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APARTHEID PROTEST

"The introduction of the Government's proposed legislation of apartheid in the open universities, is a matter of grave concern to all students," says June Ginsberg, Acting Chairman of the local NUSAS branch. NUSAS has launched a campaign to resist university apartheid and, although the proposed legislation will not directly affect Rhodes, Miss Ginsberg hopes that Rhodes will give its full support to the NUSAS campaign.

The events leading up to the campaign are as follows: In 1953 the Holloway Commission was appointed to "investigate and report on the practicability and financial implications of providing separate facilities for non-Europeans at Universities." The report, published last year, stated in effect that university apartheid was at present impracticable.

By setting up an interdepartmental committee to investigate the application of apartheid in the Universities, the Government has by implication rejected the findings of the Holloway Commission.

The actual proposal which the Government has asked the new committee to consider, is one for the establishment of segregated tribal universities in the Western Cape, Durban, the Eastern Cape, and the North-Eastern Transvaal. These, it is intended, will cater for separate non-European groups, namely Coloured, Indian, Xosa and the "Bantu people of the Transvaal," respectively.

This particular scheme was considered by the Holloway Commission, but was rejected on the grounds that it was financially untenable unless the facilities offered to the non-Europeans were infinitely inferior to those enjoyed in the open Universities.

The members of the interdepartmental committee are: The Secretary for Education, Arts and Science (Mr. H. S. van der Walt), the Secretary for Finance (Dr. D. H. Steyn), the Secretary for Native Affairs (Dr. W. W. M. Eiselen) and the Commissioner for Coloured Affairs (Dr. I. D. du Plessis).

The NUSAS campaign is based on the principles of university autonomy. NUSAS maintains that any attempt by the Government to prevent the system of "academic freedom" at the two

Universities most concerned, without their consent, will be an abrogation of the principle of the independence of the Universities.

The President of NUSAS, in a letter of protest to the Minister of Education, stated that NUSAS—along with the majority of authorities, staff and students of the Universities concerned—believes that the policy of academic non-segregation, which has been practised at U.C.T. and Wits for the past 40 years, is right in principle, and beneficial to all those who have studied under it.

WHAT CAN WE DO?

To date, the National Union has attempted, through its Executive members, to organise the campaign in its entirety, as the S.R.C.'s have been on vacation. However, NUSAS feels that Rhodes' support for the campaign is both necessary and desirable if it is to achieve the maximum of success.

The Executive cannot conduct a campaign of this kind unless it has the full support of all the constituent members of the National Union, on whose behalf it acts.

At its first meeting, the newly-elected Rhodes S.R.C. passed the following resolution:

"This S.R.C. protests against the interdepartmental commission of enquiry into apartheid at the Universities. The S.R.C. is of the opinion that the system of academic non-segregation at the open universities has proved an unqualified success, and feels that the autonomy of Universities should be respected, and offers our full support to U.C.T. and Wits."

At the time of going to Press, a general meeting of the student body was due to be held on Wednesday, 14th March.



Lategan, Rhodes star lineout forward, jumps for the ball in a lineout during the match against Uganda at Kampala. Other Rhodes players seen in the picture (left to right) are Colin Wright, Dave Hilton-Barber and Julian Ward (No. 16). Rhodes won the match by 27 points to 11.

RHODIANS AT KAMPALA

OVER 250 NEWCOMERS Men's Residences Crowded

THIS YEAR there should be 257 newcomers at Rhodes if all applicants enrol. A few students have not yet turned up, so the final figure will not be known until the end of the month.

Almost all of the 119 Inks, 30 Freshers, 80 Inkettes (St. Mary's 44, Oriel 36), and 7 Freshettes have now settled down in their residences. In addition to these boarders, there are 21 Oppidan First Years (11 males, 10 females).

816 Students are expected to study at Rhodes this year. About 500 of these are males, and men's residences are filled to capacity. Some of last year's Inks are back in Smuts, as the Senior residences have not had sufficient vacant rooms to accommodate these men. There are about 30 Freshers over the age of 21 accommodated in Senior residences.

The Registrar recently stated that if there were more than 12 further applications for admission, rooms in Milner would have to be opened. Mr. Shields said that at the present rate of expansion Milner House would have to be opened for men students next year.

STUDENT COUNSELLORS

Five Student Counsellors are assisting Professor Chapman in caring for the Inks. Dirk de Vos, Trevor Bell and Bruce Trehaeven have been appointed Student Counsellors for the first time, while Len Verster and Tommy Gore have been re-appointed. Bruce Trehaeven graduated in 1954 and, having spent last year teaching in a private school, has returned to Rhodes this year to do U.E.D.

RHODESIANS

A noteworthy feature this year is that the percentage of new students from the Federation remains virtually unchanged, despite the opening of the University College in Salisbury. The usual trickle of East African students has also been maintained.

SURVEY

Although the Survey Department was one of the most distinguished in the early days of Rhodes, numbers have dwindled considerably in recent years. This year, four First Years are doing Survey, compared with one last year.

INKUBATION

Some Universities are so overwhelmed and bewildered by the richness of their offerings that special orientation courses have been compiled for the benefit of newcomers. Our authorities evidently still believe that the newcomers are intelligent enough to decide for themselves what their abilities and aptitudes are.

Nevertheless, a bit of advice is always useful, and this is what our First Years have been given. On Monday, 27th February, Professor Wild's Talk on planning curricula was the first of a number of orientation talks given at intervals during the five days of registering and curricula planning.

Professor J. V. L. Rennie, Dean of the Faculty of Arts, addressed the First Years on "University Life and Studies," and Professor H. Chapman, Dean of Men Students, spoke on "Our University." Dr. Van der Riet, our Librarian, gave a useful talk on "The Library and How to Use It."

The Psychology Department organised an intensive programme of vocational guidance and aptitude testing. All Students were given inter alia the N.I.I.P. Group Intelligence and the Progressive Matrices Tests.

These tests were given after most of the Inks and Inkettes had registered. Moreover, the results will not be known for a number of months. The reason for this is that it is impossible to procure enough senior students with sufficient leisure time and experience to correct these tests within the desired week or so. Obviously, these tests are of no assistance to First Years in planning their curricula.

When the individual scores for aptitudes, intelligence, etc., have been determined, they will be added to those of previous years, so that a norm for First Years can be arrived at. Only then will the scores be of predictive value.

SOCIAL SIDE

As usual, the social side of orientation has not been neglected. The Vice-Chancellor and Dr. Stella Alty entertained First Years to afternoon tea in Drostdy

Hall. Then, of course, there was Inky Social, where First Years attempted to get to know each other, and Inky Ball, which was attended by a number of Blots, as well as Seniors and Staff.

In some British universities the settling down of newcomers is entirely in the hands of senior students in consultation with the Staff. Certain members of the Rhodes Staff would like this scheme to be introduced here. At any rate, this year members of the Interim S.R.C. have taken part in guiding newcomers by assisting in such tasks as registration. Mr. E. E. Baart, chairman of the Interim S.R.C., gave First Years a talk on the composition, duties and privileges (if any) of the S.R.C. and University Societies.

SENIOR STUDENTS

St. Mary's: Val Ellis.
Oriel: Bridget Fitzwilliam.
Drostdy: M. Clarence.
Founders: E. E. Baart.

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EDITORIAL

TRIBAL UNIVERSITIES

Once more the question of apartheid in the Universities has loomed up. This time an inter-departmental committee has been appointed by the Government to investigate the possibility of prohibiting the admission of non-Europeans to European universities. Significant is the Minister of Education's request to the Committee to consider the establishment of four separate Universities—one for Coloureds, one for Indians, one for Xosa, and one for the "Bantu people of the Transvaal".

Doubtless the establishment of ethnic universities has its advantages. Under such a scheme Xosa, Fingo and Pondo of the Eastern Cape would receive instruction in their own Xosa language. The Bapedi and Tswana—the two principal tribes of the Transvaal—speak closely related dialects, and a common medium of native instruction would suffice for them. The half a million Ndebele and Venda would have to learn Sepedi or Xosa.

Obviously this scheme would involve the establishment of a Zulu University in Natal, although Mr. Viljoen does not mention it. Such a University would also cater for half a million Amatonga, who would have to learn Zulu. Then, of course, Mr. Viljoen envisages the establishment of an Indian University.

This all sounds very nice and logical. However, to start where we ended, the most frequently used language among Natal Indians under the age of thirty is English. Would not an Indian university be a retrogressive step, and would it not greatly retard the process of westernising our Asiatic population?

