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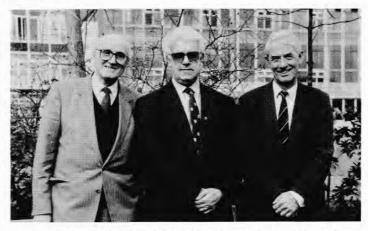
The British Council recently approved a link between the Departments of Geography at Rhodes and the Universities of Fort Hare and Wales, Swansea.

The purpose of the link is to aid cooperation in research between the three institutions, especially in relation to rural development in the Eastern Cape.

The link will be in place for three years, during which period the British Council will pay the return air fares and limited subsistence costs to enable six geographers from Rhodes and Fort Hare to visit Swansea, and for six

Swansea geographers to visit the Eastern Cape.

Prof Colin Lewis, Head of the Department of Geography, was able to finalise details of the exchange with his counterpart from Swansea, Prof David Herbert, during a visit to Swansea last month. A further arrangement being negotiated between the two institutions may allow for undergraduate students from the University of Wales to study at Rhodes for one semester while reading for a degree in Geography and African studies to be awarded by the University of Wales. •



Colin Lewis (right) photographed during his visit last month with, from left, Mr Jack Davies (link coordinator) and Prof David Herbert, Pro-Vice-Chancellor at Swansea.

Growth opportunities will favour technikons

The downward slide in the government subsidy formula for universities and technikons will be reversed by the middle of 1996. This emerged during a speech, by the Minister of Education, Prof Sibusiso Bengu, to delegates who attended the first National Transformation Conference on Higher Education held in Gauteng late last month.

While he welcomes this announcement, Rhodes' Vice-Principal, Dr Michael Smout, warns that the universities may not expect to see too much of this, as the Minister made it clear that growth in the tertiary sector will take place in the Technikons. "The universities will have to mark time for the foreseeable future", he believes. Dr Smout was one of many representatives from a broad cross-sec-

tion of stakeholders in the higher education sector who attended.

Prof Bengu said during his address that, during 1995, he had instructed his department to take radical measures to remedy the historic downward slide in subsidies. His view, however, while not wishing to preempt the recommendations of the National Commission on Higher Education, is that "... (as a country), we will be unable to sustain the kind of growth that we have seen in the university sector over the last few years. That growth is unsustainable from the point of view of the growth in gross student numbers, the programme areas, the efficiency of the system and accelerating costs. We require a solution to this dilemma", he declared, "of how to meet the country's

requirement for high level and specialised human resources as well as that of redress. To fulfil these requirements, the higher education sector would, as a whole, have to be expanded significantly. But this expansion should ideally occur in the technikon and a transformed college sector rather than in the university sector."

Dr Smout believes that a further message for the universities, Rhodes included, was contained in the Minister's references to transformation at educational institutions. "Prof Bengu believes that his call for the transformation of higher education has gone largely unheeded," he said. "He believes that Broad Transformation Forums (BTFs) and other such vehicles for discussion have achieved little. He allowed

that he was under pressure to introduce legislation to give 'teeth' to BTFs. He suggested clearly that he would be loathe to do this but expected the institutions themselves to accelerate progress in this area."

Prof Bengu said that the transformation project was "apparently paralysed at several of our institutions." He called for a National Framework for Transformation which will set and monitor the pace. He feels that transformation has to operate at both national level - primarily the responsibility of government - as well as at the level of individual institutions. "The national agenda and project must give shape to and urgency to institutional transformation", he said. "Each institution will



Cracked skulls may follow

The Editor,

Once again we see progress in the Estates Division. Not satisfied with laying a few kilometres of red-brick paths, it has entered the realms of traffic control.

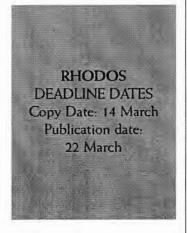
My friend and ex-colleague, Bill Mills, installed speed humps which had the effect of removing the exhaust systems of only Jaguars and various other expensive cars. Now we have lumps of concrete in public roads capable of removing the complete undercarriages of many makes of car, both expensive and other.

Luckily my Sani 4X4 negotiates the new lumps of concrete without major damage. The only damage is that suffered by myself; the displacement of certain internal organs which, luckily, settle back into place after a few hours.

