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EDITORIAL

Promiscuity, Mr Shaw tells us, is the secret of good manners. Of course he is careful to define what he means by promiscuity and what he intends to convey by good manners. Without attempting either to define or to convey we give you promiscuity as the secret of University life. Mark, we did not say lectures, but life. The first consideration for a student must be the attainment of a degree intended to aid in the struggle for independence—an impossibility in these days. The fact, however, that a University education must be merely a bridge to a salaried white-collared respectability is the fault not of the University but of the present economic system which will inevitably, and perhaps in our time and generation, fall into unregretted ruin. Then, and not till then, will we be in the position to follow our natural bent in the scholastic world. For the present a compromise must suffice.

Lectures then, by all means, but something more. The reading of books, the following of our tastes in study, the playing of games, and, above all, the study of the mainsprings of action, the ideals, the temperaments of our fellow-undergraduates. This is the full and plenty of University life. Miss all these, and you are but a receptacle for formulae, dates and sub-sections. Take all these, and you have entered into communion with the men and women of your generation. You have taught and you have learnt. And this is the promiscuity of University life which is the secret not merely of good manners but also of good knowledge.

In a few weeks those new to our ways will see, and, we hope, take full part in a series of functions typical of University life the world over. For five or six days at Easter we are to be the hosts of our friends from the three other University Colleges. The period will be one of hectic days and nights—of keen competition, of clamorous rivalry, and, still better, of friendship on the basis of common ideals. Every student worthy of the name should join in this Tournament. Everything is to be gained by an interchange of ideas, by competition in sport and by the making of real friendship. Do not suppose that this Tournament is merely a safety-valve for youthful exuberance. It is more than that. It is a common meeting ground in the very best of conditions for the young men and women of this country whose ability has led them to seek the higher walks of endeavour.

To come to the practical side of the question in so far as the whole year is concerned, the ideal set before you is attained in the easiest and most effective method by participation in the Club life of the College. It is almost no exaggeration to say that the tastes of everyone are catered for by the Clubs. Whether one's interests lean to the bardy struggles of the football field, the forensic battle of the debating platform or the more sober joys of the mathematical problems, within our walls we have the means of supplying the demand. A word of caution to the enthusiasts. Make your choice of Clubs judiciously. Single out a few which you know will be of real interest and benefit to you. It is far better to be an active, keen member of one Club than to be a half-hearted and irregular visitor at half-a-dozen. Moreover, do not be content to be a stander-by, an admirer of this man's debating ability, of this girl's tennis skill. Let your part be an active one, and rely on practice making perfect.

We who are privileged in the good which the all-round University education must of necessity give are placed under a deep obligation to the general community. In the main, the Society of the future must look to us, with our greater opportunities and our fuller lives to give a lead in the problems which seem to be massing before a bewildered world. It can be safely said that at no stage of the history of mankind has there been so much division on questions of prime importance. This is the era of the struggle of fundamental against fundamental. The sharp line of demarcation is being drawn between mighty rival camps. On the one hand stand the believer in the Divine Creator, on the other the atheist. The Capitalist and the Communist gird themselves for the determination of the basic rights of man. The Militarist clings tenaciously to the sword that the Pacifist would hurl into the deepest ocean.

It would seem that these vital issues will in our own generation come to a head. Is it not for us to give a lead? It is our bounden duty to fit ourselves for the task. No man or woman worthy to be so called can afford to be a rail-sitter on such questions as these. The modern world has no time for the indifferent and the ignorant. We must, with a judicious mind, ally ourselves in one cause or the other, and do our share in the settlements of the day.

Crambe Repitiata.

DR. MASKELL.

The passing of Doctor "Jerry" Maskell in England after a long illness was learned with universal sorrow by all who had the privilege of knowing him and being coached by him.

A man of exceptional gifts and qualifications, he was never in any way pedagogical, and by associating with him students soon learned that they could always look to him as a friend as well as a more than ordinarily sympathetic and helpful tutor. In the realm of scientific research he had already achieved marked distinction, and had he lived would, without doubt, have won much honour for his College.

as a man loved by all his friends and colleagues no less than as a scientist of whom his College is justly proud.

COMMON ROOMS.

As the result of a glorious rag in the dying stages of the 1931 Session, a Committee was set up with the sanction of the Professorial Board in an endeavour to ameliorate the conditions in the Men's Common Room. The Committee proceeded to collect funds for the redecorating of the room, and succeeded very well in their difficult task. As a result of strenuous labours with the paint-brush, the walls have been brightened up and the heaters of tender memory look amazingly transformed by a coating of bronze. Mr. Brook materially assisted the committee, and it is largely due to his efforts that the Common Room is now dignified by a picture rail. As yet the Committee has no pictures to hang, but hopes to obtain several which have been supplanted in the Women's Common Room by those obtained through the late Mrs Hannah's splendid bequest. We hope that students who wish to do themselves and their fellows a good turn will take the hint and provide the walls and the room itself with pictures and furniture worthy of a University College. If students will pull their weight, the Committee's hopes of having a Common Room worthy of the name to show our guests at Easter will be realized. Readers who wish to do their bit by way of gifts, whether in cash only or in kind, will find the names of the Committee posted on the Common Room Notice Board, and bearers of the said names will be panting with eagerness to receive manifestations of student goodwill by way of largesse.

MARGARET GIBBS.

Our congratulations to Miss Margaret Gibbs on being awarded the Lady Stout Bursary for 1931 are tinged with regret that she must leave us to take up Post-Graduate Research work in Palmerston N. Miss Gibbs has been a student at Victoria College for three years, and has crammed into her stay a good deal more unselfish work for the College than most. As a member of the Science Society, and later as a member of the Executive for two years, Miss Gibbs has done much for her fellow-students—how much only those who have worked on the Committees can realize. We reiterate that Victoria College, by trans-

fers and graduations, has lost many students she can ill spare, and Miss Gibbs is not the least of them. The best wishes of all students go with Miss Gibbs, and we hope she will have a profitable and enjoyable stay in the Manawatu.

PRINCE BISH.

The regret with which the Executive received Mr. H. J. Bishop's resignation will be echoed by students. Until the claims of his profession kept him permanently at Lower Hutt, Mr. Bishop was a member of the Executive, and held office as Men's Vice-President for two years. In addition, "Bish" was prominent in the Haeremai Club during its brightest days, an N.Z. University Hockey Blue, and was a famous debater, as many a would-be heckler learned to his cost. Those who enjoyed Mr. Bishop's unique characterizations in former Extravaganzas will look forward to seeing him in action once more, and he will always be welcome at V.U.C. whenever there is something lively going on.

