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Wage negotiations end

Kim Jurgensen

AFTER six weeks of negotiations Rhodes workers and the administration finally agreed on a R121 across the board wage increase.

The workers initially demanded R400 but eventually settled for the much lower increase which is non-pensionable. The wages for non-academic staffers at Rhodes are amongst the lowest of all the "English" universities.

The current increase boosts the lowest paid residence worker's earnings to just below R500 a month. Most residence workers fall into this category and earn far below the Congress of SA Trade Unions "living wage" of R800 a month.

An official of the National Education Health and Allied Workers Union (Nehawu) and secretary of the Shop Steward's Council at Rhodes, Elijah Ntente, said the union was not ecstatic with the results.

"We noticed our membership was not in a position to fight on as we did last year. Also, there was no contact between workers and student organisations and this weak-

ened the union's bargaining position.

Ntente added: "The union is still new and does not have very strong local structures. We had to compromise...However, before the advent of annual wage negotiations in 1988 the largest pay increase for workers was under R50 per annum, so we are definitely making some progress."

The administration agreed to grant workers March 21, June 16 and August 9 as public holidays, subject to residence staff preparing meals in advance. Workers would also have to swap these newly granted holidays for other public holidays they did not recognise, like Republic Day.

Elijah Ntente said worker's demand for representation in the administration's Personnel Division had failed: "They were reluctant to allow representation in the Personnel Division because they felt we would tell them what to do."

The union's demand for an education programme to train and re-train workers and to combat illiteracy was referred to a joint admin/worker committee which has decision-making powers.

The campus security guard's demand for a reduction in their shifts from 12 to eight hours was also referred to a sub-committee which has to report back to the Wage Negotiating Forum.

Challenge to students

Maternity leave for workers remains at four months, the union demanded six, and those wanting more than four months off will have to take it out of their 18 day annual leave.

Elijah Ntente said the union will try to mobilise members and create a good working climate between the workers and organised students.

He challenged student organisations especially Nusas and Sansco to take up worker issues: "There is no need for us to toe different lines. Most students are from working class backgrounds. Our objectives are their objectives, our struggles are their struggles."

Ntente said: "Students can play a prominent role in advising the union with negotiations and also in establishing worker education programmes."



Managers Jan McMahon and James Rodger with eagerly awaiting customers outside the Spur.

First non-racial SRC soon

Ingrid Salgado & Xolisa Mabhongo

THE Students Representative Council (SRC) will be contested non-racially for the first time at Rhodes following a recent decision by black students to participate in the upcoming SRC elections.

This historic decision was taken by the Black Students Movement (BSM) after a thorough reassessment of the position of black students on campus.

"However, the BSM is still going to remain intact to serve as a watchdog for the interests of black students," said BSM president, Vuyo Bikitsha at a recent meeting.

The SRC elections, to be held at the end of August, could now field candidates from all student organisations on campus.

Speakers at the meeting noted that significant gains had been won by the BSM and these needed to be defended.

A BSM pamphlet distributed

this term noted that problems such as exclusions, admissions and a lack of bursaries still faced black students.

Nusas (National Union of SA Students) Eastern Cape Regional organiser, Rod Dixon, said there was definite support for participation in the elections. He felt there should be an emphasis on building a non-racial SRC.

Pan Africanist Students Organisation (Paso) chairperson, Musa Hlekani, felt black students should guard against being co-opted into the SRC without a deep restructuring of it. He said the strategy of non-participation should be informed by a detailed social analysis of the material conditions on campus.

He felt whilst there were changes in the statute books, materially, there was no visible change.

Hlekani said the affiliation of the SRC to Nusas was not an issue for his organisation but Paso had problems with the SRC advocat-

ing a particular political line.

Hlekani said his organisation was not clear on a number of issues involving the SRC elections: "We do not know who stands where," he said.

'Black students should guard against being co-opted into the SRC without a deep restructuring of it.'

Rod Dixon, Regional Organiser, said the imminent integration of Nusas and Sansco means that the two organisations would sit down together and work out a common approach to the elections.

Non-participation had always been an additional issue in the integration process, and had not affected the unity between Nusas and Sansco, he said.

Indications are that the Liberal Student Democrats (LSD), still reeling from the police funding scandal, will not contest the elections as an organisation. An LSD spokesperson said individual members of the organisation would probably stand as candidates.

9% of students failed all their courses in June

Marc S Kahn

THIS year's June examination results were the highest Rhodes has ever had, according to the university's records department.

76 percent of all first years passed two or more subjects this June compared to the same amount in 1990 and 68 percent in 1989.

Nine percent failed all their subjects compared to 10 percent in 1990 and 13 percent in 1989.

The records department found a direct correlation between the improved results and the increase in admission points over the last three years.

The Social Science faculty officer, Ms J Perkins, agreed with the statistics and said her department

was pleased with the results.

The Dean of Students, Dr Motara, attributed the rise in marks to students becoming more responsible and hardworking.

He said students recognise that university education is becoming very expensive and do not want to waste money on an extra year.

The Dean of students said increasing admission points obviously had some effect on the results, but the increase in fees and the fact that students are working much harder was the major factor.

Dr Motara congratulated the first year group as a whole on their results and said he was very optimistic about the November examinations.

Women's self-defence

Melanie Hooper

WOULD-BE attackers beware! Rhodes women now have the opportunity to protect themselves with a new self-defence course held free of charge every Saturday morning in the karate dojo on campus.

Rhodes student and course co-ordinator, Marc Kahn, who is affiliated to the South African Kung Fu Federation, feels that once people know a self-defence course is available to Rhodes women, attackers will think twice.

Marc, who started his martial arts training at the age of 11 with

judo has since had training in Fanchantoe Kung-Fu and Aiki Jujitsu.

At the age of 15 he joined the Cobra Academy of Martial Arts, and at 17 became assistant instructor. The academy ran a women's self defence course during 1989 which he co-ordinated.

Last year Marc trained with the Israeli Army's defence instructor, after which he ran a self-defence course at Kibbutz Nordia.

In his first lesson at Rhodes Marc focused on the face and neck, explaining that these vulnerable areas are left open and are effective targets.

He emphasised that women should not be the passive victim but act aggressively towards attackers.

According to Marc if attackers are hurt by a woman defending themselves they will think twice before attacking in the future.

Marc, who has the full backing of the Womens Group, hopes a proper and permanent course will be established next year.

In the meantime he encourages Rhodes women to make their way down to the Karate Dojo, behind Stanley Kidd, every Saturday from 11am to 12:30pm.

Spur takes off during the National Arts Festival

Heidi Warricker

SPUR business boomed during the Grahamstown National Arts Festival when previous records were smashed and the vibe was at an all time high.

The High Street Spur underwent a transformation from the mellow eating place to the busiest Spur in the country. Managers were brought down from Johannesburg, Welkom, Bloemfontein and East London; the franchise company sent a representative from Cape Town and one of the owners came down to help with the stampede of salad-eating, coffee-drinking ethos.

The overtime shifts were tough to all those who worked, so congrats to all the students who gave up their vac to serve tables!

During the ten day period, the Spur experienced the highest turnover out of all the Spurs, as well as extremely high coffee sales...10164 cups for the ten

days!

Extra kitchen staff were employed to cope with the influx of trade. For some staff, shifts began at midnight in order to recoup stock levels and to 'make and bake'.

An addition to this year's festival was Francois du Plessis from

'the Monks' in Durban who played nightly from midnight to four in the morning.

The large wooden doors kept in the characteristic Spur atmosphere and braziers were set up outside to keep the queues cosy.

Among the personalities entertained at the Spur were Barry Ronge and David Kramer...to name but a few.

It was a prosperous season for the Redwood Spur and all the cultured in Grahamstown.

Now the High Street hangout is back to its day to day business of serving students burgers, chips and crates of frosties!

INKATHA/NSFGATE: students speak out



Jabu Davane



Nick Lydall; BComm II



Calum Stevenson; BAIII



Catherine Graham; BAI

RHODEO Reporters

WITH the recent revelations about government funding of Inkatha and the National Students Federation (NSF), RHODEO sampled student opinion.

Jessie Breytenbach, M Fine Arts, found it funny the government had been caught out lying. As for NSF being funded by the state, she said "Everyone knew about it anyway."

When I asked LSD people where their funding came from, they said they'd rather not talk about it. They knew it was from a dodgy source."

Nick Lydall, B.Comm II, too said he knew beforehand about government funds to Inkatha.

"I think it's wrong for student bodies to be involved in the security forces. I think LSD should follow in the footsteps of the NSF and disband," he said.

Calum Stevenson, BAIII, felt there was nothing wrong with state funding of Inkatha, unless their motive was to oppose the ANC.

"I think now they're making a big fuss out of nothing, as I thought it was a known thing. Disbanding the NSF was a pretty extreme move: if they could have coped financially, I think they should have continued," he said.

Concerning the government, he was uncertain about their motivations.

Drew Duvenhate felt that the scandal was a pretty bad thing. "The LSD loses any credibility as

a liberal organisation. I wouldn't vote for them in the SRC elections. As for the government, it makes me wonder how unbiased they are," he said.

Brendan Allan, BAI, and John Stephenson, B.Soc.Sci, felt Inkatha could not be taken seriously as it was a puppet of the government.

"It is obvious they don't have as much support as they claim to have. There is finally concrete evidence for what most people knew already. The government must get its act together and show that it is committed to negotiations," they said.

Catherine Graham, BAI, said the state had lost credibility. "De Klerk's inclusion of Vlok in the cabinet has made him lose credibility. I've had my suspicions for a long time that Inkatha was involved with the government, to undermine the ANC," she said.

As for the LSD, she felt people would be questioning their role on campus if they were working under the police force. "The students have obviously lost faith in them," she said.

Jabu Davane felt that there was still more to be exposed. He was not against Inkatha as such for accepting the money but he did blame the government for fostering violence between the ANC and Inkatha.

He also never trusted LSD and felt that they were working hand in hand with the security police to undermine other student groups.

LSD reeling after scandal

Llewelyn Roderick

THE National Student Federation (NSF) disbanded last week after the president, Danie Kriel, admitted that the organisation received state funding during his 20 month term of office.

This follows a week of denials stemming from the WEEKLY MAIL's revelations about a document detailing Security Police funding and running of the NSF and its affiliates.

The local affiliate of the NSF, the Liberal Student Democrats (LSD), denied any knowledge of State funding.

They distanced themselves from the national body in a public statement but failed to respond adequately to recent reports of co-operation between NSF affiliates and the Security Branch.

The Rhodes SRC subsequently passed a motion calling on the LSD to: "respond to allegations and to openly account to students by providing all the information concerning their alleged relations with the Security Branch, and other organisations, and their funding."

Among other things the Security

..this was strategically beneficial in achieving their (the state's) political aims."
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Branch document describes how:

- * NSF members and security police held a joint workshop in March last year to assess and make plans for the year.

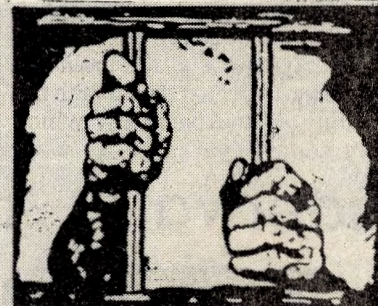
- * The Durban Student Alliance (DSA) was instructed to improve links with Inkatha and to launch a programme of relief to victims of violence in order to gain positive publicity.

- * Police and NSF officials strategised the NSF's policy shift in 1989, when NSF affiliates stopped 'Nusas-bashing' to concentrate on what the report calls the "more human face" of free market ideals.

LSD chairperson, Andrew Baillie, told RHODEO that he and fel-

low exec member Andrew Bulter have stressed pro-active rather than reactionary programmes of action since their term of office in 1989.

He denies that this initiative came from the Security Police or from the NSF national executive.



The individual South African must be freed from the prison of rigid State control.

This ironic graphic attacking state control appeared in a 1989 NSF national publication.

He described the claims that police and NSF officials discussed strategy and planned programmes of action as "utter nonsense".

In response to the question of the State giving direction to their ideologies and programmes of action Baillie said:

"I think that if there was to have been any direction by the police or the government through this funding then surely it should have been in their interests and what we have done on campus should have been in their interests: to create situations which would be intolerable or difficult for Nusas and Sansco and other organisations which we ideologically don't agree with."

In August 1989 as part of a National NSF tour, LSD (then MSO) brought to campus two speakers, Marc Henri Glendennign and Douglas Smith of the ultra-right-wing Federation of Conservative Students (FCS) from Britain - known for its racism, anti-semitism and provocative tactics on British campuses. This meeting was disrupted by students.

This year LSD invited Mr VB Ndhlovu of the Inkatha Freedom Party to campus. This meeting was protested by Nusas and Sansco.

If the state funded the NSF then it follows that this was strategically beneficial in achieving their political aims. The added proof of close ties with the security police questions the sincerity of the NSF's attempts in recent years to distance itself from government

policy and the National Party which they describe as "morally bankrupt".

LSD does not accept the validity of the police document even after WEEKLY MAIL editor Anton Harber said that the document describing "Operation Aristotle" had been verified by the police as an official document.

Andrew Baillie's response to this was: "The South African Police can verify anything they want," and in his opinion they do not know what they are doing.

He does think, however, that the document "probably" came from Security Branch operatives who infiltrated the affiliates at various levels.

In light of the NSF admitting to receiving State funding after years of denying these allegations, LSD's responses to the above claims are not convincing. There is a shadow of doubt and scepticism that now hangs over them and their questionable commitment to "classic liberalism" and "free market" principles.

Andrew Baillie said he was the first to admit that the "whole affair" has extensively damaged the credibility of the NSF and the integrity of the affiliates.

In keeping with the pattern of allegations, denials and confirmations around the Inkathagate scandal, the State President's office denies that any funds have been paid to the NSF.

The LSD have withdrawn from a debate which looks to gain in-

"damaged the credibility of the NSF."

sight on the effect the Inkathagate and NSF fundings will impact on negotiations on the basis that they do not want to be criticised.

The time has come for student and national politics to make a clean break from the political guerrilla warfare which has dissipated and retarded the efforts of people and organisations committed to finding the best solution for all South Africans.

Any student body which is not prepared to make such a commitment cannot be viewed as making a useful contribution to the students on this campus.

