike Williams, External Vice-President of the SRC, stated: "The back-stepping of the University Council was disturbing. Previous agreements were reversed at the last moment without even an apology."

"The Rhodes Council seems to be falling in line with the Councils of Natal and UCT."

"I wonder whether these councils are bending under pressure or whether they have thrust aside their desire to preserve academic freedom and their respect for the dignity of all students."

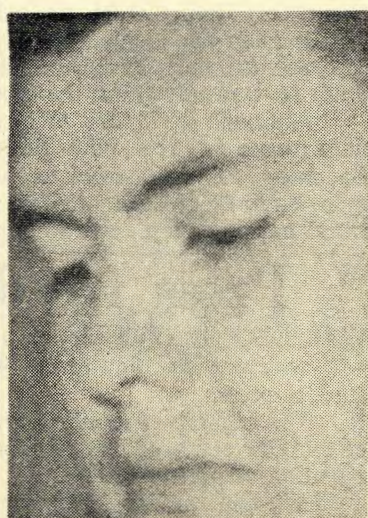
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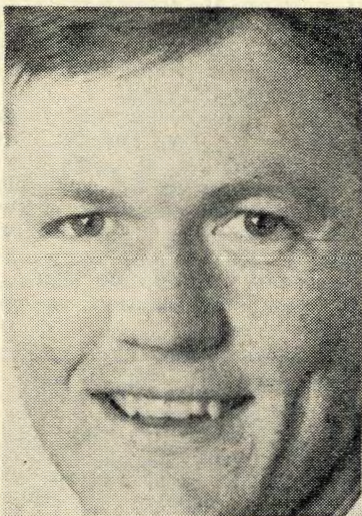
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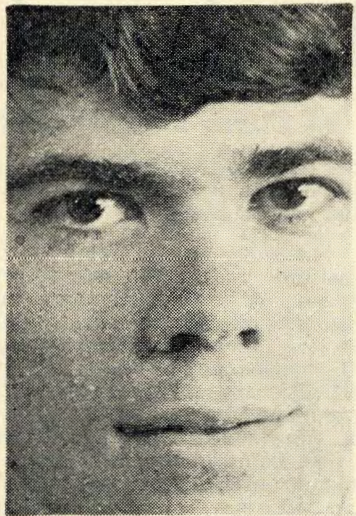
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MATIE GIRLS WANT TO FIGHT

THIRTY girl students from the University of Stellenbosch paraded through the streets of the town last Saturday carrying posters appealing for compulsory military training for South African women.

"Col. Sister Bosman," who acted as official spokeswoman for the "Regiment Huis Ten Bosch," told the Press that the students were inspired by the heroic performances of the Israeli women, who "won the war against the Arabs."

According to "Col. Bosman," her regiment is prepared to fight in the front lines in the case of war.

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Student censorship attacked

CENSORSHIP of the student press by university authorities came under heavy fire at the Third Annual Conference of the South African National Student Press Association (SANSPA) held at Rhodes in the July vacation.

A unanimous motion condemning pressures on the student press named incidents at the Universities of Natal, Cape Town and the Witwatersrand, and also the Johannesburg College of Education.

The motion referred to the fact that censorship of RHODEO is still lifted on only a trial basis.

WINTER SCHOOL

Further motions called for increased efforts for full co-operation between the English and Afrikaans student press.

SANSPA is to organise a week-long Winter School for student journalists in July each year, starting in 1968.

Executive members elected were: President, Mr. Neville Curtis (Wits.); Vice-President, Mr. Alan Tonkyn (Natal); Director of Training, Mr. Geoff Verschoor (Rhodes). Mr. John Sutherland, Editor of the Evening Post, was elected Honorary President of SANSPA.

The SRC and the baby

If you see an agitated SRC member jouncing a baby on the knee don't worry.

The baby is probably Richard Haigh, 7lb. at birth, latest addition to the Haigh family. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Haigh. Mrs. Haigh is the SRC Permanent Secretary.

It is understood that the SRC is contemplating the nomination of a member in charge of nappies.

Women in men's res now

Women can now enter men's common rooms — nearly two years after the motion calling for this was passed by the Student Body.

Comments on the new ruling were many and varied.

One male student said: "Since the franchise has been lifted the world has gone to the dogs."

A female student said: "I don't like the idea, I think men deserve their privacy. They do not have the same outlook on life and do not want a lot of women cluttering up their common rooms."

Mr. Roger Loveday, senior student of Drosty Hall, said this was obviously a step in the right direction, but he doubted whether any women would take advantage of it.

