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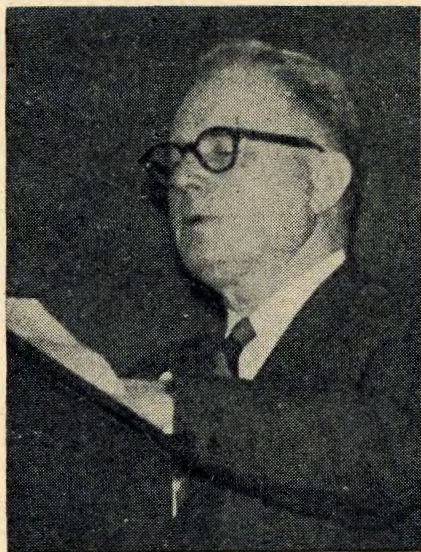
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DEMOCRACY IS THE STRANGEST OF ALL -- U.S. Prof.

"Democracy is probably the most dynamic force that has ever struck the world", said Dr. Leyland G. Baldwin, ex-professor of History at the University of Pittsburgh. Professor Baldwin, a widely travelled and famous scholar was giving an address entitled, "Democracy, its meaning, its method" to an audience of about eighty Rhodians on Thursday night.



PROF. L. G. BALDWIN

Prof. Baldwin said that the mechanics of a democratic process can best be seen in the United Kingdom. The difference between a totalitarian and democratic system is that while totalitarianism seeks to strangle the individual, democracy attempts to preserve the moral values of the people. The gist of democracy is that the peoples of a country can expel from office any legislators who are not conforming to their wishes.

"Democracy," he claimed, "is the political expression of balance and restraint."

Democracy, he continued, takes a long time to establish itself in a country and the commonest form of doing so is by revolution. Once democracy is lost, only blood and toil can regain it. The yearning for liberty is fundamental to human nature.

In replying to a question from the floor, Prof. Baldwin said he did not think that true democracy would be practised in a society that was not homogeneous. He refused, however, to comment on the South African situation.



Miss Inkette 1963—Isabel Annand—took full advantage of the sunshine at last Saturday's expedition to the coast. It was the first time the sun had shone on an Inky picnic for many years. (See other picture, page four.)

Lights Go Out and then Screams

Sabotage, power failure, "student prank"?

Whatever the reason, the campus was plunged into darkness from 10.30 to 10.35.

During this vital five minutes a group of opportunistic males 'found' their way into Oriel bathrooms. Two were evicted but the third camouflaged himself in the public convenience.

A scream from an excited Inkette brought the Lady Warden to the rescue and the well-meaning gentleman was forcibly removed from the building.

It is rumoured that the proud sportsman has a bathplug as a souvenir.

Despite the emergency regulations of the Lady Warden, a subversive organisation is planning a similar but more violent raid as a contribution towards Rag publicity.

THEY'RE IN THE ARMY NOW

Last Tuesday a group of Inkettes coyly entered Beit Common Room. They were Studied (silently), wowed (uproariously) and generally acclaimed as an adequate-looking bunch. Ms. John Gouw's moustache bristled visibly and he announced discreetly that he would let them know later—the judge's decision would be final (unquote).

The group of damsels lowered their eye-lashes in awed surrender and disappeared noiselessly.

The choice has been made. Thirty-five Inkettes have been picked, and they are more or less evenly spread over all the Women's Houses. Lilian Britten has the highest proportion of Drum Majorettes. Sorry boys, they are going to be rather busy for a while. If you are really keen though you can catch a glimpse of them on the Great Field every morning at six o'clock.

The Drum Majorette uniform will consist of a white flared skirt, purple tops,

tall purple hats topped with a white ostrich feather. The leader will be clad in white and gold.

In order that the chic Drum Majorettes stand out even more we will be beguiled by the enduringly alluring Zum Majorettes. They present the girls with pretty stiff competition.

The First City Regiment will be accompanying the Drum Majorettes on their march through Grahamstown. Best of luck, girls!

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EDITORIAL:

How Mature Are You?

HOW MATURE ARE YOU?

The accusation was recently made that South African students are far less intellectual and mentally mature than students in Europe. It is an undeniable fact that the continental youth matures mentally at an earlier age than his South African counterpart who grows up in the wide open spaces where so much emphasis is laid on sport and physical development.