What about a few ditches which will crack a driver's skull when he takes them at speed?

Here's hoping for more progress! •

Arthur Lanham



Thanks to all concerned

The Editor,

Administrative registration went off very well this year, and as a newcomer to the process I would like to put on record my thanks and pleasure at the way everyone contributed to this success.

Maintenance put up a complex grid of high-tension wires, from which we hung a variety of notices. Telkom connected the Hall with the central computing facility and the Computing Services Division coaxed the umbilicus into life and kept it going. Computer Science lent us two PCs at short notice. The janitoring and housekeeping staff handled most of the logistics, and cleared up thoroughly afterwards. Estates lent us a Polaroid camera. Mrs Nicki Anderson's private army installed a battery of Hall computers while no-one was looking. I had the pleasing sense of meeting goodwill and know-how wherever I turned.

Over three days of registration the SRC, student assistants and administrative staff were obliging and efficient, while displaying good humour and unflappable expertise. Snacks and refreshments arrived in waves from the Catering Department.

There was, regrettably and unavoidably, a bottleneck with registration of foreign students, but four officials from Home Affairs, along with Mr Peter Weldrick, did their utmost to keep the wheels turning.

In marked degree all participants exhibited "grace under pressure" — a phrase of Hemingway's — during what was very much a team effort which showed a broad cross-section of the University in a coherent and pleasing light. •

Sirion Robertson (This letter has been shortened - Ed.)

Information was promised

The Editor,

About 18 months ago, the University staff were promised a more open and transparent Pension/Provident fund system when we were persuaded in many cases to change to Rhodes based funds.

Part of this was regular updates as to the value of our funds, the return realised by our fund managers and general information about our investments. No general or individual information has been forthcoming in this 18 months. Perhaps this is due to the fact that a much lower percentage of the contributed funds to the old scheme was handed over to the Rhodes funds than was suggested at the meetings before the change over.

I'm sure that many other investors in the Rhodes funds would like some enlightenment. •

Ralph Kirby

Another new element

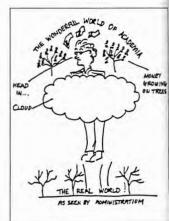
The Editor,

You may be interested to know that, following the discovery of the element Administratium (Ad) reported in your last edition, the scientific world has been fascinated by and aggressively engaged in further research. This has led to another discovery.

Administratium itself was previously thought also to be present in its mutant form, Bureaucratised Administratium, but studies have shown that this is in fact a separate element, which has been named Politium (PI).

Although it has been in front of, and often up, our noses for some time, it remained undiscovered by researchers because of its volatility during stimulusresponse type empirical studies. This element can even extract oxygen from a vacuum if its nucleus is bombarded with enough Critium rays. This volatility had led scientists to assume the now rejected taxation constant which had prevented an explanation for the hole in the ozone layer.

The confusion came about because Politium (in the same fashion as Administratium) increases its atomic mass after every reorganisation of its electrons, but, in the case of



A response from an Admin person to the article on Administratium published in our last issue.

Politium it possesses a random inertia which adds unpredictably to its already volatile nature.

Its relative atomic mass isgiven from the formula $E=mc^2$, producing proof that the Energy of an atom of Politium is equal to the level of Manipulation of its electrons multiplied by the Corruptibility of the scientist making the observations, squared.

Empirical evidence has validated the hypothesis and the public is urged not to breathe too deeply because this has a contradictory effect on the oxygen intake to the lungs which may lead to dizziness, nausea and, ultimately, anorexia. •

Prof. Dr. Wolfgang Gleuckspiel Institute of Creatively Artificial Intelligence.

Adult learning is fun

by Mark de Vos



Adults in class at the Community Centre in Grahamstown.

his week is National Adult Education Week and, thanks to the Adult Literacy Unit (ALU) at the Institute for the Study of English in Africa, it provided much fun for Grahamstown.

The ALU has banners promoting continuing education outside the St. Peters building on campus as well as at the Community Learning Centre at the railway station. "The festivities are all in the spirit of life-long learning", said Mr Kurt Hirschbeck, the Senior Literacy Officer at the

The ALU also facilitated the Grahamstown section of the provincial essay-writing competition coordinated by the Institute for Strategic Human Resource Development.