GRADUATION CEREMONY.

It will perhaps be remembered that last year the Graduation Ceremony was abandoned through unfortunate circumstances arising out of difficulties in securing a Speaker for the function. Now, this ceremony is a most important occasion for every graduate, ranking with his birth, marriage, and final shuffle off this mortal coil as one of the most significant turning points of his life. The Graduation Ceremony is the culmination, the "O altitudo" of his College life and labours, without which he would say farewell to the pleasant ways he walked in these several years past with a sense of bathos; his life as a collegian, instead of reaching a culminating point, would merely cease to continue, and his degree, instead of being conferred with due circumstance and solemnity, would merely have come upon him unawares like a thief in the night. This should not and must not happen, but without co-operation between the College Council and Professorial Board on the one hand, and the student body on the other, which is the sine qua non of the desired function, it most assuredly would happen.

It is sincerely hoped that the Council and Board will be in full sympathy with the student body's keenly-felt wish for a full-fledged Graduation Ceremony, and that the students for their part will recognise that failure to bear their share of the co-operation can only result in the defeat of their own ends.

Most students of the College, we know, realise this to the full, and are in no need of any admonition on this score; but in the past there have been a few whose youthful spirits have outstripped their discretion. A mere handful of these, doubtless without conscious ill-will, have hitherto by inane and unmannerly interruptions so lowered the standard and destroyed the dignity of the Ceremony that prominent men have been loath to brave the slings and arrows of an outrageous fortune by consenting to speak at the Ceremony.

This mere handful—if such are with us this year, and we hope there are not—are reminded that

some day their own Graduation Ceremony may mean much to them, and that meantime it is poor sportsmanship to inflict on their fellow-students and the College an indignity and annoyance that they would not like to be inflicted on themselves.

It should not be forgotten that "Manners maketh Man," and it will be a proud day for this College when a dignified and successful Graduation Ceremony indicates that all her male students are Men.

Students, let that Graduation Ceremony be the next one!

OUR PRESIDENT.

A modest little notice appearing in the "Evening Post" recently informed Wellingtonians that our President, Mr W. P. Rollings had commenced the practice of his profession at Tisdall's Buildings, Wellington. We understand that a steady stream of law clerks has poured into the Rollings office, as Mr Rollings is well known as the swearer of a mean affidavit. We hasten to add that "mean" here signifies "golden mean."

AND THE TREASURER.

Our Treasurer, Mr. A. C. Jessep, has also started out on his own account. The "Smad" representative intended to pay an official call on Mr Jessep at his office in Brandon House, but on each occasion the temptation of tea in the Quick Lunch on the ground floor diverted him from his purpose. We hope our readers will not be guilty of such unmanly conduct, and we know that they will join us in wishing Mr. Jessep every success.

DOROTHY.

The return to College by students who have been up for several years is always tinged with sadness. At the beginning of the Session we find that graduations and transfers have removed many friends from our midst whose loss we can ill afford. For the first time since 1926 Miss Dorothy Martyn-Roberts will be absent from us. It is no exaggeration to say that every student has suffered a distinct loss, as Miss Martyn-Roberts was the ideal undergraduate. No one can forget her charming personality and her happy knack of making everything with which she was connected run smoothly whether it was in dressing an Extravaganza caste, or in cooking a delightful dinner at short notice for a horde of starving trampers. Dorothy was a member of the Executive from 1928 until 1930, when she was the women's Vice-President. There was hardly a Club at College that did not at one time or another benefit by Dorothy's talent for organisation, and in particular the Basketball, Tramping, Tennis, and Dramatic Clubs owe her a debt of gratitude.

Dorothy was an outstanding basketball player, winning her Blue on several occasions, and it was unfortunate that her inability to leave Wellington prevented her from gaining a place in the Wellington Representative Team last year. In 1928 Dorothy was awarded the Lady Stout bursary, and students will agree that few have so richly deserved the honour. Teaching at Tahora has claimed her for

two years, but we hope to see her whenever she is in town. In any case whether Dorothy Roberts is in Wellington or in Woop-woop, it will be a long time before her personality and her work for Victoria College is forgotten.

FRESHERS' WELCOME.

We understand that the Professorial Board has refused to hold a welcome to Freshers this year. Probably the reason given was that someone attempted a feeble interruption at the last Welcome. Any older student will tell you that it was the quietest ceremony of its kind that Victoria College has seen for many a long year. It is a matter for deep regret that such a function—the first real glimpse of University life for Freshers—should be abandoned for such slight cause.

C.E.D.

Readers of "Spike" and "Smad" are familiar with the writings of C.E.D. Not all know that the initials are those of Cecilia Drummond. One of our staff once asked her what "E." stood for, and the reply was "Ermytrude"; but we have always doubted that. Cecilia is this year inculcating the the principles of the three R's (and we hope a little poetry) into the souls of the toddlers in the Wairarapa.

NANCY.

During the vacation we were pleased to hear of the success of Nancy Webber in the realms of the breast-stroke, the over-arm, and the crawl. She is our great hope for Tournament swimming. Near the end of last Session Nancy ran a gymnastic display at College, which was voted one of the brightest shows of the year. More, she handed over the total proceeds to the new Building Fund. More power to her elbow—or whatever you swim with or by. We understand some of the women students are forming a Gymnasium Club at 'Varsity this year, and Nancy is to do the coaching. With her in command the Club should flourish.

ICE INTERNATIONAL.

DISPUTE AT LAKE PLACID.

LAKE PLACID (N.Y.), Feb. 6.

The trial heats of the Olympic 10,00 metres speed-skating championship were declared no races after an hour's angry debate on Friday night over the disqualifications of two Canadians, one United States and one Japanese.

(6th Feb., 1932. Wellington newspaper.)
—Still, the Lake was placid.

"Examinations are formidable even to the best prepared, for the greatest fool can ask more than the wisest man can answer."—Colton.

He must have been ploughed.

V.U.C. Tournament Committee

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Programme of Events.

FRIDAY, MARCH 25th.—

10 a.m.—Weighing-in of boxers.

2.30 p.m.—Official welcome.

Official photograph.

Afternoon tea.

SATURDAY, MARCH 26th.—

9.15 a.m.—Tennis Preliminaries — W.P.L.T.A.
Courts at Miramar (all day).

10 a.m.—Boxing Preliminaries — Winter Show
Building.

10 a.m.—Swimming Preliminaries.—Tepid Baths.

2.30 p.m.—Rowing (Ngahauranga Course if north-
erly wind. Oriental Bay Course if
southerly wind).

8 p.m.—Boxing Finals.—Winter Show Building.