This is a reason for the lowness of intellectual standard but is no excuse. We must not neglect our mental faculties while we concentrate on body building.

CULTURE

It is a sad reflection on the maturity of the Rhodes Student that a sexy film will be packed out to the doors, vast hoards will crowd the touch-line but any function on the cultural or intellectual level draws only a handful.

Inky debate, with yards of toilet paper and sexual overtones in every sentence uttered, fills the Great Hall while the more serious debates throughout the year enjoy the support of scarcely a couple of dozen people.

All the other Rhodes societies suffer from the same disease, lack of support.

HAPPY BALANCE

One fully appreciates the need for and contribution by the sporting world. A sound mind needs a sound body but if we hope to become anything more than a gang of physiques with peanut brains, we must turn our energies to the other aspect of life, the development of mental maturity.

**New S.R.C. Members
are Versatile**

John Oxley-Oxland, Ian Ward and Roy Couzens were elected to the S.R.C. last week.

In his final year L.L.B. John earned six distinctions in his Intermediate L.L.B. and was the 1961 Spilkin Prize Winner for the best Third Year Law student.

Chairman of the Law Society and Sub-Warden of Thomas Pringle he has wide interests. He is a Committee Member of the Body-Building Club and a keen rugby player. He has admitted to a considerable interest in Judy Bennet.

His politics are conservative and he is the new Publications Councillor.

COUZENS

Roy Couzens is a distinguished sportsman. An all-rounder in the Rhodes 1st XI (1957), he played for the 1st XI at St. Edmund Hall and the Oxford 2nd XI for two years.

He is Chairman of the Classics Society.

With an Oxford degree in History he is at present working on a History of Kokstad.

When interviewed in Jan Smuts last Sunday he expressed a dislike of the renowned "Oxford Accent" and Beatnik odours. (B.O.). His politics are utilitarian. He is Education Councillor.

WARD

This year's Senior Student of Drostdy Hall and the new Kaif Councillor is Ian Ward. After seven years in the Rhodesian Police this ex-Detective Sergeant qualified in Geology in 1961. Last year he worked at the Sandawana Emerald Mine.

His politics are "non-est". Rhodes girls will be pleased to know that with them he is "not so non-est". "I'm more used to asking questions than answering them", he told our reporter.

LETTER:

**Drinkers
and Not
Lovers**

Sir,—In reply to Kinsey in connection with going steady we would like to give a girl's point of view.

If the girl is seen more than twice in the company of the same male student, they are immediately regarded as having serious intentions. There is much "gentlemanly" feeling among our men that they would not dream of spoiling the other chap's chances. The result is a dull fortnight or two for the girl in question until it is finally established that she is, in fact, still "free."

Whose fault is it that girls spend night after night in residence?

ORGIES

Men students seem to prefer to indulge in drunken orgies every Saturday night (is it cheaper?). It is a sad sight to see groups of girls walking sedately to 'scope and similar groups of men (less sedate) with the same destination (plus detour), deprived of any more stimulating company than that of their own sex.

This has gone on for long enough at Rhodes. Who will be the first rebel to make a move?

E.T., B.H. and I.R.

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It's the men to blame —Not only us girls! AN ANSWER TO KINSEY

Sir,—Kinsey in his letter (Rhodes, March 1st) has, I am sure, voiced the opinion of all the Rhodians, both men and women. It is a complaint of long standing that there is a lack of casual social contact between the sexes.

BUT, we beg to differ with his statement that "this is largely the fault of women." What a profound statement indeed, but, we are sad to say, totally misguided. Who, after all, has to take the initiative in male-female relationships? We continually have to hear talk about the dominance of the male animal, yet this male animal is incapable of changing the situation, and to crown it all he puts the blame for his own im-

potence on the so-called "submissive" sex.

We are sorry to say that the average Rhodes male is so inflated that he takes every friendly word as a sign that she is running after him. Moreover it is virtually impossible to go out with a Rhodes chap on a purely platonic basis—they seem to take it for granted that they will be "paid" for the outing.

Once a girl has been out with a certain male student she is regarded as his pri-

vate property and—what is more—no other chap will even dare to ask her out. Where is the age of healthy competition?