Nusas dissolves

Kim Jurgensen

A significant era of South Africa's history drew to a close in July when a special congress of the National Union of South African Students (Nusas) resolved to dissolve the union.

The dissolution will take effect when the merger with Sansco (SA National Students Congress) is completed. Nusas and Sansco will be forming a single non-racial student organisation in September.

Nusas was formed in 1924 and has striven for a non-racial, democratic South Africa while at the same time taking up student demands.

When Steve Biko led black students out of the organisation in 1969 they formed their own organisation which is now known as

Sansco. Although both groups felt it would be more effective to remain separate, they continued to operate closely together.

Much of its strength stemmed from the fact that Nusas was a federation of SRC's. This enabled them to represent the broader student constituency and gain mass support around key issues. Their service to students ranged from provisions of services and benefits to representation of students at national and local level.

While their anti-apartheid stand has received massive student support, both individual members and the organisation have often paid dearly for their determination. They believe that this system is not yet buried and will continue their struggle in the new organisation.

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UNION BLUES

Sarah Letcher

THE Union has undergone many changes this year with the introduction of the Outpost, the occasional disco, live bands and the popular pool tables.

RHODEO spoke to the manager of the Union, Mr Terry Jackson about the response he received and his reaction to student behaviour in general.

Terry says, "the students are super" and has little reason to complain about behaviour. Recently, however, a mens toilet was

broken, but those responsible were punished by having to clean the Union.

"The mess in the Union the morning after is no joke" says Terry. If students could see the chaos maybe they would be a little more careful about where bottles are left. The breakages of glasses has cost us R3,800 this year, up until June. This is quite a large amount of money, especially if a lot of the damage can be avoided.

The bottleneck at the main bar has cleverly been reduced with the opening of the panic bar which may soon serve spirits as well.

This bar has also led to the Union staying open an hour longer.

The Outpost restaurant has been congratulated on its food, but as it is short-staffed service is not very fast.

The disco last Wednesday night went well, according to Terry. He was happy with the 600-strong crowd.

Terry says he welcomes all entertaining entrepreneurs as long as he hears a demo-tape or an audition before. Thursday night has become the regular slot of Gramsci Beat, who enjoy a lot of support on campus.

From the money made at the door for these bands, often about R150 is donated to the Street Children Fund.

Methane gas in rubbish dumps can provide power for Grahamstown

Megan Duff

ENOUGH heat to boil water, make electricity and even power cars can be made right here in Grahamstown, by extracting the methane in municipal landfill sites and huge piles of refuse.

The organic matter found in these dumps consists of cellulose, carbohydrates and protein material, all readily decomposed by microbes into carbon dioxide and more importantly, methane. Most municipal rubbish heaps end up as huge piles of refuse 10-20 metres high, causing anaerobic conditions to exist within the dump, ideal for methanogenic bacteria to breed. These bacteria feed on the organic material, including sewage and animal droppings, and produce methane.

Methane is a combustible gas and burns in air to form CO₂. This heat can be used to boil water and fire bricks. It can also be used as a chemical feedstock to make chemicals, cyanide and even petrol.

The energy in 1 m³ of methane can be compared with the energy in a litre of petrol, equivalent to 36 MJ of energy. Thus one ton of dry organic material could produce 400 m³ of methane per month -- about 700 MWatts. This is equivalent to a reasonably sized powerstation.

This energy is being harnessed in both America and Europe in many forms -mainly as electricity. For South Africa, it would not be a worthwhile undertaking to produce electricity from methane, because of the relatively cheap price of electricity.

In Johannesburg one of the old municipal landfill sites is currently being used to produce methane

for a large-scale industrial application to produce chemicals.

In 1986 the Grahamstown Municipality opened up a new refuse site in a disused clay pit. The site was chosen because the clay formed an ideal seal and cover for the methane, thus reducing the loss of the gas into the atmosphere. It also reduced the escape of lethal and poisonous gases.

The Municipality in conjunction with Rhodes University Chemistry Department has embarked upon a project to produce methane from refuse. Their aim is to investigate the feasibility of such a venture in South Africa and to test the use of local clay as a sealing material. Covering the refuse with soil or clay reduces the methane lost by diffusion and produces a clean and odour-free dump site.

The project involves monitoring methane, carbon-dioxide, nitrogen and oxygen in various dumps and test holes. The team will also be investigating viable projects which can use the methane.

One of the most important reasons for research into methane is to find ways of successfully removing the dangers associated with it and to develop a method of disposing of municipal waste which is clean and useful. Methane enhances the greenhouse effect and there is a possibility of explosions due to build-up beneath houses and buildings.

Both methane and carbon-dioxide have some influence over our environment, as they are responsible for a greenhouse effect which scientists believe will cause a warming up of our planet.

This can be summarized as follows: energy from the sun passes through the atmosphere and warms the earth. The resultant heat radiation cannot leave the earth because it interacts with the methane and carbon-dioxide molecules. The earth's temperature is expected to rise as the concentration of these gases increases. Methane is said to be 20 times more effective as a greenhouse screen.

The most important condition for the production of methane to take place is the absence of oxygen. Reactive bacteria are everywhere but usually in very small numbers and only multiply rapidly if conditions are right.

In natural environments anaerobic degradation of organic material takes place under water, in stagnant pools and marshes. Once methane forms, gas bubbles rise to the surface resulting in a process sometimes called "marsh gas". Spontaneous ignition of marsh gas produces a sudden flaring of blue light, commonly called "Will-O'-The-Wisp".

Results, when compared to the methane produced at the Grahamstown sewage disposal unit, estimate that the amount of biogas (methane) from sewage amounts to 1,2 cubic feet per person per day. For a town of 20 000 inhabitants, assuming a 50% loss of gas, this amounts to 230 litres per minute.

Pioneering underwater research

Lynette Skriker & Maryna Johl

FOUR Rhodes University ichthyologists recently undertook an expedition to go where no human has gone before.

A yellow (no, not submarine) submersible, the JAGO, transported these pioneers to a depth of 370 metres (about 120 storeys high) off the rugged East London coast in an attempt to find...the coelacanth!

It was hoped that this 90kg fish, which is nearing extinction in the Comores, could be saved and relocated in South African waters. Professor Mike Bruton of Rhodes' JLB Smith Institute of Ichthyology expressed his regret after the expedition proved that the South African coastline was not a suitable habitat for the coelacanth.

However, the venture proved highly successful as it uncovered valuable information, making a considerable contribution toward ichthyologists' knowledge of South African waters.

Professor Bruton reaffirmed the need for South Africa to obtain a submersible of its own as it would play an integral role in future re-

search. The submersible used for the expedition was borrowed from the Max Planck Institute in Germany.

An intensive programme has been launched to educate South Africans about fish or what Prof Bruton refers to as "the wet and slimies". Footage of the numerous dives undertaken by the Jago is to be screened on the SABC programme 50/50 later this year to excite interest in ichthyology.

Video material of expeditions is also available for loan from the Institute and people are urged to join the Coelacanth Conservation

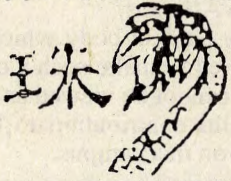
Council and contribute to the research and conservation of, not only the coelacanth but South Africa's sealife as a whole.

A Rare Fish Project is to be launched to encourage anglers to donate rare species of fish to ichthyological institutions. Scuba surveys are to be extended to include information obtained by amateur and scientific divers.

So if you're interested in becoming as famous as JLB Smith (who discovered the first coelacanth off the South African coast in 1938) get out there and do some scientific diving.



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RMR's historic broadcasts

Tony Lankester

THE sound of independent radio captured the airwaves and the imagination of 20 000 festival-goers when Radio 5 and Rhodes Music Radio teamed up to run Festival FM - an historic project which thrust the campus station into the national spotlight once again.

The radio service, initiated by RMR, was acclaimed by visitors to the festival. The student DJ body along with Radio 5 counterparts Nic Ciro and Neil Johnson were congratulated by all who came into contact with the project for their professionalism.

Barry Ronge of the Sunday Times wrote in Festival FM's visitors book: "Creative radio is always a treat but not nearly as good as being allowed into it. Thanks for giving me a chance to play along." Christopher Till, a member of the Festival committee wrote: "... an amazing service".

Programming consisted of nine hours of Festival news, competitions and interviews with visiting actors and celebrities daily. All this was broadcast via use of an SABC transmitter throughout Grahamstown on FM Stereo.

The project will make the history books as being the first time a radio station outside of the SABC monopoly has been granted permission to broadcast on South African soil.

The SABC provided full administrative and technical support, however, and Radio 5 Station Director Lance Rothschild and their Studio Manager Russell Pope were present throughout the Festival to give advice and support. Additional support came from the SABC technical crew in Port Elizabeth who set up the transmitter and dismantled it after the broadcast ended.

"It was without a doubt an incredible success," RMR Station Director Kyle Hannan said after the project while disc jockey Marc Bovim enthused: "I can't begin to explain what happened over those ten days...it was awesome."

Students want a laundromat and cheaper Kaif food says SRC

Xolisa Mabhongo

THE Students Representative Council (SRC) is very impressed by the number of students who participated in its recent referendum, says SRC president Rod Amner.

Of the 1581 students who voted, 75 percent were in residence while oppidans made up the remainder.

"The referendum has been representative with over 50 percent of the student body participating,"



"It was awesome," ...RMR's station manager, Marc Bovim, after working on Festival Radio for ten mindblowing days.



Radio 5's Lance Rothschild, Russel Pope and Steven Williams watch an RMR demo during the Festival.

Rhodes Music Radio celebrates its tenth birthday this year so the broadcast couldn't have come at a better time.

"Hopefully this will become an annual event. It will be nice to think back and realise 'Wow, look what we did,'" RMR Public Relations Officer and disc jockey Tove Kane said.

It is unlikely that, after the addition of this new project, the Grahamstown Festival will ever be the same. And as for radio in the future South Africa, well Radio 5's Lance Rothschild said it best: "To all the RMR team...the future of radio in this country is in your hands."

said a pleased Rod Amner.

The results reflected students dissatisfaction with a number of issues which the SRC will take up with the administration according to their importance and urgency.

Most students voted in favour of a swot week before the June examinations. Rod Amner said they were going to raise this with the administration for possible inclusion in next year's calendar.

More than 50 percent of students voted in favour of transport to and from Port Elizabeth airport and Alicedale station being provided before and after the short vacations.

An overwhelming majority of students thought free contraception should be dispensed at the Sanatorium. Though most students were in favour of the SRC secretary distributing condoms, the SRC is going to ask the administration to reopen the contraception clinic.

"It was very interesting to note that many students never use the university laundry at all," commented Rod Amner. 80 percent of the participants were in favour of

the introduction of a campus laundromat. The SRC hopes to meet the Oppie Board on this issue.

In a surprise result the students were satisfied by the quality of service at Kaif but were dissatisfied by the prices.

The SRC resource centre will be open from the end of this term and will be housed in the former billiard room below Kaif.

The results also showed a rejection of residence duties by most students. According to Rod Amner most students wanted the interviewing rules to be amended. He said students felt that afternoon interviewing on weekends should be allowed.

Most female students would support the introduction of electronic locks if it meant the abolition or shortening of residence duties.

The SRC said they were going to convene a campus leadership forum to discuss issues such as public holidays and residence matters. They are also going to encourage debates at the various halls.

Education summit looks at barriers between academics and students

Nicole Heidemann

THE urgent need to address the education crisis was the emphasis at this year's Eastern Cape Education Summit held at the Port Elizabeth Technikon on June 21 and 22.

Nusas Regional Organiser, Rod Dixon, said the Summit had been highly successful as administrators, academics and students reached agreement on important issues in how the universities need to be transformed.

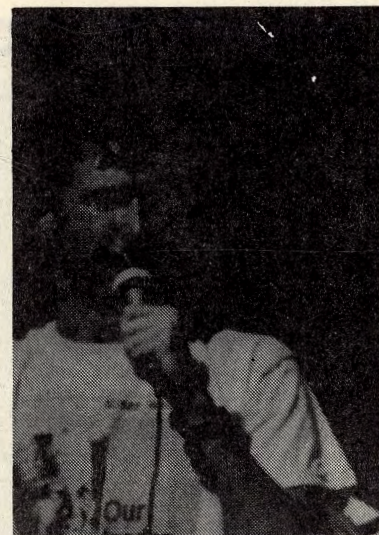
Dixon said that the Summit was disappointing only in the sense that State education departments did not attend and that not all the campuses were represented.

It was recommended that all institutions should examine their admissions policies and explore alternative methods of selections such as test-teach-test programmes.

Admissions policies should seek to redress imbalances that had occurred as a result of the apartheid system.

The need to develop clear criteria for exclusions was also emphasised and exclusions policies should continually be assessed.

"The summit has been good in building a sense of trust and breaking down barriers between aca-



Nusas Regional Organiser Rod Dixon

demics and students," said Dixon.

"However, the real test will be to uphold and implement the resolutions on the campuses, we are charged with the responsibility of looking at these questions according to our own conditions," he added.

It was agreed that academic freedom is integral to the autonomy of tertiary institutions but must be coupled with the responsibility of serving the needs of society.

Beyers Naude addresses UPE

THE administration of the University of Port Elizabeth have relaxed their "non-political" stance by allowing Beyers Naude to speak on campus this week.

He will be discussing the recent State funding scandal and its implications for negotiations.

He will also be discussing the political situation at UPE, where students are denied their fundamental human right to organise.

Nusas Regional organiser, Rod

Dixon, said that it was as a result of the efforts of the Concerned Students Group (CSG) that the UPE administration were weakening their policy and had allowed the meeting to take place.

"A transformation committee is being established to address problems in the university such as racism and discrimination in the residences and admission policies," said Dixon.

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Mandela disruptors get off scot free

TUKKIES -- Students who disrupted the Mandela meeting at the University of Pretoria in April will get off scot free, with no action taken against them.

On April 29 Mr Nelson Mandela was prevented from speaking to students in an open session. He was hounded from the stage after being harrassed by rightwing students.

The rector said the investigation produced insufficient evidence to warrant a conviction. This is in direct conflict with his statement of May 7 - a week after the incident - in which he said the miscreants

would be identified at all costs and necessary action taken.

