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N.Z. DEFENCE Changed Outlook

Attendances at recent V.U.C. debates indicate that the College is at last beginning to take a healthy interest in the extra-mural world. At each debate this year an extension of time has been granted because of the floor, and on each occasion progressive ideas have carried the vote.

On Friday night the motion "That be introduced in New Zealand" was lost by an overwhelming majority, It was especially interesting to see the changed outlook of students towards war. Those who three years ago We have interviewed the candida would have said "I refuse to go to fully chosen and searching questions, war under any circumstances" are now revising their attitude. Given a we would defend it.

This was the principal argument Vice-President (Men's), R. used by the speakers opposing the motion. Mr. W. Wah was chiefly concerned with Japan's menace to New Vice-President (Women's): Geraldine V.U.C., and is fully justifying the Zealand, a menace which Mr. Lewin effectively showed did not exist.

OUR FATAL CIAMATE.

"The system of detence which has Treasurer: J. B. Bullock. been sufficient in the past, that is, the volunteer system," said Mr. Wah. "has served its purpose and is now of no further use, in face of the forces threatening New Zealand," He pointed out the suitability of our climate for Japanese immigration, and said that conquering China would not solve Japan's problems. He instanced a number of other dangers arising from our inadequate defence system. and perorated: "When the time comes we do not want recruits, but soldiers. . . . We must arm ourselves so that we shall prove a discouragement, not a temptation, to ambitious neighbours."

'Our opposition to the motion is a double-barrelled one," said Mr. J. P. (b) Lewin. "We oppose it, first on practical, and secondly on moral and philosophical grounds," He left the second barrel to Miss M. Shortall.

fend a thing he had no stake in. It was not by compulsory military printed below, verbatim and without training, but by the organisation of comment. society, that we could best defend our

DEFLECTION OF ENERGY.

by, was hamstrung for the next few are now only half completed. years, so far as invading New Zea- (b) I think there is hope of Britain land was concerned. of the war prospect we faced was not of the world. Whether Britain is one that could be met by compulsory wise in doing so is another question. actually an over-supply of recruits. for their rights. into less efficient methods.

ly the aggressor nations were badly . (e) The University should if pos-misrepresent them situated. He touched on the sible act as part of the town and not (d) its low circ British Government's pro-Fascist as an aloof portion of it. We can leanings (later elaborated by Mr. benefit the town and ourselves, and Scotney) and said that once we could the town will then become proud of upward trend in the Association's count on a sound foreign policy in the University. Also, I believe in the Britain, we could soon call the blus closer co-operation between the Clubs. of the sabre-rattling nations. One of with the Exec. as a communicating our best defences was Mr. Jordan at channel.

REACTION IN THE RANKS.

attracted reactionaries and militar- take the job seriously. ists, and was therefore a danger to (b) Most definitely not. If anyattempt, as in Spain, by the reactionaries to usurp power.

son, Meek and Scotney.

second, and Mr. Wah third,

-H.W.G.

DON'T WAIT TILL NOVEMBER WAKE UP AND VOTE—NOW!

In case anyone doesn't know, the Executive elections will be held on Wednesday, Thursday, and the large number of speakers from Friday, the 22nd, 23rd and 24th of this month.

It is probable that at least half the students at V.U.C. are blissfully ignorant as to the activities and importance of the Students' Association, an autonomous body of which they are all members, and compulsory military training should the Executive of which vitally affects every from of their University life.

"Salient" is not going to give you the life histories of the candidates; we do not wish to put a contemporary, whose problems, it premium on volubility or be in any way partial. Just because a man has been on the committee of the Evangelical Union, it doesn't mean to say he'll make a good Exec. President.

We have interviewed the candidates for the more important positions, asking them certain care-

The nominations are as follow:--social order we could honestly defend, President: R. W. Edgley, J. B. Almers, circulation should be a thousand in- women on the Exec. should be rele-(One to be elected.)

> (Elected unopposed.) Kean, Joan Bacon,

(One to be elected.) Secretary: R. W. Helne. (Elected unopposed.)

(Elected unopposed.) R. L. Meck. (Two to be elected.)

Bacon, Geraldine Kean. Fletcher, Joy Osborne (Three to be elected.)

QUESTIONNAIRE.

The questions we asked the candidates are as follow:--

- tion on the Exec.? Do you think war is inevitable? period at V.U.C.
- What is your attitude towards the maintenance of student rights and libertles?

The answers to these questions are perience if it so desires.

R. W. EDGLEY.

have asked me to stand. Last year He then showed that New Zealand's I took the thing on with a degree to problem would not be one of inva- complete, and now I have my degree sion. Japau, with a full-sized war on I have a little more leisure. I want her hands and a vigilant Russia near- to finish off a number of matters that

The nature staying out of a war, but not the rest

military training. Britain did not (c) A certain amount of control need our man-power, but our econ- must and always will be exercised omic resources, and these could be by the Professorial Board. But on a defended best by our navy and air matter of definite principle the studforce, for both of which there was ents should be prepared to stand up

J. B. AIMERS.

tion, said that the voluntary system enough interest and enthusiasm to N.Z.U.S.A.

democracy. A compulsory system one wants to know my reasons, I would be an insurance against any shall be glad to let him have them, an honour to be elected. I know it who have been elected unopposed.

