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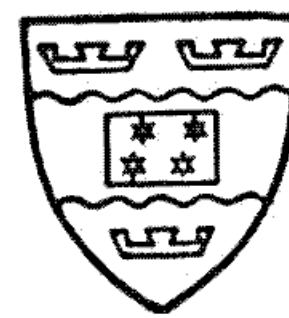
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## NOMINATIONS FOR EXEC A SHAMBLES

# Hercus Unopposed

When nominations closed for the various executive offices on Saturday it was clear that this election was going to be the biggest farce for years.

All the offices except that of men's vice-president were filled by unopposed candidates, the four women's seats were only just filled and there was not a great deal of competition left for the other seats.

Considering all the criticism that has been levelled at exec's work this year, it was thought that more people would have taken their courage in their hands and gone forward to the hustings—there are many around the university who should now feel downright ashamed at letting others do the work.

Nonetheless the ones who will have to fight for a place are entitled to expect a large turnout of the vote and SALIENT hopes stud-

ents will be sufficiently conscious to do something.

The following were elected unopposed:

President: J. D. A. Hercus  
Secretary: Ted Swanney  
Treasurer: David Davy.

Women's Vice President: Elizabeth Beck.

Women's committee places: Deidre Meadows, Mary Kitching, Sharon Thompson, Jane Fogg.

The following will fight it out for Men's Vice President.

Armour Mitchell, Des Deacon and Don Brooker.

The following incumbent members did not present themselves for re-election:

David Wilson (president), Cherry

Pointon (Women's vice), Margaret Williams, Bernice Jenks, Barry Hume (treasurer), Brian Shaw, Satya Nandan and Brian Brooks (only co-opted this term).

It was such a wholesale resignation that it almost seemed they were thumbing their noses at the electorate.

And all this in spite of inspired posters? The whole lot should get . . . nominated!

## HOW TO VOTE

The essential thing in voting for the Executive is that must vote conscientiously.

This may seem an unnecessary statement, however, under a Nanson system such as we employ, it is of prime importance that each vote should indicate a genuine preference for one candidate over another.

Thus, 'pin and newspaper' type voting will not only cause extra work for our returning officer, but also this voting by chance will be a mark of extreme disrespect to the students who have had courage enough to stand.

The great advantage of our voting system is that it enables the voter to vote for precisely the number of candidates he or she wishes, up to a maximum determined by the number of candidates.

Thus if there are 12 candidates for the Men's Committee then you need vote for only 3 if you so wish it. Further, the Nanson system allows the voter to express an equal preference for two or more candidates.

So, if there are 12 candidates the voter might vote 1, 2, 2, 3, 4, 5, etc., instead of 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, etc.;

as he is unable to separate his second preference candidates.

NOTE that a vote such as 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, etc., is of little or no value as a means of separating the candidates preferentially, and the voting paper would best be left blank.

Votes which are not recorded as numbers indicating preferences will be declared invalid, so do NOT cross out any names, comment on the candidates' ancestry, or put crosses in the squares instead of numbers, etc.

Finally remember that we are expecting the largest poll ever this year so once you have voted impress upon your friends the vital necessity of expressing their opinion also.

There will be THREE polling booths this year but curb your enthusiasm! Only one vote per student please, or you will be liable to a disciplinary fine of £1.

must have learnt by experience. Who they shall be is for the student to decide.

**Decide he/she must. VOTING is essential. The unrest this year demands that the student body should unequivocally express its opinion.**

To the newcomers we would point out there is still a great deal of long range planning to be done.

### PROBLEMS

The Union Building will soon be completed and a great deal of planning is still to be brought to fruition in this field alone.

The whole problem of accommodation has yet to be properly faced, the portfolio system has to be introduced, arrangements for students, in Palmerston North watched, and there is much room for re-organisation in so many places.

Remember too that you will be faced with the same problems this executive has faced

—criticism you don't deserve and praise somebody else should merit—but that is the pitfall of democracy.

You may know better than the students but democracy often means that self-government is better than good government.

One final word. We hope SALIENT will continue to enjoy the good relationship it has had with the executive, in spite of criticisms and a misunderstanding over in-committee proceedings (now cleared up).

### "TOGETHER"

SALIENT believes its independence is essential to a growing feeling of "togetherness" between the executive and the rest of the student body. We will try to be fair, we may occasionally criticise but we prefer to praise.

MAY THE BEST CANDIDATES WIN.

## Salient Waves G'bye

### SALVE ATQUE VALE

As candidates jockey for position in a new executive it is not inappropriate to say a graceful goodbye to present members whose faces may not be seen around the table in the near future.

Regardless of the brickbats that have been thrown, all men of goodwill will acknowledge that exec have tried very hard and deserve the gratitude of the students for coming forward to an arduous job. By now those who entertained illusions about the work will have lost them.

In particular thanks must go to David Wilson who will not be standing for president this year.

His work has been made more difficult by his unfortunate illness and the resulting operation, from which SALIENT hopes he will soon be fully recovered.

It is a pity he took the article on the state of the executive in the last issue as a personal attack (he has told us this was his reaction) for it was on the basic philosophy of the presidency that SALIENT disagreed with him and nothing else.

We do, however, want to apologise for one of our remarks—the snide reference to what we termed obscurely "a female member"—we thought at the time it was humorous.

There was no intention of offence, but it apparently caused quite a lot. We hope our apology will to some extent relieve the unintentional slight.

This has not been an exceptional executive. There must be some cause for the unrest it has managed to stir up round the university. It is no use saying that the students don't know what goes on for it is an executive function to see they do.

### LEADERSHIP

The students may be apathetic—and they may not—but the executive represent a leadership. They must realise always they are working for the students, because of the students. They must make it their business to find out what even apathetic students want (they pay the fees remember). They must be leaders, not lords.

This past executive has not always given the impression of doing that. We don't cast aspersions on their willingness or good intentions but on their awareness.

### VOTE FOR . . .

It is not for SALIENT to tell the students who to vote for, but we feel it is essential that some continuity be maintained, that at least some of the present incumbents should be retained; some

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## Editorial

### UP THE WORKERS

At the end of another association year we would like to pay tribute to one of its hardest workers and probably the least known, Mr. M. J. Mason, association accountant.

Mr. Mason has over the years not only patiently helped many clubs through the intricacies of an audit, but has also advised them on the little things that help to keep the clubs functioning.

In addition to his services in the financial field he makes some of the most pertinent and balanced comments at exec. meetings—what a pity more of his ideas are not adopted.

We feel the association has much to thank Mr. Mason for, and hope we will have the benefit of his services for many years to come.

We would not like to think we had forgotten another servant of the association, perhaps better known — Ellen Pointon, the Office Secretary. We thank her for her help to "SALIENT" and the many students of the University, in her day-to-day work. And we hope she will stay with us for a long time yet.



PLEASE!

Will correspondents please note that all copy should be written clearly (preferably typed) in double space and on ONE side of the paper only. Correspondents' names should be clearly shown on all copy but if a pseudonym is desired this will be respected if not approved, but a genuine signature is a sign of good faith. Thank you.

