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RHODEO PLANS DAILY Ed's 5 year plan

"RHODEO" a daily issue with a special Sunday "Comment" edition! This is the ultimate of an ambitious, far-reaching five-year plan envisaged by the "Rhodeo" Managing Editor.

This year has already seen a vast improvement in the "Rhodeo". From a now-on-then publication, "Rhodeo" has progressed to a weekly, backed up by one or two "Comment" issues per term. The present staff numbers around twenty as compared with one or two a few years ago.

FAR TO GO

However, when one looks at publications like UCT's "Varsity", it is realized that "Rhodeo" still has far to go. The Five-Year Plan will make "Rhodeo" possibly the most advanced student newspaper in the country.

More books banned

A NUMBER of books have been banned in South Africa since July on apparently ideological grounds.

The books include:

"Rasputin, The Mad Monk"
by Stuart Friedman.

"Africa: The Roots of Revolt"
by Jack Woddiss.

"The Essential Left". Extracts from the works of Engels, Marx and Lenin.
"Angola" by Led Addicott.

"South Africa—Yesterday and Tomorrow: The Challenge to Christians"
by Bishop Ambrose Reeves.

"The African Image"
by Ezekiel Mphahlele.

"Uhuru" by Robert Ruark, the author of "Something of Value".

"Africa Today and Tomorrow"
by John Hatch.

"African Profiles" by Ronald Segal.

Professor Monica Wilson, when speaking here recently, said that "The African Image" was one of the books she wished to recommend for her Anthropology course, but owing to its ban was unable to do so.

The Plan starts next year with a reorganization of staff... The Rhodeo will be divided into two sections. There will be an Administrative section under a Managing Director (really a business manager), and a Technical section under a Managing Editor, under whose authority will fall the Political, News, Sports and Features sub-editors.

The result will be a great increase in the staff.

WEEKEND ISSUES

After investigations in 1963, Rhodeo while continuing the present publications, will add several extra "weekend" editions on important matters.

From then on, the "Rhodeo" will gradually increase publications, stage by stage. By the end of 1964, the "Rhodeo" will be a bi-weekly, and the "Comment" will be established as an independent monthly.

By the end of 1966, the "Rhodeo" will be a tri-weekly, and "Comment" a bi-monthly with a few extras. By August, 1967, "Rhodeo" will be daily, with "Comment" a Sunday paper.

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S.A. praised overseas

"SOUTH AFRICA is the most progressive country in the world today," Mr. George Robbets is reported to have said last Friday. The statement met with much approval and there was prolonged applause.

Dr. Robbets had been addressing members of the Robbets Society at its annual conference held in New Mexico this year.

He had been speaking for some time to about 250 members and visitors to the Conference on the growth of influentialism in the twentieth century and, according to our report, had finished off his talk with this praise of South Africa:

■ "Do not shun South Africa. It is in the newly formed Republic at the foot of Africa that we can look for hope. South Africa has not lagged behind the rest of the world in this aspect: rather it has gone further and seems likely to remain in the lead".

STUDENTS TORTURED

THE Union of Portuguese Students in Brazil has protested to the Portuguese Government concerning reported cases of arrest, brutality and torture during student unrest at the University of Lisbon.

The Secret Police are reported to have tortured students, including the Senior Student, in order to find a communist scapegoat.

The Editor of the student newspaper and 150 other students were arrested.

THIS IS THE LAST RHODEO WEEKLY FOR THIS TERM

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APPLICATIONS

for RHODEO Staff, 1963

The following posts will have be filled in 1963. Preference will be given to those who apply this year. Applications should be placed in the Rhodexo Box at Old Kaif before 31st October for the following positions:—

Administrative:

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FEATURES SUB-EDITOR
POLITICAL SUB-EDITOR
SPORTS SUB-EDITOR
LAY-OUT OPERATIVES
TYPISTS
REPORTERS
PHOTOGRAPHERS

Technical:

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NO BOOKS WHEN NEEDED

AT this time of the year many students are thinking seriously about working for their impending examinations, now less than a week in the future. For many of these students, especially those in their final year or later, many books of reference or texts themselves are required beyond their own personal books.