He added the decision not to take action was influenced by the large measure of provocation prior to the incident, the contributory role played by outsiders to disrupting the gathering and the police decision not to prosecute them.

The Rector confirmed the university's policy of freedom of speech on campus as a basic right to be protected at all costs. He said future gatherings of a political nature would be held in halls. Only students, lecturers and those who had been specially invited would be allowed to attend.

SRC offices bombed

WITS - The offices of the SRC administrator was firebombed on Sunday morning, July 28. The university baker who lives in an apartment on the second floor of the building was the first to see the fire and alerted campus security. They managed to extinguish the fire before the fire brigade arrived. It appears that the arsonist got onto the roof of the Student Union

Building by taking the panes out of the windows in one of the lower offices.

Although there seems to be no motive for the attack, an anonymous caller phoned the SRC after the attack and said: "My organisation is happy that the office has been firebombed." He hung up before revealing which organisation that was.

The matter is being investigated.

Teargas attack on hostel

TUKKIES • Three teargas canisters were fired into a hostel and a res accommodating black students. Nobody was injured, though two students had to break a window to escape.

According to a SANSCO member, two white men broke into the res on July 17 at 1am, and fired the teargas down the corridors. They fled in a white Nissan Sentra with no licence plates.

The attack is under investigation. SANSCO said: "We feel the attack is part of the strategy of the rightwing to intimidate and victimise black students on campus."

Nobody has claimed responsibility for the attack, but "similar patterns in terms of timing" has led SANSCO to believe the incident may be linked to the bombing of the Hillview High School in Pretoria which was to accommodate ANC exiles' children. The school was also bombed at 1am, a week after the attack on Tuks.

The responsibility for the school bombing was claimed by a rightwing movement called BVB. In a strongly worded statement from one of its leaders, the BVB said the blast was a message to the government that "the Boere would not give up their land without a fight."

Jeugkrag to disband

PRETORIA- Jeugkrag SA is to disband within the next few months, once their work is wound up. This announcement follows the organisations national congress, held during the last vacation. National Chair of Jeugkrag, Paul Fouche said that since its formation, Jeugkrag had worked for a non-racial, true democracy in South Africa.

In striving for this ideal, Jeugkrag had initiated discussions between the young people of South Africa and in this way had made an exceptional contribution

to political debate. In the last two years however, politics in South Africa had developed so much that influential political parties were also promoting the ideals for which Jeugkrag stood. Fouche said that there was now plenty of opportunity for young people to involve themselves in the whole political spectrum of politics. He went on to say that the projects which Jeugkrag was still busy with would be wound up in the coming months. The organisation would then probably close its offices.

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South Africa is a land of contrasts - Soviet prof

Wendy Johnson & Kevin Rose

THERE has never been the chance for face to face relations between South Africa and the USSR, says a visiting professor of African History from the University of Moscow, who is currently lecturing in the History Department at Rhodes.

Carlean's legacy will remain at Rhodes for a long time to come

Toni Loizides

JOURNALISM lecturer, Kevin Carlean, sadly passed away after losing a five month battle against cancer recently.

Kevin, 30, was best remembered by colleague, Kerry Swift, for his "great fortitude, courage, freshness of thought and strength of attitude".

Kerry praised Kevin's love for teaching, saying that this was his greatest satisfaction.

"We may have lost a colleague and friend and Rhodes may have lost one of its brightest young men, but we were all enriched by him," Kerry said.

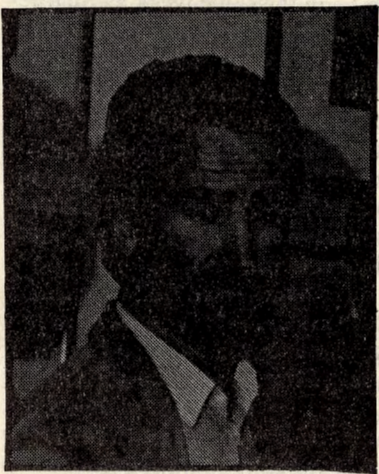
Kevin completed his BJourn at Rhodes in 1982 and took an Honours in English in 1983, before joining the staff of the department as a Junior Lecturer.

He enrolled for an MA in English, exploring his interest in non-fictional narrative, and completed a dissertation on "The Functions of Non-Fiction Narrative". In 1987 he was awarded his MA with distinction and was promoted to Lecturer.

While working on his MA he took History I and II, completing History III in 1988 and going on to History Honours, which he completed last year, also with distinction.

Professor Apollon Davidson considers South Africa's previous "total onslaught" strategy against the "communist enemy" a propaganda attempt against the USSR.

The USSR has made a similar attempt in their opposition to apartheid. The result was prejudice on both sides but it was now time for these two changing countries to meet.



The late Kevin Carlean.

tion. Earlier this year he enrolled for an LLB and was awarded his Academic Colours by the university.

Kevin had published several papers, including "The Narrative Functions of Elsa Joubert's POPPIE NONGENA" in English in Africa, and "A case for a South African New Journalism" and "The Guardian in South Africa" in the Southern African Review of Books, London.

Kevin's other great passion was soccer. An active player for many years, he was a past chairperson of the Rhodes Soccer Club and was active in the Law Faculty soccer team before he passed away.

In April he married Elmine Streicher, a Rhodes graduate in Arts and Law.

Head of Department of Journalism, Professor Gavin Stewart, called Kevin an uncompromising academic.

"He imposed high standards on his own work and believed students should meet these standards. Many did and the quality of their work in the future will be his legacy to our university," Prof Stewart said.

Professor Davidson has been studying South Africa since his student days. He published five books on African History, and has edited many others.

He researched previous work from Russian archives, and is now using South African archives to research two new books. These books will compile three centuries of contact between South Africa and the USSR.

During his first visit to South Africa in December 1989, Professor Davidson had an unpleasant experience with the press when the Beeld, Burger and Volksblad allegedly falsified his words. He declined further comment.

When asked what he thought of Rhodes, the professor laughed and said it was small. He added it was a good place to study. He described Grahamstown as a "beautiful quiet city", ideal for walking.

Professor Davidson sees South Africa as a country of contrasts. He said this was so with every country, but "South Africa is a country of contrasts first" in its difference between wealthy cities and impoverished townships.

When asked about negotiations, he said he thought it was the "best way", although there were many difficulties. He added the recent funding scandal would not be good for the process.

Professor Davidson grew up under the Stalinist regime, and says Gorbachev is the first Soviet leader he can respect. He said he sympathises with Gorbachev, whom he sees as being in an extremely difficult position.

Professor Davidson will be lecturing at the History Departments of Rhodes and Wits, and at the Department of African History at UCT.

He also hopes to visit the University of Pretoria and UWC before returning to the Soviet Union in mid-November.

His lectures at Rhodes cover three subjects: a history of relations between South Africa and the USSR; Perestroika, and its problems; and South African studies in the USSR.

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Deposit scheme causes digs-rush

Oppie Board to grade digs soon

Nerisha Baldevu

WITH the implementation of the scheme whereby res deposits for 1992 have to be paid by October, a major rush in the search for digs has developed.

Rene Vosloo, Oppie Secretary in Charge of Accommodation, said they had been inundated with calls from students in search of digs. The office has already handed out over 300 lists of digs that may become available next year.

Grahamstown's ability to satisfy this demand for accommodation is uncertain, though. Rene said the old problem of housing shortages was due to a lack of development and the fact that a number of houses have been sold. The result is there may not be a sufficient number of digs available next year.

The University has therefore implemented the deposit scheme which guarantees students a place in res in 1992. This deposit of R265 has to be paid by October 31. It is refundable if the student does not return to campus in 1992. However, should students decide to move into digs after having paid their deposits, they will NOT be refunded.

Dr. Motara, Dean of Students, said this was an attempt at averting another accommodation crisis. "It takes the pressure off new first years and is a form of commitment from students," he said.

The University has also entered into an agreement with the Grand Hotel. Forty students will be accommodated at the hotel next year, with bed and breakfast and other hotel luxuries. They will receive their other meals at one of the campus dining halls.

This, however, is only open to third year graduates and mature students.

At the moment, however, most students in search of digs are experiencing the problem of a lack of guarantees from lessors. Rene said a number of lessors were afraid of offering guarantees due to broken agreements in the past.

Some students were therefore, being asked to pay deposits on digs for next year, immediately. These deposits are apparently exorbitant, according to Rene, but the Oppie Board was looking into it.

She said a number of Oppie students experience problems because they do not obtain proper lease agreements from their lessors. This is especially problematic if houses are sold by lessors whilst students are renting them. Students also object to lessors having total access to the property.

However the Oppie Board has a lease agreement, drawn up by the Law Department, which serves as a guide to students. It covers rates, maintenance and other additions. There is an Oppie Guide available from the Oppie Secretary and Legal Aid and the Law Department are available for assistance.

An accommodation portfolio which grades digs has been created to improve services provided to students. A letter and checklist have been sent to lessors to gather additional information which will assist students in their search for houses. The portfolio representatives propose to meet with some of the local lessors to discuss problems arising in student accommodation.

Rhodes Scholarships

Applications for the Rhodes Scholarships for 1992 close on 1 September 1991. Applications are invited from men and women, regardless of race or creed who are ordinarily resident and have resided for at least five years in South Africa, Botswana, Namibia, Lesotho or Swaziland.

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Candidates are judged in terms of the criteria laid down by the Will of Cecil John Rhodes. These include literary and scholastic attainment, qualities of leadership, feelings of compassion for one's fellows and good physical health.

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NSF folds after controversial existence

"The pressure on the Leftists has to be kept up, by provoking the Left the Moderate

Students Movement would become more of an entity at UCT."

SASNEWS

REVELATIONS by the Weekly Mail that security police and local National Students Federation affiliates strategised and worked together have confirmed long-standing suspicions of this organisation's real motives.

Formed in 1984 as a federation of conservative groups on the English-Language "Liberal" universities, the initial orientation of the National Student Federation was pro-government.

Its launching congress at the Carlton Hotel was opened by State President PW Botha, who said: "May your endeavours be crowned with the fortune they so richly deserve."

Its national president until 1986 was Russel Crystal, an NP organiser and close associate of former security police spy, Craig Williamson. A key concern was to campaign against SRCs' affiliation to Nusas, and it frequently attacked other progressive groups.

It expressed support for PW Botha's "reform" programme, for conscription and for Renamo and Unita, and opposed the commemoration of Sharpeville Day, a visit

by Nusas to the ANC and the release of Nelson Mandela.

During 1984 the UCT Moderate Students Movement (MSM) was set up, and the newly formed Students Action Front (SAF) participated in an anti-affiliation referendum at Pietermaritzburg.

Opposition to Nusas by right-wing student organisations did not start in 1984, however. The first co-ordinated right-wing student organisation had been formed at Wits in 1975, together with a right-wing weekly newspaper called **CAMPUS INDEPENDENT**.

Together these bodies tried to start a national movement, the South African Federation of English Speaking Students, to co-ordinate national campaigns against Nusas affiliation, but it collapsed shortly afterwards.

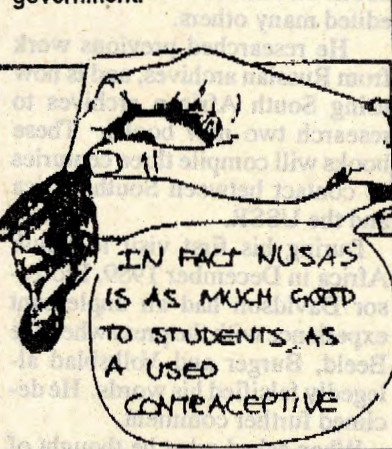
In 1978, Arthur McGivern, former student informer for the state intelligence gathering network, BOSS, revealed that **CAMPUS INDEPENDENT** and the disaffiliation campaigns had been funded by BOSS. The Information Scandal confirmed that the government had poured thousands of rands into anti-Nusas campaigns.

A new organisation called the "Mod Cons" or Modern Conservatives, was soon launched at Wits, with its inaugural dinner addressed by Prime Minister Vorster. They had contacts on other campuses, including UCT SRC member, Brian Hack, who was later arrested in connection with the attempted shooting of Colin Eglin, then leader of the PFP.

In 1980 the Mod Cons became the Student Moderate Alliance (SMA) at Wits, describing itself as the "political and social home" of the student who upheld the ideals of capitalism and free enterprise, while rejecting communism, socialism and Marxism.

From its inception the SMA was surrounded by controversy, with acting treasurer, Johannes Amfi-

liochiades appearing before a disciplinary hearing in 1980 for having threatened students at a mass meeting with a gun.



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A **SUNDAY EXPRESS** article in 1981 revealed that the SMA used the National Party's official printers for their publications, and the following year a fundraising campaign was exposed, headed by conservative businessman Shlomo Peer and endorsed by Pik Botha, Piet Koornhof and PW Botha.

The NSF set about concentrating on, in Russel Crystal's words, "exposing the degree to which campus radicals have destroyed students' rights..."

In 1985 the NSF conducted an international Youth for Freedom conference which cost over R400 000 and drew together conservative student groupings from around the world, including the British Federation of Conservative Students (FCS), expelled from the Conservative Party for extremism and "rowdy behaviour".

Minutes of a 1986 executive meeting outlined the tactics the NSF would use for the next few years. Phillip Powell suggested

"inviting speakers to Wits who would make the BSS, AZASO and their leftist comrades... go mad". In Russel Crystal's words, "The pressure on the Leftists has to be kept up, by provoking the left the MSM (Moderate Students Movement) would become more of an entity at UCT".

In 1986 the first of the notorious NSF speaking tours was arranged, with three Unita officers visiting Wits and Pietermaritzburg, timed to be in the same week as Sharpeville Day commemorations. Both the meetings were shouted down.

The MSM disregarded procedures at UCT for inviting controversial speakers, and ignored an administration ruling that the meeting be postponed. It went ahead and was broken up violently.

Just before the SRC elections at Rhodes the following year, Tamsanqa Linda, an ex-community councillor from the Eastern Cape and exiled from his community, was invited to speak here. This time the administration was able to stop the meeting from going ahead.

These types of actions continued, with a tour in August 1989 by the ultra-right-wing Federation of Conservative Students (FCS) from Britain - known for its racism, anti-semitism and provocative tactics on British campuses.