10 p.m.—Rendezvous.—College Gymnasium.

SUNDAY, MARCH 27th.—

9.30 a.m.—Special Communion Service at St.
Paul's Pro-Cathedral, Mulgrave Street, in
which students of all denominations are
invited to participate.

2 p.m.—Motor drive—leaving Government Build-
ings.

4 p.m.—Afternoon tea.

5.30 p.m.—V.U.C.S.C.M. Tea.—V.U.C. Women's
Common Room.

7 p.m.—Church Service—Congregational Church,
followed by a performance of the religious
play, "Eager-Heart." Presented by
members of the V.U.C.S.C.M., in conjunc-
tion with the Terrace Congregational
Church Choir.

MONDAY, MARCH 28th.—

9 a.m.—Basketball.—Technical College Courts.
(If wet at Winter Show Building).

11 a.m.—Athletic Championships.—Basin Reserve.

1 p.m.—Basketball.—Technical College Courts.
(If wet at Winter Show Building).

2 p.m.—Athletic Championships.—Basin Reserve.

8 p.m.—Swimming Finals.—Tepid Baths.

10 p.m.—Rendezvous.—College Gymnasium.

TUESDAY, MARCH 29th.—

9.30 a.m.—Tennis Finals—Miramar Courts.

8.30 p.m.—3 p.m.—Tournament Ball—Town Hall.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30th.—

7.45 p.m.—Vale.

TRIALS OF JUMBLE SALE COLLECTOR.

Overheard: "Been trying to collect o'ld clothes
all afternoon."

"Any luck?"

"No! The Christians got in first!"

HEARD IN THE COMMON COMMON ROOM.

"We are never less alone than when by our-
selves."

Hospitality.

Freshers, Undergraduates, and (with awe) Professors! Victoria College has the honour of sponsoring Tournament this year, and the success or failure of Tournament will redound to the eternal glory or shame of your own College.

Tournament is the big event of this year, and no less than 150 visitors from the other Colleges are accepting our proffered hospitality. We feel quite confident that all Wikitorians, including Freshers and present and past students, will stand by their College. We also feel sure that billets for all the visitors will be willingly provided in the homes of students residing in Wellington, but we should like to say that what is very necessary is that you should let us know NOW of your intention to give your loyal support to your College in the matter of providing billets.

Proper care is of course taken to ensure that as far as possible billets are given to visitors of tastes and interests congenial to their hosts.

Furthermore, those offering billets will not be expected to entertain their visitors, whose time will be fully occupied with Tournament and College activities during their stay in Wellington.

It is no small task for the Delegates responsible for the arranging of billets for the visitors to finalise this very important and exacting section of Tournament organisation; yet it is absolutely essential that the complete quota of billets should be fully assured before the visitors leave their respective cities—for it would be a fine thing for our College if we had to greet our visitors on their arrival with the announcement that for the first time in the history of the College our hospitality had been weighed in the balance and found wanting.

Moreover, the provision of hotel accommodation would be a tremendous drain on Student Association funds, in addition to the other heavy expenses inseparable from Tournament organisation.

We repeat, we know you will stand by your College, but we earnestly request that you will tell us so now, in order that arrangements may be brought to an efficient and satisfactory conclusion without delay.

The same applies to the provision of private cars and drivers for transportation of the visitors from the boat and railway station to their respective billets on Good Friday, and for a tour around the city and environs on Easter Sunday, and for transport of the visitors to and from their billets to station and boat on Wednesday.

So please let us know, all of you who can have cars and drivers available at any or all of the above times.

Freshers, this is your chance to prove your worthiness of initiation as true members of V.U.C.; Undergrade, now is the time to show what the College means to you; past students, this is your opportunity to show that you have not forgotten the good old days in the good old Coll.

Wikitorians, it's up to you.

Leap Year.

Leap Year comes but once in four,
But when it comes, Excelsior!
For heigh! the merrie merrie quest
Of maid for him she loves the best.

This year a bachelor is taxed,
If he says No when he is "axed"
A new silk dress for each offence,
A most extortionate expense!

And since he hasn't got the price
In these hard times, he'll have to splice,
For two can starve as cheap as one.
And so the job's as good as done.

But if you want to get your man,
It's high time that the chase began;
Yet if you're wise you'll take our tip,
And take a look before you lip.

So atta girl! and gie't a buck,
Because you never know your luck;
And if you're not to debtor averse,
He's yours to take for better or worse!

And if statistics fail to show
That wedding bells are on the go,
There'll be some cause to feel alarm
That College girls have lost their charm.

Our Chas.

Our Charlie is a doughty thane,
Astir from noon till noon,
A super-human hurricane,
Tornado and monsoon.

An abstract dream became concrete
In Charlie's tennis courts;
He filled the hollows—no small feat
And flattened all the warts.

They tell us he's reorganised
The Cafeteria;
The way it's run, we've been apprised,
Is quite superior.

A very active man is he,
As you've no doubt surmised;
We wonder why he seems to be
So often criticised.

BIRTHS.

LXWSXN.—On January 27th, 1932, at Nurse Spellman's, Masterton, to Mr. and Mrs Jxhn Lxwsxn—a son.

(6th Feb., 1932, Wellington newspaper).
—Is this paper setting itself up as a rival to Old Moore's Almanac?

Haast.

The following is but the pale wraith of an excellent account of this trip from our Masterton correspondent, which was too long for "Smad," but has been forwarded to the Editor of "The Spike."

The party of eleven set out on their 170 mile tramp from Franz Josef to Lake Wanaka, after spending a day on the Glacier, described by one girl as 'the worst few hours I've ever had in my life, dentist not excluded,' but voted as "great" by the men who went right to Defiance Hut. The party picked up their supplies at Fox Glacier Hotel next day, together with some grisly warnings about West Coast rivers. A fair sample is: "There's many a man been lost in the Haast, and his body never been seen again, quoted often and with relish by Ena Spence.

The route to the Haast, a roughly-formed road for 50 miles, and the remaining 50 a mere bridle track, ran through wonderful bush. Thence the party had to go 60 miles up the river and over the Pass across the Southern Alps into Otago. The girls of the party were, according to settlers, the first to cross the Pass on foot from Westland to Otago.

The first two rivers, the Fox and the Cook, were crossed in aerial cages by some members, and the others crossed at the ford with the two pack-horses, Jack and Daisy Bell by name. Jack was the better behaved, and performed well to the strains of opera, grand and not so grand. Brian Shorland's wooing was generally effective with the moody Daisy; "May I press you to a fern?" he once enquired.

