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Revue Trembles in the Balance

SWAN SONG

NOTES FROM NOTABLES.

Our ace social reporter found ex-Editor Crisp sadly regarding his faithful and upstanding roadster, George, as it reclined nonchalantly against a tree outside the Barr Smith. His coming infidelity has left George sadly shaken though still capable of some interstate records. It appears that George is on the market.

The ex-Editor thinks the Europe

The ex-Editor thinks the Europe he is soon to enter a rather grim place at the moment. He believes (as apparently does another noted commentator, Mr. J. M. Keynes) that the whole trend of recent Western European diplomacy means an ultimate attack on the Soviet Union by Germany, with the active or passive support of other Powers. Mr. Crisp deplores any such development, as he plores any such development, as he believes (on the basis of usually reliable Genevan and American re-ports) that the economic side of the experiment is progressing well, that the ordinary people are finding increasing opportunities and freedom, even though political cannibalism is a widespread custom amongst the party leaders. Sweden, where the cause of State Socialism is advancing, and where Professors of Economics sit in the Sengte has also caught the Crisp. the Senate, has also caught the Crisp imagination.

Strong for National Union.

George's owner is as enthusiastic about the National Union as ever. He hopes as many as can, whether official delegates or not, will attend the January conference in Melbourne. January conference in Melbourne. Many recent Adelaide Union innova-tions are the result of interstate experience transmitted through N.U. A.U.S. and its conferences (e.g., the shop, the Barr Smith lending system). He hopes much of the travel and bookbuying schemes at present being initiated under the same auspices. Mr. Crisp has himself just secured a letter of introduction and credentials from the N.U.A.U.S. to the English National Union, and he advises any students going to England for work or pleasure, so long as they are current members of our local Union, to do likewise, as they may thereby get substantial travel concessions in England.

In general, the Rhodes Scholar seemed very sorry to be leaving Adelaide Union affairs, where, as he nut it, he has been Public Nuisance No. 1 for a couple of years. He was non-committal about Oxford ambitions, and said that apparently you have to be pretty good to butt into debates over there—he hopes to be a regular and dumb back-bencher and an assiduous collector of wisecracks for the use of Adelaide inter-'Varsity teams. As he says, we must keep the President of the Philippines' Debating Cup now we have it. He was very enthusiastic about Mr. Barbour's proposal to take a debating team touring in the country next May vac. as a training for inter-Varsity debating: says the Sydney people have done that sort of thing for ages with great success. Says he would like to see Messrs. Matison and Johnston debate against an Oxford team if N.U.A.U.S. secures one for 1940.

CONGRATULATIONS

To Helen Wighton and Finlay Crisp, who have announced their engagement. According to certain words of Professor Portus at a recent party this thing has been going on beneath our very noses for some time.

NUMBERS AT REHEARSAL WILL DECIDE

TO-MORROW NIGHT

Whether or not there will be a 1938 'Varsity Revue is still doubtful. The company has a producer and leading players and an orchestra, but it lacks performers (both male and female) to complete the cast. The decision will turn on the numbers who attend the rehearsal to-morrow (Wednesday) night, at 7.30, in the Refectory. Unless there are at least fifty present the show can't go on. The Sports' Association are relying on a Revue being held and on their obtaining financial assistance from it; the Tivoli is tentatively booked for the 20th and 21st December. Accordingly,

JOHN DUNCAN,

who is the producer, and the committee request that everyone who wants a Revue to attend for rehearsal at 7.30 to-morrow (Wednesday) night in the Refectory. Remember that fifty is the very minimum required.

TO-MORROW (WEDNESDAY) NIGHT REFECTORY, 7.30 P.M.

UNION COMMITTEE

WITH BAT AND BALL

The general committee of the Union met on November 21. The minutes of met on November 21. The minutes of the last meeting were confirmed and accounts passed for payment. An advance to the Secretary for the pur-poses of the Cabaret was made as before. It was decided to purchase several electroplate teapots for the cafetaria. These will probably be used at the professorial table, and if they prove suitable all pots now in use will be replaced.

use will be replaced.