Last year, shortly after the violence began on the Reef, the NSF tried to hold a speaking tour with a member of the Inkatha central committee, but was stopped by administration, concerned that such meetings might fan the violence.

By this year the NSF had nine affiliates, including organisations at Stellenbosch, Pretoria, Orange Free State, RAU and UPE. It had gained some following, particularly on Afrikaans campuses, through its shift over the last three years to promoting the principles of limited government, individual

liberty and the free market.

Former Vice President of the MSM at Cape Town, Anna Breytenbach, resigned from the organisation in 1989, pointing to a number of problems in the organisation. She told of a motion passed at an NSF national council calling for Mandela's release, and said "the real motivation behind the resolution was one of organisational credibility". On the issue of the NSF's funding she said great stress was placed on "confidentiality being preserved".

A letter from the Durban-based DSA (Durban Students Alliance) in 1987 appealing to business people for funds stated: "The people who sponsor us at present are not prepared to reveal themselves publicly".

NSF media officer in 1989, Lance Terry, told newspaper reporters that their funders included the Anglo-American Chairman's Fund, Sanlam, BP and Leon Louw, and that a recent tour of Europe had been funded by Pick 'n Pay, Anglo Alpha, Everite, the FINANCIAL MAIL and "leading businessmen".

Both BP and Sanlam denied having given funding, and Leon Louw and Anglo-American stressed it had been given for a particular event.

NSF president, Danie Kriel, revealed NSF had been funded for the last 20 months by the government.



US student visitors confronting Eurocentrism

Sandy Lawson

A group of American teenagers and a Californian film crew have been filming in Grahamstown on a joint film project over the last three weeks.

The project, dubbed Nana (the zulu word for child and beginning), was the brainchild of Amie Williams, 28, a student of the graduate film school, at the University of California, Los Angeles. It will also contribute as partial fulfillment to her Master's degree.

Five Los Angeles high school graduates, Serena Kim, 17, Christa Dickey, 18, Martin Deeb, 18, Joann Martinez, 18, and Kamau Ayubbi, 17, stayed with different families in the Grahamstown townships, and paired up with their hosts to make a video about their experiences here.

The videos focused on different aspects of society and form a series on youth and Apartheid in South Africa.

Amie and her film crew made a documentary on the efforts of these five students in producing their videos, thereby hoping to capture something of the similarities and differences that con-

fronted these teenagers in meeting with a very different and varied culture compared to their North American heritage.

Their aim was to learn about race and respect, politics and peace, and the media and its message. "We are looking at how video can be used as a social and economic tool. It illustrates how anyone can pick up a camera and make their views known."

While she was planning this project she met with a Grahamstown local film-maker, Ken Mdana, who was studying in New York at the time. Her ideas around a community film project led him to suggest that she film in Grahamstown.

She added, saying "Kenneth has been a major mover in getting things on the roll on this side."

Amie hopes that this will be the first of many such projects in the hope that Ken's dream of establishing a local film school might be realised.

The party also met with a number of organizations including the ANC, Black Sash, Cosatu, and various schools as part of bringing

themselves into contact with a variety of views that would better inform the content of their videos and their final film.

Amie hoped that their efforts would be different from other similar overseas projects which exploited the South African reality without actually making a contribution.

On Friday, 19 July, the Americans met with a group of Rhodes Nusas/Sansco members to discuss student politics. While they found it interesting, they were disappointed that they only scratched the surface of the issues. "We found that people would acknowledge the problems but were idealistic and theoretical about the solutions", said Christa and Serena.

"When we discuss politics we're used to being straightforward. I think they were too scared to offend us."

During their discussions around racism and non-racism Amie Williams said, speaking from a white persons' point of view, "I think it is very important for whites to be vigilant of their socialisation. We have to confront the eurocentric

attitudes which only stresses the importance of the white persons' role in history."

In an interview afterwards, Christa compared South Africa to America. "It's obviously much more segregated here. In L.A. there are areas that are dominated by one race group, but the status between areas are the same. Here the disparity between black and white is great."

She found the people to be more politically aware. "Socially people are a lot more generous and friendly. The unity in the community is a lot stronger." She also noted the lack of recreation in Grahamstown.

She explained how there is still a lot of racism in the United States. "It's deep in people's sub-consciousness. It's not blatant but mental and psychological."

All the American teenagers, who were selected a year ago through a Los Angeles youth network, are student leaders who have been involved in anti-apartheid work. Kamau Ayubbi's interest stems from his fathers close friendship with assassinated civil

Joann Martinez is a member of the ANC in America.

Martin Deeb has been arrested for his fight against "social injustice", when with other members of the Los Angeles Student Coalition, he attempted to close the South African Consulate in Los Angeles down.

"It is not representative of the American people to house the consulate of a country ruled by Apartheid," he said. Aiming to camp in and armed with backpacks they stormed the building. The police failed to remove them and by blocking all entrances they held the office staff hostage for five hours. The State Department was called in, and arrested the protesters one by one. After being finger printed and photographed, he was released.

The California film crew consisted of Amie Williams (Director), professional cameraman Rob Bennet, sound technician Marco Williams, and independent filmmaker Ben Caldwell. Assisting them was Sandy Lawson a television student at Rhodes. The party also included Caldwell's wife Laurie Harris, a Los Angeles lawyer.

FW still needs to own up

Interim government needed more than ever before

Andrew Dorer

THE continuing revelations around state funding of the National Student Federation (to which Rhodes' Liberal Students Democrats were affiliated) is only one of several issues which continues to question the credibility of De Klerk's government.

De Klerk has admitted that Inkatha, the United Workers Union of South Africa (UWUSA), the Federal Independent Alliance and a group known as the Eagles, have been receiving funding from the state.

However, the Government still has large amounts of dirty linen that needs to be washed in public.

The NSF issue is a prime example. NSF President Danie Kriel, has also admitted that the organisation has received state funding, but has refused to disclose an amount or the Department which it came from.

This stands in direct contradiction to De Klerk's statement that, "Apart from these incidents there is no information available of any political party or organisation having received any money from secret funds."

Quite simply, has De Klerk then done enough - surely students have a right to know exactly what the relationship between the state and the NSF is, and where the money came from?

POLICE RAN UNION

More significant than the NSF funding is government involvement in UWUSA, the United Workers of South Africa. Secret documents have indicated that the Security Police secretly launched UWUSA and funded the organisation to the tune of R 1,5 million.

Former Law and Order Minister, Adriaan Vlok, claimed that: "Every cent has been accounted for", but the Weekly Mail has revealed that he was so concerned about financial mismanagement in UWUSA that he ordered a commission to investigate its affairs. The commission was opened because, "a result of the debt burden of UWUSA, that could possibly expose the involvement of the Ministry of Law and Order."

In contrast to Vlok's assertion, the director of the Inquiry, Gavin Woods, has stated that he was unable to investigate the union's financial records because the union kept no record books, and he, "just ran into a brick wall."

More concerning than financial mismanagement within UWUSA are the allegations that the trade union is under the direct control of the SAP and Inkatha - the documents indicate that the union was a project of the Security Police and under the direct control of the KwaZulu Minister of the Interior, Steven Sithebe.

"BURY COSATU"

Vlok has claimed that UWUSA was funded in order to "counter intimidation, illegal actions and related violence on

the labour front". However, UWUSA's claim that it would "bury COSATU" has taken on a more sinister meaning given the Union's record:

- Although there have been UWUSA casualties, in the majority of workplace clashes where UWUSA is known or suspected to have been involved, it is COSATU and its affiliates that have suffered.
- In 1987 a National Union of Mineworkers (NUM) organiser was murdered, resulting in a NUM interdict against UWUSA, and a prosecution.
- The stabbing of a Trade and General Workers Union (T&GWU) shop steward during a T&GWU-Uwusa organising struggle for the Durban branch of SA Stevedores.
- The murder of five miners employed by Zinc corporation in 1987, allegedly because they refused to join Uwusa.
- According to the National Union of Metalworkers of South Africa (NUMSA), workers involved in a recent strike ballot have been harassed and attacked by UWUSA resulting in a number being shot and wounded.

These, and other violent incidents can only rouse serious questions as regards Uwusa's position as a legitimate, independent trade union as well as the SAP's claims to be impartial in the current violence sweeping the country.

In terms of the violence itself, it is the evidence linking the police to Inkatha that is the most serious issue. Apart from the funds diverted from the Security Police to Inkatha, there is ample evidence of past and present Security Police collusion with Inkatha, which includes direct SADF training of Inkatha forces.

BOSS PROMOTED INKATHA

Martin Dolincheck, an ex senior officer in the now Defunct Bureau of State Security (BOSS), has indicated that in 1974, BOSS set up an office in Empangeni to provide direct security and surveillance services to Inkatha, with the aim of promoting the organisation and Buthelezi as a moderate alternative to the ANC.

Seventeen years later, has anything changed? President de Klerk has claimed that covert assistance towards Inkatha has ceased - however, the facts tell a different story:

- On April 22, three cars were seen delivering weapons to the Mzimhlope Hostel. The next day, a group of white policemen in a Caspir moved white bags into the Hostel in Alexandra. Soon after the police left and three groups of men emerged from the hostel carrying guns.
- On May 5, in Bekkersdal, a large Inkatha group went on the rampage after a rally. According to Radio 702 reporters, the police made no attempt to stop the Inkatha group and, after the fighting started, opened fire on squatter-camp



Vlok funded Uwusa to counter violence but these Uwusa supporters at a rally in Durban's Kings Park Stadium show they are in no peaceful mood.

residents, killing seven people and injuring four. The police denied reports that they had taken sides.

- On April 14, Inkatha members marched on Gamalakhe township brandishing firearms. The SAP and SADF, who escorted them into the township, said they could not confiscate the weapons as they had been licensed and issued in Ulundi to guard government property. Three were killed in the shooting that followed.
- The Legal Resources Centre in Durban has affidavits which allege that a Kwa Mashu gang was supplied with arms and ammunition and trained in tactical warfare by the KwaZulu police, the SAP and SADF. Former members of the gang said they had joined Inkatha as a guarantee of immunity from prosecution.

- President de Klerk has admitted that the SADF had trained 150 Inkatha fighters in counter insurgency warfare at a secret base in the Caprivi strip in 1986. De Klerk's assertion that this training was done for "security and VIP protection" is belied by affidavits from the trainees that several were trained as offensive fighters.

INTERIM GOVERNMENT A SOLUTION?

These revelations seriously question the government's credibility as a impartial adjudicator in the negotiation process and suggest that the state and Inkatha are unwilling to engage the ANC in a peaceful political struggle.

The call is now even stronger, if negotiations are not to reach an impasse, for a impartial interim government to take control of the major organs of state power, and to ensure a speedy and peaceful transition to a democratic order.

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EDITORIAL

Don't accept a fool's paradise

THIS edition of RHODEO hits the streets at a time when students in South Africa are grappling with various issues but one cannot help wondering if they are on the right track.

The 'anti-Nusas', National Students Federation dissolved after admitting it received police funding. Rhodes affiliate, the Liberal Student Democrats say they are shocked at the revelations but will continue with their liberal politics...that is fine fighting talk but what difference does it make to the unacceptable conditions at Rhodes and in Grahamstown?

Nusas and Sansco seem to be trudging their way to an historic merger, which is due to occur at Rhodes sometime in the September vac. The euphoria surrounding the process has turned to sheer pain - it's moving very slowly...there seems to be a lack of fighting spirit and without a clear programme of action it seems students are going to remain pretty directionless.

The time has come for students to start participating actively in South Africa's reconstruction. And it starts right here on campus.

Rhodes' workers are amongst the lowest paid university staffers in the country and they are not happy with student organisations who seem to be all talk and no action.

Local union organiser, Elijah Ntente, calls upon students to get involved in establishing an educational unit for workers on campus. This is vital in the fight against illiteracy and exploitation. What the hell is stopping us?

The lack of ingenuity on the part of students is tragically apparent. For years now we have done nothing seriously, as a body of Rhodes students, to address the devastating poverty in Grahamstown.

Why can't we think of investing some of our abundant cash, time and money in 'human resource development in this area. If every student gave R30 a year to a special investment fund to create development locally we would have at least R100 000 to start with.

Forget about secret police funds, let's start our own funding programme and get knee-deep into the politics of development and reconstruction.

RHODEO CHANGEVER
THIS week RHODEO will be undergoing a thorough assessment and election process. Everything is up for grabs, including most of the editorial positions.

Hopefully what results will be a solid leadership and a dynamic student newspaper which serves students but is also challenging at the same time.

Students who are far too valuable to the process of change in South Africa to be contaminated with cynicism and apathy.

All those wishing to participate in RHODEO in whatever form should pop in to our offices on the first floor of the Student Union and start contributing to the paper for a changing campus.

CREDITORIAL

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Dear RHODEO

In reply to a "fresher" letter.

Politics will become such an important part of your life, you will long for a publication like RHODEO. You will long for black press, confrontational writing and views from various sources.

If you haven't realised yet how much your future and personal decisions are going to be affected by political issues and policies, there's not much hope for you.

Today's relevant political scenarios have a profound effect on your own future:

- The Land Issue - tremendous impact on agriculture and thus future food prices.
- Political Violence the implications are overwhelming in their horror. Somebody is causing it and so far the ANC has offered the only logical and reasonable explanation. It is an open secret that an ominous IFP/security force alliance is sweeping the violence through our townships.
- Economic Policy - a large number of students will be earning a living through large corporations and "big business" companies. How will these

FW is spoiling all the fun

Dear RHODEO

FW has really spoilt our fun! Firstly he stopped our "friendly" jaunts into Namibia, Angola and other neighbouring countries. Then he cut our two year fully paid stay at Uncle Magnus' Holiday Camp in half. Now he has axed our congenial host!

Score yet another to ECC.

But all this is not enough. Conscription, the monumental remaining pillar of apartheid, is still being maintained in its present form. One can only surmise that it is a safety net, to fall back on if things go wrong. If De Klerk is serious about a "New South Africa", this racist conscription must stop. Now!

Yours in Objection

Nicholas Lydall

Judaism and Zionism are one and the same?