Don't worry! men! we are as scared as you are of the marriage trap, and we are not prepared to spend our youth washing nappies. So please stop regarding every female as a manhunting, ring-seeking beast of prey. Then, and only, then will the social relationship improve.

"THE SUFFRAGETTES"

LETTERS

Letters for publication should be signed even if a nom de plume is used, and should not be longer than 250 words. Letters longer than this may be cut without reference to the writers.

The Inkettes, that infallible source of delight, have done it again! Last Tuesday the selections for the Drum Majorettes took place not without difficulty. Here are 10 of the gorgeous 35.

Back Row (L. to R.): Pauline Smith (Oriell) Salisbury. Isabelle Annand (Oriell) East London. Sally Symes (O.S.) P.E. Carole Rademeyer (Lillian B.) Johannesburg. Joan Hill (L.B.) Vereeniging.

Front Row (L. to R.): Brenda Uren (L.B.) Naboomspruit. Kathryn Thornley (Oriell) Salisbury. Hazel Kinkel (Phelps) Pietermaritzburg. Mary Davies (Phelps) Uitenhage. Irene Styles (O.S.) Bulawayo.

WE WANT TO VOTE!

Sir,—Rag appears to be starting really early this year. Not only is some worried male already trying for a date (see page 4, 14.3.1963), but there appears to be a plan afoot to disenfranchise women students (see Kinsey's letter, page 3).

It is unfair to suggest favouritism on our part as it is well known that men are blind.

A Rag Queen is not meant to be a Beauty Queen. She is intended to represent the cream of South African girls—those lucky enough to enter a university. As such she must have personaility and poise in addition to having good looks. She is our ambassadress and must be able to hold her own anywhere.

Since Rhodes has at least 500 women students I say our voice must be heard at the elections.

About the dating problem, relax.

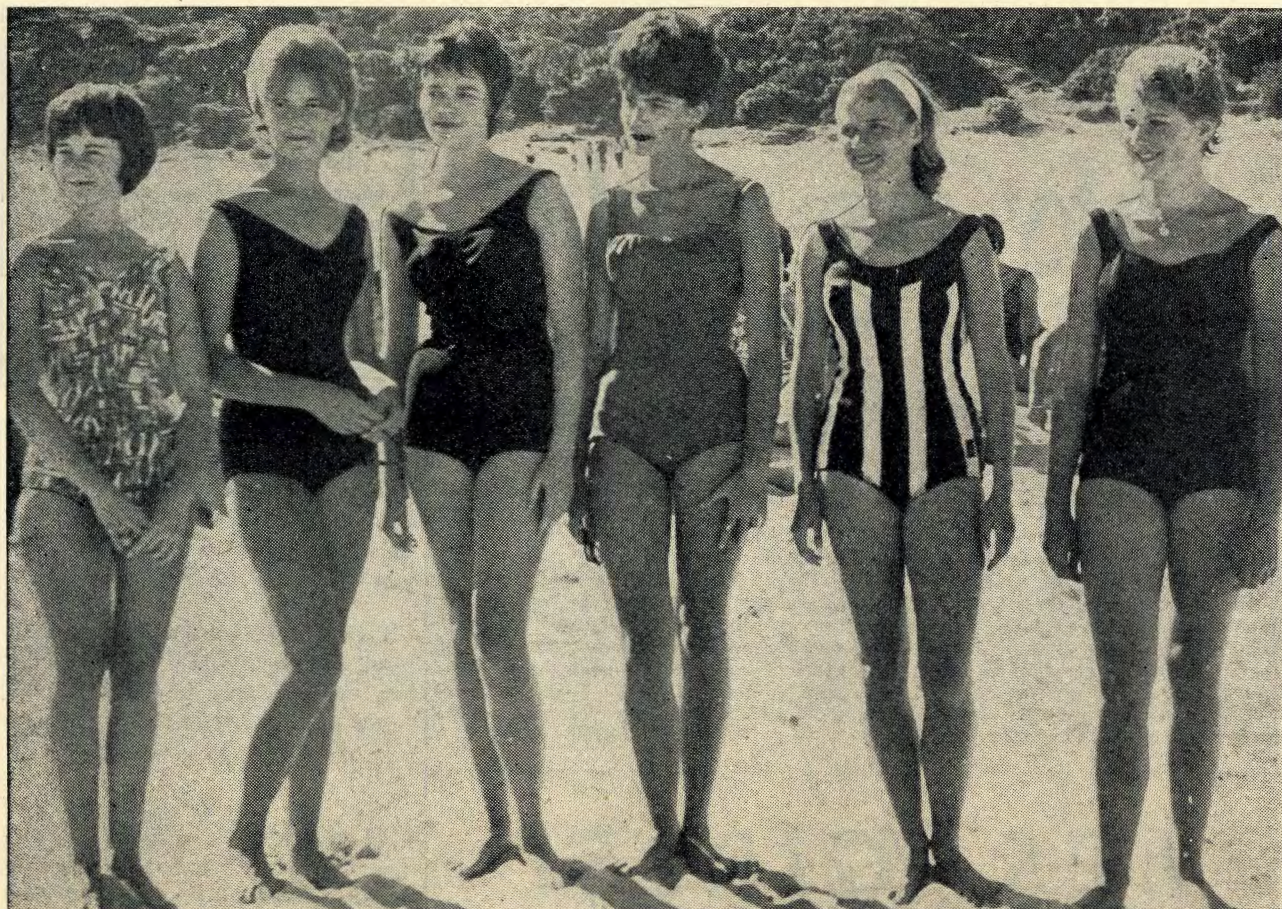
Last minute dates are often more fun, and it is traditionally our problem, anyway.