These books are obtainable from the University Library which is at least adequately stocked with the books that students require.

There are, further, examination papers of previous years to study. These can be of great use in preparing a swotting plan for the forthcoming few weeks.

In short, during most of the fourth term the library becomes for many the centre of their lives.

Yet this library is closed during lunch-times and after 10 p.m. and, most astounding of all, from mid-day Saturday right through Sunday to Monday morning.

It is over the week-ends (or late at night) that the majority of students accomplish a really solid period of working. Yet the University Library is not open during these times. Any student, moreover, whether in residence or an oppidan, who wishes to use the Library at a time when morning lectures or afternoon practicals do not interfere, viz. during lunch-time, are denied this opportunity.

Would it be too much to expect the Library to be open during the lunch hour and up until midnight? Would it be at all remarkable to imagine that the Library would open, even if for reduced hours, during Sunday?

These questions have been put to the Authorities in the Library before. The answer has been in many cases that there is not the staff to keep the Library open for these hours.

Is it, then, unreasonable to expect that sufficient staff could be employed to ensure that something as important as the University Library could be run properly? After all, it is not so onerous or skilled a job to collect cards and stamp books.

If the Library were available for use at the times when it is useful to the students, perhaps more students would make use of it.

There seems, however, very little point in having a Library, well-stocked though it may be, if for a considerable time it is closed to the students who want to use it.

BEWILDERED ABOUT FREEDOM

Sir,

I HAVE just read, with complete bewilderment, the news item entitled "NUSAS supports Meredith", in the latest issue of the Rhodexo.

It seems that NUSAS no longer advocates academic freedom, since it has declared itself to be in support of a Government which has attempted (with at least temporary success) to enforce its policy in flagrant violation of the wishes of members of a University.

NUSAS academic freedom is thus not academic freedom at all. It is freedom for all University students to toe the "liberal" line. Surely freedom means freedom from all forms of coercion—even from forced integration; not simply freedom to oppose the segregationists. (I write as a member of NUSAS).

M. J. HIGGS

Note.—Academic Freedom is the freedom from racial or other prejudice. It is the freedom of anyone to a right to be accepted by a University on academic qualifications alone. Within this frame, but governed by it, is the principle of University Autonomy giving freedom of action to a University but only in circumstances where Academic Freedom is not violated.—Pol. Ed.

BELT UP, BOYS

Sir,

RHODES is an intellectual desert, with only the occasional oasis dotted here and there. Then to crown everything, we have a complete mockery of the true university spirit, a spirit of study and contemplation; let us at least have a little peace and quiet in the fourth term.

SQUIBS

But no! We have rockets, squibs and other trivial incidents conducive only to an atmosphere of immaturity and frivolity.

Please, oh please, everybody, do have a little consideration for a hard worker, and BELT UP—

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MUGS HUNG

Sir,

I WOULD like to condemn student apathy in the fourth term. How many flourishing shapers have cooled off because of exams?

RAG

How many Graham Greats and Karlton Kings have hung up their beer mugs? Let's have Rag in the fourth term!

BORED

ALL SIZZLE, NO SPLASH

Sir,

SATURDAY afternoon sunbathing and swimming are my favourite summer pastimes. I find it difficult to indulge in them here at Rhodes. The reason for this is the Water Polo Club.

Just when I feel sufficiently hot to cool off in the water, they rig up their goals and take over the bath while I and others who share my tastes (there are more of them than there are members of the Water Polo Club) have to simmer.

DRY ICE

By the time they get out we are shivering. Why can't they wait until the evening for their games? Others do.

DEHYDRATED

FELLOWSHIPS FOR AFRICANS

"TEN thousand opportunities for students in Africa to study abroad in fifty - four countries." A list of these has been published in a fifty - page UNESCO booklet, "Fellowships for Africans", which is obtainable free of charge from the International Exchange Service, Unesco, Place de Fontenoy, Paris 7e, FRANCE.