ALU.

A further draw card during the week, a fund raising concert at the Community Learning Centre, aims to raise money to start a contingency

The local celebrations are a part of national and provincial promotions of the event. "The idea was to encourage people to do something small and hopefully let it grow from there," said Ms Debbie Marchard of the Eastern Cape Adult Educators and Trainers Association.

A project of the Institute for the Study of English in Africa, the ALU engages in research, development and the delivery of holistic Adult Basic Education in partnership with other projects such as the Albany Literacy Forum.

The ALU believes that adult have the right to engage pro-actively in the processes of their own learning and in the creation of an increasingly literate society. •

Vandal sought by CPU

uring the course of a protest march on Monday, 19 February, after which a petition was handed to the Administration, a radio aerial on a staff members' motor car was broken off — allegedly by one of the marchers.

An officer of the Campus Protection Unit, seeking to identify the suspected vandal — the incident was witnessed by another staff member — was told by a leader of the march: "If you can find him, charge him!"

If anyone has information as to the identity of the person concerned it will be gratefully and confidentially received by either the Campus Protection Unit or the investigating officer, Prof Peter Surtees.

A later example of undisciplined behaviour on Friday, 23 February, saw a "rat", believed to be a Rhodes student, disappear with the Parrot and two antique English pub signs from a popular hostelry just off the campus. The Parrot is a sculpture of some value which normally sits on the bar counter.

The licensee would welcome the return of the items and has offered a reward for any information which may achieve this desired result. He will respect confidentiality.

New series of lectures begins

eith Tankard, of the Department of History at the East London campus reminds staff and other interested people that the popular Academic Forum is getting under way again. It will be holding its first meeting on Friday, 23 March, at 09:00 in `Seminar 5' at the campus.

Keith convenes the forum and will himself be the first speaker. His address is entitled: *Urban Segregation: William Myalo's `Celebrated Stick Case'*.

He says, referring to his chosen topic, that it has long been held that legal segregation (as opposed to non-legal racist practices) began in the 20th Century, especially after the National Party won power in 1948. In actual fact, legal segregation was alive and well in East London towards the end of the 19th Century when our local municipality applied for and gained an Act of Parliament enabling it to pass regulations which segregated the town along a racial divide.

The second talk of the new series, Voices in the wind: A psy-chological understanding of local knowledge and social transformation, will be delivered by Andy Gilbert on Friday, 29 March. •

Library note changer

he Library has installed a note changing machine in the Photocopy Room of the Main Library. The machine takes R 10,00, R 20,00 and R 50,00 notes and exchanges these for R 2,00 and R 5,00 coins.

These coins are intending for loading onto the

Photocopy Cards in use in the Library and elsewhere on campus. Machines for registering the sums deposited in coins onto Photocopy Cards have been in operation in the Library for some years.

In past years the Main Library Circulation Desk exchanged notes for coins but problems were experienced with the significant sums in coins and notes which had to be kept at the desk for this operation and it has been suspended in favour of the note changing machine.

There is no maximum sum in notes which may be exchanged on the machine at

any one time in contrast to the manual exchange operation where Library staff limited transactions to R 10,00 at a time in order to avoid running out of change regularly. •

Turn again, to the Monument



There are several Rhodes staff members involved in the Dick Whittington pantomime, amongst them, from left (back row) Andre Burger, Janet Hall, Patrick Phillips and (front) Bronwyn Tweedie, Karen Wentworth and Appollis Slingers.

he Grahamstown players will be presenting their fun-filled pantomime, Dick Whittington, in the Monument Theatre this month. Directed by Ann Green, the factually based fable looks set to be a "rollicking revue".

Musical director, Corinne Cooper, has created an excellent orchestral backing, playing and recording a wide range of instruments using sophisticated multi-tracking techniques. The choice of songs is designed to please all ages, including energetic numbers such as Fame and YMCA, and classic favourites like The Rose, Downtown, Congratulations and Yellow

Submarine. Recent hits include We All Stand Together and A Whole New World. The lyrics, especially written by Patrick Phillips, complete a sparkling score.