Mr. Ian Kirby expressed the hope that this ruling would lead to further advances in this direction.

RHODEO

The mixed meals ban

THERE IS a big question mark over the reason for the University Council's ban on mixed eating among NUSAS Congress delegates on the Rhodes campus.

True, the Government ruled that non-Whites could not stay in university residences. But there is no law against integrated meals — no legal action was taken when White and non-White students ate together off the campus.

It seems then that the university authorities, who in years gone by have actively shown their distaste for the principles of apartheid, have now been cowed into submission by the Government.

Are they becoming more ready to drop their principles "to make life easier?" Does this tie in with the honorary doctorates issue, where they seemed prepared to dish out honours to all and sundry to get money and influence?

What alarms us is that the Vice-Chancellor, Dr. J. M. Hyslop, said, before leaving for Britain last term, that he was prepared even to allow non-White delegates accommodation in residence. Then, while he was away, the Council reversed this decision and denied the non-Whites even eating facilities.

So far, they have not given a satisfactory explanation. Students can only think the worst.

Although NUSAS's reaction was not faultless, it is truly unfortunate that the authorities took such steps in the first place. By doing so, they struck a blow against one of the student organisation's greatest attributes — its living proof that multi-racial harmony can exist among students in this country.

Press freedom violated

RHODEO gives full support to the SANSPA Congress motion which attacked all forms of censorship of the South African student press.

We refer in particular to the recent suspension of DOME at the University of Natal (Durban), which we feel is a blatant violation of press freedom.

We call on Prof. Horwood, Principal of the university to reconsider his action.

Exams Outdated

BY EDDIE DEUTSCHMANN

I feel that exams are outdated and useless as a means of testing a student's abilities.

Can those of us who have passed our exams, honestly say that we have deserved to pass?

A week of two before exams, in June or October, the library overflows and the varsity electricity bill explodes as students frantically cram their craniums with knowledge. The result is that those who pass will in all events be those who have spotted correctly.

Can this be a true test of ability? To me it is more a test of memory — how much or how little the student remembers.

The emphasis should be placed on understanding, not remembering. We do after all purport to 'read' for our degrees. How many of us do? Most of us merely regurgitate ill-understood notes and text-books.

VIEWPOINT

We have no alternative; most lecturers do not seem to care whether we understand or not as long as we get the hell out of their class at the end of the year.

This means that John Citizen gets his degree, and for instance, goes out to teach in our schools. No wonder our University students are so ill-crippled when they arrive here. How can any-

one claim to teach another person if he does not fully understand the subject himself?

The solution as I see it is to institute a sensible class record system whereby essays are set for the students which are geared to test their understanding of the work which has been presented. This is spreadover the whole year and the student is judged on his performance in his essays.

My point is that we have at our disposal today a vast number of reference books on all subjects, and computers as well. The need for memorizing anything is thus obviated. In the middle ages when books were rare, this was perhaps necessary.

What matters today is whether we have an understanding of our subject or not. If we do, we are in a position to turn to any relevant reference work, apply the correct formula; make the right conclusion; or apply the facts correctly.

It is therefore high time we were rid of exams which only detract from the real meaning of a university and are in fact detrimental to our society in the long run.

Students are encouraged to submit their own viewpoint to RHODEO. The sentiments expressed here are not necessarily those of this newspaper.

Kulture Kalls...

TODAY, a moment's silence for those no longer with us. . . . For some it was probation, for others, unimpressed daddies who received letters like "Johnny failed all his exams. Kindly therefore (a) beat all hell out of him; or (b) take him out of university and make him a jam-stirrer.

Don't worry, we won't remember you.

I had the privilege of attending the NUSAS Congress this vac. What a jolly time was had by all. If you think Parliament is bad, you should have been at Congress. Out of roughly seventy delegates, perhaps ten ever said anything remotely original.

In fact so much was repeated that the entire proceedings could have been completed in five or six hours. Nothing received significant opposition — in fact jaborism was at such a peak that there can be no doubt that NUSAS leaders will in future be able to make the grand claim that "we are as united as ever."

There was a strange preoccupation with Rhodesia evident. I thought this was meant to be a union of South African students. Perhaps I'm wrong. Perhaps we ought to call it NUSARS. But please, don't spend any sleepless nights over the matter.

With the advent of the third term, Kulture time is again upon us. The Prof. has penned another giant epic to titillate our yearnings for days long gone.

Once again the trials and tribulations, the human problems and the rugged spirit of onse voorvaders will be presented on stage for your delight. In glorious Technicolor, I'm sure.