maintain cordial relations with gov- well worth it. 'Under a compulsory system, the erning bodies, but if it came to a Miss Shortall in answer to this, student rights of liberties, then the "There is nothing democratic about student body should not hesitate to take a definite stand. At the same limit, and I believe in maintaining Speakers from the floor included time I fully endorse the editorial in student rights as long as they do not Messrs. R. W. Edgley, McDonald, last year's "Spike" headed "Town pass the bounds of reasonableness Braybrooke, Barnao, Ongley, Morri- and Gown." The students themselves and offend the public. can do much to create a better under-The judge, Mr. A. B. Slevwright, standing between Town and Gown, I don't think it fulfils the standard placed Mr. Lewin first, Mr. Scotney thereby benefiting themselves and required of a college paper, inclining gaining more tolerance for their as it does towards one type of conactivities.

C. editorials lose their point by being up. Women are not taken seriously staff is doing very valuable work at more important part than they do. action of the Exec. in re-organising the College paper.

indicate that the next few months the pleasure and fun you get out of will decide whether there will be a it. new Students' Union Building within crease the fund, but I do not believe not be after all. it should be allowed to interfere with Marie adequate facilities, but also to release money at present being paid into the of Mr. Brook. fund for other purposes. I also bebe appointed when the Association in our ordinary newspapers, and I can afford it. The Elec. should also think it should print more local and liberal in its treatment towards personal news Why are you seeking this posts the Clubs, and generally work towards maintaining the present boom

. R. S. C. AGAR.

(a) Because I have been asked to stand by both candidates for the so, though.

(a) Because a number of persons EXECUTIVE ELECTIONS JUNE 22, 23, 24

Be Sure To Vote!

STUDENTS', ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING

You Must Be There!

(b) No.

(c) I think that in their own meet-The suggestion of the affirmative; (d) There is not enough college ings students should enjoy full free-practised, would deflect our energies news in it. The whole tone of the dom, but that they should be careful paper has been lifted very high, but when appearing in public, where Wars are won by economic re- I don't think a lot of the political there are many who are only too sources," said Mr. Lewin. Economical- stuff appeals to the average student, ready and willing to misconstrue and

(d) Its low circulation.

(e) To endeavour to maintain the stressed more. activities. To obtain as soon as possible a suitable Students' Building without interfering too much with the regular activities of the Associa- you. The rest is up to you. tion. To do everything possible to

GERALDINE KEAN.

.(b) No. I certainly don't. I Take (c) I think there is a reasonable

(d) It is an excellent paper, but tribution.

(d) In a college of a thousand the (e) I think that the position of stead of six hundred. Some of "the gated beyond the function of washersa little too long, but I think that the on the Exec., and ought to take a

(a) Because 1, have found the (e) Present developments seem to work very interesting, and because of

the I have been told that war is Committee (Men's): R. J. Corkill, two years or fifty years. Students inevitable ever since 1930, and I'm N. A. Morrison, A. T. Fussell, should use every endeavour to in- now beginning to think that it might

(c) I think we are treated fairly Committee (Women's): Margaret student activities. The need of a new well, but there are still certain re-Denton. Helen Maysmor, Joan building is not only one of providing strictions which could and should be removed. For instance, the tyranny

(d) Well, I think it contains too lieve that a full-time secretary should many subjects which are dealt with

(e) No, I don't think so.

(a) Edgley bullled me into it,

R. W. HEINE.

need for them to noise their views the discussions and Sir Ernest Simon, abroad. The public doesn't care much lately Lord Mayor of Manchester, a for University opinion, and therefore Liberal and a noted authority on housit's useless airing one's views out- ing, and, in his own opinion at any side 'Varsity,

it?

Through,'

J. B. BULLOCK.

sity affairs to have a finger on every, all others must be set aside, and that thing that's going on round the place. may be summed up in Mussolini's (b) According to present indica- slogan; "Believe, Obey, Fight,"

countries can maintain internal security is by making war. (c) There should be some check; with these louts from Training Col-

lege and children from the sixth form you've got to have some control over and human habit which, under the untheir newly-found liberty. chaps don't need such a curb, of will be swept away in a night and, course, but you can't differentiate once destroyed, can never be regained.

(e) The Building Fund. The athletic side of 'Varsity life should be

THERE YOU ARE:

Well, folks, there you are!

We're sorry we haven't got the ensure the sending of a strong team space to interview the candidates for (a) Several people asked me to to Otago next year to retain the Tour- the Committee. But you know them versity should be isolated from the Mr. C. Myers, seconding the mo- stand, and I think I have still got nament Shield. To co-operate with all pretty well, anyway, and anything we said probably wouldn't make much difference. We've done our best.

Yes, we know that three of the some windows in the wall. (a) I think that everyone feels it above interviews are with candidates (c) I think it's very valuable to means a good deal of work, but it is But we hope you'll find them valuable he was not so certain, but suggested just for the sake of comparison,

By the wait, perhaps some of the answers to question (d) after reading of civies and a practical application of this issue of "Salient".

Well, we leave it to you. About half the population of V.U.C. roused themselves from their lethargic swotworm apathy last year to vote.

EVERYONE MUST VOTE THIS YEAR! YOU MUST VOTE:

-ROLLO.