The gala opening night, at R 25,00 per head, on Friday, 22 March will be a colourful event, organised by the Grahamstown Round Table, with proceeds going to charity. A further five performances will follow on 23 (matinee & evening) and on 27, 28 and 29 March.

Tickets are obtainable from Grocott & Sherry at R 12,00. Scholars may attend at half-price or at R 5,00 per head through school blockbookings of 20 or more. •

Photojournalists will clique at Rhodes

thics and the photojournalist's rights to copyright will be some of the spiciest ingredients in the brew at the South African Photojournalism Conference at Rhodes later this year.

PJ'96 will run from June 30 to July 3, and is believed by the organisers to be the first major photojournalism conference that this country has ever seen. With attendance by more than 86 speakers, delegates and students already confirmed, it is sure to attract an international and a local response to issues affecting photojournalists in South Africa, says the convenor, Montgomery Cooper.

"It will be a conference of vision and action", he says, and, as Chairman of the Photojourn subcommittee for the World Council of Professional Photographers, he hopes that "it will lead to the production of a code of ethics."

The conference will bring several internationally recognised participants to Grahamstown, including documentary photojournalist, Jurgen Schadeberg, who will speak on the fate of documentary photojournalism in South Africa; Mark Peters, a Newsweek photographer and Roland Stanbridge, of Stockholm University.

Some of these photographers, including Schadeberg



Newsweek's: Mark Peters will attend the conference. Picture: Taryn Cass

and Struan Robertson, will stay on in Grahamstown to document a Day in the Life of the Festival which will be exhibited, transmitted on-line and eventually published.

"The conference will result in a mixture of minds and talents, where students can receive information from professional photographers about their work, and professionals can catch a glimpse of the up and coming talent in the country", believes Cooper, a lecturer in the Department of Journalism and Media Studies.

Enquiries should be addressed to the conference liaison officer, Angie Lazaro on ext 8344, or by e-mail to lazaro@thoth.ru.ac.za. •

Port Alfred school on the 'Net'

here is a single computer in a small office in the Nelson Mandela township in Port Alfred which need not ever feel lonely. It enjoys a dial-up Internet link enabling its users to communicate with the world.

This link was established through the combined initiative of the President's Award Project Leader, Mr Ed Cuttin, a visiting teacher from America who spent a year in the township, and Ms Lindsay Sheard of Computer Services. It allows scholars involved in

the President's Award scheme to develop electronic mail projects which see them building up friendships with people overseas.

Last year a teacher from Malaysia who was running an Internet- based project on Nadine Gordimer, came to South Africa to visit some of the people he had corresponded with, including some of those involved in the President's Award programme in Port Alfred. The new link has enabled ongoing communication between Port Alfred and Malaysia ever since. •

ISER researching in Presidential priority area

he Institute of Social and Economic Research (ISER) is collaborating with various Reconstruction and Development Programme (RDP) role players in Duncan Village in East London. The Institute is involved with three projects, says Leslie Bank, who is based at the East London campus.

Duncan Village has been declared a Presidential priority area because of extreme poverty which is prevalent; because there is a long backlog of infrastructural and service needs in the area and because the people of Duncan Village have long lived under threat of removal to the former Ciskei. For many years nothing was done to develop or upgrade the area.

The first project is concerned with the development and potential of micro businesses in Duncan Village. The ISER involvement has been with the first two phases and is being implemented by Phumeza Lujabe and Bongani Mlomo, junior researchers with the ISER. The first phase produced research through



The ISER team currently working in the impoverished Duncan Village residential area in East London. From left they are Phumeza Lujabe, Bongani Mlomo and Leslie Bank.

questionnaires. The second is one of evaluation of the results and seeks to draw conclusions which will be used to interpret policy issues. A Duncan Village representative has been seconded to the ISER to assist in this process, which is being funded by USAID through an NGO called Corplan, the ISER's partner in the exercise.

A second project, sponsored by the Department of Mineral and Energy Affairs, is itself part of nationwide study to determine fuel usage in densely populated areas. The Department wishes to formulate policy in respect of non-electrical fuels. Early research has already shown that, even in areas which were electrified some time ago, electricity is often only used for lighting and not for cooking or heating. It is difficult to justify the high infrastructural costs with

such low usage, Bank and his colleagues have found.

