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## MARRIAGE IS NOT OLD FASHIONED

The motion that "Marriage is an outmoded and immoral institution" was defeated by a substantial majority at last Wednesday's debating society meeting.

The motion was proposed by John Sprack and Reinier Lock and opposed by David Scott and le Clanché du Rand.

John and Reinier tried hard to put their unusual points of view forward along the lines that marriage is "licensed sex". There was much in what they said, though it did not seem to convince the meeting. When they attempted to argue from the religious angle it was clear that they were on unfamiliar grounds and John, particularly made some inaccurate statements such as, "divorce is permitted by the church". This is not altogether true.

David countered with a sincere and solid Christian argument, as was to be expected of a Tok. le Clanché set forth some anthropological principles stating that no known society did without marriage, implying that it was impossible to do so.

The refreshing feature of the debate was the tremendous response from the floor. Lively discussion followed the main speeches, and the Chairman, Mike Bands departed from the debating procedure by allowing several speakers to speak more than once in an attempt to keep the debate going.

A Rhodes v. St. Paul's debate will be held tonight.

## NO RHODEO

This will be the last edition of the Rhodeo for this term.

## LIFTING RECORD

In a record attempt meeting in Port Elizabeth on Saturday, Rhodes gained 7 of the 9 new Junior (under 21) E.P. records. In the Bantamweight division, Joe van der Walt bettered three of the four E.P. records, which were in turn bettered by Johnny Mirkin who was credited with Press 135, Clean and Jerk 170 and 430 Total.

Bill Northrop lifted in the Featherweight division to break all the existing records, including smashing the total record by 45 lbs. He was credited with Press 135, Clean and Jerk 180 and Total 460 lbs.

## Week's Cover Girl



Our Cover Girl this week is Marie-Lou Shaw (Jameson) of Bulawayo who is a second year B.A. student majoring in English and History. Her interests are riding, shooting and hunting.

## Rhodes Voting: No Changes

Rhodes S.R.C. have decided to make only a minor change in the present S.R.C. elections system. Recently there have been a spate of letters to the Rhodeo criticising the system.

Political canvassing, it has been suggested, should be allowed.

But Mr. Mike Chapman, Chairman of S.R.C., said in an interview that the S.R.C. has decided against canvassing — and has decided to stick to the present system.

But there will be one change. Shortly before each election a special Rhodeo information sheet will be printed to give voters more time to consider the merits of the candidates — especially the

lesser ones. He said he hoped pictures of the candidates would accompany the pen-sketches.

Mr. Chapman stated that Wits and U.C.T. have, at present, voting systems which are mathematically complex, and which also allow canvassing. Natal University (Durban, Maritzburg and Non-European sections) on the other hand, has a non-canvassing system, but candidates may present manifestoes in a press release before elections.

Mr. Chapman said that the Rhodes S.R.C. has decided to stick to the present completely non-canvassing system, so as to keep our elections from turning into minor political campaigns. Also,

it is considered that Rhodes is compact enough to make canvassing unnecessary.

He said that UCT are, in fact, taking steps to do away with the present voting system and adopt one more like Rhodes'. The Natal University system is already very similar to ours'.

The Rhodes electoral system he said was far more representative of student opinion than those of other universities. This is because a 60% pool must be achieved to make the election valid. In fact, the average poll at Rhodes is 70% — this is far higher than at other centres (the UCT poll averages 40%). It means Rhodes student opinion is adequately represented.



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Carlton Hotel**Editorial :****BROEDER'S BROOD**

Our last week's correspondent, Broeder shows a unique grasp of South African history and a view of the Afrikaner peculiar to himself. His statements are so strange that we would not normally give them a second glance but as there are many at this University who, through no fault of their own, are somewhat ignorant of the Afrikaner we feel that we must try to right the lopsided picture.

**LET'S BE FAIR**

To suggest that the reason why Afrikaans students will not sit at a conference table with non-Europeans is because they view them as a servant class is nonsense and to claim that this attitude dates from 1652 is pure invention. To begin with, in 1652 the Afrikaans were hundreds of miles away from the Cape. The servants our forefathers knew were slaves which had been imported, mainly from the East. This was nothing strange as it was a practice held in common with many groups of people all over the globe. Only after the White-Black clash in the nineteenth century did the African become for all South Africans (not just Afrikaners) a source of servant supply.