FEMINIST.

(We regret that the dating story was written by a woman. A she-wolf in ewe's clothing?—Ed.)

LES GIRLS!





A feast for the eyes was part of the nourishment specially designed to give pleasure to the Inks gathered at the seaside for Inky Picnic last week-end. This line-up of Miss Inky Picnic and her finalists shows, from left to right, Susan Strachan, Isabel Annand, Pauline Smith, Betty van Reenen, Lisé Harris and Margaret Anne Mundell.

De Prof. and D.P.

Prof. H. J. Chapman, M.B.E. (Hons.), B.A., LL.B., U.E.D., a noted scholar and Dean of Students at Rhodes University has recently been proved to be a lazy student!

This "lazy student" has held the post of Professor of History at Fort Hare University and at the same time sat on the Government Council of the University of South Africa. It had previously come to the notice of the Rhodes Staff that Prof. Chapman, who is at present in charge of the Port Elizabeth branch of Rhodes, registered at the University of South Africa for a course in Introductory Russian at the beginning of the year.

Farical as it may seem, he received a letter last week from his Russian Tutor:

Dear Mr. Chapman,

If you fail to send in any more tutorial work you will be refused a Duly Performed Certificate.

Yours and etc.

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A Poor Note **SEX AND SHAMBLES FOR THE INKY DEBATE**

The two sing-songs which have been held under the capable leadership of Eddie Simes have been poorly attended. The Inks have been notably inconspicuous as usual. A much better attendance is essential in view of the match against Stellenbosch in the near future.

The usual barracking, sniggering audience packed the Great Hall for the customary commencement of the Rhodes Debating Season — Inky Debate, a shambles as ever!

SOLUTION TO CROSSWORD No. B1

ACROSS: 1, Palace; 4, Operas; 8, Insert; 10, Persia; 11, To Err; 12, Aran; 14, Unit; 15, Reforming; 17, Profanity; 20, Rays; 21, Yoke; 22, Pride; 24, Pro Tem; 25, Educates; 26, Rastus; 27, Unused.

DOWN: 1, Primal; 2, Lascar; 3, Cart; 5, Peer; 6, Rising; 7, Slants; 9, Top of Form; 10, Promenade; 13, Nears; 14, Unity; 16, Draper; 17, Pylons; 18, Yoicks; 19, Teased; 22, Peru; 23, Eden.

A FURTHER CROSSWORD PUZZLE WILL APPEAR IN NEXT WEEK'S ISSUE.

SEGREGATION

Arch-Conservative Rinty van Straaten was dismayed at the practical consequences of such a step. Making frequent use of the dicta of his ideological predecessor, Mr. Rosenberg, he stated that it was not the apple in the tree that caused trouble in the Garden of Eden, but the luscious peach on the ground!