Mother tongue instruction in the proposed native universities is one of the few factors in favour of their establishment, and probably such humane considerations lie behind Mr. Viljoen's decision. Natives would be enabled to learn such subjects as history and chemistry and medicine in their own language. No longer would they have a hazy knowledge of a subject by being compelled to learn it through the medium of a second language.

However, the expenses and innumerable difficulties which a scheme of native home language instruction would involve may be too great to be surmounted. Such a scheme might only result in inferior facilities for non-Europeans. Just imagine the difficulty involved in translating even one Science course, with its numerous technical terms, into a native language. And where would the Science lecturers proficient in Xosa, Sepedi etc., come from?

In the mean time the government can hope to establish separate ethnic universities with mother tongue instruction in a limited field, with English (or Afrikaans) the medium of instruction for other subjects. The cost of establishing at least four such universities, with facilities equal to their European counterparts, would also be enormous. Such a move can only lead to the establishment of inferior facilities for non-Europeans for quite a number of years after its inauguration.

It may be argued that individual European Universities differ immensely in the facilities which they offer, some being better equipped than others in various faculties. Nevertheless, a student is always free to move from one to another. For example, if a Rhodian wishes to study medicine he can move to Cape Town or Wits, provided his academic record is satisfactory. Under the open universities system the Fort Hare student can do the same. **Thus what is important is not the choice of faculties and the per capita accumulation of books and apparatus at one university, but at the sum total of universities open to a particular student.**

The commission should carefully consider whether it would not be morally wrong to enforce apartheid, until these proposed non-European institutions have a per capita accumulation of books and apparatus equal to that of the European Universities.

STUDENTS SANG

In good old Black Sash style, a determined little band of Rhodians attended the ceremony in the Great Hall on November 29th, when an honorary degree of Doctor of Laws was conferred on Mr. R. F. Currey of St. Andrews. Quite a few hundred old Andreens were surprised to hear the stately staff procession being greeted by a lusty rendering of "The Animals came in Two by Two."

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STUDENTS TOUR ASIA

The International Student Delegation, which was sponsored by the co-ordinating secretariat of the International Student Conference, was due to return to Leiden (Holland) on March 17th, after its 18,000-mile, four-month visit to major Asian college and university centres.

Similar in purposes to the International Student Delegation to Africa last year, this five-member group was the first student team to visit colleges and universities in Asia.

Generally limited to a small segment of the population, higher education in Asian countries is of great importance today, for the future development of the area rests in large part on the character of education the youth are receiving.

The visit was the result of a decision taken in July at Birmingham, England, where delegates met at the 5th International Student Conference, the forum of 52 National Unions of Students.

The Birmingham Conference voted to send the Delegation to

Asia after hearing of the highly successful visit of a similar team a little over a year ago to university institutions in Africa.

The University centres of Dacca, Rangoon, Mandalay, Bangkok, Saigon, Hong Kong, Manila, Djakarta, Singapore, Colombo and Peradeniya were visited.

The delegation consisted of Vittorio Boni (Italy), John Diddcott (South Africa), Kwaw de Graft-Johnson (Gold Coast), Harry Lunn (U.S.A.), and Eduardo Palomo (Guatemala).

The delegation's report is expected to contribute materially to the exchange of information and strengthening of contacts between Asian and other students, and to focus attention on the particular problems facing higher education in South East Asia.

NEW COURSES

About 15 applications have been received for the new Secretarial course, which will consist of a year's intensive study in English or Afrikaans, accountancy, shorthand and typing and secretarial practice.

It is said that the Certificate of Secretarial Training will rationalise the unofficial course taken in recent years.

PHARMACY

The three-year course for the degree of B.Sc. (Pharmacy) has

drawn about six applicants. Details of this new course were not completed till late in 1955, by which time many prospective students had arranged to study elsewhere.

The final numbers will not be known till late in March, as Pharmacy Board before taking the course.

DRAMATIC ART

The U.E.D. "skill" course in Dramatic Art has been re- (Continued foot of next column)

FROM SARAWAK

Mr. H. Earnshaw, former Director of Education in Sarawak as well as Educational adviser to the neighbouring state of Brunei, has joined the Education Department as lecturer.

Mr. Earnshaw spent the last ten years in Borneo, and previous to that he was prominent in the educational spheres of both West and East Africa. At the end of the war, he left Kenya for Borneo to clear up the chaos in education brought about by four years of Japanese occupation. Most English books had been burnt and education was at a very low ebb, both materially and morally.

He did much to rehabilitate education in Sarawak, and then brought about a tremendous expansion and improvement of educational facilities to cope with the post-war clamour for education. This was particularly strong among the Chinese section who regard education as the gateway to a higher standard of living. Eventually Mr. Earnshaw was asked by the Governor to become a member of the Executive Council.

After the commencement of the oil boom, as Educational Adviser to the neighbouring state of Brunei, he did much to build up a system of education in what had previously been a simple peasant community.

Mrs. Earnshaw has accompanied her husband to Grahamstown. They have two daughters. One is nursing in London, and the other is doing B.Sc. Hons. at Birmingham.

For over an hour Mr. Earnshaw spoke virtually non-stop on education, politics and conditions of living in Borneo and Malaya. The editor felt very privileged indeed to enjoy such a long interview with this buoyant intellectual. In the tropics there are very few young Europeans, and now, after years spent with books, files and committees, Mr. Earnshaw wants to meet as many young people as possible.

In the next number of "Universitas" you will be able to read what he told the editor about education in Borneo and Malaya.

MRS. COPPENS

Mrs. Coppens is lecturing here for six months while Professor Morton is overseas. Like Mr. Earnshaw, she has done much to add intellectual vitality to the U.E.D. class.

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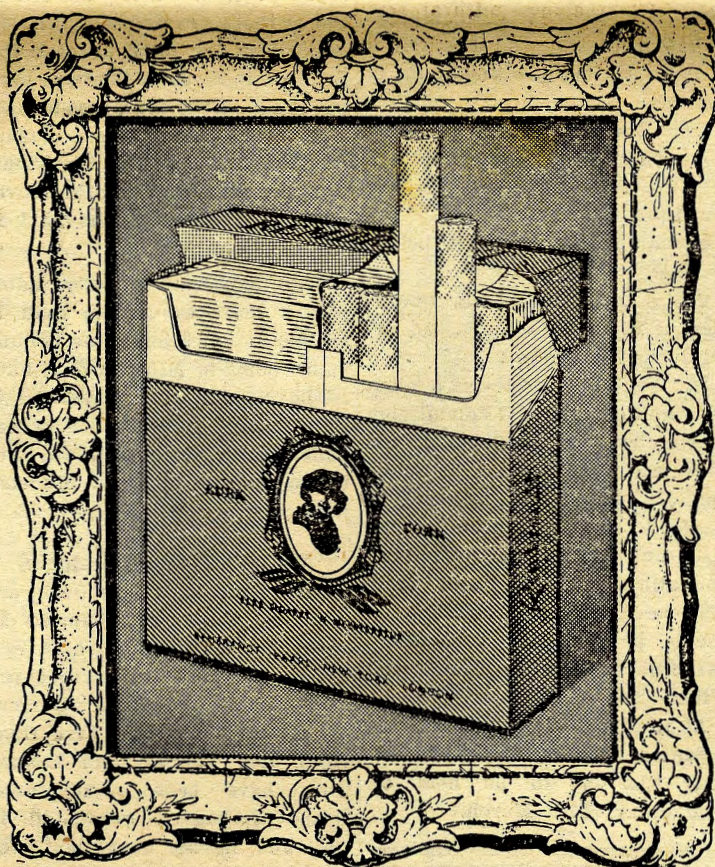
organised and opened to non-U.E.D. students and members of the public.

Professor Butler will lecture on principles of production, Professor Todd on decor and Mr. Davison on acting.

Ten lessons on speech and ten lessons on movement will be arranged.

It appears that this year's Drama course will involve far more work than that of 1955.

Students interested in this course should see Prof. Butler as soon as possible.



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The gala premiere of this astounding performance presented an opportunity to Stekel unparalleled in his venomous history.