**A BASIC HONESTY**

What Broeder seems to have overlooked is the fact that the Afrikaans student attitude stems from the ideology of Apartheid. Having accepted a belief that the races should be separated, the Afrikaans student has taken the further logical step. The present writer has personally seen the new self-service dining halls at Afrikaans Universities; dining halls which are so equipped that there is no need for waiters. Furthermore, the students have taken the task of cleaning their residences upon themselves and are, thus, no longer served by that servant class so dear to Broeder's heart. Surely this is basic honesty.

**AROUND THE TABLE**

In fairness we must also point out that the objection to certain non-European delegates at proposed conferences in the past was not because they were Black but because they were to represent Universities which were predominantly White. One may disagree with the Apartheid doctrine and pull to pieces the contention that members of one race should only be represented by members of the same race but please, Broeder, don't spend your life dreaming up pipe-dreams.

**STUDENT'S UNION**

(Note: The following leader was written by a guest-writer).

At the last Student Body Meeting the Chairman of the S.R.C. explained what moves the Students Union Committee had made to press for an adequate Students Union on the campus.

This provides a useful thinking point when one considers how necessary and overdue such a centre or union is and what functions it would fulfil. Old Kaif, at present rather tactfully called the Students Union, is totally inadequate for the needs of societies, clubs and especially offices for student administration such as the S.R.C., Rhodexo and Rag.

Because of the lack of opportunities for mixing in groups, social life at Rhodes is severely limited and restricted. A Students Union equipped with lounges, reading rooms and recreational centres as outlined by Mr. Chapman, would not only meet the student need in this respect, but would also provide opportunities for promoting staff-student relationships outside the lecture rooms.

If a bar-lounge could be incorporated in the Union, on the lines of a club, men and women students could meet on common ground, and the presence of women would not only raise the general tone of behaviour considerably, but also curb excessive drinking.

One of the main functions put forward was that of fulfilling the needs of student societies and clubs. Because of inadequate facilities for these at present, interest in society and club activities has waned considerably.

Visitors rooms for Old Rhodians and visiting lecturers could also find a place in such a union, and it is not inconceivable that room could be found for social table tennis and billiards and snooker.

There is no doubt that such a union is badly needed now and even more so as Rhodes develops, but there are many problems facing both the S.R.C. and the university, but whatever these are, the S.R.C. especially deserves student support and interest in trying to overcome a great student need.

**MINISTER  
AND NUSAS**

Faced with accusations from NUSAS, the Minister of Bantu Education, Mr. Maree, has admitted that there are a number of students at tribal colleges who, "of their own free will" are informing the authorities "of any subversive activities" that are going on.

NUSAS accused the Government of paying students to spy on other students at tribal colleges and certain universities. Mr. Maree denied the charge and said that NUSAS had done more harm overseas than any other organization. NUSAS replied that if the Minister meant that it harmed apartheid and the Nationalist government, NUSAS considered his attack praise. The fact that the Minister of Justice could ban NUSAS without recourse to the courts harmed South Africa's reputation than anything NUSAS could do.

**LIBRARY SHOW**

The library is arranging a series of weekly exhibitions on various historical subjects. Dr. van der Riet said that the material for these exhibitions is exhaustible. This week's one is a portrayal of the first use of anaesthetic. Dr. Atherstone used ether for amputating a soldier's leg. No conclusive evidence can be found, but it is possible that the operation was performed in the Botany Department, which was originally a military hospital.

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# Up the Irish - but not on Rhodes stage

The University Players' presentation of three Irish plays generally deserves more shillelaghs than shamrocks. The overall impression was one of unevenness, and none of the three made sufficient use of the stage.

"The Shadow of the Glen" was the most successful play of the evening, largely because Synge is essentially more dramatic than Shaw and Yeats. The typical Irish humour was an admirable vehicle for Tony Voss' undoubted comic talents. Ron Ayling, as the cowardly young shepherd, tended occasionally to slip out of character, and Janet Ayling, as an unhappy and resourceful wife, frequently lost her accent, but both turned in convincing characterizations.