Mr. A. T. S. McGhie, a well known past identity at V.T.C., now holding a secretarial position in England, has kindly forwarded us the following interesting article on "Whither the University in the World Today (Just before Easter I saw something

Whither?

Price: Threepence

of the English University student at close quarters and heald much that may be of interest to his New Zealand seemed to me, are much the same. It was the occasion of the Annual Congress of the National Union of Students (the body in this country corresponding to the N.Z.U.S.A. in New Zealand) and it was held at University College, Nottingham. There, amid ideal surroundings and under idyllic conditions. some 150 carnest-minded young men and women met to consider and discuss a programme that can only be described as ponderous in its intellectual intensity. I should have thought it ambitions that we had as a preliminary to settle the chief needs and problems of the world today; but not so the burnished mind of the British undergraduate: we took the "needs and problems" aspect in our stride and went on to consider the contribution to the solution of these problems which it would be reasonable to expect from the University-educated man or woman, as compared with the man or woman whose formal education ceased at 14 or 16. Lastly, we enveloped ourselves in a discussion on curricula, teaching methods and examinations, seeking to decide whether these commonly despised aspects of a University are so tionigned as to develop a cupacity to make any contribution at all to world problems.

QUESTIONNAIRES,

Before the Congress began a certain (b) Yes. I think it will probably amount of preliminary work had been be staved off for another, decade or done, various University Unions had issued questionnaires to their students The inadequacies of the present defence system were due to the inadequacies of our economic system. (c) Have you any special "policy that when anyone has had a year on the defence of the present of the present of "Salient"?

**Salient"?*

**Salient"?*

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**Salient"?*

**Consider that students should and the replies had been connected and control all their affairs, and should issued in the form of a report which be able to say what they like in formed a basis for argument. Several their own sphere, though there is no noted speakers had been briefed to lead their own sphere, though there is no noted speakers had been briefed to lead their own sphere, though the report which be able to say what they like in formed a basis for argument. Several their own sphere, though there is no noted speakers had been briefed to lead their own sphere, though there is no noted speakers had been briefed to lead their own sphere, though their own sphere, though their own sphere, though their own sphere where their own sphere is no noted speakers had been briefed to lead their own sphere is no noted speakers had been briefed to lead their own sphere. rate, on affairs generally, led off with (d) Well, it's all pretty weak, isn't a rather unsatisfactory review of modern problems and the position of (c) No. I think the old policy is the Universities in relation to them. good enough for us -- "Muddlin" It very quickly became evident that in the mind of the Congress there is only one modern problem, or only one at (a) It gives one an interest in 'Var. least of any significance before which tions, yes. The only way the Pascist Ernest Simon lid not want a dictatorship because he felt that democratic rule as exemplified in the British Commonwealth of Nations has been built up through the centuries on qualities of human nature, human experience Older favourable influence of a dictatorship. His remedy, as far as Universities are (d) There's too much outside stuff, concerned, was a greater emphasis on the social sciences to use a phrase of Sir Arthur Salter's: "Every student should have some sort of course in public affairs."

> So much for Sir Ernest Simon; the next speaker was Mr. R. Nuun May, "Salient" has done its best for Secretary of the N.U.S., who may be remembéred in New Zealand as a visiting University debater some years ago. He felt that it is essential that a Unidistractions of the outside world, but while a protective wall is a necessity, he thought at least there should be

BROADENED CURRICULUM. As to how they were to be put there

general courses of lectures, the broadening of the curriculum, and an emphasis in all courses on the study the arts. Here he admitted a slight anomaly, however, as in his view there are already too many lectures and the average course is already too long to allew of broader interests; yet in spite of this, the proposal to remedy this state of affairs was the institution

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SEX AND RELIGION

One of the most important tasks facing the incoming Executive heard the question of private enteris to approach the Professorial Board in an endeavour to persuade prise thrashed out by thirteen speakthem to remove the ban on the discussion of sex and religion. No ers. doubt the Professorial Board were prompted by the highest motives when they placed this ban upon us, but we feel, not merely that we are deserving of greater confidence in our intelligence, but that it is definitely wrong to restrict our freedom of speech in this way.

t is definitely wrong to restrict our freedom of speech in this way.

Freedom is a fundamental element of truth, and there are no tion's people, private enterprise, with two aspects of contemporary life which require freedom and truth its accompanying accumulation of more urgently than do sex and religion. These two things, which wealth in the hands of a few was opmay call forth the highest emotional qualities of which man is posed to national prosperity. capable, are at the root of many of his difficulties; and this because half-a-dozen generations have entertained the notion that sex is indecent and religion embarrassingly personal. These things are per- means of ensuring national prospersonal, vitally so, but it is possible to discuss them openly without ity. Both sides wrangled over such in any way infringing their personal rights. The generations that trol, and even the efficiency of the have considered and attacked them surreptitiously, in the darkness, civil service, have merely developed a scale of false values that deeply discolours. The judge, Miss M. Shortall, adtheir personal aspect.

Weighed in this scale of values a man, who is both high principled and intellectually great, may be branded as immoral if, in being half-apologetic. If he has not the purely personal sphere of his sexual experience, he has violated a ready retort to an interjection, the un artificial code of conventions. Had his shortcomings been speaker should ignore it. Notes should an artificial code of conventions. Flad his shortcomings be left behind. Too many speakers avarice, cruelty, conceit and snobbishness he would probably have be left behind. Too many speakers been a pillar of society, and a much-respected man. It is by invoting on the motion was: For 17. telligent and open discussion that this social mal-adjustment will in against 10. time be corrected.