Stekel observed beery and happily expectant faces arriving at the ticket-office. VERA DE BRUYN, wearing a low-cut neckline, lost an earring in the melee and barely managed to dissuade her escort in his frantic efforts to retrieve it; ANDRE DE VILLIERS was heard haggling in a loud voice over the extortionate entrance fee, and was the leader of an angry mob who lynched the outraged cashier, JANET MOODIE, after the flop. STIFF and MONICA arrived, not particularly interested in what they were going to see. Other couples bidding for back seats were CHUBB and REEKIE (the latter none the worse for his night in the gutter); eminently respectable BIDDY and JOHN; CYRIL and MILLY (whose hair was noticeably black at the roots); his Degeneracy the Mayor of Struben, POLL—looking like a lighthouse and jubilant after having received his rebate from the Graham—with voluptuous LILLIBET; HACK, throwing up fortifications around little sister INGRID; masochistic MIKE GILL hovering awkwardly over a mute JUNE, while FARRER and HAWTHORNE and VELS and BROUXHON swept in with a blaze of carats. RITSON, SNOW and PETE SNYDER, all single now, were there with batteries fully charged, while AUBREY brought his moustache. WRIGHT and DUMINY were heard complaining about the rise in haircut prices. MAIDMENT, a fine strapping lad now after a year's setback, came without dummy and muffler and in pseudo-Oxford accent asked for one 1/5d., please. CYNTHIA is now Mrs. GIDDY, and had better things to do than to attend.

Several new faces were noted by Stekel in his little black book—notably NAOMI, the new arrival in the DENFIELD family; Mr. GALTUT'S daughter, GLENDA; that fetching child, FLORENE MICHAELIDES; blonde ELZE with freckled FREDDIE; and young CATHY HEMENS. GUS GERRANS was so taken with the latter that Stekel overheard him asking legal eagle LECLER whether Oriental marriage customs, where nuptials are arranged at birth, are valid in South Africa. PHIL RADCLIFFE-BROWN was demonstrating her charm-school technique in deportment to a bemused group in the foyer.

DERRIS, ANN, LIZ, YVONNE, PENNY and other venerable old spinsters arrived complete with fishing-rods. SYLVIA, selling for Charity, was heard yelling to a group of timid Inks: "Stop me and try one!" Among those trying hard to escape Stekel's gimlet eye, were Blots (EDDIE says this is a new name for 2nd years) BARRY WALKER, who has taken to throwing bread at pushers; "SNOOKER" JORDAN; "BOK" MOKAWEN; "CRASH-HELMET" DEARE, and that unappetising specimen "AGTER-SPOEL" WALTERS. Stekel overheard discussion as to whom

DARE would call on next, on the lamented BRIEDENHANN'S sojourn in custody, and on WYN-TOUN'S enforced recuperation from exams in Smuts.

Entering the auditorium, Stekel sat behind SUE who was assisting Inks DE VOS, MELUNSKY, BILL and SHERWOOD, who were having trouble with their feeding bottles. The programme said that Mr. LYLE VAN DER MERWE-REDELINGHUY was the producer, ineptly assisted by Miss VOSS-MINNS. Stage Manager Mr. BESTER-HAMILTON caused a delay when he unaccountably got lost in the prop room. The audience's indignation turned to derisive mirth when Miss BAR-RATT, a chorus girl, fainted with stagefright and fell into HUM-MEL'S lap. In the orchestra Stekel saw BUCK, who brought his own trumpet, together with REG, LULU, JAMES and DAVE, all swaying slightly—intoxicated by Noble's mellowoodious rendering of "Bouncing at the Beacon."

EDDIE took the part of Sir Joseph Porter, K.C.B.; IAN shone as Captain Cormackoran, while PRUE was well cast as Buttercup, "the roundest, reddest and rosier maid in all Spithead." PAPE took the part of Ralph, the "audacious tar" who loved above his station, and BILL McCALLUM as Dick Deadeye nearly lived the role. His rasping, guttural rendering of "From such a face and form as mine the noblest sentiments sound like the black utterances of a depraved imagination" struck Stekel as being particularly apt.

In the short tea-interval, it was noticed that CLIVE, DUDLEY and RUSS, all Blots, were hurling things over the balcony. The second act was highlighted by the lusty singing of chorusesmen SHARP, BRUINS and ENGLAND, who fumigated the 1/5d.'s. SHARP is to be congratulated on his performance in the previous day's cricket, when he scored 14 beers for no aspirin. A slight hitch disgusted all when a part of the scenery collapsed to reveal ESEL THERON chewing on an ancient bit of biltong.

The finale came all too late, and militant hoyden RO PALING led the few remaining in the hall in an attack on the Cast. STIFF, usually an enthusiastic participant in tar-and-feathering, was too exhausted to help. TONY NAGLE, intent on saving his broly from the crowd, crept out unnoticed except by Stekel, who helped him on his way with a punt to his dignified behind. The last to leave were JAMES and JIMMIE, whose girlish laughter ceased when they saw Stekel's beady eye upon them.

A report on the performance would not be complete without praise for KOOS'S spirited rendering of "I am an Englishman," which nearly brought the house down. (PAPE by this time was engaged in other business).

Stekel closes now, leaving his cowering victims to recuperate before he, like the phantom in the joke, strikes again. So if you hear a little hiss, and smell a little smell—behave! Au revoir, felons,

— STEKEL.

DAN MORTON FOR ULSTER

In mid-January Professor D. M. Morton sailed for Britain via Zanzibar and the Red Sea. He will be overseas till mid-July. Prof. Morton hopes to spend some time in Belfast with his brother-in-law, Professor Michael Roberts, formerly of Rhodes, who now occupies the History Chair at Queen's University.

RHODES COUNCIL

Three new members have been appointed to the Rhodes University Council this year.

They are Professor K. D. White of Rhodes, Dr. J. G. van der Wath of Ermelo, and Miss M. Richardson of Victoria Girls' High School, Grahamstown.

Prof. White replaces Prof. Barker. Dr. J. G. van der Wath replaces Mr. E. C. Hill of Port Elizabeth, whose term of office has also expired. Dr. van der Wath, a member of the S.A. Wool Board, will represent the Wool and Leather Research Institute. He is the first member of the Wool Board to sit on the Rhodes Council.

Miss Margaret Richardson replaces Dr. R. F. Currey as the local schools' representative on the Council.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Sir, — Is Rhodes going to support any public protests made over the enforcement of Apartheid in the Universities? Knowing the Rhodes weakness to Christian appeals, I should say that it is a foregone conclusion that Rhodians will support the protest with great enthusiasm and a spirit of indignation at outraged justice. But what would be the Rhodes reaction if a few shiny black faces should appear in our midst—in the lecture rooms and on the sporting fields and maybe dance floor? Would the attitude

FOUNDERS NOTES

Rev. L. Hewson retired from the post of senior warden of Founders Hall at the end of last year. Fortunately the Hall has not lost Rev. Hewson completely, for, as warden of Livingstone House, he is still seen at High Table.

Mr. J. J. Gerber, the new senior warden of Founders, is indeed suited to the position. In addition to visiting a variety of other educational institutions, Mr. Gerber has visited numerous universities in Great Britain and on the Continent, where he has studied various aspects of University life.

Mr. J. W. King Jr is the new warden of Botha, where he and Mrs. King are installed. We congratulate him on obtaining his Ph.D. from Cambridge.

NUSAS NOTES

The next NUSAS Congress will be held in Durban, commencing on July 1st. The 1956 Winter School promises to be just as interesting as last year's. The usual entertainments and excursions will be provided. This is a golden opportunity for students from different Universities to meet each other, to exchange knowledge and opinions, and to enrich their cultural background in general.

The Rhodes NUSAS Committee is to conduct a survey on the attitudes of Rhodians towards apartheid.

The local NUSAS Ball will be held on April 21st.

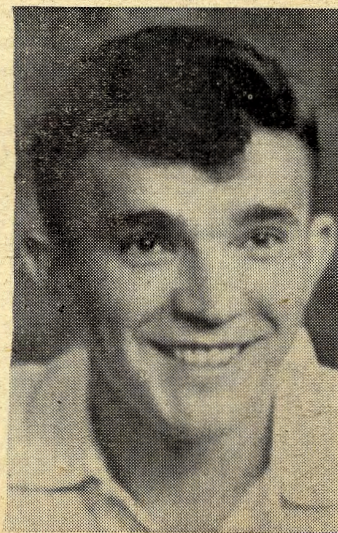
CLOSE UP

James Barrie Goedhals claims that at Pretoria Boys High School his hallmark was mediocrity, but in spite of this he played for the 2nd Cricket XI and was a prefect.

Rhodes received him to her bosom when he arrived as an Ink in 1952. There were no Hollywood contracts, as expected, after Barrie had electrified the Campus in Inky Concert.

Barrie is a rowing enthusiast, and has rowed for the University senior team. Undaunted by his reception at Inks Concert the previous year, he did much in affecting the standard of singing in the local production of "Ruddigore" in 1953.