A member of the audience remarked that it might well have been a pear (spelling!)

Miss Ros. Watts from Welkom and the United States supported Mr. van Straaten in his reactionary stand. She even went as far as to say that men students

should be segregated from each other (a manifest gibe at the Dramatic Society).

INTEGRATION

Mr. Desmond Bishop, Inky representative, told an enthusiastic crowd that he strongly favoured integration, although this should not take place "over-night." Mr. Bishop was speaking on behalf of the motion. "That the sexes should be integrated residentially at the university." His seconder, delectable Leonie Meyers, stressed that sex should be lauded not vilified. The residential segregation in force at Rhodes showed that the planners were disgusted with sex, an attitude to be deplored.

The Rag

Rag Queen Elections will be held today and the Rag Queen will be announced at Nusas Ball tomorrow night.

Whether Rag Ball is on the Thursday or the Saturday of Rag Week depends on a referendum which will be held among Rhodes students.

Rag Week starts on April 22. The festivities will probably start in the usual way by an invasion of the Carlton.

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- IN MEN'S CASUAL
- IN SPORTING TYPES



KNIGHT'S
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New Grand Stand At Last

Plans for the much-needed Great Field Pavilion are on their way. Tenders for the contract have been called for and all indications are that a new Pavilion will be built before the end of the coming season.

Sports talk
by

The Ref.

50-MILE WALK

Sportsman's suggestion that a group of Rhodes students beat the Americans by walking to Bathurst and back has aroused tremendous enthusiasm.

The Rhodexo office was invaded by a group of long-distance walkers who said they were sure that they could do the trip in under 10 hours. Cross-country captain Rob van Heerden hopes to collect a large group.

Says Gert Coetzee, "We want no faders." The Sports staff echo his sentiments. The 31st has been set aside as a tentative date, but be prepared for an early rise—a real dawn patrol.

P.S.—Those interested should contact Rag publicity man Allan Poole or Rob van Heerden.

TABLE TENNIS CLUB

The Table Tennis Club is going places. With a membership of over 30 regular fixtures, and a room it is no longer a haphazard pastime. Captain Brian Pincus is hoping that the Rhodes' application for membership in the E.P. Midlands League will be accepted.

The 1st had their first game on Tuesday night—against Grahamstown City. Despite its progress, the club is still short of women players. Says Pincus, "Women will be attended to."

CRICKET

Two Rhodians, Glen Hall and Terry Eksteen, were in E.P. "B" Cricket team which played Natal last week-end. Although the team fared badly, Glen Hall finished with the excellent figures, 8 for 72. Had he produced this form consistently during the season, he would have been a strong candidate for the trip to Australia.

ATHLETICS

The annual Rhodes Athletic Championships take place this Saturday and they promise to be the most successful held for years. With over 150 entries spectators should enjoy a most entertaining evening. A one-mile walk and an inter-hall relay race should provide considerable interest on the campus.

Among the most prominent entries are those of Janet van Lingen, South African Javelin champion and record holder, and Barry Andrews, E.P. and S.A. Varsity pole vault champion. The meeting is scheduled to start at 2.30 p.m. and should last 1½ hours.

Athletics Champs

Several Rhodians took part in the E.P. Junior Athletic championships at Cra-dock on Saturday. Phyllis Cumming, an Inkette from East London, won three titles—the 100 yards, the 150 yards, and the Javelin. She broke the E.P. Junior record in this last event and, according to coach Doug Coughlan, should gain much from training with Rhodes' S.A. champion in the Javelin, Janet van Lingen.

Other Rhodians to gain places were: John Finnemore (sprints), Neville Sermon and Alan Kemp (high jump) and John Cave and Peter Levey (mile).

STOP PRESS

The following Finalists have been chosen for the Rag Queen election to be held on Thursday, March 21, at 5.15 p.m. in the Great Hall:—

JUDY BELL; JILL WILLIAMS;
ELAINE FORTH; VIVIAN PREST-
WICH; JEAN VERNON, JILL
ROWE; CAROLINE TINDALL,
JAN NICOL; MARIE-LOU SHAW;
ELLEN HOOPER; ROSE CALMEYER;
HEATHER MAKEIN; URSULA
JAEGER; CAROL BAKER.