Religion, in the same scale of false values, is now little better. An interesting, immature, and than a superstition. The generation that has gone before us is highly entertaining conversation beclinging desperately to a belief in which they have lost faith, and tween four youngsters, assisted by trthey are afraid that if religion is shaken out of the dust that has relevant exclamations from a few onbeen obscuring it for centuries there will be nothing left for them lookers, constituted the New Speakto cling to. The idea that intelligent discussion might develop a "Salient" was delighted at the faith that does not require, but give, support in the midst of Twen- ridiculous points of order, the earntieth Century chaos, is a factor that they do not appear to have estness of some of the speakers, and tieth Century chaos, is a factor that they do not appear to have the benign face of the chairman. We considered; and yet, without intelligent discussion, it is difficult to went out singing to ourselves. see how religion can hope to win the difficult battle she is fighting to-day against doubt, disillusionment and science.

The reluctance to discuss these matters must be overcome, and there is no better place to begin the campaign than in the Universities. In some parts of the world it is already begun, and in was mentioned only once. And that just this way. It is time that it was begun at Victoria College.

To say that we are too young to discuss these things is not a reason at all. It is the type of excuse with which parents dismiss and bottomless. To think of one and to their children things which they do not understand themselves. then the other was like passing from In the life of the average man, religion first exerts its influence in Hell to Helicon. his childhood, sex when he is a boy, and there is no time when he may discuss them with greater profit than when he is at the guit. University. His intelligence is sufficiently developed for him to appreciate the significance of what he is talking about, and he is young enough to apply anything he may learn. People have to THRILLS AND CHILLS face problems of sex and religion before they leave secondary school, and it is difficult to see what a man in his dotage has to gain prised at the Dramatic Club's play-

Nobody at the University wishes to set himself up as an auth-Nobody at the University wisnes to set nimself up as an autition suitable play for reading ever written, ority on these subjects, nor do we wish to discuss them so that There are so many panels, corpses, we lay down immature canons concerning them. We wish to dis- monsters, and screams that have to cuss them because we believe that so long as they are hidden away be left to the imagination. in a dark cupboard of meaningless conventions men and women best play-readings ever presented at will continue to blunder through life making mistakes that knowledge and understanding could rectify.

that we are seeking for a public platform from which to proclaim that Helea Maysmor had it in her. that inchastity and atheism would be desirable hall-marks of society. an idea that is tantamount to accusing us of criminal insanity. Men hind a tew times going down Boulcott and women who have lived all their lives believing that sex and Steps is at temarkable tribute to a religion must be discussed in reticent whispers if they are to be discussed show. cussed at all, seem to find difficulty in understanding that we, who cannot accept this belief, wish not blindly to destroy it, but thinkingly to build something better in its place.

There are those who ask: Might not as much or more be last important meeting of the present achieved through the medium of private discussion? The answer to Executive, but found neither anything that is: No. We are crusading for a full recognition of these things interesting nor a vacant chair. by the conscious spirit of right. If we achieve nothing better than Numerous reports - Publications, a half-hearted and begrudged admission of what we believe, we Common Room, Building Fund. Reshall have failed. We must tear down completely the curtain that cords, and Capping-were received, is obscuring sex and religion, for the world that we would like to and the Secretary was instructed to live in will be built, not with slight improvements, but with radical people responsible.

WHAT IS AN EXECUTIVE?

The annual election of officers for the Executive of our Associa-

tion is upon us once again.

Let our first word be one of thanks to the retiring Executive for the work they have done during the past twelve months. Their period of office has fortunately been almost entirely unmarked by Rowing.-R. P. Hansen, G. C. Broad, internal disputes, but has, on the other hand, been notable for the effectiveness with which they have tackled the questions facing the shooting.-D. H. K. Ross, T. R. C. Students at V.U.C., from the provision of a Union Building to the Chinese Student Fund. Their spirit of toleration in academic affairs Swimming .- Miss S. E. Hefford, F. D. is worthy of commendation, and leaves for their successors an attitude worthy of emulation.

The voting at our elections has in the past not been regarded as a duty, so that returns show that, generally, less than 50% of those eligible register a vote. This is no credit to the students of V.U.C. If we display apathy in our own affairs, it says little for our qualifica- to the recipients of this honour. As tions to participate in civic or national elections later.

Let us hope that at least 00% of V.O.C. can be round this year was a resolution to the effect that an to possess the time, energy, and power of selection to place a dozen electric heater is to be provided for or so crosses on two or three sheets of paper, and let us hope that the "Salient" room. the selection will result in the elesson of an Executive which has qualities not merely of industry and efficiency but of leadership in Again, our age is highly educated; social and intellectual affairs.

-A.H.S.

NEW SPEAKERS' DEBATE

On Thursday night thirty people

vised speakers to stand up straight

"We scarch for light With phrases trife And had philosophy."

In a debate on the merits and demerits of private enterprise. Russia in an interjection.

The gulf that separated the debate from the regular Gym, debates seem-

versity education if it can bridge that ---R.L.M.