Dear RHODEO

I was surprised that on our "liberal campuses" racists would still dare to show their ugly heads. But at a talk hosted by the Muslim Students Association (July 31, 8pm, Zoo major) the speaker from the Islamic youth, still propounded racist rhetoric commonly used by anti-semites.

In a question relating to the violence which has occurred at Wits and UCT between Jews and Muslims, the speaker attempted to answer that there was no problem with Jews, just Zionists.

This is clearly just another cover for Anti-Semitism. Where there is reluctance to voice Anti-Semitism openly and publicly, Anti-Zionism becomes a serviceable code-word.

Anti-Zionists in attacking Israel, attack Jews, regardless of where they live or to what extent they identify as Zionists.

I cannot help but wonder to what extent this speaker is the same breed as those that perpetrate Anti-Semitic or Anti-Zionist acts,

Shalom

Concerned Zionist

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companies be viewed by black governments? How does redistribution of wealth affect this? How (seemingly) secure is your job actually? What about starting your own business?

- Freedom - things like freedom of expression, association, privacy, etc. have their effects in your day to day life. Constitutions, safeguards and protection of rights should thus become foremost in your reflections of ordinary life. How would you thus be affected by a hostile (to whites) black government? How will you be taxed? What does non-racism mean in practice with the harsh realities of the South African society. The list of influences and questions is endless and develops everyday.

In light of the above, I feel Rhodoe does an excellent job in balancing their articles. You object to the politicising of our student newspaper, but what newspaper isn't politically orientated and thus pushes some political viewpoint? If you don't like the politics, then don't read the paper! And if this really bothers you, why don't you start your own newspaper with community, social, advertising, bland articles. See what your readership

'Peace amongst the Africans, and war against the enemy' - says Paso

Open letter to the Registrar

Dear Dr Hunt

We hereby acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated 18 June 1991, in which you say that our pamphlet captioned "Throw the Violence Back to the State" is insensitive; and threaten stern action against us if we continue to publish such pamphlets.

You do not mention however, in your letter, as to whom the pamphlet is insensitive. To the State, those who wish to maintain the present state of affairs, or who?

You will remember that our pamphlet only warned the African people against "black-on-black" violence, and from our analysis we said that this violence is State sponsored long before the revelations on the Inkathagate and NSFgate scandals.

Hence we developed a little, but significant saying that says: "Peace among the

RHODEO confusing issues again

Dear Rhodoe

Tut, tut. Once again you all appear to have missed the proverbial boat in the attack launched by one of your reporters on the LSD. Don't get me wrong.

I don't doubt your intelligence, just the level of your morals. I am not a member of the LSD, nor do I agree with all their standpoints, but I found your attack on their pamphlet to be nothing but an arrogant attempt by you to once again confuse the issues.

Your reporter continually slated the LSD for their "sneaky pamphlet", but fails to acknowledge that every political organisation on campus, including the ANC and NUSAS, make use of the same technique to disseminate their point of view.

There is nothing sneaky or underhanded about publishing your views in a pamphlet and leaving stacks of them in Kaif for people to read. The only people who could object to the method are those who are scared to have any view other than their own reach the ears of students. There is, however, something sneaky about a newspaper getting a reporter to write a letter slating the collective's views in the newspaper rather than write an article that would lead you to be accused of bias.

As far as I know, LSD has never said that they are not the mouthpiece of Inkatha; they seem to fully support the organisation and would probably not object to the label. Your collective, however, is ter-

turns out to be! Wake up and smell the coffee!

Another "Fresher"

D de Bruin

Dear RHODEO

While meticulously counting the number of articles in recent editions of RHODEO, it seems to have escaped the attention of Mr Kennelly ("Politics anger tender fresher", RHODEO, May 1991) that he lives in a country in which political tension and violence is rampant and cannot be divorced from our lives.

Unless of course we conveniently delegate it to the vacant recesses of our minds, or take shelter from it in the pretense of aggressive ignorance.

Now, if RHODEO were to follow this advice and devote its reporting to the lives of students, not only would RHODEO degenerate into an endless maelstrom of tedium, but it would also provide us with a comfortable fools paradise - wouldn't it?

But Mr Kennelly diligently reminded us, he is a "silly" fresher at a tender, unenlightened age. Therefore, we shan't worry too much, but dismiss his ramblings as the idiosyncrasies of youth.

Anti-Racist Brain Surgeon

Africans, and war against the enemy".

Our analysis has been proven correct, since top government officers have been exposed in their funding of an organisation that is involved in black-on-black (sic) violence.

We cannot be sensitive to people that robbed us of our land, killed, imprisoned and exiled our people. The list is endless.

We will continue to call our people to defend themselves by all means against oppression, be on the offensive against white domination, and make them aware of the black leaders that seek to mislead and misdirect them from their goals of democracy and self-determination.

We will remain insensitive to this government, voters and its sympathisers, for they have shown no sensitivity to our numerous exiles and political prisoners. The Pan Africanist Student Organisation. (Rhodes)

rified of being labelled an ANC mouthpiece, because you fear your journalistic credibility is at stake. Let me break this to you gently: you have no credibility for fairness or ethics outside your own little circle of supporters.

Any student at Rhodes will testify to the fact that Rhodoe is nothing more than a radical mouthpiece, which is a tragedy for a newspaper that is supposed to represent all student opinion. (I refer to the letter by V. Kennelly in your last edition.)

Now, onto technical matters. A newspaper is supposed to be free of reporter bias as much as possible with editorialising occurring only on the editorial pages. But little details of standards wouldn't affect you anyway, so why I bother...

Finally, your last cover was appalling. If I wanted to see a page of pure black, I would stick a dustbin bag over my head. Where are your standards? Ooops, I forget. You don't have any.

And now for a positive thought. Your sports page had improved considerably since your first edition; it is more like a sports page now than the stock exchange report-type thing you subjected us to before.

I hope you won't disregard this letter, and will go on to do something to improve what could and should be a student paper, representative of all views and opinions.

Tony Lankester

If I were the Vice-Chancellor by
Rod Amner

For some people, asking the SRC President to run Rhodes University would be like asking a sweet-toothed child to run a candy shop.

He'd invite all his chums, the workers and the street children over to gorge themselves. Things would get very messy, and we'd soon run out of nice things to eat.

Whilst I admit to being one of the younger, more idealistic Vice-Chancellors around, I do not presume that running a university is all a bed of TV Bars.

I realise that the various demands that will be placed on the resources of the post-apartheid state are going to force the universities to get by on somewhat less than the ideal "glass and a half of milk", and not everyone is going to get a university education.

But I do believe that we could achieve a great deal more with what we've got. What we need is a recognition of the need to change, a commitment to change, and far-sighted leadership to oversee and implement change as democratically and effectively as possible.

VC even has a coronation ceremony, a special throne and some natty robes to match

One of my first priorities would be to attempt to break down the university's rather absolutist command structure: the VC even has a coronation ceremony, a special throne and some natty robes to match (Vice-Chancellor Amner - King of the Universe City?). Of course, it could be argued that the VC is accountable to Council and Senate (constitutional monarchy).

This argument looks a little thin, however, when you consider that the Rhodes Council, highest decision-making body of the university, has just one black representative, no women, and one student representative (who has no voting rights). Constituents of the Third Estate (students, academics, staff, parents and the broader non-racial community) are all important constituencies who need the space to have their views and aspirations heard, and the power to get them implemented.

How else do you ensure that decisions, informed by the needs of our society as a whole, are being made about the teaching and research priorities of the university?

IN the year 2000 will 78 percent of Rhodes' student body be white?

For example, students who have in the past attempted to challenge the university on bread and butter issues like accommodation problems and outdated admissions criteria and procedures have often been met with the "let them eat cake" retort. Wrought-iron gates were erected to circumvent the immanent Storming of the Clock Tower.

As VC, I would be worried if students were not angry.

In a world beset with violent conflict, ecological disaster, poverty, injustice and rampant stupidity, I would deem it the responsibility of students to demand change.

In the year 2000, will 78 percent of Rhodes' student body still be white? Will the majority of failed and excluded students still be black? Will our vision of the future still be grey and cloudy?

Rhodes has great potential as a university: Firstly, it has enormous resources which which are ostensibly directed towards developing our country. But lecture theatres often lie empty, access to our playing fields, our laboratories and our libraries is restricted to only the privileged few.

Secondly, its size and location lends itself to becoming an integrated community of committed learners, a place where excellent teaching could and should flourish.

But, at present, the Academic Support Programme is on the periphery of the

Vice-Chancellor and SRC President change hats

academic mainstream, curriculae are often dry and static, we have no Staff Development Centre to upgrade the teaching skills of our lecturers, and students often "get through the system" on the basis of a few plagiarised essays and narrow exam "spots".

I do not believe a Rhodes education is, on the whole, equipping students with the necessary understanding and skills to deal with the realities and needs of a post-apartheid South Africa.

10 point quick-fix plan for all our woes

You may think that (in true Vice-Chancellor fashion) I've been a bit vague and abstract up to this point. To appease those baying mobs of students looking for a quick fix for all our woes, here is a brief Vice-Chancellor's 10 Point Plan containing general and specific tips for achieving A New Rhodes:

1. A Rhodes Conference: financed by the university, including papers, workshops, and decisions about a host of questions concerning Rhodes' future, attended by representatives of all those with an interest and stake in the university.

2. Remove the gates in the administration quad: erect a portion of them on Kaif lawns as a monument to a bygone era, and use the rest as additional security for vehicles in the University Car Pool.

3. Negotiate a true living wage for Rhodes workers, as well as a Worker Education Programme: no institution that purports to uphold freedom and basic human rights should continue to pay poverty wages. It is a matter of principle, and the solution does not lie in retrenchments.

4. ASP should become central to the academic life of the university and should be funded, in the same way as any other department, by the university.

5. The library should be prioritised, upgraded and properly funded. The library is the life-blood of the university and we should find creative ways of circumventing the financial constraints on making this a reality.

6. Situated alongside South Africa's second largest township, Mdantsane, the East London branch of Rhodes should be isolated as one of the key growth points of the university in the future.

7. The Vice-Chancellor should attempt to secure sponsorship for a range of bursaries which he (or she) would award (with advice from representatives from other constituencies) to students who have shown an exceptional commitment to serving the community at large, whether through student government, community projects and the like.

I challenge the real VC to swap roles with the SRC President

8. The university should never reject a student on financial grounds: a workable bursary/loan scheme on favourable terms must be found (in conjunction with the state).

9. Help students organise a Free People's Concert on Prospect Field and instruct them to invite Genesis, my favourite band, as the lead act.

10. Convert the Vice-Chancellor's historical residence, the Lodge, into an Adult Education Centre: I would move to Market Street - lots of interesting students live there, and it's far away from all those noisy concerts I had a hand in organising on Prospect Field.

Finally, I challenge the real Vice-Chancellor to swap roles with the SRC President for one day sometime early next year when, no doubt, we will once again be facing accommodation and admissions crises at Rhodes.



"Analyse all political platforms with a healthy degree of scepticism," - Dr DS Henderson

If I were the SRC President by Dr D Henderson

As your (real) Vice-Chancellor, I am only too aware that it has been a considerable time since I was a student and that, as my own daughters used to pointedly remind me: "there has been a Flood since then."

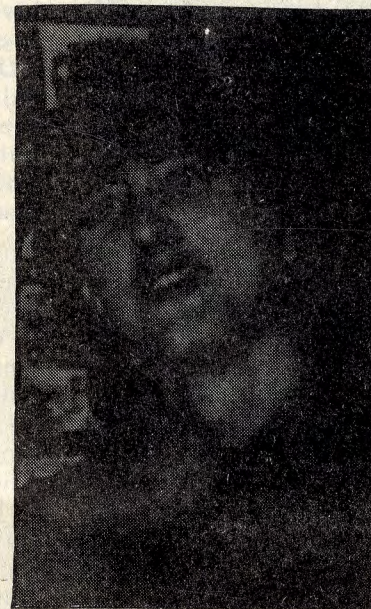
At Rhodes, I was not a member of the SRC but did serve as Secretary of the Athletic Union, a remote ancestor of the present Sports Council. Nevertheless, at the invitation of "RHODEO" I am exercising my imagination to the point of asking you to suspend disbelief by accepting me for a few brief moments as your newly elected (putative) SRC President.

In our rapidly changing circumstances, a representative leader's style has assumed a more than usual importance. I shall be eliminating from my personal repertoire -- and I expect the whole SRC to follow suit -- words such as Confrontation, Demand and Polemic, and substituting for them, Cooperation (wherever appropriate), Request and Negotiation.

My mandate is to represent all students of whatever shades of opinion, and not to favour those who happen to agree with me. There is an old saying that more flies are caught by a spoonful of honey than a barrelful of vinegar. If tolerance, urbanity and civility are not practised here on a university campus, they will become extinct. It is up to the SRC to set an example.

The SRC has long recognized the distinction between its internal and external relationships. Internally, in my dealings with the academic and administrative staff I shall pursue, vigorously, remedies for the legitimate grievances of individual and groups of students. I shall promote bread-and-butter issues which are in the interest of the student body as a whole, but one has to accept that realism must temper many of our requests. The university's limited resources are already under severe pressure, which constrains the choices of even the most sympathetic of administrations.

I shall urge students to participate fully in all the decision-making structures to which they have access. Student government represents a priceless opportunity for developing leadership skills, but even for students there are only twenty-four hours in the day. George Burns, that evergreen, cigar-chomping entertainer once said: "Too bad all the people who know how to run the country are too busy driving taxi cabs and cutting hair." He was, of course, referring to New York cabbies, who know everything. "Too bad



"No Institution that purports to uphold freedom and basic human rights should continue to pay poverty wages," - Rod Amner all the students who know how to run the university are too busy... Fill the rest in for yourselves.

Externally, we shall continue our dialogue with national student associations, but the time has come to review our approach to the various political groupings.

We must adopt a stance which leaves us free to analyse all political platforms with a healthy degree of scepticism, and not to commit ourselves to any single camp with an uncritical, knee-jerk response. A report in the American Chronicle of Higher Education recently caught my eye. It read:

"France's biggest student union, commonly known as UNEF-ID, has decided to break with its long tradition of 'protest politics' and to loosen its ties to the country's Socialist Party.

The union, whose full name is the National Union of French Students - Independent and Democratic, made the changes at its 72nd Congress, following the recommendation of its president, Christopher Borgel. Nearly 70 percent of the 700 delegates voted their approval."