The party sheltered from the rain on New Year's Eve in the Iron Hut, in Matakitekakis, a low range to be crossed before reaching the Haast. It was a tight fit; mountains of food and gear in the small hut, and, may we add, mountains of food inside the trampers. "God, I'm full!" was a remark that aroused little comment on that New Year's morn.

Such tragedies as being forced to camp in the rain because the alleged 25 miles to the Clarke Hut stretched on and on to infinity, and a weary chase after the horses on a perfect evening after an enormous meal merely serve to show that the party were on a he-man tramp. Blisters were another worry. Phil Sykes' pathetic appeal: "Dear little toes, hold out just a little longer!" fell on sympathetic ears.

After a cold, wet crossing over the Pass, the party crossed the Haast River before the rain brought it up. A hard day's tramp landed the party at a flax-miller's hut at Makarora, seven miles from Queenstown. The party then joined the boat down Wakatipu to Kingston, and left in sections by train for Dunedin.

Keith made a splendid leader, and it is largely due to him that the trip was so successful.

Tapuaenuku.

After a marvellous moonlight trip through the Sounds, and a bus journey remarkable only for Max Riske's incoherent babblings about the Book of Joshua, a party of twenty, with Professor Boyd Wilson as leader, and eight girls to cook, left Kekerangu homestead on Christmas afternoon with ten pack-horses laden over the Plimsoll mark, two packmen, and a determination to do or die. Several were on

the point of dying, when at last appeared Coverham, at which we spent the night. Coverham is a wonderful subject for a painting, and later photos proved that Charlie Birks was an efficient substitute for Corot.

Arrived at the Dee Hut (a comfortable sod-wall 16-bunker), the energetic set about killing and dressing a sheep, erecting tents, and storing food. Next day, Sunday, the Professor, who apparently took seriously the general but pointed comments on snoring, erected a tent for himself, and, ably assisted by Noel Hill and Jack Smith, built a canoe for use on the Clarence.

After Tony Chorlton's party had established a bivouac at the head of the Dee stream, skirting a 50-ft. waterfall in transit, various parties proceeded to ascend "Tappy," our impudent nickname for the magnificent peak whose snowfields and shingle slides rather overawed our party as we regarded it from the security of the pleasant Dee Valley.

Emboldened by the success of the various parties, and after many references to rice and food bags, two parties, one consisting of Alice Jacobs, Bill Read and Tony, and the other of Jean Shallcrass, Mary Ewart, Dorothy Roberts, Stan Reid, Jack Smith, and Max, set out for the inhospitable Hodder Valley. The explorers returned after four days, which the stay-at-homes spent in climbing "Tappy," shooting the Clarence rapids and most of the game (except the "man-eating bull"), the former per canoe, and the latter with the rifle, and swimming in the Clarence or the dammed Dee. Alice's party had scaled Mitre, and Tony gleefully recounted how emergency rations speeded you up on the last lap, while Max's party had gone clean round "Tappy," retracing their steps over only one mile, also making a flying call on the Bluff station, and Tom Birks' party at the Branch Hut.

All too soon came the day of departure. After leaving an honours board mailed over the fireplace, we closed the door of the Dee Hut for the last time, leaving the Valley once more to its wild sheep, goats, and rabbits, who had led a troubled life since the advent of our riflemen.

We made good time out, and left Kekerangu station deeply indebted to the MacDonalds, who very kindly greeted our return with an enormous dinner; to Frank Garrett, our genial pack-man, and to his amazing "off-sider," who startled us with his grand opera soli (the canto method) and his painstaking explanation of the workings of the hydraulic ram.

Had we the space we could enlarge on the beauties of the district and the marvellous view from "Tappy," or the hunters' exploits (two sheep with one soft nose .303), whose prowess enabled us to feed right royally of Tony's unique swathing effects in costume for the road and for the boudoir; of delicious cooking by Dorothy and Mary; of how Bill Clark's record stalk was spoiled by the return of two new chums from a "hoozle," of the epic cycling over the South Island by Mildred Huggins, Puck and Jean Shallcrass;—but we haven't, so we can't.

The Prof. was once more an admirable leader, and the thanks of the whole party are due to him. His handiness with tools and knowledge of camp life frequently stood us in good stead, and the greatest tribute a grateful party can pay him is to record that all the new chums vowed it the cheapest and most enjoyable holiday they had spent.

CAFETERIA.

The secretary of the Executive has suffered for long the impossibility of satisfying his secret craving for waffles, this, combined with the fairly frequent shortage of pies has made the whole Executive anxious to make a change in the management of the Cafeteria.

With the hope of improving the quality of food and reducing prices, the Executive made earnest representations to the Council that the Cafeteria should be transferred to the Students' Association. Then the Executive spent a time of considerable suspense wondering whether daily waffles and plentiful pies would reward their labours.

On Thursday night, February 25th, the good news came that the Cafeteria was to be handed over to the student body. There was very little time left to make arrangements, but the Executive have been most happy in finding a woman of experience and competence who will fill the position. Mrs. Gibson has fed our brothers and sisters in Canterbury, and they have grown strong and flourished greatly. She will be under the directions of the Women's Vice-President, Miss Helen Dunn, and Mr. S. Perry.

The Students' Association has no intention of running the Cafeteria to increase its funds. Any profits will go to the better management of the Caf., that this College spirit we are so anxious about may be fostered by fruit salads and waffles.

FOUNDATION DAY.

To many of us V.U.C. means much, but there are some who think of her as consisting of nothing but four barren walls and long, soulless corridors. These people, though very misguided, have some excuse. The soul of Victoria College is certainly elusive; it is, however, extant. An occasional discreet airing might do it good.

This College has so far passed by an excellent opportunity for creating and concentrating University atmosphere. Foundation Day is kept in almost all colleges, and it would be most helpful to Victoria if on that day the staff and students, past and present, could meet in commemorative functions. We do not want to resemble the American University Mr Justice McGregor spoke of which put up this notice: "There is a tradition in this College that students should not walk across the front lawn. This tradition dates from to-morrow." Yet we do feel that we have been struggling along the hard path of learning for long enough, and with sufficient distinction to justify us in celebrating the day of our foundation.

A more intimate relationship between the staff and students is particularly to be striven for, and Foundation Day might be the occasion of a social gathering which would foster friendships that would lead to a more sympathetic atmosphere between professors and students.

ROMANCE.

We notice that Miss Eileen Plank looks romantically pensive and strangely slim. Is she dreaming of Sweden and her beloved wetas?

OUR NOVELIST.

Miss Toni McGrath is on her way to England to find a publisher for her novel. We wish her every success. She is likely to be startling even in a startled world, but her disarming lisp may save her from the condemnations of the Philistines.