#### SLACK SUPPORT

Sir,—May I record a resounding affirmative for the breeched women. Prospective wearers should ignore the grumblings of the Puritans who find the accentuation of female charms disturbing to the peace of their archaic minds.

Slacks are the only sensible wear for winter, Wellington and the studious occupation.

Yours, etc.,

Brian Walsh

#### "FOR DOLLS"

Sir,—I'm glad some "freezing females" have had the courage to raise the slack issue. It is high time we males came down from our lin. thick corduroy and long-woolly-underpant-clad pedestal, to say nothing of multi-coloured shirts and sweaters paraded about Vic., and tried to "sit where they sit."

Would I care to wear a skirt in the winter around the draughty catacombs at Vic? Not on your proverbial!

Slacks for the dolls? Amen sister, Amen!

Yours, etc.,

D. A. Reid

#### APOLOGY

Sir,—Any discourtesy shown to your reporter at the recent lecture sponsored by our Organisation was quite unintentional and is sincerely regretted. We were very grateful for SALIENT'S attendance at the meeting and for the report which appeared.

Yours, etc.,

Graham Evans.

Secretary

Christian Science Organisation, V.U.W.

(Apologies gratefully accepted. —Ed.)

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### ALL THIS AND BILL

Sir,—Miss Anderson should note that sincerity does not imply anything more than being true to oneself—one can be a sincere rogue.

No one would deny that Billy Graham is being true to himself and there is no harm in that; every man should act out his own part to the utmost. But let us be honest about it, don't pretend that he is making great sacrifices or producing momentous effects. He is doing what he wants to do.

Evangelism enables him to travel widely, to meet the great personalities of the day; above all it gives him self-expression (as SALIENT so kindly gives me the same privilege) in the peculiarly felicitous circumstances of vast tumultuous crowds.

#### HE DOES!

If no one else benefits from Billy Graham's preaching, he does.

It is well to remember Wesley's peculiar efforts on the last century when much was made of his tremendous efforts; riding great distances on horseback, studying as he went, rising at 4 a.m., preaching as many as five times daily.

But he himself said what enabled him to do all this was that he preached five times daily; it released his internal energies so that there was always at every sermon one certain benefitter.

Too much is made of sacrifice—in the end all men do what they want to do. Schwietzer has not really sacrificed anything by leaving cultural Europe for the Congo; that is what he most wants to do, it provides the most congenial outlet for his energies.

Even Christ in ascending the Cross was doing what He wished to. He could not have lived with Himself if He had failed to face this challenge. A man must live out his destiny or live in remorse.

I wish that some of our Colombo Plan students would raise their voices to proclaim the plain trouble that Christianity is not the only way to the spiritual life, it is but one of many—perhaps the greatest perhaps not. Certainly Buddhism has a much worthier record as far as tolerance is concerned.

No religion can do more than set us on the road. The spirit is within and the guidance that we need is to be found there.

Yours, etc.,

B. C. Walsh.

### QUIET PLEASE!

Religious Clubs note: Far from the chapel envisaged in the original Student Union Building but squashed because the Religious Clubs could not agree among themselves, it now appears that any facilities they obtain will be at best by grace of the Management Committee.

The following motion was passed without discussion at the Exec. Meeting on June 9:

That a letter be written to the Religious Clubs informing them that there is no space available for a full-time quiet room and the question of the use of one of the Club Committee rooms for periods will be considered in due course by the Management Committee.

### CRITICISM CENSORED

The following portion of Mr Satya Nandan's report of the International Affairs Committee was deleted by exec from the annual report at a recent meeting presumably because it implied self-criticism:

"Although this committee was set up two years ago to consider

directives to the executive on its international policy and to consider in particular the welfare of overseas students at Victoria; the amount of work it has done to date is negligible to the amount of work it needs to have done.

#### WAR OR PEACE?

Sir,—For some time now there has been a kind of cold war between a certain member of the university staff and students who own motorcycles. This situation has arisen largely through the failure of the House Committee to do anything constructive about requests and complaints from motorcyclists.

However, be that as it may, the latest episode in the battle is as follows:

student turns in at the staff car entrance and cuts motor as soon as he is on level ground so that his momentum will carry him round the side of the building to a parking place; just at the last moment he sees a length of white string (tied 5ft up on the wall but with a two-foot sag in the middle) stretched in front of him at a convenient height to cut across his face;

brakes are jammed with irate student wondering who the infantile practical joker can be; piece of cardboard is then seen to one side flapping in the wind with "Motor Cycles Stop Your Engine, Offenders Will be prosecuted" scrawled thereon; as engine is stopped anyway student laughs and pushes machine on thereby severing cotton and removing an unauthorised hazard.

Immediately staff member dashes from hiding place and demands all personal statistics etc.

#### MEDIEVAL

"No doubt the student will be summarily dealt with according to the medieval laws of Tibet, but the whole thing reminds me of the A. A. Milne story about Pooh Bear and "Trespassers will."

No doubt the staff member concerned has been plagued in the past by noisy motorists but he alone has reacted consistently in this manner and his is not the only study in the vicinity.

If the university chooses to relegate motorcyclists to a parking place very close to lecture rooms and studies, then staff members will have to put up with a certain amount of noise. Let us be reasonable on both sides.

Threats and playing at "By Order, Town Clerk" will only aggravate the situation.

Yours, etc.,

"Forever Amber"

"One main drawback has been the lack of realisation of the importance of the committee's work which seems to have been far too engrossed in lighter activities to find time to think about matters that require some foresight and long-time planning.

"The fact that this committee did not meet till December, 1958, six months after the present executive was elected, and only eight months after the last meeting of the committee, is sufficient evidence of the negligent attitude shown by the executive towards not only this committee, but a few other cultural committees the works of which require seriousness of purpose and thought."

### BEHIND SCHEDULE

The Student Union Building is two months behind schedule, according to the annual report of the Victoria University Students' Association's executive.

Major trouble, says the report, has been difficult foundation work, but it is now hoped the building will be ready by Easter in time for Tournament.

### HOW COMMON!

An appeal for some pride from users of common rooms is made by Miss Bernice Jenks in the annual report of the association.

"If they (the new ones in Union Building) are subjected to the treatment given to the present common room it would seem a waste of space and money to provide such facilities," says Miss Jenks.

The house committee's activities were mainly concerned with the repairing of lockers and common room and cafeteria tables and chairs.



## LAUGH WITH SALIENT

## RACING GUIDE

For your information SALIENT publishes pen portraits of those candidates who have to join swords as well as those whose positions are assured.

These portraits have been written by the candidates' nominators and to say the least are in the abstract tradition. When voting, make up your own minds!

**Men's Vice-President:**

Candidate: Don Brooker  
Nominator: Cherry Pointon  
Seconders: Whata Winiata and John Laurenson.

**BE PREPARED**

And this is what Miss Pointon has to say about him: "Of undoubted integrity, possessing qualities of leadership and having a sound grounding in administration. (He) is a person of whom members of the association would be proud to have as their vice-president.

"A fourth-year part-time law student, Don has taken an active part in university sport. He has represented Victoria in rowing at Tournament and is this year a Wellington Junior Rugby Rep. Serving on the Law Faculty Committee this year Don has also taken a healthy interest in other clubs.