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LETTER:

Training

Sir,—“Energetic” has overstated his case, by all means let's train hard but let us not lose our sense of proportion. I wonder if “Energetic” has ever attended a rugby training session. I doubt it.

Team spirit, enthusiasm and fire at the right moment are the important factors. Attie Maree's series of long even-paced cross-country runs is not the best method for building up these “factors” which are the basis for a successful team. Short sprints are far better, as well as shadow-rugby.

“Energetic's” remark that Stellenbosch are running up Papagaaiberg with rocks on their heads suggests that he too realises the absurdity of his suggestions. I reckon he was writing with rocks in his head.—REALIST.

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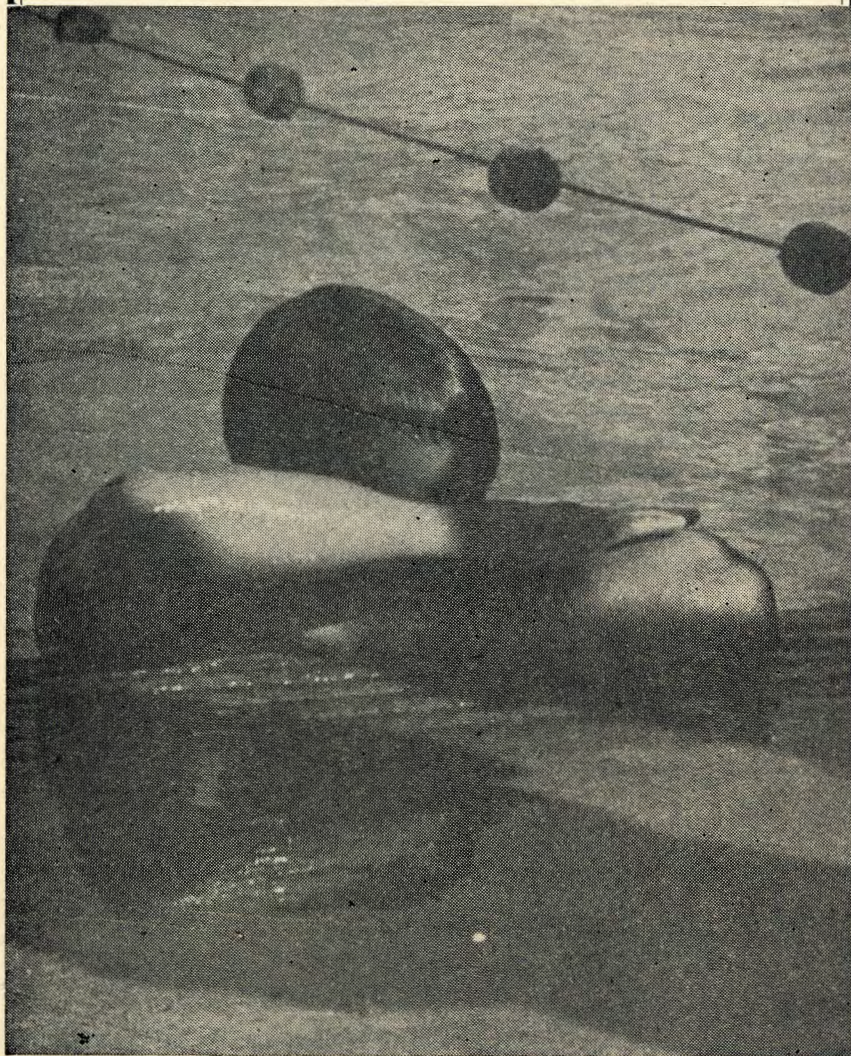
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Soccer Club to Stay Amateur

The Soccer Club has already started intensive training for the coming season. Altogether 45 players have signed on and Rhodes will be fielding three teams. The Secretary, Kenny Rice, told our reporters that many talented players have joined the club. He predicted that Rhodes would finish in the top half of the E.P. League.

Soccer has for long been a traditional Drosty sport, but this year the club is well represented in Smuts, Pringle, Retief and even Founders.