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CLUB NOTES.

The Student Christian Movement.

"They said unto him: 'Master, where dwellest Thou?' He said unto them: 'Come and see!'"

That is our invitation to you. We want your enthusiasm, your co-operation and friendship, your ideas and criticism—but before you criticise, come and see. Come to the opening address. It is on March, 9th, and will be given at 'Varsity by the Rev. Gordon McKenzie, ex-chairman of the New Zealand Student Christian Movement, whose subject will be: "The Bible in Modern Life." Early in April there will be an address on the Sino-Japanese question. Both these will be followed by open forum, when questions and opinions are welcomed. These are problems that matter, and it is our job to come along and think about them.

After the first address names will be collected of those wishing to join study groups. The Student Christian Movement provides an opportunity for study and discussion in small groups on subjects vital to student youth—international problems, the relations between men and women, the life of Jesus and His place in the world to-day. In these groups we face facts, exchange findings, and seek to solve some of the practical problems of daily life. Religion is not one department of life or a social anesthetic for its pain. It is an ever-springing power and presence within a man that can be felt equally in lecture-room, dance-hall, and cathedral.

God is not like an aspirin, to be taken to relieve a headache. He is the daily bread by which men live.

come, but even the hoary will enjoy themselves.

On Easter Sunday all Victoria Students and the Tournament representatives are invited to attend a special Communion Service at St. Paul's Pro-Cathedral, at 9.30 a.m. After the motor-drive in the afternoon, there will be a tea, at 'Varsity if possible, followed by a short Student Service at The Terrace Congregational Church, where the Minister will be the Rev. H. W. Newell, M.A., President of the New Zealand Student Christian Movement. Immediately after the service a mystery play, "Eager Heart," will be performed in the Church by members of the Student Christian Movement. A church full of students will make this evening the best part of the tournament.

The Rev. James R. Young, M.A., "sometime Travelling Secretary, Chairman, Treasurer, etc., and still Debtor of the New Zealand Student Christian Movement" (to use his own words), will be giving a series of five addresses during the week, April 11th-17th. The week-end immediately following there will be a camp (not at Hut Park), where in camp-fire, study groups, fun and fellowship we gain the new vision, the exhilaration and the power that enable us when we go back to the routine

"To know the sorrow of the world,
To face the tyranny of wrong,
And yet to feel God everywhere,
And still to hear the Angels' song."

MATHEMATICAL AND PHYSICAL SOCIETY.

The various papers presented before the M. and P. Society during 1931 were thoroughly enjoyed by large attendances of members. Probably the most interesting lecture and demonstration was that given by the Chief Engineer of the Western Electric Company in New Zealand, on "Talkies," when over 250

students were present.

As the substance of these papers is usually outside the scope of the normal lecture course, a very profitable medium is provided whereby all interested in mathematics and physics may meet on common ground and discuss their problems. A most cordial invitation is extended to freshers and others to attend the meetings of the Society during the 1932 session, which will be advertised on the Hall notice-board from time to time.

THE HUI MARAE.

On the 28th November the Hui Marae held a bridge evening to raise funds for the common room. At supper-time the guest of honour paralysed the attentive committee by preferring tea to the good rich coffee provided. But stout hearts know no defeat, and happily Brookie was not there to guard the precincts of the professors. Rapidly foraging figures soon returned triumphant, and fragrant tea testified to the good taste of a certain professor, and saved our reputation.

Our next meeting, on the 24th of this month, was in a beautiful newly-papered common room, hung with our lovely pictures and adorned with hydrangeas and magnolias.

Our weary Pen did his best at this second bridge party to deal with the tournament billeting difficulty. Who would have believed that Margaret would fail to listen sympathetically to such a speaker? One loquacious red-headed woman seemed not to have noticed that someone else was talking. The speaker turned away dejected, having for sole encouragement the brightly expressed desire of a daughter of a highly-placed legal official to dispose of unsympathetic parents in order to help him. She feared, though, they would be unmovable.

Both bridge parties were a success, and our pleasantly refreshed room is paid for. If it is to remain good to live in, please, women of Victoria, soften down and cultivate a few gentle manners. Above all, in the name of posterity we implore you do not put your feet up against the new and precious wallpaper, or strike matches on the pictures.

DRAMATIC CLUB.

The Dramatic Club opened the year with a series of vacation Readings, and the following Plays were read:—"The Ship" (St. John Ervine); "The Young Idea" (Noel Coward), "The High Road" (Lonsdale), "Journey's End" (Sherriff). The Readings on the whole were fairly well attended, and were enjoyed by everyone concerned. A special welcome night for Freshers is being organised for the 11th March, and three One-act Plays will be presented that evening, followed by a short dance in the Gym.

Freshers will have every opportunity of taking part in the Readings, as the Casting Committee makes every effort to search out new talent. Previous experience is of no importance, and the Secretary will be glad to receive the names of any who are willing to read.

It is important that intending members should hand their names in to the Secretary, as the Annual Show of the year is being presented early in the second term.

Amongst the Plays available for reading this year are: "The Barretts of Wimpole Street," "Autumn Crocus," "After All," "London Wall," "The Improper Duchess."

Tennis Club.

For several weeks about October and November last year, the Tennis Club was very much in the public eye. The reconstruction of the courts offered an excellent subject for discussion as a relief from November swot, and full advantage was taken of it. Since the completion of the work a few minor points have been raised, but members generally are well satisfied with the work.

A successful opening ceremony was held on Saturday, 28th November. Professor F. P. Wilson, the patron of the Club, introduced Mr. R. A. Wright, M.P., who, after a short and appropriate speech, declared the courts open and served the first ball. Visitors included Mr. Arthur Fair, K.C., and Mr G. F. Dixon (both of whom were present at the original opening ceremony of the courts 25 years ago), Mrs. F. P. Wilson, Mr Malcolm Fraser, Mr. and Mrs N. Goldie, Mr. S. Eichelbaum, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. F. Mackay, Miss Wood, Mr. W. E. Leicester, Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Miles, Mr. and Mrs A. D. Monro, Mr. H. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Elliott, Professor and Mrs. Adamson, and Mr. T. Kane. The afternoon tea provided was apparently enjoyed by all.

A successful Yankee Tournament was held on the following Saturday, some very close scoring being recorded in a number of games. The Tournament was won by Phil Webb and Miss Mildred Briggs.

Since the opening, the courts have been well patronised, in fact, members coming up after work have at times found difficulty in getting in more than one or two sets. This has been partly due to the Club championships, which are being well contested and are beginning to take on a more interesting aspect.