"Apart from his participation in university activities he has found time to devote to Boy Scouts and is an exceedingly popular scoutmaster at Khandallah. He has been in the movement for 14 years.

"Don is a person in whom confidence is well placed and who is deserving of the confidence of the students to administer the affairs of the association."

Candidate: Des Deacon  
Nominator: illegible  
Seconders: R. A. Herron and John Fernyhough.

**UNPREPARED**

"Illegible" apparently can't write because SALIENT received no "blurb." Everyone knows Des anyway.

Candidate: Armour Mitchell.  
Nominator: Brian Brooks  
Seconders: David Davey and Ross Barnett.

**AT READY**

David Davey wrote as follows: "Mitch is a fourth-year science student who has always taken an active interest in student affairs. In Extrav. '57 he was Dr. Danie Boy Craven. He has been a member of the Men's Committee '58-59 and was senior delegate to Sports Union at Easter '59. He was Public Relations Officer of the exec, organiser for Extrav and active in many spheres of exec work."

(One to be elected)

**Men's Committee**

Candidate: Brian Turner  
Nominator: Jim Callaghan  
Seconders: Brigid Kerr and R. T. Murphy.

**INTERESTING**

His form must be interesting--no blurb supplied.

Candidate: Tony Reid  
Nominator: Cherry Pointon  
Seconders: Satya Nandan and R. Clifton.

**"L.P."**

His form guide from Miss Pointon says, "This record speaks for itself. S.C.M. president '58-'59, International Club Committee '59, Historical Society Committee '58-59, Men's Indoor Basketball Club Committee '57-'59, sect-treas, '57-'58, Tournament Controller '57.

"In addition Tony has been appointed a member of the International Affairs committee and was the outgoing executive's nominee

as liaison officer to the Indonesian study delegation.

"A third and final year B.A. student who is full time, Tony has the time and ability to make a worthwhile contribution to the administration of the association affairs."

Candidate: Graham Ward  
Nominator: Brian Shaw  
Seconders: Warwick Dent and Bernice Jenks.

**"PROJECTED"**

An unsigned "blurb" entitled "material for projected 'blurb' reads as follows: "Third year student, first year studying B.A., LL.B. at V.U.W.

"(1) Previously at Auckland. At Auckland served on men's house committee in 1958, rep. at both Tournaments, Committees of Defence Rifle Club and Small Bore Rifle Club.

"(2) This year V.U.W.—Weir resident—took a very active part in Weir Capping activities (?—Ed.) Committee of Small Bore and Defence Rifle Clubs—delegate from V.U.W. Defence Rifle Club to new V.U.W. Sports Council. Awarded a V.U.W. Blue in Defence Rifles, 1959, Easter Tournament, Active interest in Debating Society.

"Will; encourage expansion of Public Relations "support early implementation of proposed portfolio system for executive.

"Make no rash promises."

Candidate: Don Brooker  
Nominator: R. A. Herron  
Seconder: Cherry Pointon and John Fernyhough.

**ABOVE**

His qualifications are apparently the same for this position as for men's vice-president above.

Candidate: Des Deacon  
Nominator: Still illegible  
Seconders: R. A. Herron and John Fernyhough.

**REMARKABLE**

We would like to refer you the remarks under men's vice-president but "illegible" seems determined not to be helpful, but as we said, everyone knows Des.

Candidate: Doug Waite  
Nominator: Zain Majeed  
Seconders: Jane Fogg and Ahmed Bamadhaj.

**"OLD BOY"**

Zain has this to say: "Doug Waite is an old boy of Palmerston North Boys' High School; he is an arts student in his third and final year at varsity. He has seven units accredited to his degree and he is sitting Greek III, Philosophy II, Latin I. He has many contacts with the overseas students at the university.

"He has been a resident of the Baptist Hostel and also Weir House. In his first year he played rugby for varsity (third grade) and in his second year he played for junior second grade.

"His ability and his experience will be of advantage to him in a responsible position on the students' exec."

Candidate: John Allen  
Nominator: John Hercus  
Seconders: Brian Shaw and Armour Mitchell.

**SELLS RECORDS**

President elect Hercus says: "John intended to stand for the Capping Portfolio. He has had several years experience in all aspects of Capping activities, including Extrav for the past four years and distribution manager for Cappicade when record sales were obtained.

"If elected will try to correlate all capping activities, except Extrav under one committee . . . so capping chairman can know all that goes on . . . and prevent elementary mistakes. He would like to see a capping treasurer's position created on the committee as well as a treasurer on each sub-committee. In normal events one of these tyro treasurers would be appointed capping treasurer. He feels this system all the more necessary as there is about £2000 involved in Cappicade alone, and a treasurer who knows what he is doing, has had experience and has the interest and the time to know what is going on in each branch of capping is an absolute necessity.

"He has been a member of Tour-

nament Organisation, Extrav, Cappicade, Drama Club committees and has gained experience in many branches of executive administration.

John has the knowledge and experience to do a good job."  
(Four to be elected).



Women's Vice Unopposed.

## VENI, VIDI, VICI

And this is what you were landed with by offering no opposition.

**PRESIDENT**

Candidate: John Hercus.\*  
Nominator: Cherry Pointon  
Seconders: Dave Halley and J. J. Watts.

**GRADUATE IN VICE.**

Last year's vice-president, John is a sixth year student and a B.Sc. graduate in maths and physics, has chaired numerous committees and was a member of multitudinous others. Claims to have a wide and detailed knowledge of association administration.

**ERADICATOR**

In the coming year he intends to eradicate the old problem besetting student administration by ensuring planned allocation of duties; compulsory reports from all controllers; vastly improved liaison with ALL clubs and societies; etc., etc. and so forth. (says Herc!)

Women's vice president  
Candidate: Elizabeth Beck\*  
Nominator: Barry Hume  
Seconders: Cherry Pointon and Sharon Thompson

**Secretary**

Candidate: J. E. "Ted" Swanney  
Nominator: David Davy  
Seconders: Whata Winiata and Barry Hume.

**Treasurer**

Candidate: David Davey\*  
Nominator: Conor McBride  
Seconders: Bernice Jenks and John Hercus

**Women's Committee**

Candidate: Sharon Thompson\*  
Nominator: Mike Corballis  
Seconders: Bernice Jenks and Cherry Pointon

Candidate: Marie Kitching  
Nominator: Cherry Pointon  
Seconders: Don Brooker and Lesley Campbell

Candidate: Jane Fogg  
Nominator: Cherry Pointon  
Seconders: Guy Jansen and Satya Nandan

Candidate: Deidre Meadows  
Nominator: John Laurenson  
Seconders: John Fernyhough and Dick Herron.

**UNNECESSARY**

It was felt unnecessary to publish supplied "blurbs" on the unopposed candidates. Better by far to judge them by what they do.

SALIENT offers its congratulations in anticipation to the successful candidates and condolences to those who miss out.

\*Sitting member of exec.

## BOX YOUR VOTE

The following are the times and places for voting. Look at them carefully and show that there is some responsibility in the university by voting.