Then there is, I'm told, to be a folk show. Toks beware. With the memory of Mel, Mel, and Julian still fresh I'm sure that Keith Hurter will be upset. Often wondered about Keith during that show, actually. He seemed to enjoy it. Oh well, we can't be pruders all the time, can we?

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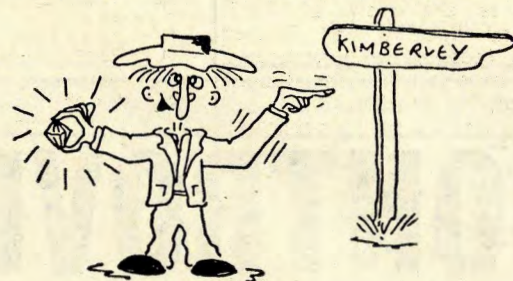
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Cecil John



Then there's Arts and Science, otherwise known as "Let's pretend we're a University week." Struben will regrettably once again display their uninspired collection of scrap to prove that they don't hold with all this 'ere academic stuff.

But the real Kulture, the Rhodes Kulture of drink and let's-trample-the-roses and throw-a-paving-stone-to-show-you've-got-spirit will come to the fore at hall balls.

Did you Know dept.:

Did you know that Tony Bates is of British descent?

Did you know that the Senate supports academic freedom?

Did you know that our dining halls only use First Grade meat?

Did you know that Pete Haxton will be 47 (one day)?

Did you know that Keith Ventris never told a lie?

Congress: summary

NUSAS CONGRESS opened on an uneasy note as a result of the segregated moves on the campus and the experiences of certain delegates at Bloemfontein

The opening reception scheduled for the afternoon of the third, was cancelled and consequently the delegates were almost immediately convened for the first sitting.

The welcoming addresses were given by the Acting Vice-Chancellor, Professor Rennie, and the Rhodes S.R.C. President, Mr. Peter Haxton.

The session lasted till the early hours of the morning and dealt predominantly with the University Council's move prohibiting mixed social functions — which included integrated dining on the campus.

The selected commissions began work the next day on such topics as reorganisation, student relations.

A gala dinner was held on the final evening, followed by one

"key-note address" by Professor Tobias of the University of the Witwatersrand. His talk was received with a standing ovation.

Amongst those elected to the NUSAS Executive were Mr. John Sprack (President) and Miss Claire Isted of Rhodes (Regional Director for the Eastern Cape).

JEWISH STUDENTS TO ISRAEL

Several Rhodes students left for Israel at the end of last term.

They were Neil Freed, Peter Möller, Eric Rubin, Charlie Brandenbergen, Mike Gottlieb and Chuck Volpe.

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SAMPSON . . . ON SEX

A RHODES float in the last Rag was "dedicated to contraception" and would encourage juvenile delinquency, especially among the school-children of Grahamstown.

This is the view of Prof. Sampson, himself a former Rhodes student, who criticised several aspects of recent student behaviour at Rhodes.

Referring to a newspaper letter by a student excusing homosexuality, he claimed that this practice corrupted others, and was usually self-instituted.

IMAGE

Prof. Sampson is concerned about the university's image. Parents, he said, might be justified in thinking their daughters might be safer at a less residential university, where sex is less publicised.

Mr. Ralph Goldswain commented, "I would say that the students seem to be more mature than Prof. Sampson."

"Modern ideas seem to have left some people behind," said Mr. Ian Kirby when approached. "Queen Victoria died many years ago."

Williams wins second place

Mr. Mike Williams came second in the Best Speakers Debate at NUSAS Congress during the July vacation.

After three preliminary speakers in the first and second rounds, Mr. Williams spoke for the motion, "Best speakers are born not made." In the third round the winner was Mark Orkin, of Wits.

Speakers may choose their own topic in the first round, while in the second round ten speakers draw for ten subjects. They have at least twelve hours to prepare these, but are told during the debate whether they will speak for or against their motion. The two speakers in the third round are given five minutes to prepare their speeches.

Triumphant tour by Choir



Prof. Georg Gruber, founder and conductor of the Internationally famous Rhodes Chamber Choir.

The Rhodes Chamber Choir toured South Africa this vacation, giving performances in all four provinces as well as in Swaziland.

A member of the choir described the audiences as enthusiastic and appreciative. Most critics were warm in their praise, and emphasised the cultural benefits that the choir gave.

Newspapers all over the country praised Norbert Nawotny, the assistant conductor, for his brilliant piano accompaniment. He also conducted at the matinees, given for schools.