A third, recently completed project forms part of the World Bank's qualitative assessment of poverty in South African urban and rural areas. The selection of research sites in the Eastern Cape was prioritised by the World Bank because of the extreme poverty in the province. •

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give colour and texture to its own transformation process, but it must be monitored and progress evaluated."

Prof Bengu had said earlier that if the present system of higher education was to continue along its present trajectory it would result in collapse of several institutions and loss of thousands of places in our higher education system. Outstanding student debt, massive backlogs in capital works programmes and collapsing libraries and library collections were amongst identified danger signals, he

said. Arresting the trend of decreasing subsidies would address these, in part, he said.

While he described the increases to individual universities and technikons as `nominal', the Minister said that they amounted to more than a 20% increase on previous values and are calculated at approximately R 800 million.

Further measures taken by his department last year, in addition to the reversal of the 'subsidy slide' would improve the situation, he told delegates. In order to allow tecnikons and universities to begin the process of rolling back serious backlogs in buildings, an amount of R 150 million has been allocated. "Nowhere near enough", Prof Bengu agrees, "but it represents a significant improvement on the R 80 million earmarked for the current financial year." Furthermore, referring to the previously approved establishment of a National Student Financial Aid scheme, the Minister said that R 300 million has been set aside in the 1996/97 budget to get the scheme off the

Prof Bengu expects to

receive the discussion document from the NCHE in the middle of April. This will begin a process of distribution and discussions, including public hearings, prior to the final submission of draft White papers and legislation to the Cabinet at the end of November. The timetable allows for workshops and conferences and for the work of sub-committees on the NCHE report. •

New career resource launched

he Internet now offers practical assistance to South African students and graduates tackling the tough job market.

The South African Career Launchpad (SACL) is a brand new on-line career resource available on the World Wide Web. It is aimed at South African students, graduates and working people who would like input into their career development. The site includes information on topics such as making the most

of your university career, developing transferable skills, writing effective CV's, handling interviews, managing career change and many more

The Launchpad, which is a first in South Africa, is maintained by the University of Cape Town Careers Office and Unilever SA (Pty) Ltd.

Effective career management is important (particularly in the current tough job market). The Launchpad team aims to provide you with the

relevant information you need to actively manage and develop your career — from your first year of study, all the way through to the job search stage.

The site also provides useful links to other helpful career-related sites both locally and overseas.

You can visit the Launchpad at the following address:

http://www.uct.ac.za/org/sacl

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Visitors leave welcome invitation after three month visit



During the course of a three month visit to Grahamstown which ended last week, these British visitors spent some time on our campus and were able to use our Library as well as visiting various institutions, such as the National English Literary Museum. From left they are Mr Michael and Mrs Ann Piper and Mr John and Mrs Finula Pepper (extreme right). With them in the photograph is Miss Shelly-Mae Samuel of Rhodes Campus Events,

who accompanied them on a tour of our campus.

Mr Pepper is a former Warden of London House, one of several residences for Commonwealth students in London administered by the London Goodenough Trust.

He reminded Rhodes staff members during his visit that, should they wish to use the London Goodenough Trust's residential facilities when in London, they would be welcomed. There are single and double rooms as well as family flatlets, at Fellowship House, and the price is less than £20,00 per head per day. His name may be quoted, Mr Pepper adds!

Anyone wishing to explore this further should contact the Registrar of Fellowship House direct at Fellowship House, London House, Mecklenburgh Square, WC1N 2AB, London. He may be telephoned at 0171 837 8888.

PhD Pin-ups and Studly Scientists

o you have a sense of humour, a PHD in Science and "looks to die for?" If so, then you qualify as a scientific studmuffin and could end up in the Studmuffins of Science calendar for 1997.

Due to the success of this year's calendar, the people who compile the Studmuffin calendar are looking for nominees for next year's publication. In return for a year in the spotlight, a Studmuffin is simply required to submit to a professional photographic session and a short interview about science and life, which will be used alongside the pictures in the calendar.

The organisers wish to warn any would be nominees that they can expect to be dogged by many members of the press, from the Wall Street Journal to Entertainment Tonight. If you can handle this, then please forward your, or your nominee's biographical details and any other information about what what you do in science and in life to: khop-kin@npr.org or scistud@aol.com.