(1) Main Foyer: 8.30-9.30 a.m., 4 to 8.15 p.m. (Thursday, Friday, Monday).

(2) Biology Block: 8.30 to 9.30 a.m., 4 to 5 p.m.

(3) Science Block: As for Biology Block.

The Returning Officer would appreciate help from any volunteers. Times of booths being extended will be considered if sufficient volunteers come forward. Any volunteers should leave their names at the Exec. Office.



## Rentals Astound

"I am astounded," said president David Wilson when at the Exec. Meeting on Tuesday, June 16, a bill for £125 for rental vehicles was presented for payment.

SALIENT was astounded that the president didn't suspect anything for he had obviously read SALIENT.

In a most revealing discussion before the matter was referred to the Finance Committee for urgent consideration it was said that over one weekend there were no fewer than three rental vehicles on hire to the association.

Mr. Davy pointed out the only rental he had any responsibility for was the one hired for the Indonesian study tour. The vehicle did 178 miles and as the duties included transport of the delegation members to and from their billets and the many and various functions he felt the figure was not unreasonable for the two days.

### DISTURBED

At this juncture president Wilson said "this account disturbs me" and summarised the account as follows

- 1) Proceh (held 8 May), vehicle rented 7-11
- 2) Cappicade, 2 vehicles 5-11 & 5-12 May
- 3) Indonesian Tour—We appear to be satisfied with Mr. Davy's explanation
- 4) Extrav. Vehicle hired from 12-28 May

He also noted a £5 franchise on one vehicle.

Miss Beck explained that the Proceh van was supposed to be returned by five on the Friday but the work with the collection boxes was not completed until 5.40 p.m. On being questioned, she explained that return on the Saturday would still have involved payment for the weekend.

## TO LET

Student accommodation was once again to the fore when a letter was received from a Wellington land agent concerning the possible lease of a Kelburn House.

The house being discussed has 5 double bedrooms and the proposed rent was £3 a head a week, less £2/10/- per week for the association to cover holidays, etc.

Mr. Mason, the Accountant, said this was a very convenient arrangement for the land agent and his client, a guaranteed £1144 per year with no worries of vacant rooms, etc.

He felt that there were a number of largish houses around the city and that the Exec should make haste slowly.

Though it was a New Zealand sport to form committees, he would support further consideration of this by a sub-committee, and any other proposals by a competent group of people.

After a lot more discussion a committee was set up consisting of the following: Dr. Williams, Mr. Mason, Sharon Thompson and David Wilson with power to co-opt.

After some further discussion Wilson said "It has not yet been explained why 3 vans were out for the weekend."

After a lot more discussion Mr. Hume said business could be found when a car is available on association funds.

The matter was referred to the Finance Committee for urgent consideration and all controllers were asked to supply a mileage breakdown.

## HUME EXPLAINS

The outgoing association treasurer, Mr. Barry Hume, has felt it incumbent on him to explain why he so vigorously demanded an inquiry into the hiring of rental vans. Below we print a statement specially written by him for SALIENT:

"At the last meeting of the executive on Tuesday, June 16, I reported that an account had been received from Mutual Rental Cars (Wellington) Ltd. for £125, being expenses incurred in hiring five different cars during the period May 5 to May 28.

"The cars were used for Extrav, Cappicade distribution, Proceh, and the Indonesian delegation study tour. After a full discussion had taken place, I informed the meeting that I was NOT prepared to approve the account for payment.

### INQUIRY

"I strongly indicated that an IMMEDIATE INQUIRY was necessary to ascertain to what extent, if any, these cars had been misused. The executive subsequently directed that the finance committee meet within one week to investigate the account.

"Such things as the number of cars hired, the length of hire, number of excess miles, extent of private use, reasons for franchise, etc., will be discussed."

### POOR

"I consider this poor administration on the part of those concerned" said Barry Hume "and I am quite concerned about the latitude to use association credit."

"At least I (as association treasurer) could have been contacted."

## PEN FRIENDS

There have been several inquiries from overseas students concerning pen friends. Letters from these students may be seen at the executive office. Any students requiring pen friends can obtain letters from the office secretary.

## INTERNATIONAL

# WORLD OF UNIVERSITIES

News of university activities throughout the world is given in this SALIENT feature.

### AUSTRIA

Austria's students are decided to go out on a general strike, if the government's endowments to the universities are as poor in the future as they have been until now. At the Second Austrian Student Congress, held May 12-15 in Vienna, they demanded considerable increases in university funds, a law for financial assistance to students and the creation of legal bases for student medical care. In a declaration they called the situation at Austrian universities catastrophic. About 16,000 places in student homes are needed for students whose residence is not in the university city, in order to free them of the burden of high rents, which is unbearable over a long period. In all Austria 3,000 places in student homes are available.—(Special report).

### ENGLAND

The N.U.S. Student Journalists' Conference was held in April. A large cross-section of the student press in Britain was represented in London. The conference this year was based on the idea of giving the student journalists authoritative technical assistance in as many fields of newspaper production as possible. A number of eminent journalists had been invited to give talks. One of the many subjects discussed at the Conference was the question of censorship in the student press. At the present time, four student newspapers in Britain are subject to censorship, these being: "Union News" (Leeds), "Guild Gazette" (Liverpool), "Nonesuch News" (Bristol), and "Gownsmen" (Lampeter).

Anti-Latinists at Oxford won a very narrow victory at the beginning of May in their fight to abolish compulsory Latin. After discussions lasting two hours, the University Congregation to which representatives of all the colleges belong, voted 249 to 244 in favour of amending the University Statutes, which call for Latin as a compulsory entrance subject. Supporters of the change stressed that they did not wish to abolish Latin; it will become an optional subject rather than a requirement for the entrance examination, with German and Russian as further electives. The decision will become effective, however, only when it has achieved a two-thirds majority. The University Parliament at Cambridge has also voted to abolish Latin as an entrance requirement. Here, the majority was larger, 325 votes against 278.

On May 8 the Arts Building of Exeter University had been opened by Princess Margaret. On this occasion the Guild Council protested most strongly at the complete lack of discussion between the students and the authorities about the arrangements for Princess Margaret's visit. As stated by the president, Princess Margaret had expressed a wish to spend a whole day at the University and to meet the students informally. According to the arrangements made by the authorities her only contact with the students, apart from her meeting with Guild Council for tea, was seeing them, as a student

called it, "treated like cattle and put up in enclosures" or lined up outside the buildings.

### FRANCE

In December this year, the International Centre for Higher Education in Journalism in Strasbourg will for the first time offer a six-months' course in methods of teaching journalism, open to journalists with a fairly wide experience in their profession. Immediately beforehand, in November, there will be a short course for students who have just completed journalistic studies in their own country. This short course is intended mainly for students from economically less-developed countries, with emphasis this year on countries of Africa.—(UNESCO, Paris.)

### GREECE

The International Relations Club of Thessaloniki University runs talk series on European university education, as part of its programme to represent other countries' civilisations to the students of the University. The club is also keen to contact similar clubs in other countries, and would welcome correspondence. Write to Mr. P. G. Kokkas, Secretary-General of International Relations Club, Nikis 15, Thessaloniki, Greece. (ISMUN Bulletin, Geneva.)