We really were very agreeably surreading, "The Cat and the Canary." Because it's perhaps the most un-

V.F.C., and reflected great credit on both actors and producers alike. The There seems to be an uneasy feeling among the powers that be atmosphere in the gym. was quite The fact that "Sallent" looked be-

EXECUTIVE MEETING

"Salient" was asked to report the

The agenda was most uninspiring. The Free Discussions Club.' at

present obsolescent, was disaffiliated and rendered obsolete. R.I.P. College lilues were awarded as follows: ---

Athletics.—J. P. Eastwood, C. V. Adams, D. R. Serymgeour, E. H. Miller, E. M. Irving, H. G. Bowyer. Boxing,-K. Coveney, W. A. Arm-

strong, C. Trillo. Cricket.—T. A. Harpur, P. A. Ongley, J. B. Stephenson, P. D. Wilson,

A. R. Burge, J. B. Bullock, N. M. Rose.

Muir, H. T. G. Olive. O'Flynn, R. L. Meek.

Tennis .- R. McL. Ferkins, N. A. Morrison, B. M. O'Connor, J. Hartley, F. H. Renouf; Misses F. E. MacLean, P. M. P. Edwards, K. Pears, L. Mete-Kingi.

'Salient' offers its congratulations ons to participate in civic or national elections later.

Let us hope that at least 60% of V.U.C. can be found this year ing item on a very dull programme

> There is no lie our children cannot read.

Photographic Exhibition.

CANDID COMMENTS.

umns as a critic. However, armed sent us with their apologia." with "Salient's" authority, I spent an l'hotographic Club.

from the rest, "Facade At Night" being particularly well done, and the sudden perspective in "The 3-57" is very attractive. While "Clematis and Spring" is delightful pictorially, this type of picture calls for bettar'deant.

One-track mind.

Apparently his sole claim to the 40,000 persons took part. Just as publicity given him is that, "above many, if not more, are expected to support the demonstration now being arranged.

The details concerning the part to May I suggest further that the ballowed by allowed by a particular message, and the support to the support the demonstration now being arranged.

The details concerning the part to May I suggest further that the ballowed by a particular message, and the support the support the demonstration now being arranged. John Salmon's work stands out one-track mind." ing picture.

very attractive, but it is a pity that lecture in the gym. the central tree is not a little more to the right.

excellent, but for reproduction pur- of your editorial staff. All "shyly mosphere should be built up. poses it should be crisper and bright- refused." "Wonderment" is good but "Upland Summer" lacks balance.

cult subject successfully handled ient" regards as the "duly-elected, Pleasant repetition of circular lines constitutional Spanish Government" with a delightful mezzotint effect.

"Angled Iron," by John Hale, is war. marred by the fact that it starts in one corner and finishes in the diagonally opposite corner. Far better arrangement is shown by "Beakers," by G. A. Eiby, an excellent picture in the modern manner.

R. S. Odell falls down rather badiy with his photograph of Weir House, and so does Weir House. "V.U.C. By Night" is a really good picture spoitt by two irritating light patches on the right hand side.

nice diagonally composed picture.

good snapshots. It should be remem- ents, bered that diffusion, heavily printed treatments do not necessarily make a point now? We refer to your asserpicture,

PERRY, Photographer.

Women Of The Streets.

weeks, on arriving in the City, one not justified in complaining of the mittee worth while, not justified in complaining of the mittee worth while, without painted alleged suppression. women smiling lurid artificial smiles and rattling tin boxes plastered with Yours sincerely,

One observes people, wearing hidcous pieces of coloured paper in their buttonholes, striding past these women with smug, complacent, respectable looks on their faces, while others, lacking this Badge of Honour, creep furtively past them, or even cross the street to avoid these insistent Women of the Streets. women might be lepers, rattling a box instead of ringing a bell.

furtive ones are only the poor.

Charity is as anomalous and yet as debates on International affairs, The extraordinary institution of firmly engraven on the minds of the inscussion by "Smiths Weekiy" (Aus. ingly popular in the dramatic world, people as Capitalism, the system trains, stimulated by similar censor, and during the last decade or so, which is the father of Charity. We ship in Australia That paper states; have established a distinct tradition are faced with the stark fact of Powerty, we feel that we have "done our sending a bundle of cast-off clothes to that the problems of the world could in a way that will "prejudice interbe solved if everyone subscribed generously to systems of blackmall such incitement to war." as Street Days.

immediate relief of poverty is eslike staving off toothache with a deadening drug.

There must be something more. There must be a conscious and unselfish mass effort to eradicate the root causes of Poverty, to reform the populous of English-speaking countries. That alone is serious condemsystem responsible for it, and to awaken the masses to their responsi-

bilities. assist in this effort, he is merely a

his shilling in the box. But it'll still go on. To be blackmailed by a box-rattler is so conveniently respectable,

----R.L.M.

the poetry of construction. --- Benito Mussolini.