It should be remembered that this is a perfectly serious request — from the *Profnet* service — for nominations and aims to do something positive for the image of scientists in the minds of the public. •

Don't miss . . .

This weekend's rugby at Rhodes on Saturday and Sunday. See back page for further details.



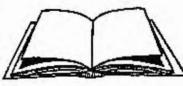
Leaders meet

Rhodes University's two SRC Presidents met recently at the East London campus, and were able to discuss several matters of common interest. Further meetings are planned and an early visit by the East London SRC to Grahamstown is on the cards.

Grabamstown SRC member Julius von dem Bussche (centre) also made the trip and was photographed here with SRC Presidents Rob Steed (East London) and Vasco Zama Ndebele (Grabamstown) on the right.

New books in RU library

mongst several new titles received recently by the Rhodes library are these concerning Africa, media and public perception.



Here is an example of Ken Saro-Wiwa's "Rotten English": My master was laughing small small, with his fat body shaking. Then he told Okonkwo to not to worry. Because Inspector too can share any bribe money which sarzent and constable bring. Inspector Okonkwo tell my master make 'e lef am for God. Because him know how much sarzent dey get and how much 'e dey show to Inspector. Then he began to cry again. (p.2.)

The titles are:
1. Sozaboy: a novel in rotten
English / Ken Saro-Wiwa
828.993914 SAR
2. Ubuntu: the spirit of African
transformation management /
Lovemore Mbigi 658.0096
MBI

3. Service, please, South Africa / Norman Blem 658.812 BLE 4.To my children's children /
Sindiwe Magona
301.4120968 MAG
5.Media spectacles / edited by
Marjorie Garber, Jann
Matlock & L. Walkowitz
071.3 MED
6.Packaging politics: political communications in Britain's media
democracy / Bob Franklin
301.1610942 FRA
7.Manufacturing babies and public
consent: debating the new reproductive technologies / Jose van Dyck

301.243 VAN 8. Technobabble / John A. Barry (the pervasive and indiscriminate use of computer terminology) 004.014 BAR •

Mervis papers donated to Cory

by Sandy Rowoldt: Cory Librarian

hey called him the "Rara avis among editors", the "colossus of Main Street", "the circus ringmaster of journalism", the Sunday Times' Barnum and Bailey - and newspaper midwife. His name was Joel Mervis.

He was born in Kroonstad on 30 September 1908, the son of a Lithuanian immigrant. He was schooled in Bloemfontein. He studied for a BA at the University of Cape Town and graduated LLB from the University of the Witwatersrand.

PRACTISED LAW

Joel Mervis practised law at the Johannesburg Bar from 1931-1935. The Fourth Estate called him away, however, and he began his newspaper career as a freelancer for the Sunday Express. He joined the staff after three months and later became chief sub-editor on the short-lived Daily Express. Mervis moved to the Rand Daily Mail in 1939 and worked there as sub-editor, foreign news editor, associate and finally deputy editor until 1956 when he took over as editor of the Sunday Express.

THE PASSING SHOW

He moved to the editor's chair of South African Associated Newspapers' senior Sunday paper the Sunday Times in January 1959 and it was in this capacity that he became best known. Many, however, will perhaps remember him better as the columnist who penned The Passing Show for many years, continuing to do so after his

retirement.

In 1983 Rhodes University awarded him an honorary doctorate.

Joel Mervis died in Johannesburg on 16 March 1995 at the age of 86, leaving his second wife Osna, his daughter Ann and his son Jonathan, who, in accordance with his wishes, has arranged for his large collection of papers to be deposited in the Cory Library.

The papers, in 43 large cartons, reflect the working life of Joel Mervis as his private papers are still in the hands of his children.

ORIGINAL TEXTS

Amongst them are biographical material, the texts of The Passing Show and several of his books, book reviews, speeches, proceedings of commissions of inquiry into the press, a large number of cassettes of taped interviews, scrapbooks, appointment books, original cartoons, photographs, bound volumes of the Sunday Express and documentation relating to South African Associated Newspapers. Mervis' academic robes and other regalia are also included.