In 1954 Barrie met Joan Attridge, and enjoyed his last year in Jan Smuts before being transplanted to Graham. Last year this man from Pretoria was



BARRY GOEDHALS
S.R.C. Chairman

elected to the S.R.C. and the Drostdy Hall House Committee. At the end of the year he obtained his B.A. degree, and is now doing Honours in English.

COMMENTS

LIKES: Your brand of cigarettes, James Joyce, Cowboy music and Gregorian Chants.

DISLIKES: Marking Laundry, Strauss Waltzes, Mosquitoes and Daybreak.

RHODES: "Thou wer't better in a grave, than to answer with thy uncovered body, this extremity of the Skies."

YOUTHFUL LECTURERS

This year a number of students have been appointed to the University lecturing staff. Renee Brink, who completed her B.Comm. Honours last year, has returned to the Commerce Staff for the first two terms. At the moment she is lecturing to first and second year Commerce students, in the absence of Mr. Hugh Smith, who has been awarded a travel bursary. She hopes to complete her M. Comm. in Pretoria during the latter part of the year.

Derry O'Sullivan and Willy Campbell, both of whom have completed B.Sc. Honours courses in Chemistry, are junior lecturers in the Science Faculty. Margie Lister, who obtained her B.Sc. degree last year, is now research assistant in the Department of Soil Science. Graeme Bamford, B.Sc. (Hons.), is now reading for his M.Sc. in the Department of Wool Research.

Janet Irving will be lecturing to second year Economics students for the first half of the year, while Mrs. Cattaneo, known formerly to older Rhodians as Pixie Paxton, has joined the staff of the French Department.

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Last November, at the Founders Hall leaving dinner, Professor Winnifred Maxwell gave such an outstanding address that students left their seats in the back of the hall and crowded forward towards the High Table, so as not to forego any of her invigorating and humorous words. We present extracts from her speech for the benefit of those who did not dine in Founders.

PROF. MAXWELL'S SPEECH

Sir Warden, Lady Warden, Knights of the High Table, and gentlemen of Founders Hall, I rise to confront you, your honoured jest.

It is said that a drowning man (and I do not refer to the butt of Malmsay, which was prelude to this feast) sees and experiences over again all his past life. It is my earnest prayer that I may never drown, for the thought of again experiencing these weeks which have intervened between your invitation and my penance is more than I can contemplate. Never in my life have I worked so hard, for I decided to take this occasion very seriously indeed.



PROF. MAXWELL

"What would the Senate say?"

First, I communed with my spiritual ancestress, Mrs. Pankhurst, champion of female rights, whose star was in the ascendant at the moment of my birth. But her methods would have been those used, according to Livy, by the ancient Romans, according to Hollywood by modern cave men—namely "vi et armis," by force and arms. I could not find out however, what would be the correct armour for an Amazon admitted to your hall, nor exactly what I should agitate for, save release from agitation. I decided that to pose as champion of female emancipation would not only be old fashioned, but would ill accord with current opinion in a university which is as much influenced by the A Line as by the A Bomb, which Mrs. Pankhurst would have preferred.

I decided Mrs. Pankhurst was not a suitable model for this occasion, so I thought I would consult the Professor of Education on the correct psychological approach. He explained, with Scots precision, the theory of ambivalence, which seemed very promising—Heads she wins, and tails he loses! He assures me that when women seem most submissive to male commands, then in reality they are most dangerously aggressive and at the height of their power. When, however, they appear aggressive and domineering, they are most anxious to conciliate, because they feel unsure of themselves. If then I flatter, it is with design to conquer: if I abuse, it is merely the protective covering, the disguise of the blessed

damosel. Since, in any case, Founders Hall is rightly impervious both to threats and blandishments—at least within its own four walls, I felt too much ambivalence might lead to overbalance, and decided to eschew it.

It took a week to decide not to play at suffragettes, another week to decide not to play at psychology. Then I bethought me of the comforting theme that music hath power to soothe the savage breast, and night after night there rang through my tired brain the tune you know so well:

"O Founders Hall I love you,
I'm always dreaming of you."

Just when I had convinced myself that this was a suitable toast I remembered that wretched man Adler—not the mouth organist, but the academic Old Moore's Almanack man, who studied the psychology of dreams. Just in time I decided the word dream must be banished from my vocabulary, lest, accused of corrupting the youth, I was given hemlock instead of sherry to drink. Not for me the "dreams and light imaginings of men."

By this stage it was three o'clock in the afternoon. I had a healthy appetite, but no speech. So I took myself sternly in hand and thought I would draw on the rich store of learning, which it is, after all, my business to exploit. I thought I might find a few chosen words from the poets, but I could not find the right editions—or else my text is very corrupt! I resorted first to the platitudes of Goldsmith:

When tired Professor stoops to folly,

And for her feast with speech must pay,

She'd best beware, and say "Oh golly,

What would the Senate say?"

From Goldsmith to Milton:

Hence vain deluding boys,

The brooded Folly within Founders bred,

Why don't you try instead

To sate your hunger with less noise

And help me keep my equipoise?

The Professor of English said this was rather worse than the Bacon Folio of Shakespeare, so I turned in despair to my compatriot, Alexander Selkirk, who, as I recall, was stranded as I am stranded:

I am monarch of all I survey—

Here to toast you and not to dispute.

As far back as short sight can see

My lords sit there well fed and mute.

O gentlemen, where are the charms

That women should see in thy face?

Better drink tea with my fellow school marms,

Than speak in this horrible place!

—Ambivalence, the more aggressive I sound, the more submissive I am!!

By this juncture it was 6 p.m., and I knew Mr. Tooley's was approaching for Madame Guillotine, I am now left with the only gambit remaining, "unaccustomed as I am to public speaking"—it happens to be the truth.

SWEETS FOR SENATE

When I was very young—and that was two world wars ago—I had only one ambition, which I am now rapidly fulfilling—that was to grow old. I wanted above all to wear a velvet cape with sequins, and a bonnet, like that of the old woman who sold lettuce at the salad stall in the market. She wore a black alpaca skirt, and a rustling starched petticoat covered up the creaking of her bones. It was probably very unhygienic, but so very restful and dignified, as if she lived in the world but was no longer frightened of it. She always carried, I remember, a capacious black bag, well stuffed with bulls eyes for her regular customers. I haven't got the black bag, but I have a nice big brown one, and the peppermints (though not real bulls eyes) not only lend flavour to my tutorials, but have been known to circulate among chosen senatorial ranks.

ANTI-SNUB BRIGADE

In the long run, whatever the uniform, I expect I shall just be like the old lady who sold lettuce—neither better nor worse, neither richer nor poorer—and when I think back on all who, through war and disaster, have been robbed of the comfort of growing old, I am inclined to count my blessings. **One won't grow wiser, only less impatient,** more inclined to cherish the little things in life, so often overshadowed in the grand design of youth.

... You might, perhaps with profit, **make yourselves into an anti-snob brigade,** always remembering with Milton not only that "they also serve who only stand and wait," but equally **"they also serve who only irritate."**

Let us then be sure enough of ourselves to unbend on occasion without making sure, like a pessimist, that we have on braces as well as belt. Let us also learn to try not to play a tune at the wrong moment. I remember so clearly when I first went back to Britain early in 1946. When I arrived in Edinburgh, I expected above all to hear how the Enemy, in one of the most grim of aerial bombardments, had flattened the Gorbals. I expected to hear of the heroism of Glasgow, of the amazing courage of the Scottish regiments, in the van of every advance, in the rear of every defence. But did I? Not a bit of it. I was asked what they thought in South Africa of that business at Leith. I had never heard of it, and no one in South Africa did, but to the lowland

Scots it was terrible. I heard it from all sides and in all manner of accents.

At one point in the war, as perhaps you all know, a German ship flying a Norwegian flag, sought refuge in a fjord. The "Altmark" carried a cargo of British P.O.W.'s battered down in misery in the holds. The prisoners were rescued by British destroyers, who later signalled their triumphant approach to the nearest allied harbour—that of Leith. The guid wives, in days when the tea ration was a teaspoon a day, and the sugar ration a tablespoon, made ready a magnificent sacrifice of rations to welcome home the rescuers and the rescued. Aye, there it was, a gae fine spread ye ken. Every heart swelled with patriotism as the ship moved into murky dockland. Suddenly the guid women froze in their paces. A band was playing, a good, brassy vigorous band in best marine style; but what was it playing? Poor innocents—they were playing "There'll always be an England." Nothing but ingrained Scots thrift prevented the whole repast being tipped into the docks. Scotland was insulted! If they had played "Deutschland uber Alles" the Scots wives would not have objected, but to play "There'll always be an England" was an insult to the knuckle end of Britain. As for the poor misguided Sassenachs, who were so glad to be alive, they could cheerfully have played "Charlie is my Darlin," or "Scots Wae Hae," or even "Wi a hundred pipers and a an a," but they didn't. They played the wrong tune, and if tantrums make politics, the Act of Union would have been dissolved on the spot. Let us not then confound principle with pique—So long as we keep principles we can pander to pique.