## OUTRAGED

André de Villiers was consistent in accent, characterization and presence, and therefore failed to dominate the stage as the "outraged husband". If Mr. Ayling had restricted himself to direction, he might have eliminated some of these faults and made freer use of stage movement.

Yeats' "The Words on the Window Pane" is virtually unactable, and more

imaginative direction by Tony Voss and sharper characterization of the more minor parts would still not make the play less static and more meaningful.

## TAPE-RECORDER ?

Paddy McLelland was superb as the infirm medium, Mrs. Henderson. Her brilliant voice-change from the aged Cockney to the little girl, Lulu, and her preventing either of these becoming caricatures made her performance the most memorable of the evening. It was unfortunate that the use of a tape-recorder, was not successful and broke any potential tension. Of the rest of the cast, only Tony Davies as the bluff, smooth-tongued Dr. Trench made anything of his character.

The honours for the trial scene, from Shaws "St. Joan" must go to Dr. David Terry whose sincere Lemaitre, the inquisitor, made the other performances inadequate by comparison.

## PETULANT

If John Agar-Hamilton as Cauchon, the bishop, had measured up to him, the scene as a whole might have gained the tautness and impact it lacked. Christine Fletcher's St. Joan was a competent, if unusual, interpretation of the part. Played as a rather petulant, naive young girl who is unable to understand the machinations of the law and the Church, she could have been less feminine, more peasant-like, and should also have eliminated those stiff pantomime gestures.

## NO TENSION

The main reason for this scene failing to be a significant and dramatic "plea for human values" was the lack of tension and conflict between the Church and the law. Slow cues, bad timing and tongue-in-the-cheek histrionics contributed to making Merton Dagut's conscientious attempt "a near miss". Unfortunately, for Shaw to come across at all, a direct hit is required.

N.C.V.

## Letter :

# Why this move?

Sir, — Although the S.R.C. may wish to impress the Potch. delegation by printing a report of their visit in Afrikaans, surely the 'Rhodeo' has a duty to inform **their** readers first.

A large proportion of your readers are Rhodesians who cannot speak Afrikaans. The language of this university is English, not Afrikaans as you seem to think. From one article, a column, in the first edition, Afrikaans has now taken over as the language in which a major article is written.

I trust that no more important articles will be printed in Afrikaans, when they concern all the University — not just the few Afrikaners at Rhodes.

"ROOINEK"

## ELECTIONS FARCICAL

Sir, — The election system at Rhodes is a glorified Popularity Poll. Representative elections of the type envisaged by "Dave" would enable more women candidates to be elected to the S.R.C. At present very few women are well known enough to be elected.

We comprise almost a third of the students on the campus and should have more than two members on the S.R.C. Women are too lethargic, we must take a more active interest in affairs on the campus.

J. OGILVE.

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# "WINDS OF CHANGE" IS A CAD, SIR!

Sir, — Whereas we might all appreciate the point made by "The Wind of Change", when he quibbles somewhat lengthily on the meaning of the word "dedication", I fail to see any value in his letter. He is right insofar as the fact that many people pay lip service to an ideal like Academic Freedom without furthering that ideal in any positive way.

Yet surely he cannot really believe that students, because they cannot give up absolutely **everything** for Academic Freedom, should not support it. Surely, to say merely "I support Academic Freedom" is a start, especially after one has just heard a thought-provoking speech on the subject.

## CAREER

I am quite certain that Mr. Chapman meant nothing like giving up one's academic career for Academic Freedom, when he asked Rhodes students to pledge themselves for the ideal. At any rate, surely the best way to maintain Academic Freedom is to continue one's studies as earnestly as possible, and defend these studies against those bodies (such as governments) who wish to force their will on universities, which hold different views on 'who to teach, how to teach it, and by whom it shall be taught'.

The cynicism of "The Wind of Change" is generally uncalled for, especially at a time when earnest support for sincerity of Academic Freedom is so vital.