CHARITY

The tour was arranged and sponsored by the Round Table Organization. All profits were donated by them to charity.

A choir member said they had greatly enjoyed the tour, seeing much of the country in the process. They also made a trip through the Kruger National Park. They were accommodated in private homes in every town they visited.

The chairman, Andre Jaquet, will be retiring this year, and this will perhaps be his last mid-winter tour with the choir.

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Inquiry into campus vandalism

A commission to investigate the causes of bad behaviour and vandalism on the campus by a small minority has been set up. The commission will also be asked to look into means of controlling this bad element.

This decision was taken at an SRC meeting held at the end of last term.

Mr. Kirby asked that a few previous offenders be included as they could 'provide insight into the problem'. This suggestion was overruled by the President, Mr. Peter Haxton.

The commission will consist of the following students:— Mr. Tim Woods (Chairman), Mr. Tor Meyer, Miss Barbara Lownds, Mr. Mike Williams, Mr. Dave Lewis, Mr. Harvey Wannenburg, Mr. Peter Haxton, Mr. Brian Wilmot and Mr. Ian Kirby.

POSSIBILITIES

Possible measures which are thought feasible for controlling this unruly element are; a proctor system over Rag Week; increased power for the Security Officer; full investigations of disciplinary breaches; possible increased fines and some form of control being maintained throughout the year.

This commission is expected to sit in the near future. The members were chosen with the aim of representing every group on the campus. It is hoped by the SRC that this commission will make some meaningful suggestions.

NUSAS to militarize?

At the NUSAS National Seminar held in Pietermaritzburg towards the end of last term, Miss Marshall, the President of NUSAS, urged that NUSAS become more militant. Mr. Sprack opposed the use of the word 'militant' as it had dangerous connotations, and preferred the use of the word 'radical'.

This was stated by Mr. Peter Harris in his report to the SRC on the progress of the Seminar. The Rhodes delegation was strongly opposed to this view point. They objected particularly to the fact that the welfare section of NUSAS was ignored and in fact 'pooh-poohed'. The Rhodes contingent was opposed by the NUSAS Executive and were termed a 'right wing element'.

Rhodes managed, however, to tone down the atmosphere of radicalism, but were not popular for doing so, said Mr. Harris.



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Reinier Lock Writes on . . .

SWAZILAND: *dormant*

Oui monsieur: place your bets please ladies and gentlemen"; the whirr of the roulette wheels; the instructions of the expert French croupiers; beautiful, sophisticated English girls introducing Johannesburg's nouveaux riches, uneducated to the art of gambling; how to play, and lose.

All this is nothing unusual on the Riviera, or even at a Rio Casino. But the touch of unreality waxes when the observer remembers he is in the middle of one of Africa's most backward countries, the eve of the newest additions to Africa's host of nations who are, for the first time, running their own affairs in a harsh and competitive modern world. And the Swaziland Spa and its casino show, by stark contrast: how much more modern that world is.

Nor is one reassured that it is all really happening when one watches the leisurely shamble of Prime Minister, Prince Makhosini Dlamini, toward his sleek black limousine, virtually unnoticed in the streets of Mbabane. His calm is in marked contrast to the turbulence that one envisages of a state on the eve of independence.

Swaziland today is a land of anomaly — and yet a land of considerable hope. It is politically backward, yet on the brink of a prosperous economic take-off, in clear contrast to Lesotho where the opposite prevails.

It is a land where the White man is given no special safeguards; yet where he can feel as safe as anywhere in Africa; even that mecca of White domination, the Republic. It is a land where political and educational backwardness are, for the present, the very basis of progress; for it is the largely illiterate and tribalised mass of the population that gives the ruling traditionalist Imbokodvo its support and stability, and political stability is an essential prerequisite of economic advance in Swaziland.

The first elections under Swaziland's new constitution took place barely a month ago, not long after the Union Jack had been lowered for the last time. Full independence which will follow in a year or two, is little more than a formality. The constitution is completely non-racial and democratic. It provides for a Lower House of 30—24 elected and 6 nominated members. There is an Upper House, a Cabinet fully responsible to Parliament, and a constitutionally limited monarchy—all the features of Westminster government. But there the similarity ends.

The ruling Imbokodvo, which won all 24 elected seats in the election, is no more than the political wing of the Swazi National Council which will have a veto of all legislation. The Council has its roots deep in the Swazi traditional tribal structure and is dominated by King Sobhuza II, the Royal family, and the chiefs. The King is himself the real power behind the government and likely to remain so while his sons and relatives (including the Prime Minister) dominate the Cabinet and Legislature.