Let none of us snub his neighbour, let none fan pique by tactlessness, but above all, let none forget the words of Burns: "Ah wad some power the giftie gie us, to see oursels as others see us."

Let us not take ourselves too seriously in the scheme of things, but always be ready to laugh at ourselves, whenever there is occasion for laughter. Years ago I was dispatched week by week to Sunday School with my brothers. But we got tired at our study of the Anglican Catechism and played truant. We went to a mission hall run by an old naval officer and a bus conductor. There were good rousing hymns and plenty of them, and the sermons gave a somewhat nautical version of the Bible. One of our favourite hymns was:

"Dare to be a Daniel,
Dare to stan' alone,
Dare to have a purpose firm,
An' dare to make it known."

It was not long before the text had been amended to **"Dare to be a damn fool."** This was solemnly reported to Captain X by the kind of girl I have always envied, a girl with large round eyes of saucered virtue. The Captain's sole comment I pass to you: "Perhaps you kids are right. Never be afraid to look a fool if its in a good cause." It was that temper that tricked me into coming tonight.

It would be churlish indeed if the old lettuce woman you have here tonight were to reminisce over much to an audience in its crisp salad days. Nor do I read like Cassandra to warn you, who have lived together in this Hall, that everywhere your generation, whatever its colour and whatever its domicile, will meet unprecedented challenges. For I believe you have it in you to match them with unprecedented courage and charity, tolerance and good humour, faith and fortitude, which are woven into the tradition of this university and this Hall, before all others.

(Professor Maxwell said that archaeologists and sociologists of the year 3,000 may well find traces of a mysterious cult—) ... The cult of a goddess who has thousands of sons who are not biologically her offspring, but wear the ties of a totem. She is worshipped in many halls and temples of every conceivable design, and from the ends of the earth her sons return to her shrines. When she is endangered they come to the rescue, when they are bogged down in life, she gives them new animus for living. I refer, gentlemen, to the goddess we all serve, to the patron spirit of this shrine, the elusive ALMA MATER, the immortal spirit of university tradition and, in particular, of this Hall.

May those who leave, never forget her rituals; may those who follow, cherish this convivial cult. May they foster and enrich its traditions, and even if, like the Bourbons, they later boast that they have learned nothing, may it also be true that like that ancient dynasty, they have forgotten nothing of the mysteries of your ancient regime.

I offer for you toast tonight, the three F's of Founders Hall—Faith, Fortitude and Fun. I give you your toast, Faith, Fortitude and Fun to all who come, good men and true, to tend anew the traditions of your Founders, with confusion to all bounders. Gentlemen—Founders Hall!

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3,000 NON-WHITES DO UNIVERSITY COURSES

Nearly 3,000 non-Whites were studying University Courses in South Africa last year, according to an article by Professor E. F. Potgieter in the publication "Bantu," of the Department of Native Affairs. Of this total 1,600 were Bantu, 725 Asiatics and 496 Coloureds.

Those attending the University of the Witwatersrand were fewer

—with a total of 209—than at any other mixed university.

The highest number were enrolled at the University of South Africa in Pretoria, which makes provision for students to receive tuition by correspondence and at vacation schools.

Prof. Potgieter says there is a growing demand for university training among the Bantu, but the average Bantu going to a University or wishing to go there, finds himself handicapped by at least two obstacles.

"In the first place he often becomes aware of the fact that university training implies a plunge into Western culture and ways of thinking and doing, which brings to the individual student secondary problems during the period of study."

This process of acculturation must be regarded as an obstacle, though a temporary one.

"The second obstacle is a more practical one. The average Bantu student is confronted by financial problems. Going to a residential university is often not possible because of lack of money."

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POPULARITY POLLS

With the commencement of a new academic year, we find many honorary positions vacant in all spheres of the University's activities. It is on these positions that the smooth and efficient management of the corporate student life depend.

The candidates nominated for these positions are proposed by the students and elected by the students. Looking over past years, one can clearly see in many instances that certain students have held positions of importance which they have been too incompetent to occupy.

Therefore, any student leader or other minor administrative official who is not competent can hardly be blamed, since it was the student body who, by a majority vote, placed him in that position. Thus the efficient planning and functioning of student activities depend on the manner in which the student casts his vote.

What influences the student in his choice of a candidate? How often is it that we see a student who has the ability to occupy a position of importance on the S.R.C., or the Societies, Clubs and House Committees, defeated by another student who is generally liked, but incompetent in an administrative capacity.

Among the men students, particularly the undergraduate, there is a tendency to vote on a personal basis. How frequently one sees the big, bungling athlete elected to a position, simply because the voters cannot realise that the election is not an issue of which man is the most popular. One also sees the satellites of some eminent man about the campus successful in elections purely because of their sucking attachment to an intelligent, good but vain man, who likes to have his flattering retinue about him and see his mannerisms aped by these fungi.

It is an unpleasant fact that the University elections are purely an official popularity poll. Does one pause to think what irrational despots would dominate the political world if whole nations thus abused their right of franchise?

(Continued from column five)

already distinguished herself at Rhodes by announcing that she is related to Miss Marsden. Jean went to school at St. Mary's D.S.G., Pretoria, and is keen on tennis, fencing, swimming and hockey.

COMMENTS:

Rhodes men: So far only seen Inks.

Rhodes women: Miss Marsden says (censored by Editor).

Likes: Men who are big, strapping and broke. (Rhodians, this is your chance!).

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CATHY HEMENS (J.K.) has come from St. Mary's D.S.G., Pretoria, to do a B.Sc., and is very interested in tennis, hockey and swimming.

COMMENTS:

Rhodes men, women: Very nice. (So is Cathy).

Inks: Naughty little boys.

Likes: Miss Maritz, Bundubashing, Dave Love.

Dislikes: Pushing Love's clapped out old Rover, Staff Reporter after this.

INKETTES: A Sampling

SIX vivacious Inkettes were interviewed shortly after their arrival at Rhodes. They are all eager to get down to work and make the best of the opportunities afforded them.

CLARE KELLY EDWARDS (Oriol) comes from Salisbury. Clare was educated at the Notre Dame Convent, Kroonstad, until her last year, when she went to England to finish off. Her interests centre mainly round sport, her favourites being hockey, tennis and swimming. She hopes to do B.A.

COMMENTS:

Rhodes: Give me Cape Town any day.

Rhodes men: Insipid lot.

Rhodes women: Droll, but then I believe a certain Hilla will brighten the scene.

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SHANE PADDEN (Oriol), like most of the Inkettes, is sweet seventeen. Shane was educated at the Dominican Convent in her home town, Salisbury. She is interested in hockey and swimming, but is far too lazy to do more than to play for amusement.

COMMENTS:

Rhodes: A play girl's paradise.

Rhodes men: (Mumbled something about cute and Dippy de Waal).

Rhodes women: Stiff competition, but I'm sure there will be no foul play.

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ELSE WEGELIN (Oriol) comes from Potchefstroom, where her father is a University lecturer. Else attended the Gimnasium

Hoër Skool, where she captained the school swimming team. She is looking forward to taking up swimming as well as hockey here at Rhodes. Else is also very interested in music, and "to a certain extent in my fellow Rhodians."

COMMENTS:

Rhodes: I have fallen in love with the place. I wish someone would show me "Bots."

Rhodes men: The rosy cheeks of Inks repulse me, but boy, those haggard-looking he-men from Founders and Drostdy are wonderful!

Rhodes women: Pass with a kick!

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BERNICE BREMMA is also an Oriol girl. She went to school at Pretoria Girls' High, and has come to Rhodes to take a degree in Law. Bernice is very interested in drama, music, singing and all arts.

COMMENTS:

Professors: Very helpful, and I'm sure I will work hard with them.

Rhodes men: Same as men all over the world.

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JEAN ROBINSON (Beit) comes from Johannesburg, and has (Continued foot column three)



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LONG VAC.