CHALLENGE

Issue 10 of your paper contained this statement: "'Salient' has tried Being neither a journalist nor a its hardest to present to its readers

on the strength and enthusiasm of the reporter's own words-"is not intel- terbury District Trades Council. lectually brilliant," and "he has a

tion. "On a Forest Track" has nice publicity given to unsupported asser- by the Chinese Student Relief Comcomposition and makes a soft pleas-Brigade-and Dr. Sutch-compares Universities in China will be featured. With silhouette effect against the of the historical facts which I pre- cession will necessarily be small, it sky, H. E. Greig's "Landscape", is sented on the occasion of Dr. Sutch's must be well organised to be effec-

I liked the Design for "Spike" vited Dr. Sutch to debate the truth dents. They also obtain strong re-Cover by O. A. E. Hughan, the ar- of his assertions. After the meeting presentation from both sexes; and rangement, composition and idea are I extended the invitation to members in this respect, too, an authentic at-

is really interested, it would give me ese Student Relief, the other half P. B. Clarke is to be congratulated pleasure to demonstrate with unim- going to the Spanish Medical Aid on his "Study in Perspective," a diffi- peachable authorities, that what "Sai- Committee. in the concrete and the recurring has not the slightest right to the title lights make an excellent picture, and further, that the activities of the "Dawn Arrival," too, catches the eye Communist Party were the direct and greatest cause of the Spanish civil

B, J. BARNAO.

ACCEPTED

really interested. We are very happy to accept your

ciudlenge.

formulation of the actual motion will have also made arrangements for an "Silver," by S. A. Ombler, fails be settled between us. The only contract the preparations has already been dition we will make—and, we think, position, whereas judicious trimming a very fair one-is that the debate of the right hand side would make a should be between three members of phiets, etc. our staff and yourself and two others. A great many of the rest are just who must be Victoria College stud-

As we do not wish to argue about tion that we suppressed the historical facts which you presented on the occasion of Dr. Sutch's lecture in the gym. But as we handed over the reporting of the meeting to an ultraconservative who is a firm supporter the conservative who is a firm supporter than the scheme, with headquarters at Christchurch, on behalf of the N.Z.-Approximately once every three of the report, we feel that you are of Franco, and gave him an absolute-

Looking forward to meeting you,- .

The Staff, "Sallent."

CENSORSHIP FARCE RADIO DEBATES

When the N.Z.U.S.A. Radio Debates shau Williams; "An Evening at the Sub Committee was told by Broad-Rodways," by R. L. Meek; and "The casting Director Processor James Royal Inn," by R. E. Mitchell, Shelley that matter which would be offensive to any other country could have now been in rehearsal for sev-But it's only a Street Day.

The not be broadcast as the Government eral weeks should reach a high level.

Lazaruses are only "workers"; the not be broadcast as the Government eral weeks should reach a high level. was party to a Geneva Convention, he practically prohibited all radio variety-a "thriller," a "farce," and

> ship in Australia. That paper states: have established a distinct tradition "Senator McLachian, Postmaster, of their own, General, reveals that Australia, with prohibit broadcasting from being used national misunderstanding or be an

Now, look at some of the main facts of this lovely new radio pact. timable but utterly inadequate; it's it. It is, therefore so much a minor-Only seven countries have ratified ity agreement as to be of trivial influence.

Among the countries abstaining from it is the United States, most

Worse, although it aims to prevent And unless a man is prepared to incitement to war, Germany, Italy, and Japan, the only nations today endangering peace and all actually coward and a hypocrite when he drops at war, also abstain from the agreement. It is farcical."

All armies are the finest in the world. The second finest army, if one could exist, would be in an inferior position; it would be certain to be The poetry of my life has become beaten. It ought to be disbanded at once. Therefore all armies are the finest in the world .--- Anatole France.

Chinese Relief

ENTHUSIASM IN CANTERBURY

If the other Colleges can become member of that exclusive institution the views of the side opposed to the as enthusiastic as Canterbury in the "The Student Body," but merely a duly elected, constitutional Spanish work of assisting Chinese students, photographer, it is with some trepida. Government, but Franco's qualified a considerable fund should result tion that I venture into these col- apologists have shyly refused to pre- from our united efforts. After a umns as a critic. However, armed sent us with their apologia." visit to the Trades Hall by the C.U.C. However real your difficulties in Chinese Student Relief Committee, it hour at the Photographic exhibition, this connection, they cannot justify was decided that students would take and judging from the number of ex- the prominence given to the wild part in a "colossal anti-reactionary hibitors, V.U.C. is to be congratulated statements of a person, who—in your demonstration" organised by the Can-

> in a former procession of the same kind, says a Press Bureau message,

strangely with "Salient's" suppression As the student portion of the protive. The Committee Intend to have At least two of your editorial staff banners carried, and stomas shouted were present that evening, when I in- in unison, as is done by Chinese stu-

A collection will be made, and half The offer is still open. If "Salient" the proceeds will be applied to Chin-

Work of N.Z.U.S.A.

At Thursday night's meeting of the N.Z.U.S.A. a scheme for organising further measures to augment the funds for assisting Chinese students was explained. It was drawn up by Mr. S. S. Amles, of C.U.C., which College strongly supports it and has already carried much of it into effect.

The V.U.C. delegates were general-Yes, Mr. Barnao, "Salient" Is ly in agreement with the scheme but could not comply with every item suggested; comments from the other Colleges were not to hand.