### ISRAEL

In protest against next year's fee increases, the Student Association of Hebrew University called a strike and demonstration at the end of March. A delegation of students was received by the Minister of Education, who offered to study any suggestions for improving the system of providing loans to deserving students. The students told the Minister that the increased fees were above the means of the majority of the students and that the proposal that students should repay the loans from their salaries after graduation would prove very difficult.—(Jerusalem Post/Information d'Israel, Tel-Aviv.)

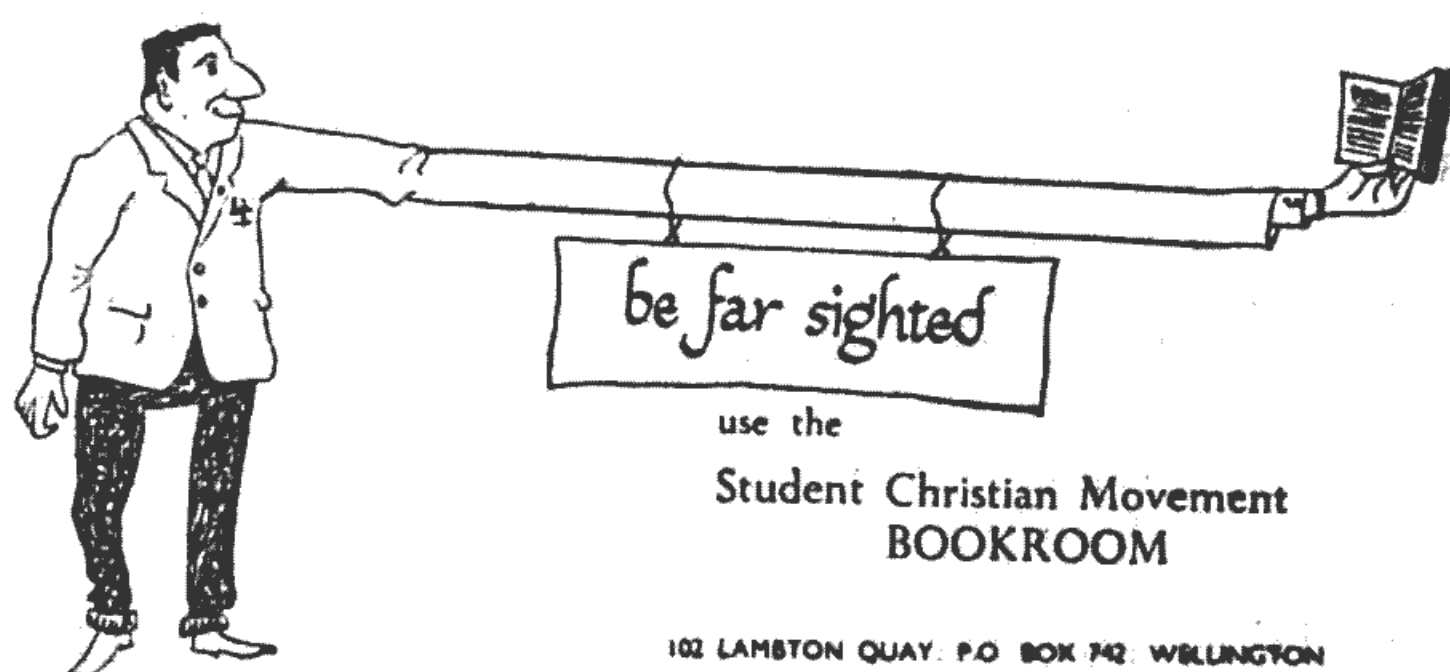
On March 18, two students from Haifa Technical Institute were expelled for cheating on semester exams. After trying unsuccessfully to get a reversal of this decision, which they considered too harsh, the student body called a strike. School authorities then met on April 15 to discuss the matter again, but decided to uphold the decision for expulsion. The student body announced that in consequence, they would not call off their strike.—(Jedioth Chadashoth, Tel Aviv.)

## CALENDAR CHANGE

The meeting on Tuesday June 16 opened with a sally between David Wilson and the Women's Vice President Cherry Pointon.

An apology was presented for lateness for Bernice Jenks as she was at a lecture. Cherry Pointon felt meetings should be arranged so as not to clash with lectures.

Wilson's retort "We will see about changing lectures".





# Stay Home Kiwi

## DIGNITY BEFORE RUGBY

Let's shear away this woolly thinking on the All White All Black question. How can a sport be furthered by ignoring all moral and ethical principles?

Let's be honest. The question isn't whether Maoris should be included or not, but whether New Zealand can be honourably represented in a country whose policy it may acknowledge but which it can't possibly condone. The answer is surely no.

Let's stop this nonsense about the Maoris being put in an awkward position if they are allowed to go to South Africa. The whole nation—and New Zealand is still ostensibly one nation—will place itself in an awkward position if anyone goes.

What sort of sportsmen can possibly be so bloody thinking that they can believe the phrase "the game's the thing" can possibly be interpreted "the game's the only thing?"

Future generations of rugby players may regret the New Zealand Rugby Union's lack of moral courage.

The issue is straightforward.

No rugby crown anywhere in the world is worth embarrassment to ourselves and that means Pakeha and Maori, for New Zealand still believes all are equal before God and the law.

### IDIOCY

What idiocy to suggest that an integrated team to go to South Africa might mean loss of special tours for the Maoris. Since when has equality meant a denial of special rights?

How wonderful the N.Z.R.F.U.'s decision will look in the Malayan newspapers so soon after the reports of the treatment of our High

Commissioner's brother in a Papakura Hotel.

New Zealand has enough racial trouble still to be cleared up at home, why parade it before the whole world?

Can a leather oval be so important?

No longer can it be said that the Maoris don't really care (how often this excuse is used) even Mr Love's labour was lost; though it rallied a large proportion of Maori leadership to utter its disgust at his remarks.

### NO CONSCIENCE

But even if the Maoris didn't care—even if our brothers said "go to the party, enjoy yourselves, never mind about me"—could we honestly go without a twinge of conscience?

If the South African rugby players are sportsmen, and they seem to be, they will surely understand our motives.

Such a simple gesture as the cancellation of the tour would bring even a little ray of hope to millions of downtrodden people that somewhere, somebody cared.

Such a gesture would encourage the pride of the Maori and make his, and the Pakeha's assimilation just a little easier.

Or is pride in football prowess more important than human dignity?

### CANCEL

It is not too late to cancel the tour.

No decision is irrevocable. Right till the day a team arrives in South Africa (if it ever leaves these shores) the decision can and should be fought.

Even if the battle is lost it will be an honourable defeat and may counter ill-effects the tour may bring.

The white South Africans have made their bed. It is not our bed. It is not a comfortable bed. And it is not one we could possibly share and remain chaste.

There can be no apologies for the emotional appeal of this article for the subject is essentially an emotional one; either we feel the call of human suffering or we ourselves are degraded.