The three-man constituencies had the effect of keeping the Pan-Africanist opposition party, the Ngwane National Liberatory Congress, out of the Legislature. It would probably have won 4 or 5 seats in single-member constituencies, winning as it did 20 per cent of the total vote.

Its exclusion from government and parliament and its lack of talented leaders must count against this party in the short run. Its leader, the amiable Dr. Ambrose Zwane, is a far cry from Lesotho's dynamic Ntsu Mokhehle. He seems to have little constructive alternative policy to Dlamini — except for a few OAU slogans.

His support, largely from the growing class of white-collar and industrial workers, is based as much on disenchantment with the traditional rulers as on his promises or policies.

The fact that Swaziland is a homogeneous tribal unit — one tribe, one people, one nation — and that the majority of its people are still locked up in its neat and disciplined tribal political structure, promises well for its stability while the Imbokodvo remain in power, as they must do by virtue of the traditional nature of their party.

But backwardness can scarcely be a virtue in the long run, for the tensions that economic and educational progress, that increasing political awareness must bring have still to be faced. The NNLC must have some future in generating these forces unless the Imbokodvo prove sufficiently flexible and progressive to allow them full reign within its structure. Otherwise Zwane may be able to rock the boat a little. His first try was with strikes and boycotts against the constitution in early June.

STUDENTS

One instance of the Imbokodvos inflexibility has been its treatment of the Swazi student union, representing the first generation of graduates from Roma's University of Bechuanaland, Basutoland and Swaziland, and school and training college students. The Imbokodvo, smarting under past student criticism, has ignored student requests for recognition and threatened action against the union. This attitude is suicidal taken against the educational backwardness of the country and the fact that the union represents probably as many university-trained people as the whole Imbokodvo itself. The result is that most students, who are the potential leaders of the country in the not-too-distant future, have been driven to support the NNLC.

One interesting plank in the students policy is their political education programme aimed at teaching the electorate the rudiments of political sophistication, a far cry indeed from the counsels of those in our universities who would have us believe that "students should keep out of politics."

Swaziland's 9,000-odd Whites (out of a total population of 375,000) seem generally extremely optimistic about their prospects. They seem content to play an apparent back-seat role in politics, yet their influence is considerable. So much so that the Imbokodvo originally accepted farmer Piet Meyer's plan for a fifty-fifty White representation in parliament against the wishes of the British colonial servants. But a group of leading Whites, called the "Twelve Apostles," including South African ex-MP Leo Lovell and Wits-educated millionaire Natie Kirsh, persuaded the Imbokodvo to drop completely the idea of special representation or safeguards for Whites and to adopt a completely non-racial approach. They were first and foremost Swazis, they said, and should be treated no differently.

This act of enlightened self-interest, so rare in White minorities in Africa, must pay dividends. Already Whites have been nominated by the King to Parliament, and soon, he says, they will be put up as election candidates for the Imbokodvo.

The backseat political role of Whites makes sense at present. It takes away the opposition's chance of accusing the government of being stooges of the White man or of South Africa; it removes racial emotion as a weapon in its political armoury. It also ensures the Whites a real say in government through the Imbokodvo; rather than the role of an ineffectual minority White party doing no more than annoy an all-Black government as happened in Kenya and Zambia.

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THAT RHODESIAN MOTION

A motion condemning the repressive "State of Emergency" in Rhodesia and its implications such as deportation and censorship was passed at the recent NUSAS Congress at Rhodes by 32 votes to 2 with 18 abstentions. The motion was proposed by Mr. Mike Williams of Rhodes.

Mr. Ian Kirby introduced an amendment aimed at altering the terminology slightly, which he considered offensive and open to misinterpretation.

This amendment was defeated, and one of the speakers who opposed it said it had been "narrowly conceived".

The whole Natal Maritzburg delegation recorded non-participation in voting, as did several other people.

HARM

Mr. Harris at first moved that the motion be not now put, in other words shelved and not considered.

He thought that it would only bring harm to NUSAS, and bring about a clash of representation and personal feelings among delegates. He felt that while personally allying himself with Mr. Kirby's amendment, consideration of this motion fell beyond the

mandate granted to him by the Student Body to participate their representations at the Congress.

Mr. Williams, when interviewed said that people should have taken part in the debate if they disagreed with it, rather than abstain.

Apart from Mr. Williams, only one other Rhodes delegate voted for the motion.

EMERGENCY

The motion mentioned the state of emergency, and its implications such as detention, restriction and deportation, censorship and the limiting of student politics.