This season the Club has entered several teams in the inter-club matches at Miramar, but, apparently due to the small amount of practice, brought about by the late opening of the courts, only moderate success has come our way.

An important branch of the Committee's activities at present is the raising of funds towards paying off the debt on the courts. A bridge evening was held in the Gymnasium during December, and, in spite of the unfortunate weather conditions, the affair was a social and financial success. Other money-making schemes are at present in operation, and students will be asked to support further functions in the near future. More of this will be heard in good time.

The Committee wish to take this opportunity to extend a cordial welcome to all Freshers, and to invite them to make every use of the Club's facilities. For further particulars of the club we refer you to the S.C.M. Handbook.

UNIVERSITY BURSARIES.

Word has been received from the Education Department that the allowance to Bursars for class fees will be as for 1931, viz., half-fees with a maximum of £10.

G. G. S. ROBISON, Registrar.

CRUELTY TO ANIMALS.

"You are earnestly requested to report to the S.P.C.A. any act of cruelty you may notice."—*"Evening Post,"* February 27th. Verily a sympathetic press.

Fresher Lore.

Heigh, ho, Freshers! Heigh, ho! We're glad to see you, and hope you'll soon be of us as well as with us. To this end a few helpful hints:

First, let us survey the Precincts: That stately red brick pile, lying to the north-west of the Students' Association Building, is the College itself and vice-versa. The College is embossed with the paradox "Sapientia Magis Auro Desideranda," the answer being, "Oh, yeah?" This motto is, of course derived from S M A D.

Freshers may occupy any part of the Students' Building verandah, but may not enter the portico at the eastern end—there lies the garden where perennially nod and blow the Tall Poppies of the College.

In the College Library you read, in the Lecture Rooms you mark (or get marked) and learn, and in the Cafeteria (we hope) you inwardly digest. Food should not be taken from the Cafeteria—hence the saying "immovable feast."

Freshers meeting a Professor in the corridors are expected to doff their hats and stand at the Qui Vive, with chest dilated and nostrils akimbo until the Presence passes.

Freshers are enjoined to refrain from mocking Professors; they can't help themselves—they are here to help you. Always remember that the Professor of a Faculty is not necessarily a Professor of faculty.

Cigarette butts must not be thrown about the corridors, but should be left with Brookie. By the way, Brookie does not collect cigarette coupons for flappers. (Honi soit qui mal y pense!)

Books may not be taken from the Library except by students taking them out. There is no exception to this rule, except the exception proving the rule, and that in this case is a legal fiction. (No reference to detective stories is intended).

Freshers will probably notice, without our saying so, that the Common-common Room is a very uncommon Common-common Room.

No, the escalator does not escalate; you must walk up and down, but only one way at a time.

In conclusion, verb. sap.: Do not thwart Brookie.

DEPRESSION.

'Tis our impression
That this Depression
Now in possession
Is an obsession—
A psychological
Pathological
Neurological
Damned illogical
Damned obsession—
That's our impression
Of this Depression—
A reprehensible
Incomprehensible
Indefensible
Damned insensible
Damned aggression—
That's our impression
That's our impression
Of this Depression.

From the Past.

If all the Athletic fixtures in which the four Universities take part, the Annual Easter Tournament is by far the most ambitious. Commenced as far back as 1902, there have now been twenty-seven such tournaments, and many famous names in New Zealand Sport figure in the programmes of past tourneys.

Take for instance the men's Tennis Titles, which have been held by such noted players as A. F. Wilding, a world's champion, J. T. Laurenson, E. L. Bartleet, I. A. Seay, A. C. Stedman, C. Malfroy, and R. McL. Ferkins.

Again, in Boxing, we find such well-known names as R. R. T. Young, later a New Zealand Representative Davis Cup Tennis player, who won the featherweight title in 1922 and 1923, and also J. T. Burrows, All-Black hooker in the 1928 team to South Africa, and now the stock medium pace bowler in the Canterbury Representative Eleven, who was heavy-weight champion in 1925 and 1926—a useful man in the front row of any team.

In the Athletic Section of the Tournament many famous names crop up. In the earlier tournaments F. W. B. Goodbehere won at different times the 100, 220 and 440 yards titles, whilst among the winners of the "Blue Ribbon" sprint are R. Opie, R. L. Christie, A. E. Porritt, L. A. Tracy, N. A. J. Barker, a North Island Rugby Representative, C. H. Jenkins, and M. Leadbetter (one of the holders of the Australasian record for the distance at 9 4-5 seconds) The University record for this is 10 seconds, and it is held by R. L. Christie and M. Leadbetter. Goodbehere is not the only one who won over the three sprints. W. H. Moyes won all three the first year the tournament was held, and again later, and R. Opie did it again in 1909-10, whilst in later years L. A. Tracy has performed the feat.

Most Wellingtonians will readily recall that determined winger Albert Jackson. Playing both for Victoria College and in the Wellington and New Zealand University Representative sides, his tremendous stride, and daring hurdling on the football field made him the idol of the Wellington public. Jackson could also hurdle on the athletic field, and won both hurdles for V.U.C. in 1920-21. Other well known hurdlers who have participated are M. R. Stewart, from Auckland, F. S. Ramson, holder of the New Zealand 440 yards hurdles record, W. G. Kalaugher, later a New Zealand Olympic Games Representative and Oxford Blue, H. D. Morgan (Otago University), and G. G. Aitken, the 1921 All Black Rugby Captain and Rhodes Scholar.

In 1923, A. E. Porritt, another New Zealand Olympic Games Representative, despite the fact that he was secretary of the Tournament Committee, put up the remarkable feat of winning four events, the 100 yards, 220 yards, 120 yards hurdles, and the long jump. The 100 yards he did in 10 seconds, the time not being passed as a record; the 220 yards in 22 4-5, thus equalling Tracy's record; the Long Jump saw him put up the second best jump made in the Tournament, and in the 120 yards he was 1-5 of a second outside the existing record at the time. Ramson's performance in 1929, at Christchurch, was similar. He won the 120 and 440 yards hurdles, high and long jumps, and was a member of the Victoria College team which won the Relay. That year Victoria put up an outstanding performance by winning the Athletics Shield, with a team of seven athletes, the points being even when the last event was reach-

ed. That event was the Relay, in which Victoria was represented by R. Leech, E. K. Eastwood, F. S. Ramson, and J. N. Goodson, all of whom had run hard races during the day. However, the Victoria College Relay team made sure of it, and clinched the Shield for the year. It was in 1921, at Christchurch, that a similar position also had arisen. To gain a win for the Shield, Victoria College had to win the last event—the 440 yards hurdles—and Otago University had to fail to gain either a first or second. The race was won by A. Jackson, of V.U.C., with Malfroy, then of C.U.C., second.