Let not anyone pretend that this is not a vital issue. However trivial its basic cause the issue has generated "a white" heat.

The whole world is watching how New Zealand respects its dignity.

—EZEKIEL.

## PRICE HITS OUT AT EVERYTHING

Stung by the suggestion in "Liberator," the Constitutional Society's journal, that there was nothing between the two principal parties in New Zealand and that politicians were generally despised, Mr Holyoake retorted that "he would leave public life tomorrow" if he thought that was true.

Among other things, he said that the aim of the National Party was "to restore a greater degree of personal liberty than New Zealand has known in the last 25 years."

The secretary of the Constitutional Society hailed this as "particularly good news" but added that "it should be pointed out that the period mentioned included the term of the National Party Government and it must be taken as an admission that true democratic (that is, libertarian and anti-Socialist) principles were not followed during that period."

Eight days later Mr. Holyoake repeated this statement. Is this quite good enough from a Hereward the Wake?

### SILENT MAORIS

So the Rugby "war" has really started this time, after a false start late last year! The Rugby Union has made its decision and Mr. Rolland O'Regan and his Citizens' All Black Tour Committee

have taken up the gauntlet. We can now confidently expect much emotional and confused discussion for the next few weeks.

Mr. M. R. Love, Maori member on the Rugby Council, has defended the Union's policy in a long statement in which he lays great emphasis on the desirability of the Maori people's retaining their "identity."

However, he concludes by saying that Maoris should retain their identity "till such time as [they] can merge into the community as one people."

Not only is this a result that he was apparently opposing before, but the various measures of which he approved (Maori scholarships, religious organisations, etc.) are the very things tending to prevent such a merging of Maori and white.

### UNFORTUNATE

Mr. Love has chosen unfortunate examples when he says that "as long as Caledonian and Hibernian

societies remain in New Zealand and in the world" such things as racial discrimination in football must be supported, for surely these are notable cases of national and religious groups retaining their own "identity", their peculiar cultural heritage, while at the same time their members are fully New Zealanders and participate in all forms of the national life.

But one of the most striking features of this whole business, to my mind, has been the almost complete silence of Maori individuals or groups until after the Rugby Union's decision was announced.

This fact has been noted by Mr. Tirikatene, who says that "it is not customary in Maoridom for the race to demand to be heard if it be to call attention to themselves—until an issue is made clear. . . . We have a word in the Maori language—'whakamomori'—meaning 'to suffer in silence' . . . but this silence of courtesy and humbleness has ended."

But was such forbearance due to courtesy or to apathy? If the racial situations were reversed, it is hard to imagine that most whites would not protest if they were the victims of any racial discrimination.

It has been suggested that this Maori attitude is part of a "manana" outlook on life; if this is true, Maoris must be considered partly responsible for the continuance of such discrimination.

### THESES AND PAPERS

Comparatively few students go on to take a Master's degree, but there are some aspects of these courses where there could be improvements.

Some departments do not require a thesis and in others it is optional, but—except in the languages—the most common formula in Arts subjects seems to

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## C.S.G. HEARS O'REGAN

Mr. Rolland O'Regan, a prominent Wellington surgeon, addressed a meeting of the Catholic Students' Guild on June 7, on the topical issue of "Racialism and Rugby."

Mr. O'Regan, who is chairman of the newly-formed Citizens' All-Black Tour Committee, said racial discrimination was un-Christian and utterly repugnant to those who profess that all men are brothers.

There was no doubt of the fact that there was colour consciousness in New Zealand, and this must be crushed by all possible means.

Unfortunately many of these barriers could not be surmounted by making laws or regulations, but when obvious discrimination against the Maori race did appear, then all right-thinking persons should do their best to help stamp it out.

### HUMILIATION

Mr. O'Regan continued that the South African Rugby Union had never asked that Maoris not be included in the team, but it appeared that any Maoris who might be good enough to be selected for the team would suffer humiliation in South Africa.

Therefore it would be better not to send a team at all. It was a pity the New Zealand Rugby Union thought the elusive crown of 'World Rugby Champions' was more important than New Zealand's good name for racial equality.

Mr. O'Regan's talk was well received by the large number of students and professional men present, and provoked much thoughtful discussion.

P.A.M.

be four papers and a thesis with value equivalent to two papers. In fact, many students put as much work into their theses as for three or four papers, and I think there is a case for allowing the student to nominate the value of his thesis up to a limit of, say, four papers.

In a course of the type mentioned, this would enable a student whose bent lies specially in research to devote more time to this and to strike a better balance in his course. There is room for more flexibility here than is at present permitted.

### TIME FACTOR

Another matter, of less importance, is that except in special cases (regulation 10 (c)), "a candidate shall be eligible for . . . Honours only if he completes the requirements . . . within three years" of finishing the Bachelor's degree.

Thus, no matter how high his marks, he is classed with the pass people at Graduation and goes down in the records without Honours.

I see no cogent reason why there should be any time limit and why those persons who, with the advantage of greater maturity and experience, desire to take the Master's degree some years after completing the first degree, should not compete for Honours on equal terms with anyone else.

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# Aussie's Colour Shame Lack of Human Rights

No one will deny that the "assimilation" of aborigines is quite a problem in Australia (although perhaps not so grave as the race problems in South Africa and the United States). Let's be quite objective about it, and examine the factual evidence.

Coming back to the rocket range which extends through the Warburton Ranges in Western Australia. The findings of a Parliamentary Select Committee show that there have been catastrophic effects on aborigine life due to the placing of a rocket range (part of the Woomera programme) right through the land that for centuries had been the hunting and camping grounds of aborigine tribes.

The sensitive balance between natural resources and the needs of the tribe, so marvellously created by the aborigine from a land that would have been an impossible challenge to other civilisations, has been suddenly and rudely upset over a huge area surrounding the range (of course in the actual range area itself the inhabitants have been ordered right out).

The results? Actual starvation in some cases and a ghastly wave of diseases due to malnutrition over much of the area, the most common being the dreaded eye disease trachoma.

Let us leave rocket ranges and view some of the more glaring anomalies from which people of aborigine extraction suffer.

There is not the space here to treat every part of the problem in detail; we will limit ourselves mainly to our own State.

## HUMAN RIGHTS

In terms of the United Nations Declaration of Human Rights, rights in which most Australians already share and which are by declaration of the General Assembly of U.N.O. are for everyone including minority groups.

Yet somewhere, somehow, large numbers of aborigines have just missed out.

In Queensland, for instance, aborigines under the Aborigines Act — and this means the majority—have little power to decide for themselves where they are going to live. In fact, they can and are incarcerated against their will on a Government or Church mission reserve. (Law students note). There is no trial by jury for these original Australians, but by officials who may, in fact, be the accusers. In some parts of the Act the onus of proof is shifted from the accuser to the accused, contrary to the well established practice of British Law.

The private property of an aborigine may be seized arbitrarily. The Act provides that where a dark-skinned Australian refuses to obey such an order he "shall be guilty of an offence."

Here are just three points by which specific articles of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, proclaimed by the General Assembly of U.N.O., are totally disregarded.