The sub-committee at C.U.C. has include the debate in the Debating printed 10,000 pamphlets, 5000 Society's fixtures, and further details stickers for envelopes, and a number will be announced later. The exact of duplicated subscription lists. They obtained by donations, sales of paur-

> A film illustrating conditions in China will be shown at Victoria College if it is possible to hire the one at present being used at Canterbury. The pamphiets, stickers and the art

> The executive appointed Messrs. Amles, J. O. Stace, and Miss Moliy Mullan, with power to co-opt, to run

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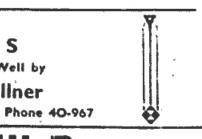
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The defeat was not due to any lapse of form, as both backs and forwards played one of their best games to date. Without being unsporting, it can be said that 'Varsity were unfortunate to lose as they spent the major part of the game on attack, doing every. thing but score. A reliable goal-kicker might have won the game as many penalties were awarded in easy positions but failed to bring points. It must in fairness be said, however, that the wet conditions made accurate kicking difficult.

TOURNAMENT REPRE-

SENTATIVES

HOCKEY TEAM FOR DUNEDIN.

Full-backs: Dixon, Camp.

attention to practice and training as

much as to anything else. Players

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college spirit to outside teams.

BASKETBALL

V.U.C. v. DENTAL CLINIC.

V.U.C. v. AWATEA.

eight minutes before time, and after

V.U.C. v. FURLOR.

It is obvious that many new play-

next month is as tollows: ---

Goal: Benjamin.

The team for the New Zealand Uni-

THE FORWARDS.

The lotwards went very well as a pack, playing the right game for the day, and gained much ground with sweeping, dribbling rushes. Thomas, Burke and McNicol were prominent. and Blacker played a very good game, easily his best this season. Burke out-hooked the opposition and gave the backs plenty of ball, but the rain and mud made handling difficult.

BACKS PLAY WELL.

Larkin at half and Wild at first five-eighths sharpened up the attack.

half-back. and scored Varsity's only try after ner at full-back. one of his brilliant swerving runs ity and made several bursts through Seniors lost to the formidable first were scored after the ball had been Bryers also showed penetrative abilthe opposition.

The three-quarters were triers all

greasy ball magnificently and gave a at bay in the second. fine display.

TRAMPING Wet Sunday

Typical Wellington week-end wea- in lower grade teams attend practice ther probably frightened away sev- on Thursday nights better than do consist of:eral would-be trampers and tramper- Senior B men, and the latter are the ettes from the Sunday trip to Senior A players of the immediate When she has developed her kick. Beimont; however about a dozen future. hearty lads and lasses were present IF A THING'S WORTH DOING. . when the bus left. The "Deputy Leader" and a "Guide" (in red and the party began its arduous as-cent of the mountain. Having scientific game, in addition to get-struggled up a road and through a ting fit, therefore, a player must be Betty 1 two stragglers who arrived almost feature is the poor use made of the hit harder. at the summit by motor. A fine view "push" and especially the "scoop" party moved down a spur to the Horo-books, make every possible effort to keep in position. kiwi Stream and enjoyed a wellby Mr. Watson-Munro in his own inwas lacking, old and new extray. Planers must be advice.

songs were sung with gusto. Thence came the trek up a steep In time these actions will naturally ridge, on to the Horokiwi Road. Dur- become co-ordinated and a proper ing this part of the trip heavy rain was encountered, but with the aid of ground sheets, sleeping bags, and other odds and ends, the party remained tolerably dry. The rain cleared and great fun was had splashing along the road and admiring the splendid view. Strains of Gilbert and Suilivan were once again heard, so the party made off for Petone and caught a convenient bus home.

oped.

good game.

basic causes.

TABLE TENNIS **PROGRESS**

The Club, having just procured two new tables and new equipment, will soon be able to commence its sity won by a narrow margin of two activities in earnest. Club nights goals, the score being 18-16. The centre sooner and harder, will probably be on Tuesdays and co-ordination between the thirds was Saturdays, when balls will be pro- good and the game was very fast, throw herself into the game with a vided by the Club. On all other oc- Awatea were threatening to catch up, little more enthusiasm. She has yet casions members will be expected to but the rain interrupted play about to strike her best form. provide bats and balls.

Good table tennis is not possible that the game was rather slow. If the tables are on had tables. scratched and chipped, a good standard will be hard to attain. There a, heavy defeat against Furior, losing to A. P. O'Shea, Rugby Club Captain. fore, students, treat the tables with by 18 goals to 5. Furlor were an on Wednesday night in the Gym.

are also New Zealand representative goals, the British Empire to-day is the South every chance of winning. If they do later gave the half-backs some useful Mirican, H. G. Owen-Smith. A tower win," Varsity will be only one point advice. of strength in the South African behind Wellington East, who are cricket team that toured England (a leading in the first round, century-maker in a Test), he later went to Oxford, won a boxing blue. and later captained England at Rugby. He played at full-back.

WOMEN'S HOCKEY

them to go to Dunedin next month convinced that they will be defeated.

There are three things that some of the less experienced players could bear in mind with profit. They are:

- 1. Keep your position.
- 2. Hockey requires more concentration than a game of chess. Concentrate on the ball from the first bully to the last whistle, no matter what part of the field the play is in.
- Never hang back. Even if there is not a chance of your getting the ball, your opponent will have something to worry about if you try to get

IMPROVED FORM.