In the distance events probably the greatest runner of them all was Athol Hudson, who, chosen as a Rhodes Scholar, was killed in the Great War before he could take up his scholarship. In 1914 he put up two records for the mile and three miles, one of which still stands.

In the jumps, the names of J. N. Millard and G. J. Sceats come to mind. J. N. Millard won the Long Jump in 1911, with a jump of 22 feet 8½ inches, injuring his leg in the jump, and this record still stands; whilst in 1927 G. J. Sceats won the High Jump at 5ft. 11in., and this also still stands a record.

Among the walkers who have put up really good performances are the names of A. B. Sievwright, of V.U.C., D. Jackson, also of V.U.C., and J. A. C. Mackenzie and the two Cabots, of Otago. Some great performances have been achieved at these tournaments, and among them the performances of L. S. Jennings stands out as unique. At tennis, Jennings won the Men's Singles five years in succession, 1908-1912, inclusive, the Men's Doubles with different partners for the same five years in succession, and scored four wins in the Mixed Doubles with different partners. Thus, of all the tennis events he competed in over a period of five years at this tournament he missed one event out of fifteen.

Another competitor who has won an event five years in succession was E. B. E. Taylor, who has won the three-mile run the maximum number of times, and the one-mile run four times.

There have been some sensational wins in the Boxing, too; N. C. McLean, of Auckland, in 1922, for instance, won the Heavy-weight title, knocking out both his opponents in the first round.

It was in 1923 that the Tournament Shield was instituted, points being counted for wins and placings in all events, and since that time V.U.C. has won the Shield but once, in 1929. However, V.U.C. has now won each cup or shield for the separate parts of the Tournament, save the Basketball Shield, which seems to remain firmly in Auckland's grip.

As has been said above, this year will see the twenty-eighth Tournament take place. In all those Tournaments, so far as can be gathered, only once have the students burst forth before an unseen public through the magic of broadcast. Perhaps it was just as well that television was not installed at 3 YA during the last Christchurch Tournament, but it is to be hoped that visiting members of Tournament Teams will give 2 YA the pleasure of their cheerful good spirits during this coming Tournament, and teach the announcer anew how to sign off GOOOOOOOO-Night."—J.A.C.

Students who give their custom to advertisers in "Smad" will benefit this paper—and also themselves, for the advertisements are carefully selected.

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Executive Letter.

(To the Editor "Smad.")

Dear Sir,—

My Executive desires me to report to the students through your columns the following matters which can from their nature be explained in short form:—

(1) Due to the resignations of Miss Margaret Gibbs, Mr. H. J. Bishop, and Mr. F. Cormack, a number of changes have taken place on the Executive. Mr. C. S. Plank has been appointed to the Vice-Presidency and Miss Eileen Plank and Messrs. S. H. Perry and D. Steele appointed to the Committee of the Executive.

(2) Mr. R. Bannister has been appointed Editor of "Spike" for 1932.

(3) The Permanent Building Committee of the Association has commenced its work. The final personnel of this important Committee is Professor Gould, representing the Professorial Board; Mr. S. Eichelbaum (College Council); Messrs. W. Perry, G. Dixon, G. G. Watson, J. M. A. Hott, and J. L. MacDuff (Past Students); Messrs. W. P. Rollings, M. Parkinson, E. C. Fussell, S. H. Perry, and R. J. Reardon (Present Students).

(4) The College Cafeteria is now controlled directly by the Association. Mrs. M. Gibson has been appointed Manageress. The Executive members in control are Miss Helen Dunn and Mr. S. H. Perry.

(5) It has been decided that Clubs will be furnished with a list of financial members of the Association. Clubs will be expected to see that any active member of the Club whose fee is unpaid takes steps to remedy the defect. If a Club continues to make use of an unfinancial member, then the amount of his or her fee will be deducted from the Club's grant from the Association.

(6) A new College Blazer has been designed, and may be obtained on production of an order signed by the Secretary from Messrs. Hallenstein Bros.

(7) Owing to the financial situation it has been decided that no appeals for money shall be permitted within the University without the permission of the Executive.

(8) Representations are at present being made to the proper authorities regarding Library hours and facilities.

(9) All moneys held in trust by the Association for the new building fund have been transferred to trustees appointed by the Permanent Building Committee.

(10) It has been decided to donate a Wooden Spoon for the Easter Tournament, and a very handsome design has been selected.

(11) A gratifying number of revues has already been received for production at Capping. These will be considered and a choice made and announced at an early date. Rehearsals will commence immediately after Easter.

(12) A steel filing cabinet has been purchased, and the records of the Association over a long period of years collected, indexed, and filed.

(13) The Executive has agreed to Auckland's request that the rota of Tournament be changed to enable Tournament to be held in Auckland next year—the jubilee year of Auckland University College.

(14) A grant of £20 has been made to the Athletic Club.

(15) The Professorial Board has been written to suggesting that some function should be held on Foundation Day.

The Executive meetings are open to all students,

and everyone is entitled to come along with either criticism or suggestion. Remember that neither a good idea nor a legitimate grievance can be vented by discussion in private. The Executive is there to hear what the students want.

In the matter of suggestions, any ideas in connection with Capping Week and the proposed Foundation Day would be very much appreciated.

Yours, etc.,

R. J. REARDON,

Hon. Secretary, V.U.C.S.A.

AN APOLOGY FOR THE MODERN WOMAN.

Dear "Smad,"—

I never hear the ill-favoured rantings of those who decry the modern woman without a tightening of the oesophagus and a touch of nausea.

"She smokes!" they say, in derision. Well, what if she does? Her Elizabethan protoplasm smoked with gusto, and a gnarled old briar pipe at that, at which her fastidious modern posterity would turn up the nose of disgust.

I have seen nothing in the sacred or profane writings—though diligent have been my searchings—to convince me that My Lady Nicotine should be reserved for the exclusive delectation and delight of men only. If Nicotine is to be "verboden," why not tannin also? This is merely a rhetorical question by way of *reductio ad absurdum*, and need not be answered.

"She drinks!" they exclaim, with an attempt at fine scorn. What then? "Take a little wine for thy stomach's sake" was not spoken of the soul, and though even in this day of grace it is still proclaimed in some quarters that Woman has no soul, yet thus far no one has been so rash as to extend this hasty generalisation to the—well, its a delicate subject. Moreover, if "In vino veritas" goes for women as well as men, then all I can say is "Vive la vino!"