## SNEERS

He sneers at the lack of Rhodes students who support Academic Freedom — perhaps he himself is of such character that he cannot conceive of any one being sincere. The letter also gives me the impression that "The Wind of Change" is not as knowledgeable on the subject of Academic Freedom, nor on the implications of the meeting he criticises. Has he not heard of the power of protest?

RENIER LOCK.

# HALL BALLS NEXT TERM

The final dates for Hall Balls next term are as follows:

July 7th — Jan Smuts.  
August 3rd — Piet Retief.  
August 10th — St. Mary's.  
August 17th — Founders.  
August 24th — Drosty.  
August 31st — Milner and Oriel.

Arts and Science Week is from September 1st — 7th. Preparations are already under way.



Popular report has it that liquor is injurious. But this chap has lived in a Grahamstown hotel for more than 70 years — so far he seems in fine fettle! Sometimes he fills in his diet with a few choice match-heads!

# Houvas aan ons eie!

Na hulle besoek aan Rhodes verlede week, het die Potch Studenterraad hulle verbasing uitgespreek oor die wyse waarop Afrikaanse studente opgeneem word in die studentelewe hier. Dit is natuurlik 'n pluimpie vir die verdraagsaamheid van die Engelse student en ook

vir die aanpassingsvermoë van die Afrikaanse student, maar ons moet onself afvra wat die werklike rede vir hierdie toestand van sake is.

Word ons aanvaar as studente omdat ons mense van integriteit is, of omdat ons Van Niekerks of Van der Merwes is wat nie 'n woord Afrikaans kan praat nie, en meer Engels is as die Engelse self? Die oorgroot meerderheid Engelse beskou die Afrikaner in 'n alles behalwe gunstige lig, en alles wat Afrikaans is in hulle oë effens minderwaardig. Op

grond hiervan is dit moeilik om te glo dat die toestand is wat dit behoort te wees.

Ons is hier, om water rede ookal, en ons moet deur ons optrede toon dat, alhoewel ons die Engelse leefwyse en denkwysse verstaan en waardeer, ons tog ons eie persoonlikheid het, en dat ons glad nie hoef terug te staan nie. Ons sal graag Afrikaans briewe ontvang waarin lesers hulle opinies oor hierdie kwessie lug. Briewe vergesel van 'n afskrif ('n deurslag-afskrif is voldoende) sal voorkeur geniet.

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Sports talk:

by the "REF"

# So far We're Not So badly off at all..!

**This being the last Rhodexo of the term, it seems a good time to do a little stocktaking. We Rhodes sportsmen can be pardoned if at this stage of the season we indulge in a little self-praise. Despite being the smallest university in the countr, Rhodes enter teams in every Intervarsity sport — barring jukskei, and usually do quite well.**

In the local leagues our Rugby team, has maintained an unbeaten league record, although we only held 3 senior teams; the U 20's have not lost a match, the Mens' Hockey team are top of their league, our Soccer Club are lying second, and in addition all the smaller clubs are enjoying good turn out and success in competition.

## RESERVES

However it must not be forgotten that a good first team can only be maintained if there is an abundant supply of team reserves. The state of our lower teams in most sports leaves a lot to be desired; players often forget that once having decided to play a game they are under an obligation to serve the club.

## CROSS COUNTRY

In a local inter-club cross country organised by Drostdy Harriers the Rhodes first cross country team won by 34 points from the Achilles Club of Port Elizabeth. Jannie Breed of Achilles won the race for the third successive year. Nicol Childs ran very well to beat Olaf Vorster, last year's S.A. Marathon winner.

The course was run over three rather gruelling laps. At the end of the first lap, Rhodians were placed second, third, fourth and fifth. Vorster moved into third position in the second lap and thereafter the first six positions remained unchanged. Other positions were; fourth J. Cave R.U., fifth T. Anderson R.U. and sixth C. Hopkins R.U.

## CENTRAL VARSITIES

Eight Rhodians were chosen for the central Universities trial teams to play in Durban of 20th July. They are Ulyate, Wannenburg, Barrow, Hoard, Simpson, Eva, Jones and Moorcroft.

## SWIMMING

The four Rhodians (Oldridge, Reen, Gould and Grylls) who have been selected to represent S.A. Varsities at the Student Games in Brazil later on in the year have been undergoing rigorous training. The local swimmers have acquired the use of a stretch of heated water at the power station. Weight training is also being used. The team will leave on 20th August and will return on the 13th September.