The game which 'Varsity played versity Hookey Tournament early against Poncke on Saturday was one of their best to date. Although the score was against them, the ball was often in 'Varsity's circle. By the end Halves: Johnston, Newcombe of the season the forward line will (Captain), Christie, Bryan, probably have overcome the regret-Forwards: Eggleton, Pitt, Cole, table tendency to fumble with the Shaw (Vice-Capt.), Braith- ball in the circle, and the team will surprise themselves by winning a The players will have to leave Wel. game. Helen Christie, in the goal, Larkin gave good service from the fington not later than 2nd July as the and Joan Bacon and Betty Rider, the serum and is developing into a squad first matches are to be played on full-backs, played well. They did not Monday, 4th July. Either Camp or receive as much support as they Wild played his usual fine game Bryan will probably be Dixon's part- should have done from the halves, who are not quick enough in getting back after the ball has been in their Outplayed in all departments, the own circle. Two of Poneke's goals cleared from 'Varsity's circle into a this season have usually played bet. long unprotected area, the three day, but, in the atrocious weather ter in the second half than in the halves being still on the edge of the conditions, did not receive many first, but while holding Karori in by Geraldine Kean, who played a good chances.

Changes, the state of the basic fielded the check to some extent in the first half. Kissel at full-back fielded the they were unable to keep the blacks game. The forward line combined passing to the right was the reason good material in these elevens and why they got the ball down the field

the defeats are probably due to in. as often as they did. THE TOURNAMENT TEAM.

The team going to Dunedin will

Helen Christie, goal-keeper, who has played well during the season. which she is doing rapidly, she will be excellent.

Joan Bacon, right full-back, a New Zealand blue. Joan is one of the most shorts) were collected at Lower Hutt ers do not appreciate the fact that reliable players in the team. She plays good hockey and has a useful

Betty Rider, left full-back, is a few paddocks, they at last reached diligent in his study of stickwork and keen and promising player. She the trig. A halt was called to await tactical movements. A regrettable should develop her stick work and

Ruth Crombie, righ haif, can get of Wellington, Hutt Valley, etc., was obtained as per syllabus. Dark clouds to training and, by listening to the in the south suggested rain, so the coach and by reading authoritative stick a little lower down. Ruth, and raise themselves above the ruck, Par-

Nancy Bayfelld, centre half, a New merited meal, including tea brewed ticularly should the "hit and run" Zealand blue. Nancy is one of the player and the one who does not keep mainstays of the team and plays a imitable style. After lunch a camp- his proper position in relation to the good game in this difficult position. Barbara Thompson, left half, is not

Players must keep their eyes on the playing regularly this season, but ball and be more careful in passing, played well last year. Florence Chivers, right wing, plays

well when she gets the ball, passing sense of anticipation will be develto the right being one of the finer points of hockey that the forward line Those players who do not turn out is still mastering. She should hit regularly cannot hope to improve and harder when she centres. are letting their team-mates down.

Geraldine Kean, right inner, an ex-Besides, it does not show the proper perienced and reliable player. If she hit harder in the circle she would score more goals.

Susie Sanders, centre forward. Auother potential goal scorer, she hits hard and her stickwork is good, Pass On Saturday morning V.U.C. met to the right, Susie.

Dental Chnic, whom they defeated 23-7. Varsity were decidedly super-Betty Stubbs, left inner, plays very promising hockey for so inexperienced ior in all thirds, and played a very a player. Read some books on the subject. Betty.

frene O'Donnell, left wing, has im-In the match against Awatea Varproved rapidly during the season. She takes the ball up well, but should

Mary Frankish, emergency, could

The Senior B team suffered rather A large muster of players listened older and more experienced team than when he drew spirited attention to Varsity and were able to anticipate the need for improvement in club the tactics of our players. Although spirit in certain directions. Players It is seldom that an All Black our girls got a good share of the who fail to notify anybody that they Rugby team contains two men who ball, they were unable to get the are unavailable were singled out for special mention. That the teams are cricketers. In W. Carson and E. Tin- Provided our Senior A team plays not doing as well as they should is dill the 1938 All Blacks have two against Kia Ora as brilliantly as they evident, and it behoves Club officials very fine all-round sportsmen, Irob- did against Wellington East Old Girls to take stock of the position. Prank ably the finest cricketer-footballer in on the King's Birthday, they have Kilby was present by invitation and

I can't imagine what the Duke of

WHITHER?

then fitted to receive instruction in were not already so! public affairs which will have to be lectures should probably be more in (This article will be concluded in the given him in lecture form, although the the nature of public addresses.

CHARITY AT HOME,

There were other speakers, notabet The Victoria College women's hockey team is suffering from a grave inferiority complex, which is spoiling their play. There is no reason for cular process; just as you cannot learn tory; and Dr. Lincoln Ralphs, lately to play tennis by being told about it President of the N.U.S., and a lecturer but only by having balls banged at you at the University of Sheffield, who had and learning to bang them back, so many finely phrased things to say. He you cannot learn to think by being wanted a vigorous discontent for the lectured to but, only by having ideas educative system, which under modern banged at you and learning to bang conditions he regards as a charity sufphasis in the ordinary courses should He was very concerned at suggestions be on a decrease in the number of lec- which had been made that attendance tures and an increase in the number at lectures should be made optional, his view being that if this were an relationship between students and established fact lecturers would tend staff; in this way the student will pre. to become entertainers-remembering sumably be taught to think, and he is my own University. I wondered if this

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