"This is the congress of historic rupture with a historic past," said Mr. Borgel. Recalling the massive and often violent protests of the 1960's, when hundreds of thousands of students took to the streets for social causes, he said: "Those days are gone."

Mr. Borgel went on to say "the best way for students to accomplish their collective goals these days was to negotiate, rather than to strike."

The French often pride themselves on their ability to provide intellectual leadership. Even though one does not necessarily accept them, at face value they are always worth listening to.

Finally, allow me a word about RHODEO itself. It plays its music and sports reports "straight", but too often the rest of the paper adopts a patronising and hectoring "Auntie knows best" tone of "politically correct" homilies and exhortations.

In Monsieur Borgel's words: "Those days are gone." Let's have some intellectual meat instead of ideological pabulum. After all, we are a university. How about some thoughtful book reviews? Even the Financial Mail has such pretensions. What about the New York Times concept of an Op Ed page, containing the invited views of leaders and commentators of every persuasion from the CP to the PAC? RHODEO editors, break out of the old Comfort Zone. Do not underestimate Rhodes students. They can think for themselves. After all, didn't they elect me?

Rhodes' disciplinary code needs some alterations

South African law allows Rhodes University an enormous amount of disciplinary power, according to Section 22 of the Rhodes University Act of 1949. RHODEO had a look into some of the more questionable rules of the University and tried to determine what justified their continuance.

SECTION 22, the act of government which allowed the University to set up the code states that "a student of the University shall be subject to the disciplinary control of the Senate in accordance with rules framed by the Senate for the purpose."

Questionable are the many outdated rules laid out in the code. For instance Sec 1.1 penalises the late return from vacation without leave. Sec 11.1 penalises female undergraduates under 21 years of age if they reside in any place in which male borders reside without having previously obtained consent from their parents. Sec 11.4 prohibits female students under the age of 19 from spending a weekend or short vacation away from home and out of residence without the prior written permission of both the parents and hall warden.

Warden of Founders Hall and Investigating Officer, Professor P Surtees agreed that these rules could be open to debate, calling Sec 11.4 "archaic".

The right to have a conviction and sentence reviewed is provided for in Sec 19.

If the student has been found guilty, he/she is given the option to apply for a review, he/she will have to request a copy of the record of proceedings within 24 hours. The disciplinary officer then has 48 hours to furnish the

Toni Loizides

record, and the student will then have 24 hours to formally request a review.

Director of Disciplinary Aid, Calum Stevenson feels the time allotment in this process is far too little and should be extended. However, Head of Wardens and Proctor, Mr MJ Oelschig finds no difficulty with the initial 24 hours. He had no comment on the rest of the time allotments.

When asked why students do not obtain an automatic right of appeal rather than an optional right of review Mr Oelschig said there was no way the Principal could stop the student from arguing the matter.

But it would still not be possible to call this an appeal because of the large amounts of transcript needed for appeals. Official records of all proceedings would have to be kept.

According to Sec 24, the Principal at all times and at his discretion can exercise clemency. When questioned whether this power, vested in one man could be abused, Mr Oelschig said clemency was a privilege and not a right and had never been abused before.

Sec 18.9 of the code states that in the case of a review, material facts proved may only be submitted. There is thus no way of testing whether the evidence was suitably evaluated or not. A lawyer who was familiar with the code said this was the most frustrating issue as many times proven facts had been found to be incorrect.

Mr Oelschig, on the other hand, said that in order to argue each fact, a detailed word-by-word transcript would have to be kept, and qualified lawyers would be needed. The review would then be seen as a criminal trial.

"You must have a certain basis of trust", he said.

Criticism has been raised on the code's 'double jeopardy' principle. It entitles the University to summon a person who has previously been convicted in a criminal court

to appear in a disciplinary hearing to answer to the same charge. Often reference to Sec 14.1 (conduct unbecoming in a student of the University) will be made. The student will thus be tried twice for the same offence.

Mr Oelschig explained that the University did not act as a criminal court in retrying the student. Instead the University is to be seen much in the same light as a Medical Review Board which retries doctors who have been found guilty in criminal courts.

Recently, Mr Oelschig brought a case against a student who, whilst under the influence of alcohol locked him (Mr Oelschig) in his office. Criticism was raised by several students, accusing Mr Oelschig of breaking the rules of natural justice by being both the 'victim' and 'judge' in his own case.

Sec 21 of the code deals with this situation, allowing the disciplinary officer to judge a case which he/she has witnessed the breach of rule for which the student is being charged. It does not raise the case where the disciplinary officer is the 'victim' of the breach of rule, but this is implied.

Mr Oelschig said he would try such a case unless he had felt personally aggrieved by the circumstances.

"It is a case of discretion. To have each case (which includes residence cases where Wardens have fined students after witnessing their 'offence') tried the University would have to set up a full time committee of Proctors," he said.

Probably the most contentious part of the code is Sec 14.1 which states that "Students are required at all times to abstain from any conduct which may reasonably be regarded as unbecoming in a student of the University." This rule is exceptionally wide in nature and can encompass a wide selection of offenses.

Prof Surtees said the rule was drawn up because the alternative would be a disciplinary code listing every conceivable offence a student may commit.



Maseru, Capital of Lesotho

Downtown Maseru...a mini metropolis nestling in the hills.

This mountain kingdom's charm lies in its contrasts

William Heuva, a senior student and a tutor in the Journalism Department accompanied Charles Riddle - senior lecturer in the department - to Maseru to facilitate at an United Nations sponsored course in journalism writing skills during the winter holidays. They were teaching reporters of the Lesotho News Agency (Lena). Here Heuva gives his impression of the mountain kingdom.

DUBBED the "Kingdom in the Sky", Lesotho is one of the most picturesque countries in Southern Africa.

Its undulating mountain ranges climax in dramatic snow-clad peaks. Because of the high altitude, the air is rarified, invigorating, clear and pure, and offers one an opportunity to enjoy peace and tranquility.

The kingdom has a rich heritage of skills and life essentials. Taking a stroll in Kingsway - Maseru's main street - one finds busy markets selling fine leather tapestries, woven mohair, traditional mats decorated in many attractive designs, basketware, garments, ethnic jewellery and fascinating pottery.

The Basotho Hat is one of the best woven grassworks sold at the markets. Its conical shape has been adopted as the emblem of the country.

The shape is derived from the Thaba-Bosiu, which the Basotho refer to as "the Mother of the Nation". For it is known that the nation was formed on this mountain by king Moshoeshoe. It protected them from foreign threats - especially from the Boers.

Maseru, the capital, has a mixture of European and African city features. It is lively at night and has sophisticated casinos, night clubs, exotic restaurants, discos, cinemas and luxurious hotels. The "profession" is very rife in the capital - with the "professionals" very active in and around its red light areas.

I failed to notice any hope for the

country as far as the economic prospects is concerned. The unemployment rate is very high in the Kingdom, especially in the capital with its 361 000 people according

to the 1986 census. But despite this one notices a mini-construction boom in and around Maseru.

The main source of income for most people is the migrant labour of the South African mines. This however, is problematic due to future uncertainty - for it is not known what the status of these labourers will be in the 'New South Africa'.

It is argued that the new democratic government in SA would first look at the interests of its people.

This again has led to another debate - whether Lesotho would be incorporated in a new South Africa or not. Those I've spoken to during my brief stay there, don't like the idea of incorporation into South Africa.

The Lesotho Highlands Water Project is at the moment the largest economic venture in the country and perhaps the most ambitious currently in progress in Africa.

The project, which will take about 30 years to complete at a current estimated cost of R4 billion, will provide water for South Africa, as well as electricity and a host of other associated benefits for Lesotho.

At the moment the Kingdom is under military rule. The king is in "self-imposed exile" in Britain, while his son has resumed the throne. However, a new constitution has been adopted and hopefully by May next year the Kingdom is going to return to civilian rule.

A code of conduct for the political parties in the Kingdom has already been established.

To many Basotho this would be an opportunity to have a say in the making and unmaking of their government through free and fair elections after more than twenty years of autocratic rule.

The mountain kingdom's charm lies in its contrasts - although sophisticated, having one of the highest adult literacy rates in Africa, it still belongs to a leisurely age vividly portrayed by the sight of a Basotho horseman, wearing a blanket, riding his sure-footed pony.

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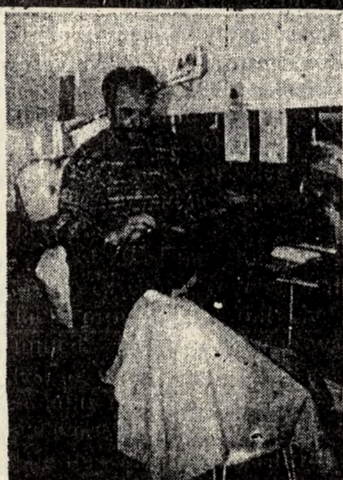
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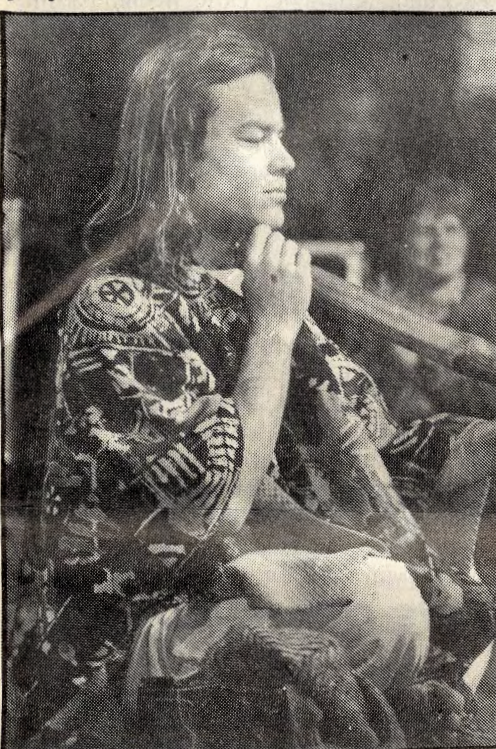
Grahamstown becomes a real city

ZOLA SONDLLO gives an account of his first Arts Festival outing.

PRICES rocket, probably to rip off festival-goers...Grahamstown becomes no Grahamstown...it becomes a real city - a "Settler City", with congestion the order of the day.

Highlighting the Festival's lucrativeness was the R5 entry fee the 'Standard Bank-1820 Foundation Alliance' charged for Chris "the Hawk" Hani's and Albie "the Dove" Sachs' lectures.

Unfortunately both were too busy at the ANC conference in Durban to make it. Sachs sent down a paper in which he called for creative cultural affirmative action to undo apartheid's marginalisation of black people.



Playing the 'Pipes of peace' is one of the Festival's entertainers who thrilled the thousands of visitors to Grahamstown during July.

Barry "Humpty Dumpty" Ronge, the cynical art critic of the Sunday Times, strongly criticised the paper. Ronge questioned how Sachs could defend South African artists' rights while belonging to an organisation that still supports this country's cultural isolation.

Thembi Mtshali, a singer who was to have featured prominently at the festival, didn't pitch up either. An overseas tour seemed more important to her.

However, Wally Serote, poet and head of the ANC's Cultural Desk was present to deliver his organisation's views.

"Rhetorical you are," cried critics. Seemingly he was not as "realistic" as expected.

During the Festival the local business sector and the organisers rake in a huge amount of money. However, the money generated is not reflected in the lives of local community.

The scene at the Grand was impressive although it was not a true reflection of the Festival as a whole -- one encountered a conspicuously small presence of blacks...

It is not utilised to create jobs, job creation might destroy Grahamstown's Victorian culture.

Most of the locals were not at all enthusiastic about the Festival. Apparently it brings nothing new or beneficial except temporary jobs.

"This is how I try to make a living," confessed a guy who tried to pick-pocket a visitor in a congested High Street.

With the relaxing of the cultural boycott many politically orientated artists, formerly opposed to the Festival, were drawn in this year. Nevertheless, many were disappointed to find it had not changed much from its Eurocentric focus.

By the look of things there is still room for more diversity but "don't expect change overnight", say the optimists who are stifling protestations in the process.

We watched a rather too cool Abdullah Ibrahim (formerly Dollar Brand) perform at



The market is always one of the most popular venues at the Festival with the local informal sector experiencing a mini-boom before the long wait for the next influx.

the Monument. A 'Dollar Brand' who, being one of the main attractions, did not meet the high expectations of the audience. Technically he was perfect but his repertoire was beyond the reach of most present.

He did not utter a word except for continuously introducing his band: "On bass, Victor Ntoni! On trumpet, Johnny Mekoa!

On saxophone Basil Coetzee," and so on. That's the least that can be said of this strangely silent 'returned-exile'.

The proliferation of jazz at the Festival was on a scale never encountered before. The Grand Hotel became the buzzy home of jazz. The Monument, a think-tank of the organisers and a venue of various shows. At the Grand people got the opportunity to rub shoulders with the South African jazz greats, the likes of the recently returned Hotep Idris Galeta, Darius Brubeck, Mankunku, Don Tshomela, Bra Ntemi, Thandi Klaasen and a whole lot of others.

It was not surprising to learn how disgruntled some of these artists were towards local record companies, the "betrayers and exploiters".

There was such a harmonious flow of different races. Absent was the firm clutching of bags and suspicions usually triggered by the presence of other "population groups" (sic).

The scene at the Grand was impressive, though it was not a true reflection of the Festival as a whole-- one encountered a conspicuously small presence of blacks at South Africa's internationally renowned cultural event.

Accessibility is a problem with the Festival. Tickets cost between R8 and R15 and shows are just over 90 minutes long on average. One had to have lots of money to derive pleasure from these cultural events.

"The Grahamstown Cultural Committee, a body that could press for local interests, appeared to have no presence at the Festival. According to community activists, the committee has collapsed," wrote Frank Mentjies in the informative "Cue", the Festival's daily newspaper.

This committee has an unfinished mission as the relaxation of the cultural boycott does not imply all is well. This committee needs to play a role, however small, by contributing to the transformation of the Festival from being a terrain of "classical foreign artforms" to being more South African.

Several shows were taken to the township. Taking shows to the township appears to be used as both a smokescreen to win legitimacy and for convenience by the organisers because town venues have become so tightly scheduled.