## SQUASH

The Eastern Province Womens' Squash Team, which included two Rhodes

players, Leslie Jack and Alison Skelley, came third in the inter-provincial championships held in East London last weekend. Les and Alison both played 6 matches, winning 3 each. At the end of the tournament a provincial Springbok side was selected. An ex Rhodian, Edith Allnutt was included amongst these.

## Hockey Prospects

**If the all day Hockey Tournament held on Republic Day was regarded as an opportunity to review talent available for the E.P. side, then the Rhodes players, with a few exceptions, can hardly be pleased with their performance.**

With Woods and Archibald unavailable for the E. Province side in any case, the number of Rhodes Players likely to be selected are few. Baxter, allowing for a mediocre play last Friday, still appears certain of his position. Fraser is unlikely to be selected again as ex-Springbok, John Roberts occupies the centre-half position. John Dickson's chances at left-half are likewise rather dim. Those who have enhanced their prestige are Paul Abbott (right-half) and Brian Bowles (right wing), while Pete Lyons (right-half) arriving with a big reputation from Natal has also caught the eyes of the selectors.

## Tennis Teams

Inter-Varsity Tennis teams to play at Wits in July:

### Men :

R. Meara, G. Wood, R. Harris (Capt.), M. Shand, T. Anderson.

### Women :

C. Banks, S. Poole (Capt.), C. Abbott, S. Banks, P. Blythe.

## ROWING TEAMS:

The Rowing Club sent their 2nd Junior crew down to E.L. for the annual inter-port Regatta on Saturday. The Junior crew of Hambly, Sharwood, Woxholt and Levey did well coming fourth in a race for seniors. The crew flagged near the end, probably due to the fact that they are not used to racing over such a long stretch. Howiesons Dam is only  $\frac{3}{4}$  mile long.

The following will represent the Rhodes first crews at the annual Inter-Varsity at Vereeniging :

1st Crew : Webster, Miller, Hewson and Smith.

2nd Crew : Hambly, Woxholdt, Sharwood and Levey.

3rd Crew : du Preez, Birt, Lomax and Dale.

4th Crew : Hill, Lock, Whitfield and Cohn.

Coxes : Mansell and Gavshon.

## RHODES GOLF

The results of the Rhodes Golf Championships played on Republic Day were as follows :

Section A — 1st Mike Millard.  
2nd Jack Mackenzie.

Section B — 1st Stan Lewin.  
2nd Brian Anderson.

Section C — 1st Richard Laing.  
2nd Geoff Kemsten.

Hole in one — Des Thompson.

Winner of the womans section — Judy Bell.

Inter-Varsity teams :

### A Side :

D. Horack, J. Mackenzie, R. Immerman, R. Davis, R. Streicher, K. Wolpert.

### B Side :

J. Ludwig, G. White, S. Lewin, M. Brown, Cohen, Bischko.

**EAT MORE CHEESE !**



# Adelaide Outlasted in Dour Game

Rhodes maintained their unbeaten league record when they defeated the weak Adelaide side by 14 points to 8 (3 tries 1 goal to 1 goal 1 try) in Adelaide on Saturday.

The first team played disappointing rugby especially after their encouraging performance against the strong Old Collegians last Saturday. Rhodes will have to play with more fire this Saturday against G.M. if they hope to stay second on the log.

## COMBINATION

Fury, on the wing had some good runs while Barrow and Wannenberg combined well as usual. Amm was caught too often with the ball and limited the running of our penetrating backs. Amongst the forwards, Schnell, Simson and Webster were prominent although there was a general lack of fire throughout the pack.

## TOUCH-LINE RUN

Fury scored the first try of the game after a hard run from the touch line (3-0). Wannenburg followed with a try near the posts which was converted by Ulyate (8-0). Adelaide replied with a score by their fast running left wing (8-5). Shortly before half-time Barrow forced himself over 5 yds. in from touch to make the score 11-5.