At the well attended A.G.M. it was unanimously decided not to enter the E.P. section of the South African Professional League. Reasons given were the difficulty of fulfilling the long fixture list and the poor performance of the Rhodes' team last season. Johnnie Tindale has been elected captain, while the committee consists of Kelvin Henz, Ellis Henen and Ronnie Goldblatt.

The 1st team plays Saints on Saturday and travels to East London Tech. Says coach Eric Muller, "We are determined to produce the best soccer Rhodes has ever seen."

HE'S WON — AND HE'S DEAD BEAT! At the Rhodes Gala on Saturday, Neil Oldridge swam the 100 yards butterfly in the fastest time ever recorded in South Africa in a short-course bath. A Rhodéo staff photographer caught this dramatic picture of Oldridge in the moment of total exhaustion, while the crowd was still cheering.

TIMES ARE SMASHED AT RHODES' RECORD GALA

Records flew thick and fast at the annual Rhodes gala on Saturday. In a feast of fine swimming, four record holders put up new times, one after the other.

Every individual record except the women's backstroke and freestyle were broken, one of them, the men's 440 yards freestyle, by 38.4 secs. (by J. Reen). In this race, five swimmers broke the old record. In addition to the new Rhodes records, six new Eastern Province short course records were set up, and Neil Oldridge swam the 100 yards butterfly in the best time recorded in South Africa in a short course bath.

Oldridge's results were: 100 yards butterfly, 55.9; men's individual medley, 3 mins. 8 secs. (also a Rhodes record).

J. Reen had an extremely successful afternoon, breaking four records, two of them E.P. short course records; his results were: 100 x backstroke, 61.6 (E.P. short course record); 220 yards freestyle, 2 mins. 8.8 secs. (Rhodes record—100 yards freestyle, 51 secs (short course record).

Olympic talent from Rhodesia in the form of Meg Miners justified itself. With strong competition from Pixie Pope, she broke three records, including two E.P. short course records. They were 100 yards breaststroke, 76.7 secs; 220 yards breaststroke, 3 mins. 3.4 secs. In the women's butterfly, two lengths, she set up a new Rhodes record with a time of 47.1 secs. She also won the individual medley in 1 min. 40.7 secs.

Two new breaststroke records were shaped by Derek Coetzer, both E.P. short course records; 100 yards breaststroke, 69.5 secs. and 220 yards breaststroke, 2 mins. 51.5 secs.

C. Bailey won the women's 100 yards freestyle in 69.7 secs.

Rhodes was also lucky to see Geoff Grylls being put through his paces, but he was pipped at the post by J. Reen.

Bob Wynne maintained his position

FOUR TEAMS AT RUGBY TRIALS

Four rugby teams turned out for trials last Sunday. Although players were keen a lack of fitness was obvious.

This is largely due to the fact that no fields have been available for the past week due to the torrential rain. Nevertheless the preliminary first team showed promise.

A number of newcomers also did well. Geoff Grey, an ex-U.C.T. and St. Andrews centre, played an attacking game and made an excellent partner to S.A. Varsity centre, John Jones. Lake, who is also a St. Andrew's man, played an intelligent game behind the 1st team scrum after Doug Barrow had been injured.

Observers who have been critically analysing training sessions predict the following team for Saturday's match against Old Selbornians: Full back, Southey; Wings: Botcher, Albertyn; Centres: Grey, Jones; Fly Half: Stuart; Front Ranks: Dicks, Raath; Hooker: Hoard; Locks: Eva, Moorcroft; Flanks: Simpson, Coetsee; Eighth Man: Weatherdon.

as Rhodes No. 1 springboard ace, by winning both the one-metre and three-metre diving.

J. Beatty won the women's diving.

Founders "B" confounded the critics by winning the 15 x 1 men's relay, for which they claim a record. The men's inter-Hall medley relay and the freestyle relay were won by P.E. Rhodes. Credit must also go to the Renegades, who went down 15-3 in a water polo match against Rhodes: three of their regular members were unable to come to Grahamstown, but a good display of attacking tactics was given by Rhodes.

The following were announced on Saturday night: Honours: C. Gould, N. Oldridge. Colours: A. Pope, A. Skinner, D. Coetzer. Team blazers: All who went to Inter-Varsity.

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