Enquiries have been made about the campus to determine how Rhodians spent the long vacation. It appears that the majority of them spent their vacations working at desks, shop counters and bars. Vic Rawlings's vac. was slightly different in that he was required to go from door to door demonstrating (and trying to sell) cosmetics and perfume. In search of more victims, he is at present scrutinising female members of the campus.

Tony Nagle, Chris Babbage and Peter Cartwright spent their vacation in the wilds of Southern Rhodesia. Their job was to estimate the weight of wattle bark per acre, and count other arboreal species for felling. Their travels by truck in the Sabi Valley, and on the slopes of the Inyanga and the Chimanimani, were enlivened by encounters with a leopard, snakes and numerous antelope.

Not all Rhodians worked for money. Quite a number went overseas to spend instead of to earn. John Kemp had a wonderful time in Britain, spending ten days in the Lake District and a week in London, where he visited various theatres and historical sites. He spent an interesting week in his native country, Cornwall, and then stayed around Dover for over a month. While John was in Dover, the temperature remained below freezing point for five consecutive days.

Among the Rhodians on board

with him on his return journey were Lionel Melunsky (who had journeyed abroad on an Abe Bailey Travel Bursary), Peter Curry and Dick le Grellier, whose travels had taken him as far as Norway.

While hitch-hiking around Natal and Zululand, Nicol Childs accumulated such a weight of rocks and fossils at his depot, that he had to return home by boat. However, his best find, a reptile skull about 170 million years old, came from his own farm.

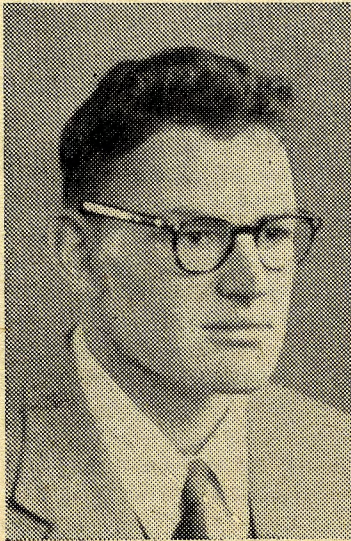
This brings up the inevitable question of how the student's vacation should be spent. One cannot generalise, since every student has personal problems which might make the ideal way of spending the long vacation impossible. But the normal students who wish to see "life" should remember that the only time they can really rough it, and work their way without jeopardising their reputations and social eligibility, is while they are still at Varsity.

Students from wealthy homes should rough it away from the comforts of home, after the style of those who are poor and independent. Many adolescents leave school with a large amount of false pride. Should they enter University, there is a grave danger of this hollow pride affecting their outlook on life and making them into distasteful snobs. Such people need to learn

the lesson that there is no disgrace in poverty or honest manual work.

In Africa a student can spend a vacation travelling or working in undeveloped districts, or amongst primitive native tribes, which all present that exciting tinge of the unknown. At the rate of modern progress this will be impossible in Africa within the next fifty years.

The Duke of Edinburgh once said that every student should endeavour to work his way round the world before graduating. This is rather difficult to accomplish, but, at any rate, we should endeavour to seek experiences in spheres of life which are new to us.



EDDIE BAART

Mr. E. E. Baart, Chairman of the Interim S.R.C., has been awarded a Shell Post Graduate Scholarship of £750 for two years. He intends going to Liverpool to do nuclear physics. Mr. Baart decided not to stand for re-election to the S.R.C. owing to pressure of work, as he wishes to complete his M.Sc. thesis before leaving.

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RHODES ATHLETES SHOW PROMISE

On Saturday, the tenth of this month, 14 Rhodians competed in the Eastern Province Athletic Championships, held in Port Elizabeth at the Westbourne Oval. Middle and long distance runners had to contend with a wind of almost gale force in the back straight. The track was in excellent condition, however, and fast times were recorded in the shorter events.

The morning session saw J. Daniel, a first year, win a title in the 120-yard high hurdles, with the excellent time of 15.8 sec. Finnie Lemmer defended the title he won last year, and is still the Eastern Province Shot Put Champion. Barry Hawthorne was beaten into second place in the High Jump by Joe Truter (jumping for Achilles), who won the event with a jump of 6 ft. 2 in.

In the quarter mile, Malcolm Spence had a difficult task running in unaccustomed conditions against the Port Elizabeth athletes, who train almost every day in just such weather. Under the circumstances, he acquitted himself well to win second place. In the three mile, Jimmy Polley ran exceedingly well against experienced and seasoned athletes such as Goussard, Anderson and Breedt. He won fourth place in the time of 16 min. 17 sec. Although at first sight this time may not seem to be very good, it may be seen in its right perspective when it is taken into account that the wind rose considerably during this event. Incidentally, the half-mile was won by David Tee in as slow a time as 2 min. 4 sec.

The mile race developed into rather a farce, consisting of a whimsically slow 1560 yd. with

a 200 yd. dash at the end. The third place in this event was gained by Mackay.

The women won two seconds; Edna Cretchley in the long jump, and Edith Allnutt in the 100 yd. Partially crippled, Edna did well to beat Delene Style of Atlanta. It is a great pity that this meeting was so close to the opening of our Academic Year. Nevertheless, our athletes did well, considering that many students come from the country districts where there are no facilities for training during the vacation. These results, however, promise well for future successes, when our team will be fit. It is gratifying to see the talent which exists among the Inks, especially over the shorter distances.

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AROUND THE SPORTS CLUBS

It is customary at the beginning of the year to look ahead and see how the clubs look like faring during the year. There has, however, been such a lot of sport during the vac that it is probably just as well to cover than to try any predicting about the future.

Would it be out of place at the beginning of the year to say that Rhodes sport is taking an upward trend? Certainly a number of Rhodes sportsmen acquitted themselves quite admirably last year. It took Edith Allnut only a year of intensive training to bring her from being just another athlete to gaining her Springbok Colours against the Germans. This is a truly remarkable effort on the part of the unassuming Edith. For her there is still the hope of a place in the Springbok team to the Olympic Games.

At the same time we must think of that wonderful athlete, Joe Truter. Last year he got Honours for the fourth successive year, a record for Rhodes and a remarkable reflection on Joe's consistency. Possibly the finest sportsman Rhodes has ever had, it looks as though we are going to lose him this year, perhaps the most critical of all. Unless a way can be found to circumvent the A.U. rules for membership, he will not be able to go on the proposed Athletics tour to Rhodesia in July. It seems tragic after all the amount of work and time and prestige he has given to Rhodes sport. Let us hope that

some arrangement can be arrived at in order to give him at least one more opportunity of representing the Club he has served so faithfully.

CRICKET

Next in the Rhodes sports parade come those two worthy cricketers, Anderson and Varnals. Having been selected for Eastern Province, these two then proceeded to turn in some very fine performances. Both started well, but towards the end Derek tailed off a bit. Ian, however, is bowling better than ever, and Derek is trying to iron out some faults in his grip.

I hear that Rhodes did rather better in the Cricket Intervarsity this year than it has done for some time. There is still a good deal of room for improvement, but the Cricket Club has developed a very fine team spirit that should take them a lot further than previously.

The Rugby Tour was also a great success, judging from the reports which have come back to us. Apparently there also was a fine spirit, but, best of all, we hear that they played some first class open rugby. Good for you, chaps, but please give us an opportunity to see some of it here, too.

Before concluding, here are a few gleanings: Sandy Morgan has staged a comeback, and has regained the South African Breast Stroke Championship. This is indeed welcome news for those

CRICKET INTERVARSITY

The Intervarsity was held in Potchefstroom under the sponsorship of Club Shirts and the U.T.C. Mr. Burman, who for many years has rendered yeoman service as Organising Secretary, has retired. His cheerful and industrious person will be greatly missed in the future.

Rhodes had its best team for many years, despite the absence of Farrer, and the fact that Varnals and Anderson were required for Provincial duty. Rhodes finished joint second behind Natal after the first three games.

POTCH MOPPED UP

Potchefstroom were painlessly dispatched on the first day by a margin of nine wickets. Howard

of us who thought she was a spent force. Pity she's not coming back to Rhodes, eh Malcolm?

Buster Farrer is going on a Tennis tour of Europe this year. Best of luck, Buster, we will be following your progress with interest.

Talking of interest, how about showing some more in the Rugby this year? There was a time when it was the staple diet of Rhodes sport, and it grew enormously. This year promises to be a vintage one as far as open rugby is concerned; so, how about seeing a few more of you giving your support?

was chiefly instrumental in dismissing the opposition for 72, taking five wickets for 15 runs in ten overs. In reply Rhodes lost Clarence for 4, but then Campbell (36 not out) and Varnals (31 not out) did much as they liked with the mediocre attack.