Permission was given to the Secretary for the Cabaret to obtain outside catering for the dance, provided that Mrs. Goodall is first approached.

Misses Peggy Britten-Jones and

Geraldine Jay were appointed Editresses of the 1938 Handbook. Nominations for the National Union Conference in February were received and Messrs. Dibden and Johnston and Miss Irwin were elected representa-tives, with Mr. Nichterlein as emer-

The question of reciprocity of life membership of the various Australian Universities was discussed, and the committee decided to accept the Melbourne proposal. A graduate, say, from Melbourne, would have to produce a membership card when applying for membership here, and if the Adelaide fees were higher (as, in fact, they are) he would have to pay the difference

A suggestion was made with reference to the selection of Rhodes Scholars. The committee suggested that the Presidents of the Union and of the Sports Association (or deputies in either case) should attend the selection meeting, provided, of course, that neither was a candidate. They would be able to be questioned with reference to the candidates' 'Varsity and sporting activities and could then

withdraw.

Mr. Bridgland gave notice of an amendment to the Constitution, the effect of which would be to allow the Honorary Treasurer, Mr. Bampton, to vote at Union meetings. The amendment is so framed that, if carried the power to vote would not ried, the power to vote would not necessarily be conferred on subsequent treasurers.

Students will be pleased to learn that "goodsoap" will be in future be supplied in both the Lady Symon and George Murray buildings.

With the grim memories of Swct Vac. already wellnigh blottoed out, Law students (only the males, of course) are indulging with unparal-leled enthusiasm, if not talent, in the noble game of ping pong. The inimitable and merry Mr. Joseph seems to be enjoying some official incapacity, and is frequently to be seen extracting small white rounded pills from the furthest recesses of his deep pockets. However, we are led to believe that games of skill other than ping pong are also being recklessly indulged in by the embryo law lords.

Liaisons Dangereux.

Undoubtedly the most notable events transpiring since our last issue have been the engagements of Helen Wighton and Finlay Crisp and Margaret Higgins and D'Arcy Sutherland (respectably respectively). The careers of these couples have been watched with zealous interest, and it is with heartfelt joy that we either offer our congratulations or express our wishes for their future happiness, as the case may be. One of the prospective grooms leaves shortly for the motherland, and we understand that Helen will follow after.

A Drooping Flower.

One of our most engaging students, to wit, Primrose Viner Smith, has been confined to her bed in Calvary with appendicitis. We understand that she is well on the road to recovery now. The unfortunate girl was stricken on the day before her first exam. Hard luck. Huh!

Do You See the Point?

"Hives, my dear?"

Our Regrets.

That this issue precedes the swimming dance, which means that our stock of marketable slander is considerably depleted. But, if our sleuths report anything worth while, we'll let you have it. "Can you take it?"

N.U.A.U.S. IN ACTION

TRAVEL TOUR ARRANGED

Students on Top of Tasmania

A fortnight of mountaineering, hiking, canoeing, camping, and fishing in the heart of Tasmania is available at low cost to students of Australian Universities during the summer vacation. Preliminary details are to hand, and they show that the men who make this trip (the party must be limited to ten) will be blazing new trails in much of their journey.

The scenic reserve, stretching from Cradle Mountain southwards to Lake St. Clair, has been open to hikers only a short time. Over four hundred square miles of the central mountain area has been reserved for scenic pur-poses, and over half of it is accessible to the hiker only. Mountain and lake, river and forest form a secluded haven of majestic magnificence; gorges, precipices, peaks, and water-falls make beautiful a region of intense interest to geologists, botanists, and naturalists.

Hiking and Hunting.