It also notes the alarming movement towards apartheid in Rhodesia through various Acts of Parliament, and integration in schools. The motion further opposes the "illegal regime" and racialism. It expresses alarm that Britain has done nothing to effect a solution.

The final affirmation expresses support "for all those working for a just and democratic society in Rhodesia".

FREEDOM FIGHTERS

When approached for comment, Rhodesian student Mr. Nick Falk said: "Mr. Williams has apparently forgotten that a state of emergency exists in Rhodesia because terrorists, who call themselves 'freedom fighters' are prepared to kill innocent people; and that certain University students and lecturers at Rhodesia University College openly supported these terrorists, and carried grenades for distribution".

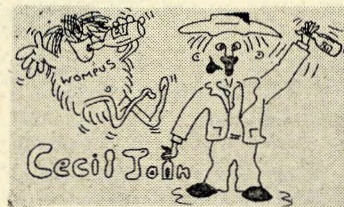
Another Rhodesian student said, "The contempt it merits deserves no comment. I do not see why NUSAS should go about making high minded motions — they should concern themselves with student affairs."

Womping distort

Sir, — it is with regrets that i inform you that you has a TERRIBIBLE NEWSPAPER!! For, as i womped through the pages of the May 4 edition, i was HORRIFYING to see, on page two, under the title of "After The Ball," NONE OTHER BUT ME!

True, it was hardly recognisable, but my OWN NAME OF WOMPUS was there for all to see. Not only that, BUT i was shown in the action of imbibing . . . DEFAMATION OF CHARACTER!! Temperance Unions of the World, UNITE!

The offending cartoon



Cecil John replies

Dear Wompus, — It appears that I have been misled. On float-building night your image was to be seen scattered untidily all over the otherwise spotless gutters of this establishment. I was later informed that behind this image the usual disgustingly inebriated Ikeys were to be found. This gave me the inspiration.

As for calling us rats, I'd hate to say what I originally thought a "wompus" represented. Furthermore, why not enroll in an elementary course in English at your establishment, where, I believe "Elementary Grammar for Nursery Schools" is liberally used?

Page 67 of "Sax Appeal" was, like all the other pages, singularly uninspiring, and I doubt if I noticed it, so that criticism falls away. Give my love to Beaver J. L. and my apologies to Drunken (NO apologies to you).

CECIL JOHN.

St. John's loss

Sir, — Some equipment belonging to St. John Ambulance Association is missing from the Pavilion. I think that it was probably used during inter-varsity and not returned.

The articles missing are: 1 sheet, 2 grey blankets and 1 blue blanket. All of them are marked 'St. John Ambulance Brigade'.

I would be grateful if anybody knowing anything about them would contact me.

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SASCES CONGRESS SUCCESSFUL

MANY LEADING South African executives took time off to attend the SASCES Congress in Johannesburg last July. This is an indication of the interest SASCES (South African Society of Commerce and Economic Students) had in the business world.

Students came from far afield to participate in the activities of the congress. Rhodes was represented by the following Commerce students: Basil Webber, Ivor Schlosberg, David Franks, Chris Christieson, David Adler, Keith Ventriss and Cathy Borchess.

The congress took the form of symposiums and tours. One of the highlights was a tour of an underground gold mine. After this tour it was first thought that one of the Rhodes delegates had been left underground, to the consternation of the organisers. It was later found that he had overslept.

The tour of the Johannesburg Stock Exchange seems to have convinced some delegates that equities are a safer investment than certain forms of liquid.

Another highlight of the congress was the tour of Jan Smuts Airport, where officials spent much time trying to persuade Basil Webber that the engines of Boeing 707's have more thrust than his Morris Minor.

The address by Norman Herber, President of Greatermans on retailing, in conjunction with other senior executives from the Greatermans Organization proved to be most fruitful. The cocktail parties and ball further contributed to the success of the SASCES Congress.

SASCES "1967" strongly emphasised the sincerity of Norman Herbers words who said that business is not merely a way to make a living, but "a way to live a full, rich, interesting and knowledge-pursuing life."

IVOR SCHLOSBERG

Rhodesia debate

A debate on the Controversial Rhodesian issue will be held at Rhodes next week — the first such debate on a South African University Campus.

The motion "Noting the Moral, Social and Economic evils of white racialism in Rhodesia, expresses its firm opposition to the illegal Rhodesian Front regime," will be proposed by Mr. M. Williams and seconded by D. Tucker.

Mr. P. Harris will oppose the motion and will be seconded by Mr. W. Gordon.

Any discussion will be of an objective nature.