The publication has been enthusiastically received by governments of the 35 African states and territories, to which the awards are offered.

New Campus Society**RIGHT-WING GROUP
ACTIVE****Meeting closed to students**

THE newly-formed "Independants" Society held its first meeting this week behind locked doors. It is understood that the meeting was restricted to a mere handful of students and that most of the Rhodians attending the "General Meeting" were turned away with the excuse that the meeting had been cancelled.

**RHODES
QUIET
AFTER
WEEK'S
RIOTING**

HOME-MADE bombs have been thrown on the Rhodes campus during the last week. A student of Thomas Pringle House was assaulted and carried off in a basket. There have been near riots in some of the other Houses.

It would seem that following this week of unrest the situation is now quieter.

Disturbances arose apparently from a number of causes, ranging from insufficient food to the tension always prevalent at this time of the year when the oppressors seem to intensify their brutal subjugation of the inhabitants of Rhodes.

In an emergency meeting of the United Nations Committee for Investigation of Political Estrangement, at which many countries were unable to be present, the powerful Rhodesian Bloc pushed through a measure supporting the insurrectionists at Rhodes. Whether this will be enforced yet remains to be seen.

A spokesman for the Rhodes inhabitants said yesterday, "We are being continually harrassed. We expect the situation to deteriorate during the next few weeks, but we are confident that we shall have passed the worst by the end of November".

It appears that the meeting is not an S.R.C. society and as such can restrict its membership to whomever it pleases.

One of the students who attended the meeting, on the assurance that his name would not be printed, said that the constitution had been approved and a Committee of three elected. He said that individuals would be approached by the Committee and asked to join the Society.

NON-POLITICAL

He assured me that the Society was non-party political and was going to have two more meetings this year to "formulate a policy".

He would not say what the aims of the Society were but it is reasonably well confirmed that the members are all extreme right-wing students. It has been rumoured that this new group is neo-fascist in character.

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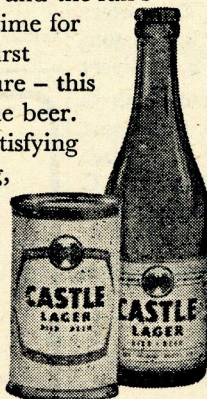
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RECORDS SMASHED AT GALA

A HIGH standard was set for the next swimming season at the Rhodes gala on Saturday when eight new records were established.

Neil Oldridge equalled his E.P. record and set up a new Rhodes record when he won the 100 yards butterfly in 58.7secs. In the invitation events Reen from P.E. came within .1sec. of the E.P. record for both the 100 yards freestyle and the 100 yards backstroke.

SPORTS TALK

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Most Rhodians were rather surprised to see adverse criticism of the behaviour of certain students during the mile walk at the Stirk Bowl on Saturday. Spectators saw these antics in the light of another student prank, while Rhodians found it highly amusing. But one can't help sympathising with the athletes involved who were obviously made to appear fools.

Although the motive behind these "practical jokes" was merely to have some fun, perhaps a bit of consideration for the athletes would have prevented this unnecessary criticism against Rhodes.



INTER-VARSITY

Sportsmen have recently been worried by the threat to future inter-varsities. Mr. Jones, at the A.G.M. of the S.U., reported to the meeting, a conference held in Bloemfontein earlier on in the year concerning inter-varsity. Fortunately no decision was reached and inter-varsities will go on as before. It seems as if the future of inter-varsities depends on the behaviour of students at these events during the coming year.



SWIMMING

Rhodes swimming team stand a good chance of winning inter-varsity this year. There is no dearth of talent and the swimmers are in top condition, having undergone strenuous training over the last few months. Our medley relay team with Coetzer, Park, Oldridge and Gould, should do well, while Oldridge is a "cert" in the 100 and 220 butterfly. Coetzer and Skinner should also supply Rhodes with a number of points.

The first record of the afternoon was set up by Chris Gould in a time of 55.4 secs. for the 100 yards freestyle. Derek Coetzer broke the old record for the 100 yards breaststroke by three seconds in a time of 71.2secs.