The student party will be limited to ten men under the guidance of two Tasmanian students, both well ac-quainted with the reserve. The party will hike through the

reserve, camping in huts, and carrying supplies on a packhorse. Some days will be spent at centres in the reserve where one may climb a different mountain every day for a fort-night. There will be a day for sight-

seeing in Hobart. The tour will take place in the last half of January, and will extend over fourteen days.

The travel department of the National Union of Australia University Students is arranging the tour, and it is open to any male members of the N.U.A.U.S. (i.e., any student who is a member of the central students' organisation of any Australian University).

Interstate Party.

It is intended, for greater interest, to form the party of students from the different States. In order to accomplish this, two vacancies in the party will be allotted in each State. Further applicants will be allotted positions of any vacancies remain. All applications will be allotted in the order of their being received.

It will thus be necessary to apply early to ensure a place in the party, for already the proposed tour is arousing great interest in student circles. The last date for the receipt of applications has been fixed at November 30, 1938.

Economical.

The cost of the fourteen days, including sightseeing in Hobart, all transport, food and accommodation, has been kept down to the remarkably low figure of £11 11/-, of which £1 1/is payable in advance as deposit with

application.
The only additional costs will be those of getting to and from Tasmania from the home centre.

Final details of costs, dates, and itinerary are promised by the end of November, and applications are due by November 30, 1938. For further particulars, see the N.U.A.U.S. Travel Representative in this University, B. A. Magarey; or write to the Secretary, N.U.A.U.S. Travel Dept., The Union.

The University, Melbourne.

DEBATING

The last N.U.A.U.S conference decided that it would be willing, if asked, to take over control of inter-Varsity debates. These had formerly been managed by an informal council which met once a veer during the which met once a year during the debates and consisted of the debaters denates and consisted of the department themselves; this council framed rules for debate, decided the locus in quo and the subjects for the following year, and left it to the local organisation. tion to make all arrangements. This was rather obviously unsatisfactory, and this year's debates came very near to being cancelled owing to lack of preparation in Melbourne; it was only through the vigorous efforts of Mr. Ferguson, of the National Union Executive, that arrangements were completed in time. Even so, the first three debates were technically wold three debates were technically void, since there was only one adjudicator instead of three, as prescribed by the regulations, no copy of which was available in Melbourne.

The council, which met during the debating week, decided (Sydney dissenting) to hand over control to the National Union, and drafted various recommendations for its guidance. It is expected that the 1939 subjects, etc., which will be decided on at the comwhich will be decided on at the coming National Conference, will be available at the beginning of next

N.U.A.U.S. will not only conduct the Australian debates, but will arrange for tours such as that re-cently made by Messrs. Gilton and Byas, of Le Moyne College, U.S.A.; no doubt efforts will also be made to send Australian teams on tour. In this latter respect particularly, an all-Australian body should be able to produce infinitely better results than those obtained by each University acting on its own behalf.

THE GOOD ELIZABETH.

Some time ago a young man was engaged in a little educational research (examinations not being imminent) when he chanced upon the striking phrase, "It is unhistorical, and, therefore, nonsense." The young man, having only a rudimentary knowledge of history, immediately per-ceived there was a drastic gap in his mental equipment. Firstly, he examined several well-known books on the history of Australia, but was not impressed; "sup-portus in our misery," he said, as he turned over the pages. He then turned to the Old Testament and Mr. Steve Donoghue's Turf Recollections, but after much study he realised that the great age of all history was the reign of Queen Elizabeth.

Part II. The greatest woman of the time was the Queen herself; according to Mr. Dover Wilson she "reigned for 45 years perpetually hesitating between marriage and virginity." Being a constitutional monarch, she realised that compromise was the way out.

The greatest act of the period was that of Sir Walter Raleigh, who laid his coat on the mud to form a safe path for the Queen.

It is interesting here to note how changes in language upset well-meaning people. Many people have accused Sir Walter of being prone to moralise because it is recorded that after the Queen had passed he took up the cloak and, gazing at it, said "If I continue to act thus it will become a bad habit."