There is not the space to treat other things in detail, such as censorship of mail, compulsory work and low wages inadequate social service benefits, lack of education and cultural development, and totally inadequate training in democracy—all of which apply to Australia's first citizens in this year 1959.

While racial discrimination is a hot topic in New Zealand SALIENT thinks it might be interesting to look at others' problems close to home. The accompanying article by Tom Toogood is reprinted from Queensland University's "Semper Floreat."

## SHOCKING

So it is not exaggerating to say the situation is shocking.

Who is to blame and who should take the job of righting the wrongs? The Government? Our ancestors? The Australian people as a whole? The aborigines?

The reasons why Australia's first sons are in such a sad state today, and why "white" Australians have thought it necessary to discriminate against them through such legislation as we have discussed, are not simple.

Lack of understanding of a tribal culture, brutalities perpetrated by a minority of the early settlers, false ideas of the inferiority of the aborigines, the thoughtless confiscation of tribal lands for industrial purposes—all these threads and more may be discerned in the past.

However one thing is clear. You can't blame the aborigines for their present plight.

Names like Nicholls, Blair; Namitjira and many others have proved both in civilian life and in two world wars that they can and will co-operate in building and defending a nation if we will only give them the opportunity.

## GRIM

The grim record of the past cannot be undone. It is no use passing the buck to our ancestors and forgetting about the problem ourselves.

What about the Government? But if you blame the Government you are again passing the buck; for that organ, after all is said and done, expresses (however lamely) the will of the people.

Perhaps you are not absolutely clear as to what you can do. Well, here are some suggestions.

- ADOPT an aboriginal child and put him or her through a good school.
- BOARD an aboriginal apprentice, student or working youth in your own home.
- INVITE people of aboriginal blood into your home and to your entertainments.
- JOIN and/or financially support the only independently-functioning club in Queensland devoted to assimilation — the Kangaroos Sports Club at West End
- JOIN the Aborigines' Advancement League (c/- Pastor D. Nicholls, M.B.E., 46 Russell St., Melbourne, C.I.).
- PRESS for full citizenship rights and for better education for aborigines.

## FOOTNOTE

But Aussie has not got it all to itself—read "Stay Home Kiwi," Page 5.

## MEN'S BASKETBALL

This, its first printed propaganda for 1959, appears as the results of many months thought and labour and is representative of the hardwork and diligence of the executive of the Men's Basketball Club.

For those keen-as-mustard-types—the coaches, this year has been one of great challenges; newcomers to the sport to be indoctrinated with the wholesomeness of the game; those who have played before to be moulded from raw basketballers to pure basketballers; and those cynics of the experienced ranks to be given up in despair.

With six teams and 50 strong, active, and healthy participants the club is at its largest (and perhaps greatest) since its inception in 1947. In conjunction with its activities the Students' Association has dealt with the club to the extent of an £80 grant.

This will be used as follows: £57/10/- to paying team registrations; £32 to pay for hire of the Newtown Stadium for practice; £12 10/- for the hire of the Technical School gymnasium for similar purposes. What is left will be added to the depreciation account.

If you are (1) not altogether impecunious and (2) keen on a good companionable sport contact Secretary Brian Goodson (Weir) Captain Doug Edwards (Weir) or Liaison Ted McLay Phone 65-491.

Incidentally, the Women's Indoor Basketball Club could do with some support too.

## TRAVEL

Regrettably few Victoria students participated in the Travel and Exchange Scheme with Australia, says Miss Cherry Pointon in the association's annual report.

Two members of executive participated and recommend it to others.

N.Z.U.S.A. has plans to widen the scope of the scheme. Interested students should inquire at the exec. office for more details.

## ON MIND ?

David Wilson apparently had SALIENT on his mind at the Exec meeting on June 9, discussing a letter from the Rector of St. Patrick's College Wellington, on "The story of an Irish Beer Carton" in Cappicade, he said "Fr. Durning took offence at the article in SALIENT."

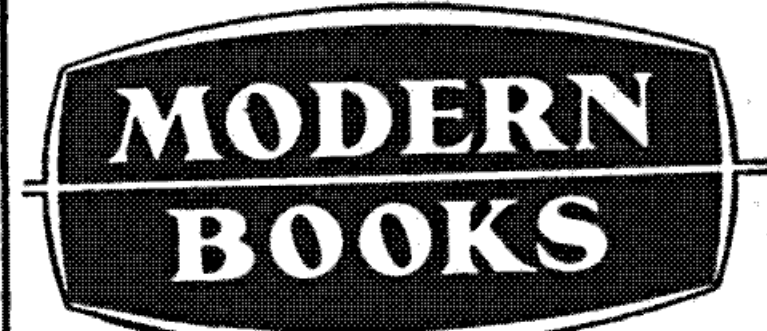
## COMPLAINT

A letter was received from Mr. W. J. Scott, Principal, of Training College, asking that Exec inquire into the behaviour at two functions held in the training College Hall by the Jazz Club and International Club respectively.

After discussion it was resolved to write to the clubs concerned and write a letter of apology to Mr. Scott enclosing a copy of the letter sent to the clubs.



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## OUT OF ORDER

President David Wilson, at the meeting on June 9, ruled the Special General Meeting held at lunch time on Tuesday, June 2, unconstitutional. This ruling was accepted after Messrs. Hercus and Mitchell had assured the other members that the meeting had been called in good faith.

Noticeable at this Exec meeting (held the day after our last issue) was a large attendance of spectators, and at times the Exec were outnumbered by the onlookers.

## HARDWORKING ?

The outgoing exec has had 27 meetings compared with the 17 of its predecessors.

## WEIR SAFE ?

When Mr. Davy reported that £180 of Cappicade money had been safely locked away in Weir, there were many sarcastic comments amidst the laughter. Miss Pointon said she viewed with alarm the mishandling of large sums of Association money by various Committees and the responsible persons on the Committees. Mr. Wilson endorsed Miss Pointon's remarks and said while the general "it'll be O.K." attitude with such sums was not good enough it was no reflection on the Association Treasurer.

Mr. Hercus said he had been informed that the money was in safe keeping but President Wilson said "there is one place and one place only for Association funds—The National Bank."

In discussion it was agreed that in future all articles submitted for Cappicade must be signed to show bona fides.

## ELECTIONS

Wilbur Skeels was appointed returning Officer at the meeting on 9 June.

When Miss Pointon suggested that Mr. Brooks might be a suitable Publicity Officer for the Elections if he was not standing, David Davy suggested that to ease an embarrassing situation he could sit. Mr. Murphy was appointed.

Miss Beck referring to Posters for the Elections colloquially said "We'll fix it"



## KIWI GOES CRETAN

The Champion touch was unmistakable in the recent Wellington College production of Anton Vogt's "Kiwi On Crete."

Mr Vogt must have felt pleased it fell into such good hands for combined with the enthusiasm of the young players the play looked better than it was.

As an attempt to show the development of the Kiwi soldier overseas in battle the play misses the target badly.

### CONFUSED

It is long and confused. Conflicting themes straggle along in tenuously connected scenes that lack a cohesive whole.