We men should take a broad view, and accept it as a graceful gesture to our excellence that our fair disciples are so disposed to ape us—no, I don't quite like that expression—anyhow, they must be on the right track.

Nevertheless, if I have a criticism to offer, it is that the modern woman, in snorting like a war horse at the so-called "double code" of morality, is tilting at a windmill, since no double code exists; the most we can claim between us is about half a code each, of which the woman, as usual, has the better half.

So there seems no ethical foundation for the objections to sharing these snug vices, whatever may be said against the vices per se; though, of course, our friends the ubiquitous Economists may point to the practical objection that the increased demand for the output of Bacchus Ltd. and Tobacchus Ltd. may increase the market price of the joys these firms purvey. Still (used adverbially), let us not be selfish.

Yours, etc., MAGNANIMOUS.

WOMEN'S WHIRL.

Why don't our pictures include Christopher Perkins' conception of Professor Robertson's soul?

Have you asked Joan what she thinks of sleeping in a ditch— Well, don't!

Couldn't we have an entertainment more in harmony with the pictures than the ever-sounding Aileen?

"I thought this was the Women's Common Room." "It is." "Well, what about Reg and the Ecc'es child?"

An Appeal.

The Tournament Delegates appeal to all students willing to assist in the running of the Tournament, to approach the comptroller of the committee which can best use their services. Women students willing to sell programmes are urgently required by the Entertainment Committee.

General information about the Tournament may be obtained from the Tournament Delegates. For the details of any particular section, application should be made to the student in charge of the committee concerned.

Sayings We May Expect In 1932.

1. "Of course my grading marks weren't good enough for that job."
2. "The 5-year plan has been a success."
3. "The Capitalist Press refuses to print the real truth about Russia"
4. "What subjects are you taking this year?"
5. "Leave a note for me in the rack."
6. "Now, then, young lady!"
7. "The Executive is out of touch with students."
8. "Gentlemen, the car is very hard to start these cold mornings"
9. "Here comes Brooki-!"
10. "R. v. Storey."
11. "Come in, and welcome! I don't mind your being late!"
12. "See you in the Common Common Room."
"No. I prefer the Christians' Room."

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Wisdom from the Calendar.

"Every student should come to the lectures with some ideas." Page 79. Someone has to provide them!

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"Applicants for Educational posts may be required to receive training." Page 113. Why start now?

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"A Psychoanalytical Study of the Fairy Tale with Special Reference to the Inferiority Comp'x." Page 86. Grimm!!

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"The following are recommended for reference:—Gildersleeve and Lodge. . . . et cetera ad nauseam." Our Latin correspondent also suggests the use of a good crib.

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"A seminar will be held for the discussion of problems." Page 64. Dumping Russian tea up here. Disgraceful.

"The arms are vert on a fesse engrailed. . . Green is the right colour.

"Students will be encouraged to undertake an original investigation, and will be given an opportunity of work-shop practice during the day." Page 77. We suggest this last should be tried by all these amateur painters of Common Rooms.

EATS.

What a wonderful Menu we will have
In the newly re-conditioned Caf.;
Our helpings most certainly will be large,
We'll have consomme and also potage
And not plebeian soup, to begin,
And fish minus bones and scales and fin.
A tasty entree will always be on
Including some poultry and venison;
Though of course the Caf. would never renege
If we wanted a homely bacon and egg.
And when the Menu veers to the sweets
We'll have the choice of various eats.
What waffles and salads and trifles we'll get
In the dandiest Cafe ever yet!

LITERARY SOCIETY.

This Society was formed to foster an interest in literature at V.U.C. The Committee hopes to arrange competitions for verse and prose, and, if successful, will announce details on the notice board. Papers will be read to members during the session, and proceedings will be made as informal as possible. The Society subscribes to some excellent magazines, particulars of which may be obtained from the Secretary, Mr. I. D. Campbell, or from the notice board. For further particulars see the S.C.M. Handbook, or watch the notice board.

COMING EVENTS.

10th March.—Debating Society.
11th March.—Dramatic Club, One Act Plays.
12th March.—Inter-Faculty Sports.
12th March.—S.C.M. Dance.
18th March.—Dramatic Club.
19th March.—Pre-Tournament Dance.
25th to 30th March.—Tournament.
9th April.—Science Society Dance
9th April.—Last day for "Smad" contributions
19th April.—"Smad" out again.

BUSINESS NOTICES.

"Smad" depends for its continued existence on your support. Six issues are published during the Session. Pay a year's subscription now. Order a copy to be sent to your ex-University friend now in another part of New Zealand. It will be appreciated.

Articles, letters and contributions of every kind are welcomed. The second issue of "Smad" will appear on 19th April, and all contributions must be in hand by 9th April. Club secretaries please note.

This first number has been produced by an emergency committee, consisting of Miss Mary Hursthouse, R. J. Larkin, E. C. Fussell, and R. J. Reardon. An editorial appointment will be announced at an early date.

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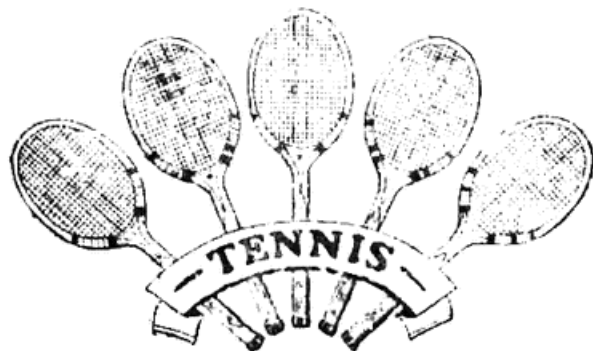
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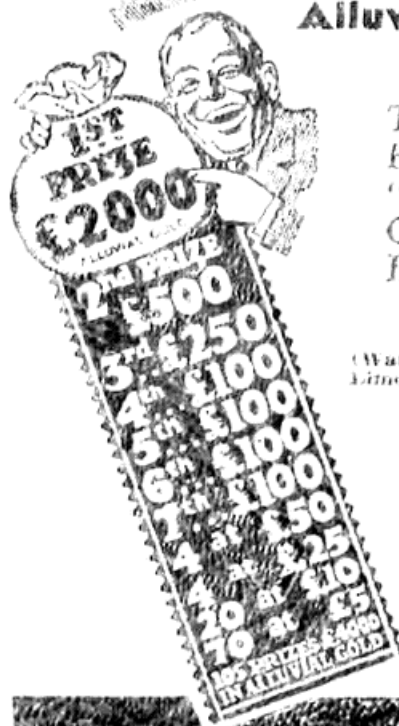
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