## SLACKEN

Rhodes slackened in the second half and Adelaide held a territorial advantage towards the end of the game. Rhodes final points came from an unconverted try by Wannenberg after a break by Barrow. The final score was 14-8.

# BOXERS DO WELL IN P.E. MATCH

Rhodes won many friends in Port Elizabeth when the Boxing Club fought in a charity match on Saturday night. This was their first appearance for many years. Lacking the services of J. Carlisle, L. Neuman and M. Ross through injuries and illness, the small team distinguished itself by winning 3 of their 4 bouts.

Rob Jackson and Jeff Barrow won closely contested fights. The best bout of the evening was without doubt the Light-Middleweight fight between Graham Neuhooff (Rhodes) and O. Visser (Railways). After surviving a first round knockdown Neuhooff fought back with great courage and determination and was unlucky to lose on a close decision.

Gert van Niekerk, the Rhodes Light-Heavyweight, won convincingly against the tough D. Norton, the 1960 South African Universities Middleweight champion, now fighting as a light Heavy.

On these performances the R.U. Boxing Team of Neuman, Neuhooff and van Niekerk should do well at Inter-varsity in July.

# VICTORY

The Rhodes Badminton Club had a good victory during this week when they comfortably defeated Port Alfred 13-5. At long last, it looks as if a definite first team is emerging from the large membership of over 50.

Rhodes was represented against Port Alfred by Brian Gilbertson, Don McHardy, Peter Harvey, Denny Martin, and Judy Tedder. We will be sending two teams to the inter-varsity which is going to be held in Cape Town this year, and if enthusiasm is any guide, the teams should do well.

## SPORTS RESULTS

### WOMEN'S HOCKEY :

Rhodes 1st 5; D.S.G. 0.  
Rhodes 4th 2; D.S.G. 3rds 3.

### MEN'S HOCKEY :

Rhodes 1st 6; St. Aidans 2.  
Rhodes 2nd 14; Humairail 2.  
Rhodes 2nd 4; Ramblers 1.

### RUGBY :

Rhodes 1st 14; Adelaide 8.  
Rhodes 2nd 15; Humansdorp 9.  
Rhodes U20A Walk Over;  
G.M. U20. No Transport.  
Rhodes U20B 22;  
Old Collegians 3.

### SOCCER :

Rhodes 1st 2; Charlton 1.  
Rhodes 1st 2; P.E.M. 2.

# SPORTS- MEN ARE SAYING:

— Although hopes were raised in racing circles, the rumour is unfounded that Tattersalls are opening an office in old Kaif.

— the first fifteen must again be congratulated on maintaining their unbeaten league record, and on having 8 of their number selected to play in the central Universities trials.

— judging by the noise, the "round" played after the Rhodes Golf Championships, and off the course, was an enjoyable as the one played on it.

— the all day Hockey Tournament did not produce an all out performance by the Rhodes players, though many were all in after the day's play.

— according to "Ab" Hambly, Rhodes representative at the rowing regatta in East London, boat races were definitely not confined to the Buffalo River.

— tennis enthusiasts, who are concerned about short tempers on the court should rather take a look at the short dresses on display.

— they cannot understand why General Motors, of all people, could not find transport for the U20 rugby players to Grahamstown.

# Soccer Club Have Tough Weekend

It was a tough week-end for the Soccer Club. On Friday they drew with the log-leaders, P.E.M., 2-2 and on Saturday defeated Charlton 2-1. Both games were hard ding-dong affairs with the Rhodes team never really settling down to play the sort of football of which they are capable.

The strong P.E.M. defence — they have only had 2 goals scored against them all season — had our forwards in

check. P.E.M. had a lucky early goal and went further ahead through a penalty just before half-time (2-1). Rhodes had more of the game in the second half and scored through Graham.

Charlton played a real kick-and-rush game and the Rhodes defence with Johnny Tindall substituting excellently at centre half, had a hard task keeping them out. Both goals came from Ian McGibbon, who was a real live-wire in

both games.

Wally Green and Maurice Yiannakis played well, but the forwards were inclined to stand still instead of using the open spaces and creating gaps while not in possession.

Injuries are making constant reshuffles necessary and the team are consequently finding it difficult to form a really first class combination with a distinctive style.