DRAW WITH U.C.T.

On Tuesday Rhodes, batting first against Cape Town, lost five wickets for 17 before Bell, Searle and Howard raised the score from the realms of absurdity to 91 for 9 at lunch. After the interval Jardine and Theron embarked on a magnificent last wicket stand, and added 61 before being parted.

Greatly heartened by this remarkable salvage, Rhodes fielded and bowled with feverish energy and by the last over had captured nine U.C.T. wickets for 144. Aided by one sharp chance going astray, their best pair held on for a draw.

LOSE TO NATAL

The less said about the Natal match the better. Winning the toss on a plumb wicket, the Rhodes batsmen perished with the consistency and inevitability of figures in a Greek tragedy. The total was a beggarly 49, and Natal had little difficulty in winning by eight wickets, despite some very fine bowling by Anderson.

BEAT WITS

With only eleven players left, Rhodes returned to form on the

Thursday to register a fine win over the powerful Wits team. Sent in first, they batted consistently to a total of 184. Howard, Bell, Searle, Garner and Clarence all scored over 25. Theron then took three wickets in his first three overs, and went on to finish with 6 for 37 in the Wits score of 138 all out. Mention must be made of the fielding in this match — it reached an almost unbelievably brilliant level.

DRAW WITH STELLENBOSCH

The final match against Stellenbosch was something of an anti-climax. The Maties were sent in on a hard wicket, and the Rhodes fielding allowed them so much trial and error that they were able to declare for eight wickets somewhere in the region of 250.

With very little time left, Salvesson was promoted to open the innings, and hit a thunderous 22. However, after his dismissal the chase for runs resulted in a collapse, and it was left to Clarence and Campbell to save the game with a stolid partnership.

COMBINED VARSITIES

Arthur Howard was the only Rhodian to gain selection for the Combined Universities XI. Although he did not capture as many wickets as in former years, his all-round form fully merited this somewhat overdue honour.

THE RHODES UNIVERSITY INVITATION TEAM 1955/56 SCORE CARD

MATCH AGAINST	PLAYED AT	RESULT	
		For	Against
Nairobi and District	Nairobi	17	3
Dar es Salaam	Dar es Salaam	41	6
Coast Province	Tanga	21	3
Tanganyika	Moshi	19	9
East Africa (1st Game)	Nairobi	18	9
Kenya	Nakuru	27	17
East Africa (2nd Game)	Eldoret	41	0
Kitale and District	Kitale	29	0
Uganda	Kampala	27	11
Nile	Jinja	22	6
West Kenya	Kitale	22	0
Eldoret and District	Eldoret	36	6
East Africa (3rd Game)	Nakuru	16	8
Rift Valley	Londiani	52	9
East Africa (4th Game)	Nairobi	22	6
Combined Services	Nairobi	22	0

CRICKET

Leading Averages for 1955

BATTING (Qualification 100 runs — Average 10)
Highest

NAME	Inns.	N.	Out	Runs	Score	Avg.	Fifties
D. VARNALS	12	4	288	81*	36.0	2	
I. CAMPBELL	14	2	304	93*	25.3	2	
I. ANDERSON	11	3	159	51	19.9	1	
T. BELL	12	0	206	49	17.2	—	
A. HOWARD	10	3	120	40	17.1	—	
P. SEARLE	9	0	138	43	15.3	—	
O. EMSLIE	10	1	111	32	12.3	—	
M. CLARANCE	15	1	156	37	11.2	—	

BOWLING (Qualification 40 Overs)

NAME	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Avg.
I. ANDERSON	146.1	24	456	38	12.0
M. THERON	58.6	13	309	23	13.4
A. HOWARD	161.7	28	521	35	14.8
I. CAMPBELL	43	2	212	11	19.3
M. CLARANCE	69	3	326	9	36.2

ODE FOR INKS

So now you're a Rhodian, Ink, spawn of the schoolroom —
An object of pride to your girlfriend, a "Varsity Student";
One of the chosen, the gifted, the high and the mighty,
Fit for the white and the purple, and adult, broad minded —
You are not !

Allow me to tell you, O Ink, unbeloved of Seniors,
You are but a necessary evil, a pain to be suffered:
"Bumptious, presumptuous and stropky," devoid of importance;
An object of pity, a child to be cuddled, then beaten —
Unfortunate clot !

Great is the power of the placard to curb your self-confidence;
Cruel the clash of the bow-tie with all your new clothes,
Searing the glances of seniors passing contemptuously,
Galling the ghastly allowance of three nights in seven —
O miserable sot !

— "REX."

RHODES BEAT ALGOA

The First XI opened the new year by beating Algoa, last year's P.E. League Champions, by the narrow margin of six runs in Port Elizabeth. Garner, Anderson and Ashley-Cooper were most successful with the bat, and the latter pair together with Theron and Howard constituted a hostile attack.

PROSPECTS

With twelve of the thirteen cricketers who attended the 1955 Intervarsity (including the Provincial players, Varnals and Anderson) back at Rhodes, the cricket team should be well worth watching this year. Of the newcomers, Henderson and Ashley-Cooper have made the biggest impression, but there are many others with talent, which augurs

well for the Second XI in the local town league.

TOUR

As the Cricket Club are moot-ing a tour of Natal at the end of the year, there will probably be a collection at matches in future. Rhodians are asked to support the project with any loose change which might be weighing them down.

ACADEMIC WEAR

for Studious Hours

SPORTS ATTIRE

for Leisure Hours

HEPWORTHS

Short Stories and Poems
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PROFILE

June Ginsberg, that brunette bombshell, who is so frequently seen walking somewhere on the campus with a purposeful air, started her perambulations at Rhodes in 1953, arriving freshly from Kaffrarian Girls High School in King William's Town. About her schooldays, June mumbled something about "horrible brats" and "Ronald Searle's prototype."

June changed her course from B.A. Law to ordinary B.A. at the end of 1953, and hopes to graduate at the end of this year.

In 1954 she was elected to the



JUNE GINSBERG

"Men, Mink and Martinis."

Rag Committee and attended NUSAS Congress as a delegate from Rhodes. In 1955 she was not only elected to the S.R.C., but also became Chairman of the Rhodes NUSAS Committee, Secretary of the Rhodent, Secretary of the Social Studies Society, a member of the Squash team and House Committee member. June admits to having dosed the Rhodes scandal sheet "Stekel" with "puddles of purple passion" until it incurred the loss of too many friends. She attended the NUSAS assembly at Wits last year as a Rhodes delegate.

COMMENTS :

LIKES: 12 p.m. to 6 a.m., Taxi-dermists, men, mink and martinis.

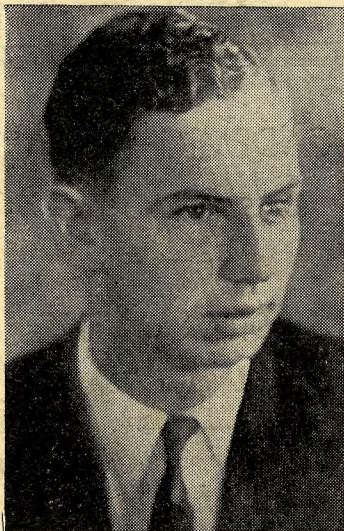
DISLIKES: 6 a.m. to 12 p.m., alarm clocks, amateurs, doctors.

RHODES: The decadent splendour of the Victorian era.

INKS: Those schoolgirl complexions!

NUSAS: An unknown quantity to the average Rhodian.

GREAT HALL: "I do like to be beside the seaside."



MIKE Mc ELHINNY

"Things fishy and finny"

At the Founders Hall Leaving Dinner last year, Mike Mc Elhinny was awarded the trophy for the best Founders sportsman of the year. Rev. Hewson, the padre bard, read a poem which he had composed for the occasion. McElhinny and Tony Cameron are at present working under Professor Birks at the Dielectric Institute in London.

RHODES WINS PREMIER ROWING EVENT

At East London in December last year a Rhodes crew won the Association Cup for the first time in Buffalo Regatta history.

Against an entry of sixteen crews, the Rhodes crew dead-heated for first place with U.C.T. in a desperate struggle over the full mile course. At the three-quarter mile post the bows of the three boats were level. Only in the last hundred yards did the Buffalo crew drop a canvas behind, leaving the struggle for top honours to Rhodes and U.C.T.

The Rhodians, Brian Heath at stroke, Max Kirby at No. 3, Chris Shaw at No. 2, Derek Ritson at bow, and Eddie Jordan as cox, had trained four hours a day for three weeks prior to the regatta.