Work on processing this important collection is due to start during 1996 and the Cory Library hopes to have the collection ready for researchers at the earliest possible date. •

This article has been edited. Please contact Ms S Rowoldt for the full text and references.

Editor.

SMALLS

ACCOMMODATION OFFERED:

Post-grad student/young lecturer wanted to share fully furnished two-bedroomed flat from 1 April. Good security, centrally situated. Covered parking may be arranged. Tel: 31 8429 (w) or 31 1383 (h) after 7 pm.

MOVING IN HIGH PLACES?

Do you need to ring vultures on the cliffs of Molteno, or to take samples in a steep and difficult-to-access place? Or need some pruning done to very tall trees? Mountain climber available for any difficult access situation. Contact Steve Holness at Tel: 2 8007, by internal mail to the Geography Department or email 693h7238@giraffe.ru.ac.za

PANTOMIME

The Grahamstown Players present Dick Whittington. A fun-filled musical show. Director: Ann Green; Musical Director: Corinne Cooper. Round Table Gala Opening: Friday 22 March — proceeds to charity. Further performances: Saturday 23 March (14:30 and 19:00) and Wednesday 27th, Thursday 28th and Friday 29th at 19:00. Ticket sales open on 1 March at Grocott and Sherry: R 12,00 for adults, R 6,00 (scholars). Schools may make blockbookings of 20 seats or more at R 5,00 per seat.

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Sports Scoreboard

SPORTS RESULTS • 17 FEBRUARY TO 25 FEBRUARY

Saturday 17 February

Rowing:

Portnet Buffalo Regatta (Rhodes positions in brackets)

Snr A Coxed 4: (3rd) Snr B Sculls: (1st - Van Schalkwyk) Snr A Pair: (2nd) Women's B 4: (1st) Snr B 4: (2nd) Women's C 4: (1st) Snr C 4: (1st) Women's A Sculls: (4th - Simpson) Snr B 8: (3rd) Snr A 8: (3rd)

> Tennis: RU Men vs UPE 9-9

Cricket: RU1 vs United (Limited overs) Rhodes: 357 for 7(Darren Maddy 224; Greg King 48) United: 74 all out (Dillon Rogers 6/21, Stuart McConnachie 2/4 Peter Filmer 2/21) Rhodes won by 283 runs

Sunday 18 February

Cricket: RU vs United (Premier League) United 88 all out (Stuart McConnachie 3/24; Bernie Pswarayi 4/6) Rhodes 90 for 1 (Quentin Still 58; Greg King 29 not

Rhodes won by 9 wickets

YOGA **GRAHAMSTOWN** SCHOOL OF YOGA

Classes on Mondays. Wednesdays and Thursdays at 17h30 at the Albany Museum. Further enquiries: Kathy at 2 3900 or Jane at 2 7842. •

Rowing:

Andrew Grant, Richard Steele-Gray and Simon White have been included in the Heavyweight National Training Squad.

Saturday 24 February

Tennis:

RU Men vs Uitenhage Rained out

Sunday 25 February Cricket: RU1 vs Buffaloes

Rhodes 143 all out (Darren Maddy 35: Duncar Carlisle 33 not out) Buffaloes 104 all out (Mark Rayner 5/32; Darren Maddy 2/15; Stuart McConnachie Rhodes won by 38 runs

Weekend Rugby

The Rhodes Rugby Club starts off its season this weekend with the now traditional opener against Universals on the Great Field on Saturday, 9 March. The first match, which sees Rhodes' under-21B side against Universals' 3rd XV, starts at 13:30. It will be followed by Rhodes' under-21A players who will come up against the visitors' 2nd XV at 14:15

The main match is at 16:00 and will pit the two clubs' 1st XV against each other. Admission is R 2,00 for adults and R 1.00 for scholars.

The next day sees the annual touch rugby day, on the Barratt Fields. Several entries have been received, but the organisers can handle a few more teams.

Phone Andy Milne or Ian Casey at 2 7590 for further details. •

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Classifieds: 10 cents per word unless a bona fide staff member is advertising in his or her personal capacity, in which case no charge is levied. Advertising is run strictly on a cash basis.

Copy, which is only accepted in writing and preferably on diskette, should be forwarded with payment to the Marketing and Communications Division.

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