The Debating Society appeals to students not to attend the debate with any preconceived ideas, but rather to judge on the quality of debate.

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GRANDSTAND VIEW



The exhausted XI were run off their feet and slumped to an ignominious defeat. The reasons were more than obvious: a lack of fitness and cohesion between the players.

The chairman of the Mountain Club, John Davison has held a meeting at the home of Dr. van der Merwe to arrange hiking and climbing meets in the Hogsback and Cockscombe areas.

He seems mad keen on the idea of experiencing rock climbing and slogging in snow-entrenched areas. Just because Davison has invested in an Icelandic sleeping bag, he thinks everyone has an affinity for frostbite...

I believe the Abominable Snowmen Alpine Club has asked for affiliation to Davison's group of hardy students.

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THE ADAGE: "An unfit team is a losing team before the whistle goes," as a Springbok veteran once said was convincingly illustrated on Saturday.

After an extremely promising first half of the season the Rhodes 1st XV slumped disastrously in their first game of the term. Most spectators were pleasurably rewarded by a courageous display, especially by the forwards in the first half of the match when our much lighter pack held their own against the powerful Swifts scrummaging.

The second half was pitiful. The Uitenhage backs cut the Rhodes defence to ribbons practically at will.

By SPORTSWISE

One can only pray that the deciding factor was a lack of fitness. Not one player, with the possible exception of the half-backs did much to his credit in the Rhodes backline.

If this is going to be the pattern of rugby displayed in the future one despairs for the Rhodes rugby team.

Due to the appalling condition of the players, at one stage three Rhodes players were off the field. One cannot expect to take a hammering unless one is at least reasonably physically fit.

Rugby XV wilts

IN AN uninteresting game on the Great Field on Saturday, Rhodes 1st XV received its first real thrashing of the season, when it was beaten 31-6 by a far superior Swifts side.

Rhodes played their worst game of the season and were only a shadow of last term's team. Rhodes' poor display was more than likely due to the lay-off during the vacation. This could be seen from the lack of co-ordination between the players, and also a certain lack of fitness.

Rhodes were first to score from a penalty by Yeo, but after this the game went Swifts' way. Rhodes played fairly well in the first half and were only 8-3 down at the interval, but they were swamped in the second half.

There was a great deal of careless play and poor tackling by the Rhodians which enabled Swifts to score almost at will. If Rhodes are to capture the form they showed earlier in the season they will have to improve their defence considerably.

Rhodes has reason to be proud of their Hockey girls. Not only did they end top of the intervarsity log, but two of their players have since been chosen for the Protea team. It is no mean feat to be a member of a South African Universities side in any sport.

Our warmest congratulations are extended to Wendy Hanssen and Sherry Garlick on an outstanding achievement.

First yo-yo's, then skateboards and now ruddy water-pistols!

My plumbing correspondent at the origin of the adult pastimes, Pringle House, informed me of the latent innovation whilst expertly drowning my pet spider. At a range of three yards, no less.

Lethal weapons, loaded with Eau-de-Cologne seems to be the in-thing I believe.

Hydrogen Sulphide will just about do for Cecil John.

Our soccer team was at sixes and sevens once again in their match against Drostdy Park last week. The vacations has left it's mark in this sphere of sport as well.

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MEDIOCRE SUCCESSES AT INTERVARSITIES

ONCE AGAIN the mid-year vacation saw the keen contesting of various intervarsity tournaments. Rhodes did fairly well and were well placed in a number of tournaments, but only the women's basketball side managed to win. Most teams acquitted themselves well, with the exception of the soccer side.

Only eight members of the side arrived at the tournament and Rhodes were thus forced to borrow players from other varsities. This is a disgusting development and can have done little to enhance Rhode's reputation in the sports world.

BASKETBALL WIN FOR WOMEN

Although Rhodes' men's basketball team did not win the Inter-varsity, they positioned themselves into a well-deserved 3rd place

The most notable game of all was against Stellenbosch, where Rhodes showed their excellent teamwork and style and won.

In an exciting match between two well-balanced teams, Rhodes beat UCT.

The men's team however did lack stamina, and though fit, tended to lag in the second half of each game. An exception was the UPE match, where a draw resulted in extra-time during which UPE scored on a number of fouls awarded to them.

"Lucky" Ah Ling and Basil Wong Chong proved themselves beyond doubt and were the only two players to be continuously outstanding. They were well rewarded in being chosen for Proteas.

The Women's team was the real focus of the inter-varsity, when they won for the second time. The whole team proved their superiority in every sphere of play. Lakier, Marion and Turner were the really outstanding players in the team, and all three were chosen to represent Proteas.