McBey won the men's one metre and three metre diving, with Bob Wynne a close second in both events. The women's diving was won by van Niekerk in the one metre and Wepener in the three metre.

A new record for the women's 4 x 1 individual was set up by Pixie Pope in 1min. 52secs.; she also won the women's 220 breaststroke.

Chris Gould made his second record in the men's individual 4 x 2 medley with a time of 3mins. 21.1secs. in the week before the gala. A. Skinner scored a double, with records for the 220 yards freestyle—2mins. 24secs.—and 440 yards freestyle in 5mins. 25.7secs.

For the first time, an inter-house 15 x 1 relay was held, with encouraging, and boisterous results, Struben being the most successful house; the social highlight of the afternoon was the women's relay; Oriel Hall won the main race, with strong competition being offered by Oriel House, who were rather handicapped by their attire.

INTER-VARSITY SWIMMING TEAMS

Men: N. Oldridge, C. Gould, A. Skinner, J. Meyers, C. Park, D. Coetzer, J. van Heerden, R. Brown, R. Mossom, L. McBey, R. Wynne, B. Kuipers.

Women: C. Bayley, J. Rademan, C. Weppener, R. Watt, A. Pope, F. Ramsey, R. Grace, J. Beatty. **Polo:** D. Coetzer, A. Law, C. Gould, P. Mossom, C. McQuire, J. Meyers, N. Oldridge, C. Park, A. Skinner, D. Southerland.

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FIRST XI LOSE

Fielding Disappoints

ON Sunday Rhodes 1st XI lost to P.E.C.C. by four wickets in Port Elizabeth. Rhodes, batting first, were all out for 127. A fine 40 by Colin Archibald redeemed the somewhat meagre total.

Other contributions to the score were Evans 15, Haxton 16 not out, Bond 17. Springbok McKinnon claimed 5/33. P.E.C.C. in their innings passed the Rhodes total with four wickets in hand. Poor fielding and catching by the Rhodes players helped them to lose the match. And there is much room for improvement, in this department of the game. For Rhodes Glen Hall took 3/58, and "Zombie" Gallagher 2/17.

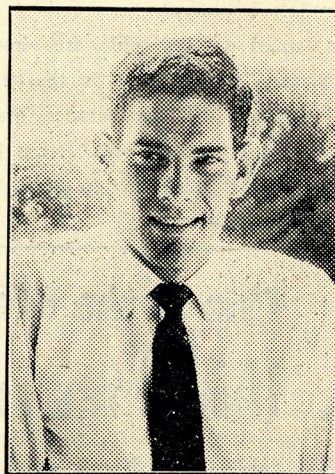
Rhodes II had a first innings win

over P.E.C.C. in Grahamstown on Sunday. The scores were: **P.E.C.C.** (1st innings): 121 all out (Eksteen 4/29), Forrester 3/18, Gradwell 2/11). **Rhodes:** 196 for 7 (Eksteen 94, T. Woods 53, Muller 33). **P.E.C.C.** (2nd innings): 35 for 6 at close of play (Muller 3/5, Dickson 2/6).

Rhodes III XI defeated Southwell on Saturday. Rhodes: 197 for 7 declared (Reef 40, Mulligan 40). Southwell: 165 (Trickett 3/54, Lancaster 3/40).

SPORTSMAN OF THE WEEK:—

GLEN HALL



GLEN HALL

A sportsman whose name has been in the papers recently is Glen Hall. Glen, a well known cricketer and golfer,

has been tipped to play for Eastern Province this season. His vicious leg spinners have been the main factor behind the Rhodes 1st XI's regular success.

Besides his distinguished cricket record, we understand that he has also bowled many a maiden over on the campus!

Glen is a final year Pharmacy student, and doesn't intend doing honours next year. His sporting honours include South African Varsities, Eastern Province and North Eastern Transvaal cricket. He will always be remembered for his part in the S.A. Varsities—W.P. cricket match in 1961. Western Province routed largely by Glen who took nearly all the wickets.

He is also an excellent golfer and this year represented S.A. varsities B team.

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