Prices even at the township venues were still too high to allow for any meaningful participation by township residents.

Effective means to accommodate township dwellers, whose economic background looms ominously over the proceedings, need to be devised.

During the initial stages when there was still a strong sense of enthusiasm, the Festival was a good experience. But as it drew to a close it got a bit boring, some artists became exhausted and did not perform as well as during the opening stages.

The Festival might not represent a diverse South African cultural heritage but it is still eye-opening in terms of acquiring a broad understanding of our artists' consciousness

and sensing the route that culture in the still-to-be-seen new South Africa might take.

Masekela praised but no ecstasy

Zola Sondlo

HUGH Masekela came and went, departing amidst a shower of genuine praise from across the spectrum of music fans.

Performing at a jam-packed Monument Theatre in June, the trumpeter paid tribute to township-music pioneers, played quite improvised versions of his old classics and entertained with dynamic new songs.

However, moments of ecstasy were few. The formal seat arrangement of the Monument Theatre subdued the fans who were unable to lose their inhibitions.

The groups, Masekela's Bone, Bayete and Sankomota, combined well throughout the four-hour concert for an exhilarating and pulsating joint performance.

They sang specially composed songs together and created a good jam on stage.

The three groups might as well have been one mega-band and intense rehearsal could be discerned from their performance.

Masekela tried the popular antics of the 50's but age seemed to take its toll for he did them in bits which lacked the flash and feel of that era. He cracked jokes in between songs and also sounded serious and concerned about South African music and the

political situation in general.

His reputation as a seasoned musical artist was undoubtedly substantially enhanced. The Baobab Dancers artistically wriggled their bodies, short skirts flew high. They sexually illustrated the beats through their astonishing muscular feats.

Masekela laid a foundation for the reception of Princess Mthembu, a contemporary township music artist, by slashing at critics of that blend.

He said each and every new type of music trying to make its way into the industry is judged with contempt. "We must try to improve it (township music) for it's a reflection of our lives," he said. Nevertheless his strategic introduction of Mthembu did not work out well as the audience was not all that receptive.

Bayete, a group with such beautiful beats, lacked the necessary charisma for a live appearance. On the other hand Sankomota took to the stage amid overwhelming cries and shouts of admiration. They played their usual songs except for one entitled "STOP THE WAR", taken from their latest offering, "Exploration".

God's message on RMR

Bonile Ngqiyaza

CHURCH commitments and a heavy study schedule may cause Rhodes Music Radio (RMR) discjockey and pastor, Ratshipane Legoete to terminate his radio shows this month.

Ratshipane Legoete is a Methodist pastor whose involvement with RMR has been a matter of constant debate amongst some theology students.

Ratshipane's involvement with radio goes back to February 1988, when he was taken in by Radior Setswana to do one of their religious programmes.

Since then, his love for the medium has kept on growing. "Through radio, I feel I can relay God's message even more wide-

ly," he says.

TV 3 also at one stage approached him to take over one of their religious programmes which he declined because he wanted to complete his studies. Ratshipane is in his last year of varsity. After he has finished his theology degree he will be returning to his first love of ministering.

The independent, free-thinking pastor says he does not have any problems with any creed which differs from Christianity. Ratshipane has interviewed Muslim and Hindu students on his Sunday gospel show.

To the recurrent question of how he reconciles religion and secular music, soft-spoken Ratshipane says: "You need to learn the language of a people to convince them."



GOVERNMENT FUNDS STUDENT LEFT SEX ROMP WITH ALIENS

by Miles Q.

PROMINENT political clairvoyant and psychic, Dr Dennis Smegma, claims to have police documents and photographs revealing a government smear campaign to involve certain left-wing student activists in a bogus sex-scandal with aliens from Mars.

"The documents quite clearly show that the government paid the Martians the sum of R2,5-million to abduct certain prominent members of left-wing student movements in their UFO," said Dr Smegma.

"The plan is to abduct the members, drug them, and photograph them in the nude with the aliens, and possibly even some prominent Satanists."

"This is all planned for next Saturday, so it's not too late to stop them."

NAKED

A government spokesperson today denied the allegations, saying that "to my knowledge, no funds have been given to any alien or Satanic organisations, not even for anti-sanctions purposes."

"It's quite obvious that they're trying to cover it up," said Dr Smegma. "The documents quite clearly show that a large part of the government's R380-million slush fund goes to Martian organisations."

A spokesalien for the Martians was not available for comment.

GONADS

When asked to produce the documents, Dr Smegma said that unfortunately he'd left them in his trouser pocket before sending them in to the cleaners. "Unfortunately they came back looking like a lump of dried

Miles Q. UNBOUND

Miles Q. is a slightly deranged Journalism student with more than just a few problems. Read on and find out what these are.. and see

MARSGATE Further evidence of police collaboration with aliens

cat-sick," said Dr Smegma. "But I am telling the truth, honestly."

Dr Smegma did however produce startling photographs of the Martian UFO's, in which they appear to be old World War II Spitfires.

"There's nothing so unusual about that. They've obviously disguised their UFO's so as not to arouse suspicion. The Martians conduct all of their operations in World War II fighter-planes. Everybody knows that."

NOB-END

A spokesperson for The Forum for the Advancement of Rude Terminology (FART) referred to Dr Smegma's claims as a "load of bollocks".

"If this Smegma prat doesn't turn out to be just another publicity seeker, then I'm a donkey's knob-end," he said.

STUPID BASTARD

When it was suggested that his story lacked credibility due to sheer lack of evidence, Dr Smegma said that this was a "typical sceptical, fascist reaction".

"It's just like when I discovered the lost city of Atlantis," he said. "Just because my bloody cat shat on the photographs, not even People magazine would touch the story."

However, Dr Smegma later admitted that he could've been mistaken about the whole thing.

Cheapest 'Outpost'

RHODEO Reoprters

INCREDIBLY low prices and tasty food make the Outpost the ideal venue for hungry students.

Four RHODEO food critics spent an enjoyable evening in the Outpost with a few beers and good food in a pleasant atmosphere.

The Outpost, with its Wild West theme, specializes in hamburgers with unusual but delicious sauces. Our favourites were the Calamity Jane for R3,20 and the tangy

Wyatt Burp for R4,20 with a spicy tomato sauce and mozzarella cheese. Each dish has a side portion of chips and salad.

The Outpost also offers some delicious puddings from R2,20. The waffles are the cheapest in town and worth a try, and the Topsy Tart with ice cream is highly recommended. Our meal was pleasantly rounded off with a cup of filter coffee.

So next time you're at the Union and get the munchies, be sure to pop into the Outpost for a cheap meal and a good time.

Talented drama students go down well with theatergoers

RHODEO Reporter

THE Drama Department hosted an assortment of theatrical events this term.

"My Mother Said I Never Should", by Christine Keatley, was directed by Mary-Anne Naude, and performed by a competent cast of four women who skillfully portrayed their challenging roles.

The play, exploring the love-hate relationship of mothers and daughters, spans four generations. The actresses portray different ages simply through voice and movement.

This was no mean feat, as Kyle Hudson, Cal Volks, Emma Durden and Tamara Rabinowitz appeared as young children, and aged to the ages of 16, 34, 52 and 80 respectively.

The play was both funny and sad as well as deeply moving. The play's set was highly imaginative, without detracting from the script. Overall, an excellent evening's entertainment.

"Lion On The Path" was also a charming production. Directed by Beth Dickerson and Lulu Khumalo, it was a collection of African folk tales with a large (and sometimes unwieldy) cast.

"All human aspirations are are valid..." - says exiled professor

Ibrahim Seedat

VETERAN poet, academic and anti-apartheid activist Professor Dennis Brutus attempted to fill some of the gaps of 25 years of exiled silence during a lightning visit to Grahamstown yesterday.

Prof Brutus, 67, conducted a writing workshop at the Albany Council of Churches and a poetry reading session at Rhodes University - both hosted by the local branch of the Congress of South African Writers (Cosaw).

He said a "tremendous amount of energy" currently exists in black South African writing although it was difficult to predict the direction South African literature would take in the future.

However, it must be noted that exiles as well as the internal writers both contributed significantly to the broad movement of South African literature, he said.

Prof Brutus said there was a time when white writing inside South Africa was "pathetically irrelevant" but this changed when writers like Brink, Breytenbach, Gordimer and Coetzee managed to confront South African reality in their works.

He regretted the ignorance amongst South Africans about some of their past literary giants. "We need to recover the knowledge of the famous oral poets...we still have so much to learn about our own literature."

He disagreed with the view that there would come a time when South Africans stopped writing "resistance literature" as apartheid's legacies would be around for a long time to come. "People have got to be kidding when they say apartheid is abolished...just take one look at the shanties."

"Obviously as the oppressive pressures decrease there will be less reason to write about them but for a long time now no one who wrote honestly could be blinded to the

nature of the South African landscape.

Although the level of physical development in the major industrial cities impressed him, Prof Brutus remained troubled at the gap in living standards between the comfortable minority and the desperate majority.

"However, there are fewer excuses now than in the past for people not to act to correct the wrongs."

Prof Brutus, one of the chief architects of South Africa's sporting isolation in the '70s, said he empathised with white South Africans who wanted to play international sport but were unwilling to give up their privileges.

This tension between their desire and their reluctance to sacrifice led him to write a poem, "February Saturday", which was slammed by some black Americans as being too sympathetic to apartheid.

However, Prof Brutus argued, a poet had the capacity to enter the predicament of others and treat them empathetically without necessarily condoning their actions.

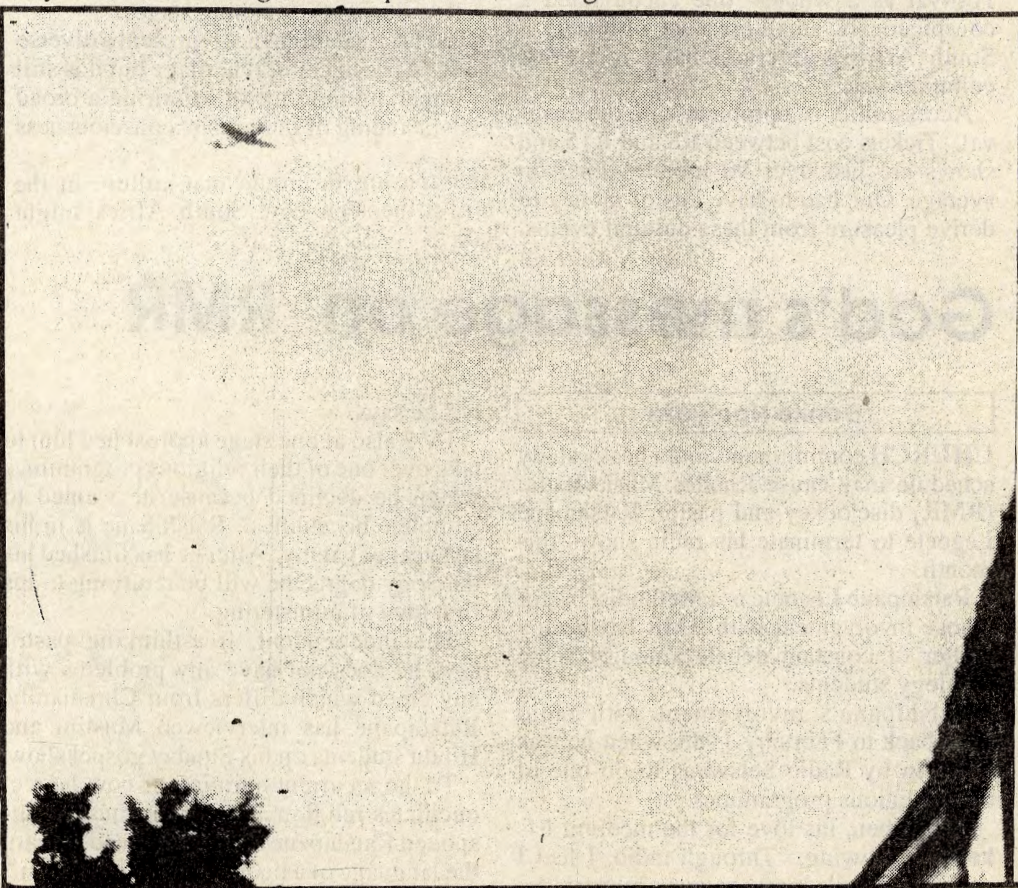
In "February Saturday" he wrote: "All human aspirations are valid all can hum through the heart, no pain, no desire, is

trivial when its urgent pang transfixes."

Prof Brutus, the current head of the University of Pittsburgh's African Studies Department, was instrumental in leading a campaign forcing US universities to withdraw nearly three billion dollars in investments from South Africa.

"Many might disagree but I feel it was the right thing to do and it did contribute to the point where we can now talk of a new society and reforms."

Prof Brutus jets back to the United States at the end of the month when his visa expires but will probably be back soon to continue to make up for all the years of enforced silence.



UFO SHOCK... Dramatic photographs reveal a plot by Police and Martians to kidnap student activists in a 1945 spitfire.

New local volleyballing heroes

RHODEO Reporter

FOR many, 1991 was a year of turmoil. The Gulf War, the resignation of Thatcher, and the assassination of Gandhi were among a number of reports that overshadowed the seemingly less trivial issues.

But in a tiny corner of the globe, amidst all the ado, a glamour team was born - Spaders Volleyball Club.

Spaders was formed thanks to the vision of certain individuals whose primary objective was to provide a social atmosphere where potential talent could be nurtured.

After joining the Rhodes/Grahamstown League, and with a string of victories under their belt, the success and future of the team looks assured.

At present, Spaders are second on the log, and have earned a semi-final berth in the closing stages of the league.

Spaders is a young, dynamic team that is brimming with talent, and their results thus far emphasize this.



Spaders Volleyball Club.

-vs. Round Table - won 3-1
-vs. SAP - won 3-1
-vs. Rhodes 2 - won 3-0
-vs. Rhodes 3 - won 3-0
-vs. Rhodes 1 - lost 0-3

The defeat at the hands of Rhodes' firsts was the only disappointment of the season.