The weather conditions on the day of the Regatta were very trying. A strong wind wrought havoc among many crews, and this thrice necessitated the re-row of the Buffalo Grand Challenge race. One boat valued at £400 was irreparably damaged in a collision caused by the gusty wind, while many oarsmen were forced to adapt their styles rapidly to suit the weather conditions.

The winning of the Association Cup is a turning point in the history of the Rhodes Rowing Club. After having been in the doldrums for the past two years, the standard is now on the up-grade. With three members of the winning crew back this year, Rhodes should give a creditable account of itself at Intervarsity in July.

The final placings in the Association Cup Race were as follows:

Rhodes and U.C.T.	1
Buffalo Rowing Club . . .	3
Selborne A	4
Alfred's Rowing Club . . .	5
Durban Rowing Club . . .	6

Time: 5 minutes 50.4 seconds

Here is the Praise-Poem, which Rev. Hewson would have us believe was translated from the original Gaelic of Cachin-na-shawn, the bard of the Clan Mc Elhinny:

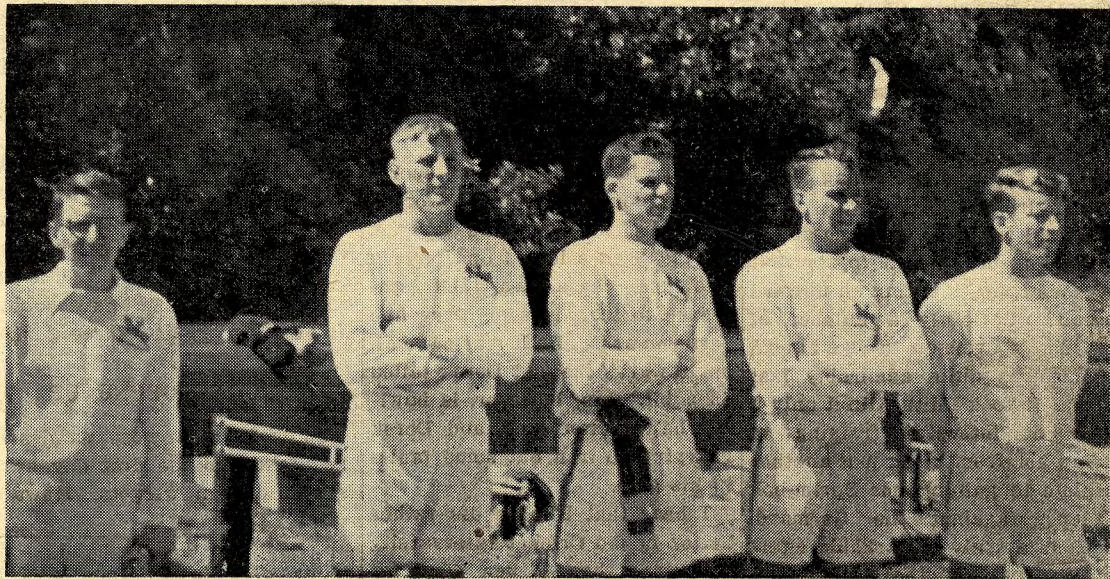
Now praise we things fishy and finny —
Not horses that whicker and whinny,
Not Maisie, nor Myrtle, nor Minnie,
Not relatives, kithy or kinny,

Nor jazz bands, all dinny,
With cymbals all tinny,
And sounds all cachinny,
And rubbishy-binny.
That cost you a guinea —
(It's a shame and a sinny!)

But praise we things, fishy and finny,
And the noblest is Mike Mc Elhinny!

In Rhodes swimming bath
Is his home and his hearth;
Kept the Swim Club alive,
Fifty three, four and five.
In the stroke of the breast
He by far leads the rest —
Piles up records like loads,
For Border and Rhodes.
In the A.U. Committee
He is acty, not sitty.
With radio pips
He explored an eclipse.
With cathode and Geiger
He'd tackle a tiger—
In true Sportmanship
He will captain this ship.

So praise we things fishy and finny,
And praise we most — MIKE Mc ELHINNY!



RHODES ROWERS

Lined up alongside the Buffalo at the Regatta are (left to right): Eddie Jordan, Brian Heath, Max Kirby, Chris Shaw, Derek Ritson.

UNBEATEN RECORD IN 16 GAMES

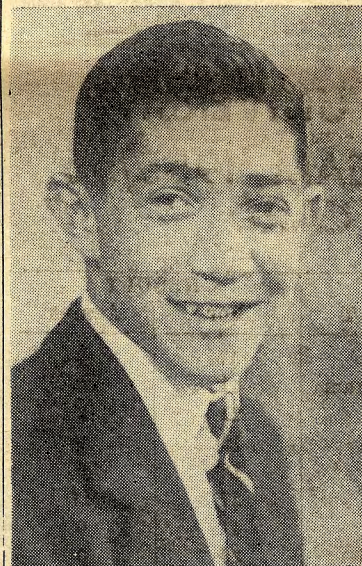
During a six-week tour of East Africa, a Rhodes Invitation touring team, including players from Natal and Stellenbosch Universities, won all of the sixteen games they played. In doing so, they scored 435 points and conceded only 95. Their itinerary included four "Test" matches against East Africa, which they won 18-9, 41-nil, 16-8 and 22-6.

Not once were "The Rhodians" really extended, while their easiest win, against Rift Valley, approached Murrayfield proportions, namely 52-9. They played matches at Nairobi, Dar-es-Salaam, Tanga, Moshi, Kitale, Kampala, Jinja, Eldoret, Londiani and Nakuru.

The team comprised 28 members, including the Manager and the Tour Secretary. The 26 players were made up of 13 Rhodians and 3 Old Rhodians, 5 from Stellenbosch, 4 from Natal and 1 from Witwatersrand Universities. The team was led by our 1955 Captain, Dick Cummings. Of these, Myers, Searle, Spence, Wright, and Starck, all Rhodians, and Justus and Steyn of Stellenbosch all turned in sterling performances.

Their record of success seems to suggest that they met with

very poor opposition. This is misleading for they came up against several Internationals. Though these promised stiff opposition, they lacked the training,



BERNIE MYERS
Seventeen tries.

cohesion and spirit which were the hallmarks of the Rhodes side.

BY PLANE TO NAIROBI

The team assembled at Salisbury on the 21st of December for the first leg of their flight to Nairobi. They had a packed itinerary, and consequently spent most of their time in training for their sixteen games. This did not deter them overmuch from attending a number of social events. Among others, they were taken over a sisal factory, and also visited a coffee plantation. All this added to their extreme popularity as a social side while the prevalent spirit of esprit de corps found adequate expression in the style of rugby they played.

Their first match, against Nairobi and District, was lacking in the cohesion and thrust they had hoped for. Their second, against Dar-es-Salaam, was not without some amusing incidents. To reach their destination, they travelled by train, bus, foot and plane. As a result of a severe washaway, they were forced, at one stage, to evacuate the train and walk. With their luggage,

they foot-slogged three miles in the sweltering equatorial heat. All this in country teeming with rhino.

The match against Dar-es-Salaam, played on the hardest ground they had yet experienced, was won 41-8. Elsewhere, the grounds were a pleasure to play on, putting most South African fields to shame.

MET GOVERNOR

Before the First "Test" Rhodes Invitation were introduced to Sir Evelyn Baring, and, in subsequent matches, met several distinguished personalities. In the Second "Test," played at Eldoret, Diminutive Myers put in an outstanding performance by scoring four tries in the final tally of 41-nil. His total number of tries for the whole tour was no less than seventeen.

Both Justus and Searle made names for themselves by points coming from the boot. Indeed, in three consecutive matches Justus's individual contribution was 38 points. Against Rift Valley Myers scored five tries, while Searle himself scored, kicked a penalty and converted 8 of the 11 tries in the final score of 52 points to 9. Wright put in some fine work behind the scrums. Barber, except for missing a match when the radiator of the car he was driving to Londiani dropped off, did an excellent job as hooker.

All in all, the three-quarters outshone the forwards; Gideon Steyn, the Stellenbosch full-back, being particularly prominent. Spence and Starck gave the crowds the open rugby they had hoped for. Indeed, that was the guiding principle of the team. That they succeeded there is no doubt, for the tour was a great success both on and off the field.

It lacked perhaps the Press coverage that was accorded to the U.C.T.-Stellenbosch overseas tour, but it nevertheless provided concrete proof that Rhodes rugby is back on the map.