Dubbing.
Dubbing was one of the most popular pastimes of the period. A man named Drake, one of the chief sea dogs, sailed his Golden Hind around the world, but owing to lack of fresh fruit his men contracted Duck's disease. This turned out happily, as they were thus enabled to play ducks and drakes with the Spaniards. Although Drake took several short cuts the round trip took him three years, the round trip took him three years, and he attributed his success to fresh air and plenty of water. When the Queen was informed of his return, she remarked, "This Drake's no fake," and went upon the Golden Hind; she then took a sword, and, rapping Drake sharply on the nape, proclaimed, "I dub thee Knight." "O spite! She snubbed me," complained Essex.

Snubbing. This brings me to snubbing, the cond great characteristic of the second period, and to the Earl of Essex. This Essex was a Fine Young Fellow who defiled the Court: but one day he saw a girl with deep-blue eyes and fair hair, and became a Reformed Character. He was a favorite at Court, and was sent on an expedition to Ireland. This, presumably, was an early effort to settle the Irish question, and, of course, everybody of any consequence ever since has settled the Irish question at least once. It was finally posed of three centuries after Elizabeth by being dropped. This method of conducting public affairs is adopted by the English because of their innate political intuition. However, Essex upset the Irish, who are easily put out, and returned to England to find him-self the subject of gross libels. He hurried to the Queen, who was then at Nonsuch Palace, and burst into her apartment, shouting, "I am none such as my enemies say." Her Majesty, unfortunately, was only partially clad, and she exclaimed, "This is not queenly, but unseemly"; at this stage Essex trembled, greenly, and said that he felt his position keenly. The Queen agreed, and administered the snub direct and Essex was executed. died like a martyr. He is recorded to ave said on the scaffold that as an old flame of the Queen he hoped that he

was incipient arson, and may or may not have been connected with his at-tempts at match making.

was that day lighting a fire which would never be extinguished. This

Drubbing.

The third characteristic was drubbing. The English of this time drubbed nearly everybody. When the Great Drake heard of the approach of the Armada he did not hasten to his galley, but continued to play at bowls in the alley; this is without doubt the greatest piece of strategy ever displayed by a British Admiral. When the English did put out to sea their boats were so small that they were able to hide beneath the towering Spanish ships, which was scarcely cricket. The English, presumably, attacked the flanks of the Armada attacked the flanks of the Armada the flanks of with their penknives. A breeze then sprang up. Our brave boys were not troubled by the wind, but the Spanish ships were driven northwards and finally wrecked on the dangerous Scottish coast. In fact, it was really Scotland which destroyed the Armada. And this is the origin of the view that everything has its use. The Spanish (Continued on columns 3 and 4.)

Hit HISTORICAL SURVEY

Tuesday, November 22, 1938

Editors: Gwenneth Woodger. Elliott Johnston. Sub-Editors: Mimi Richardson.

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This issue marks the end of "On Dit" for 1938. It is our first and most pleasant duty to thank those who have assisted us during the year in the production of the paper. Our first thanks are, of course, for the staff. It is the custom for the Union Committee to appoint only the Editors of "On Dit," and to allow these to select their staff. We respectfully suggest that this practice should be continued, as it is the surest method of obtaining sympathetic relations between Editors and staff, which is probably the first essential for the successful execution the work. We thank our staff for their loyal co-operation, and we trust the future Editors will be similarly

We have had also considerable help from people not members of the staff: Miss H. Wighton and Miss Doreen Jacobs, Messrs. M. Finnis, K. Borrow, E. Scarfe, O. Nichterlein, J. Yeatman, L. F. Crisp, J. Gent, and N. Gosse have contributed articles; and others whose names do not spring to mind at the moment. They have lightened the burden considerably: and first among them is our whimsical friend, Omar Khayyam. The correspondence was, with some notable exceptions, disappointing both as to quality and

quantity.