In fact the play didn't seem to start till the "Kiwi" had escaped from the Germans and entered a sympathetic Cretan's farmhouse more than half-way through the tale.

At last there were genuine dramatic possibilities, but by this time we had suffered the privations of the front, the gall of defeat, the ire of capture, the anxiety of those at home and the aftermath of Mr Vogt's uncertainty about patriotism—each in themselves subjects for other plays.

## NOT SWIMMING

"That seems to be a considerable sum to be left floating around" said President Wilson when it was revealed in discussion on Extrav that £140 approx being Napier takings on the last night had seemingly been the responsibility of some (possibly mythical) person. These arrangements though possibly unorthodox had no bad effects and the money eventually found its way into the bank.

This is not to say the play did not have some good moments—often some very good ones—and some good character possibilities, but

they were so often crowded out.

Allowance must be made for the youthful cast—particularly noticeable amongst the girls. But it is doubtful that a more mature or experienced cast would have put so much heart behind the work, shown so much purposeful attack or carried it off with such unconscious aplomb.

Maturity may have tightened the whole performance but probably would not have gained so much audience sympathy or given as much spontaneous pleasure.

### MERITORIOUS

Particularly meritorious was the work of Barry Green as the Cretan farmer and Martin Kerr, a prisoner of war companion to the principal character Bill. This last part was perhaps not as sure as it might have been, yet neither was the character study. Robert Laking was nevertheless more than competent. The girls produced some good work.

Much credit must go for some striking sets and to Richard Campion for his obvious keenness to bring some dubious material to a more complete fruition.

—C.B.

## CORRECTION

In the last issue of SALIENT we reported that a Blue had been awarded to J. Johnson. This was incorrectly approved by Exec and since rectified. Mr. Johnson though of sufficiently high sporting standard is ineligible being a fresher. G. Ward was omitted from the minutes and consequently we did not report that a Blue in Defence Rifles had been awarded to him. We wish to apologise to both gentlemen for mistakes beyond our control.

## GIVE 'EM 'ELL

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## YOU SAID IT

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—Dominion Racing Page.

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—Advt Sussex Mail.

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—Advt Manchester Guardian.

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—Advt The Lady.

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—Toronto Mail.

White muslin Blouse; new pointed joke. Each Rs 4/4.

—Bombay Catalogue.

Owing to the steering gear going wrong, the car ran up on the fence and capsized. The driver was removed to — Infirmiry for treatment under a cosmetic.

—Irish Press.

The doctor and his wife, it was stated, today, were often seen riding in a car which plunged into the sea off Beachy Head.

—The Star.

Two women were fined 40s or 14 days for firing stones at Mr. John Brown's residence, and missing.

—Western Evening News.

No peas were entered.

—Evening Post report of Court case.

Mr. X was debarred from dangerous driving for five years.

—Dominion.

W.C.T.U. monthly meeting at Boulevard Church, 1.30 p.m. Monday, October 9th. The meeting will be gin with prayer.

—Church Programme.

Whenever eggs are cheap the fowls yield a fair supply, and when they become dear production stops.

—Pall Mall Gazette.

Embassy Attache John Dodge has been assigned to the American Embassy at Costa Rica and will be leaving on Oct. 17.

Embassy Attache John Barrett has left for his new post at Bonn, Germany, accompanied by Mrs. Dodge.

—Mexico City El Universal.

In carrying his bath right through the innings on thursday for 125, A. O. Jones made a brilliant start.

—Irish Field.

The Transvaal team for the match against Western Province today will not, it is stated, be chosen until tomorrow morning.

—Rand Daily Mail.

Well built house in two excellent self-contained flats. An opportunity not to be missed. Bath vacant in early spring.

—Gloucester Echo.

The County Council's veterinary inspector yesterday certified that death was due to anthrax, and was cremated by the police.

—Yorkshire Post.

Basically there are few psychological differences between mule and female.

—Weekly Independent.

After burning fiercely for an hour and a half the fireman gained the upper hand.

—Globe.

A Daily Telegraph Headline proclaimed: Treated like dog by wife. Husband cooked for 30 years.

In one Kentish orchard a single frosty night about a month ago decimated the currants by as much as 80 per cent.

—Daily Mail.

Dancers are asked to wear at least some suggestion of a costume, if only a bandana or for girls a big hair bow, to get into the spirit of the party.

—Michigan Daily Star.

Miss Crichton pluckily extinguished the blaze while Herr Eckold pulled the orchestra through a difficult passage.

—Daily Express.

Honourable Lady would give conversation to foreigners. Moderate retribution.

—Daily Mail.

Overheard in the Caf  
"We are talking about euthanasia"

"What part of Asia"  
That morning at the station was really agony. The scene will always remain in my memory.

—Berkshire Eagle.

Judge Julius H. Minor yesterday granted a decree of separate maintenance to a wife who said her husband left her sitting alone in taverns while he danced with chairs and spaghetti.

—Chicago Sun.

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—Advt Daily Graphic.

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# Students Make Their Point

## IMPRESSIONS OF MARCH IN CITY



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Students showed they could comport themselves with decorum on an important issue when they marched to Parliament last Thursday in protest at the decision of the New Zealand Rugby Union to exclude Maoris from the 1960 "All Black" tour of South Africa. In the centre they applaud Superintendent W. G. Bennett as he escorts Bernie Grice in to see the P.M. Top centre, a student isn't quick enough in complying with a police request to lower his banner. Top left, Mr Anton Vogt and symbol. Bottom right, Bernie Grice walks on regardless. The police eventually allowed the procession to go unhindered.

## STUDENT DIGNITY

At long last students showed last Thursday that they could do things with dignity, when they determinedly marched on Parliament in protest at the exclusion of Maoris from the South African Tour.

That the P.M. was impressed was shown later in the week when in Timaru he remarked that the students were acting up to their education on something they had obviously thought about.

It was gratifying too, to see that at least four lecturers decided to march with their students. Had staff been informed even more might have gone along.

### POLICE CREDIT

Police too deserve some credit for the way they behaved. They were no doubt embarrassed by students exercising a common law right to peaceful demonstration not recognised in New Zealand, but after initial steps to stop the march did not work they took an honourable course and it was good that for once the students did not antagonise them.

Town and Gown relations probably gained more from this "procession" than from anything either Training College or Victoria have done in a long time. Training College deserves a pat on the back for initiating the scheme and Bernie Grice is to be commended for not being put off.

If there was anything disappointing it was Mr. Nash's refusal to become involved even at a purely personal level.

As a man who is supposed to be looking after the interests of the Maoris this seemed like more "fence sitting." But at least he deserves the thanks of the students for his courtesy in speaking to them.

## GRATITUDE

The following letter has been sent to the superintendent of police and the chief traffic officer in Wellington from the students' association.

"On behalf of the members of this association who took part in the protest march through Wellington last Thursday, I would like to sincerely thank you and your subordinates for the sympathetic way you treated us.

"Your humane interpretation of the law under the circumstances was most appreciated by all those concerned, for they all realised that it was only your co-operation which made the march possible at all.

"Although this was not an officially organised Students' Association function, I think it is fitting to officially thank you, on behalf of those from our association who took part."

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