The team comprises: Hitesh "Haffety Haf" Fakira (manager); Naveen "Banana Man Special" Singh; Abendra "Big Ben" Naidoo; Prajesh "Buds" Bardolia; Prashant "Trophy" Patel; Yusuf "Rural Boy" Patel; Deepesh "Kaka" Dullabh; Hitesh "Hits" MORar; Fazel "James" Tim; Saeed "Jeff" Mohamedy; Anees "Kuku" Vazeer and Sayeed "Spadie" Seedat.

Ibrahim Seedat

SOCCER, Rhodes University's only unified sport, has come a long way in its first four months despite many problems says first team manager Tex "Godfather" Moraladi.

Things certainly appear to be going well - with just over half the season gone both the first and second teams expect to win their respective leagues.

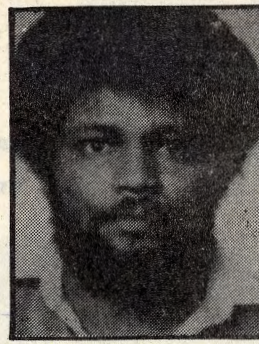
However, Tex Moraladi who is also the captain and coach of the second team as well as an occasional first team player says merging the different footballing styles of the SAU and Satisco teams was no easy task.

"Satisco played the game in the attacking South American tradition while SAU played the more defensive British style of soccer. To blend the two was very difficult but we've managed to come up with a very effective hybrid style although there is still room for improvement."

Tex Moraladi, who earned his nickname "Godfather" during his four year stint as Satisco's coach on campus, has a wealth of footballing experience - he played professional soccer in the late 1970's for Kimberley United in the then NPSL second division.

He said there were also perceived problems in team selection but this was resolved when a Sati-

Soccer unity in progress



Manager; Tex "Godfather" Moraladi.

sco official was co-opted into the selection panel.

Moraladi said Rhodes soccer had alot of depth allowing it to field three competitive teams with the second and third teams feeding their outstanding talents into the first team.

Moraladi feels soccer unity has been an "enriching process" at Rhodes: "Students who are used to excellent facilities were suddenly exposed to township conditions and one of the great plusses is that attitudes began to change."

However, the dusty, undulating township fields did contribute to the first team's two draws and two defeats. Tex Moraladi felt the results may have been very different had those games been played at Rhodes.

He said the two-match soccer

tour to East London last month was very successful: "Players from very different backgrounds interacted socially and we got to know each other as people and not merely as players."

Rhodes won both matches on tour including a victory over Rhodes East London.

Moraladi feels soccer unity has advanced the principle of non-racialism: "We are playing at grassroots level and understanding the experiences of others. This change in attitudes is vital in the formation of the 'New South Africa'."

He confirmed that soccer would not participate in Intervarsity as they had an important league game the next day. Prior league commitments also cost Rhodes the opportunity to qualify for the Satisco National Games which are being staged at Rhodes in the September vacation.

Moraladi stressed that whatever happened the soccer unity process would not be unproblematic but the players were determined to solve problems as they arose.

He regretted no other sports were united at Rhodes but was optimistic about soccer's return to international competition especially against the rest of Africa.

Rowers for Olympics?

Alison McLachlan

WITH the re-entry of South-Africa into the Olympic Games, Rhodes' two Springbok rowers, Andrew MacLachlan and John Stapelton, are on the verge of coming up against serious international competition.

Andrew MacLachlan, who has been a Springbok rower for a year, and has been on overseas tours, said that international competition improved the standard of coaching and rowing skills remarkably.

He commented that if a crew were chosen to go overseas, Rhodes' mens crew stood a 50% chance of being it. As yet, the two Springboks have not heard anything definite about attending the Olympics in 1992.

When asked what he thought about the possibility of going to the Olympics, Andrew said, "I'm

excited but pessimistic. I don't think it can happen next year. I hope that it will, and I'd like to know for sure soon, so that I can start training for it."

At the moment all of Rhodes' crews are in hard training for Boat Race on the Kowie river, which will be held on the 6th and 7th of September. The mens' crew will race 6 km's, and the womans' crew will race about 4,2 km's. There is talk that next year the womans' crew will race the same distance as the men.

When asked for her opinion, Shelli Miller said: "I don't see why we shouldn't." It seems that the rest of the womans' crew share her opinion.

The womans' crew, who seem to be shadowed by the mens' publicized performances, may stand an equal chance of going up against international competition soon.



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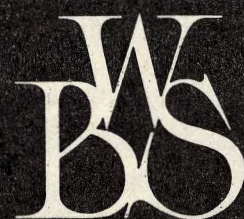
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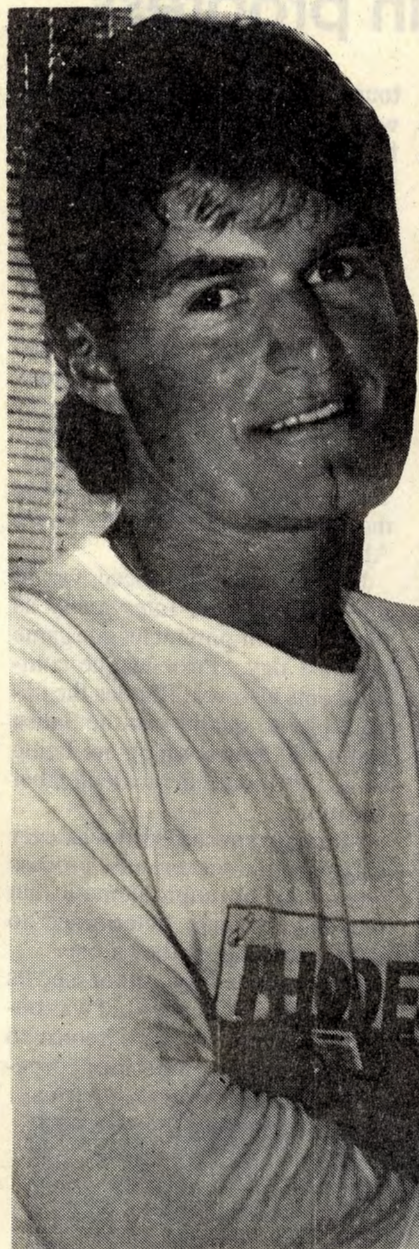
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The Faculty Office will be pleased to give you further information on how to complete your application, which, for 1992 programmes, must be made before 30 September 1991.



Xolisa Mabhongo

NOT many soccer players start playing at the age of five though the Rhodes first team soccer captain, Ant Hudson, is one of them. The 24 year old Cape Town born Ant grew up in Bloemfontein where he started his soccer career at primary school. He played for

RHODES SOCCER CAPTAIN
ANT HUDSON:

Soccer unity has set a higher standard

the Currie Cup in 1989 at East London. There he experienced the highlight of his soccer career when the SAU team played and lost 2-0 to Western Province in the final. You can see from his expression, as he relives the 1989 final, that it was really an exciting experience. "All the provinces were there and it was my first time to play in front of such a big crowd...the stadium was full," says Ant. In 1990 he was vice-captain of the SAU team which again made its way to the Currie Cup in Cape Town. Ant, who now heads a crucial department in the Rhodes squad, the defence, has no equal when it comes to headers. He has nodded home a few goals from corner kicks during the season. Ant is not without ambitions. At the end of this year he intends going to Johannesburg where he hopes to join one of the local professional sides. He also plans to go overseas after two years where he hopes to try in some of the UK teams. His favourite team is Liverpool: "Its the best team in the world," believes Ant. Unlike most players on campus Ant plays all his soccer for Rhodes having no off-campus playing commitments. Besides playing soccer Ant also plays golf, squash and a little tennis. Ant is not new to positions of responsibility - he is also an assistant warden at Goldfields House. He believes the soccer unity between SAU and Satisu is progressing well: "The unity has seen changes on both sides and no one should have hard feelings about it." He acknowledges that it has set a higher standard and is very hopeful that it will last as none could afford a step backwards. With talented and dedicated players like Ant it seems nothing can stop Rhodes from winning their section of the Eastern Province league.

the Orange Free State provincial team at three divisions; under 9, under 11 and under 13. His impressive skills earned him a place in the Western Province under 16 squad after he moved to a Cape Town high school. Currently a final year BComm student, Ant was in the SA Universities (SAU) team that played in

Volleyball, squash excel at Nat Games

Ibrahim Seedat

RHODES' female volleyballers and male squash players excelled at the Satisu (SA Tertiary Institutes Sports Union) winter national games at the Medical University of South Africa in the Transvaal last month. The Rhodes women's volleyball team, representing the Eastern Cape region, made it to the final where they lost in a thrilling five-setter (13-15 in the final set) to ML Sultan Technikon from Natal. They also had four players in the Satisu national squad; Bernadette Langford, Tracy Isaacs, Camilla Swart (captain) and Qanita Rustin. The men's squash team lost in the final of the team competition to the Univeristy of the Western



Satisu's volleyball team which made the finals of the National Games. Four player swere selected for the national team..

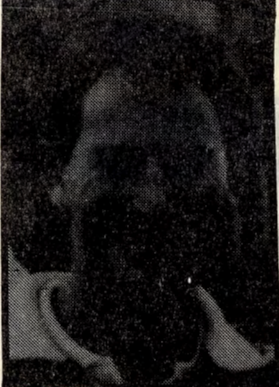
Cape (UWC). Rhodes' Yusuf Timol made it to the finals of the individual event where he lost in four sets to B Khumalo from UWC. Timol and Shafeek Sha, the backbone of Rhodes' squash team, both earned a place in the national squad as well.

Mens' hockey lose all their games in the first Intervarsity fixture last week

Kendal Claassens
MEN'S hockey were the first code to play intervarsity fixtures against UPE and were the first to lose. However, all the UPE teams who participated were a league above their Rhodes counterparts whose first team narrowly lost 1-3. Rhodes' seconds lost 2-3 and thirds lost 1-3.

The firsts, however, are not discouraged and hope to win their league after beating Walmer 2-1 last month. Walmer were the national champions last year. The hockey teams fared well in EP trials during the vac with Derek Redfern, John Heath, Dave McAllister and Greg Ferrans making the Eastern Province A team. Greg Ferrans also made the na-

tional squad. Nick Clog and Paul van Heerden made the EP B team. Andrew Price, Alan Redfern, Christino de Dios and Melcolm Holms made the EP C team. The second team also did well in the EP Country Districts trials with Dean Gee, Dale Waterman Jaunito de Dios, Solomon Casoojee and Duncan Mayne being selected.



Graeme Joffe

AS South Africa enters an era of great social and political change, there lies a unique opportunity for students from all walks of life to play an influencial part in the laying of the new foundation. Here at Rhodes, we already have uniqueness in the contribution we make to South African sport with our comparatively small numbers, but it is participation in the change that is now a major concern. We cannot simply wait for it all to happen but rather lets be proactive within the Rhodes sphere of influence. Unity here is the key issue and without it in the "new South Africa", participation becomes all that more difficult. Speaking at the Conference on Unity in Tertiary sport at the University of Cape Town in April, Chairman of the International Olympic Committee of South Africa, Mr Sam Ramsamy said that unity must not become an osmotic process but rather one of diffusion. There has to be consensus amongst the whole population before we can actually say "we've made it". Rhodes have gone some way in the direction of making it with the unification of the football club but there still lies the need for further similar initiatives. The unity at a university level is more easily achieved once national bodies have unified, but this should not prevent us from acting as the catalyst. We can alleviate many of the initial problems in a unified set-up by talking now and acting later, thus when the time for unification of the various sports arrives - we are already one step ahead. Playing in the football club this season has been one of the most gratifying experiences. There've been a few hitches but that is synonymous with any change. On

Talking Sport...

SAU chairperson Grame Joffe will be writing this regular column in which he willl cover sport at Rhodes.

the whole the club has been a success story not just from the excellent results already achieved, but the way in which the players have come together. We need to try and forget the past and move positively ahead before we are left behind - and who knows, maybe Barcelona has not come too soon!

SAU RESULTS

SEVEN Rhodes students gained their Protea colours during the winter SAU tournaments held in July. The biggest representation for a Rhodes club was on the hockey field where Eastern Province captain, Greg Ferrans was selected for the men's Protea side and Lesley Parker and Helen Taylor for the ladies team. Both Rhodes hockey sides ended seventh out of the twelve universities at their respective tournaments in Pretoria. Next best was the volleyball club with Bronwyn Viljoen and Lauren Meyer achieving distinction. The volleyball team finished sixth in Port Elizabeth with the University of Stellenbosch taking top honours. The Rhodes squash players had a highly successful tournament in Durban. The men's side finished in a creditable fifth position while the ladies were runners-up to the star studded UCT line-up. It was determined team efforts that gained them their success with Carolyn Handley going on to be selected as reserve for the Ladies Protea side. At Seal Point in Cape St Francis, the surfers took to the icy waters and it was here that Mickey Lindsay kept the Rhodes flag flying. Hopefully the success of the winter sportspersons can be carried through to the summer tournaments in December.

INTERVARSITY is back at Rhodes this year after 2 years in PE with Rhodes losing both times.

Head of Sports Admin, Pete Andrews said, "Rhodes hasn't won 1st team rugby since 1976 or Hockey in at least 10 years."

Win or lose, supporters enthusiasm is expected to be as full of spirit as always.

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• Golf	08h00	Grahamstown Golf Club
• Surfing	09h00	Port Alfred
• Tennis	12h00	Rhodes courts
• Rowing	14h00	Settlers Dam
• Round-the-Block Relay	16h30	From Rhodes Pool
• Squash	18h00	Alec Mullins Courts
• Karate	18h00	Martial Arts Centre
• Badminton	18h00	Alec Mullins Hall
SATURDAY 10 AUGUST		
• Spearfishing	08h00	Port Alfred
• Scuba	08h00	Settlers Dam
• Women's Hockey 4th	08h45	Lower Barrett
• Women's Hockey 3rd	08h45	Upper Barrett
• Volleyball	09h00	Alec Mullins Hall
• Rugby U20 B	09h40	Rugby B
• Womens Hockey 2nd	10h00	Great Field
• Rugby 3rd XV	10h50	Rugby B
• Women's Hockey 1st	11h30	Great Field
• Rugby U20 A	13h00	Rugby A
• Rugby 2nd XV	14h15	Rugby A
• Champagne Queen Toast	15h30	
• Rugby 1st XV	15h45	Rugby A

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