Soccer disgrace

At the start of the soccer inter-varsity, Rhodes had but 8 players at their disposal, the other 5 having either withdrawn during the vacs or not bothering to turn up. Two of those who withdrew did so 24 hours before the tournament was due to begin, another a week before the tourna-

ment. The result of this was that it was impossible to select further members.

Despite these setbacks, the "Rhodes" team, comprising Rhodes, Natal, U.C.T. and Tukkies members, did their best to provide good, open, entertaining soccer. Nevertheless they finished last behind U.P.E. who they met for the "wooden spoon".

At the end of the tournament, ERIC SPEYERS, the Rhodes inside-right, was selected for the S.A. Varsityes "B" team to play against W. Tvl., but he unfortunately had to withdraw. Undoubtedly the most improved player of the whole tournament was "TICH" BARFOOT, the Rhodes left-half.

Fencers well placed

This year Intervarsity fencing was held at Rhodes, and the general feeling among the visiting teams was that a new high in facilities and organisation had been established. The feeling was that this was the best Intervarsity in the last 7 years.

In the Womens section, Rhodes came third to Stellenbosch and U.C.T.

Rhodes men came second to U.C.T. losing only one match, against U.C.T. with a score of 6 fights to 21.

Women second in hockey

The Rhodes Womens team suffered mixed fortunes in the Hockey Inter-varsity held at Rhodes.

They came second in the log, but, with the exception of one game, played attractive, attacking hockey. The standard of Rhodes hockey is shown by all five forwards reaching the trial match to select a Protea team. Only one defender was chosen



Paul Abbot tries to intercept a Wits pass in the intervarsity match which Wits won 2-1.

for trials, but all players played well and consistently throughout the tournament.

From the 6 girls who were chosen to play in trials only Sherry Garlick and Wendy Hansen gained Protea colours, but, they thoroughly deserved their selection. In the afternoon the Proteas side played Eastern Province and lost in a dull slow game 2-0.

Three men selected for hockey Proteas

The Rhodes men fared quite well at the inter-varsity tournament held at Rhodes during the vacation. Overall they ended fourth in the log, behind U.C.T., Natal and Wits. The Rhodes side was, however, well represented in the Proteas team, having three members.

Rhodes began the week by narrowly earning a 4-4 draw with Stellenbosch. They then trounced O.F.S. by 9 goals to nil and perhaps the highlight of the week came when they outplayed a strong Natal side, 5-1.

At this stage it seemed as if Rhodes would finish very close to the top of the log. They lost, however, to the Wits side (2-1) and were out of the running when U.C.T. defeated them 1-0.

The hockey was of a high standard throughout the week and was marred only by rain, which made the gravel field unplayable.

As far as individuals were concerned, Rhodes did extremely well. They got four representatives into the South African Universities XI, these being Paul Abbott, Brian Surtees, Brian Wilmot and Tim Woods.

Of these, three went on to make the Proteas side and congratulations must be extended to Paul Abbott, Tim Woods and Brian Wilmot for this achievement.

Badminton players show improvement

The Rhodes badminton team had a very successful intervarsity at Potchestroom. Rhodes came third and were beaten by U.C.T. and by Wits who came first and second respectively. This was a great improvement on the previous encounter in 1965 when the Rhode team came fifth.

Every member of the team played well and a good team spirit was maintained throughout the week. Owing to lack of practise before the inter-varsity, no player did really well in the general championships, with the exception of Betty Powell who reached the semi-finals of the women's singles. She lost in three sets to the eventual winner and Protea star, M. Van der Walt of Pretoria.

The following players reached the quarter finals in some of the events: Gordon Els and Brendt Savage in the Mixed Doubles; B. Savage and B. Lowell in the Women's Doubles; Eric Morris and G. Els in the Men's Doubles. Tim Radloff won the Men Singles Plate event.

Next year's Intervarsity will be held at Rhodes.

The Badminton Championships start this Saturday and entries close on Friday night.

Boxing success

Rhodes sent a four man team to this years Boxing Inter-varsity and met with a considerable degree of success.

The Rhodes team consisted of Zimmerman, Griffiths, Falconer and Edelstein.

Zimmerman was unfortunately overweight and had to withdraw before the tournament. Griffiths, who was doing very well, became sick during the tournament, and he too had to withdraw.

Ken Edelstein did very well and finished runner-up in the heavy-weight division. Falconer was one of the best boxers at the tournament and excelled in winning the Welterweight title.

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