The advertisers merit not so much our thanks as the thanks of the Union. Only those who have been connected with the paper know how essential they are to its very existence, and we hope that students generally have dealt with them where possible. Finally, our thanks go to the printers, E. J. McAlister & Co., of Blyth Street, for their splendid help on the production side. From them we have had unfailing service.

Our aim throughout the year has been to encourage the expression of opinion on more diverse subjects, to supply news, and to suggest reforms. Whether or not we achieved those aims is at this stage largely irrelevant, but the question remains for decision as to whether those aims should be amended or added to. For ourselves, we think that "On Dit" can be improved a hundredfold, and we rejoice to note that most of our readers appear to think the same. Under these circumstances progress is almost

inevitable. The old question of censorship intrudes itself, attacking all progress. This matter was discussed at a recent Union Committee meeting, at the instigation, it appears, of those higher up. The idea of an official censorship was rejected, but it was decided to set up an advisory censorship committee, consisting of the President, Vice-President, and Chairman of the Finance Committee: this committee will exist to deal with matters referred to it by the Editors and not to coerce them. Quite apart from the merits of the principle enshrined in this peculiar committee, it is fairly obvious, we should imagine, to the meanest mind that from an administrative point of view it is so much nonsense. The idea of a censorship board which decides only on those works referred to it by the person against whom the cen-sorship is aimed, would no doubt fit well into the political structure of Alice's Wonderland, but it is scarcely

the product of a civilised community. The question, however, goes deeper than that. In its present form, "On Dit"—good, bad, or indifferent—is at least a symbol of a certain freedom of thought and expression which, though precious to every man, is yet doubly so to those trained within the walls of a University. This is no old-time privilege. A little over a century ago Shelley was sent down from a seat of learning more famous than our seat of learning more famous than our own for proclaiming "The Necessity of Atheism." At this moment any student of the University can have published in the students' paper published in the students' paper articles expressing any idea whatever. That is a very precious privilege, and one essential to the full development of the individual as to the proper development of our whole society. We have no doubt that the present board will be just one more defunct sub-committee littering up the records; but it is dangerous, because it is a beginning, and may suddenly, in a crisis, grow into a veritable tyrant. Let "On Dit" be free, is the dominant wish of your retiring Editors.

Foreign Editor

Death is no respecter of persons, and apparently the nations of the world are heedless of "On Dit." We return to the scene after many weeks' absence, and are greeted by a series of faits accomplis. In spite of the solenin denunciation which thundered forth from our columns in measured and

dignified prose, in spite of our stern warnings and passionate pleas, grave decisions have been made and steps taken which have in all probability sealed the fate of the world—one way or the other.

The most striking (and at the same time the most distressing) fact that the recent crisis has demonstrated is the sheer bewilderment into which the man-in-the-street is thrown at the approach of war. It is time that the all but universal response to that delightful week was an acceptance of the necessity of resistance to the power of the dictators; it is equally true that the reasons given for that resistance were many and varied. The only sign which gives any grounds at all for hope was that the crisis did not demonstrate what some people have been emphasising for years past —that the peoples of the world have a common feeling, the desire to avoid Even from closely screened Germany we heard reports of unrest and dissatisfaction—the people reawhat war meant to them, and were lifted above their fear of their

It need hardly be pointed out once again how the tragedy of modern war is that the people do not want it. No no matter his nationality, can possibly be other than revolted at the thought of seeing his house and friends shattered by a bomb dropped at random by someone he has never seen. For the essence of war to-day is its impersonality. If we can believe the testimony of a legion of experts -British, French, Russian, German,

and many others—the principle feature of the next war will be merciless bombing from the air of civilian populations. Difference of opinion, of course exist about the efficacy of bombing if we consider the material damage it does, but no one doubts the mental strain and panic which intensive and prolonged air attack will

THE PROMISED LAND

Just what effect has the Munich agreement had in assuring world peace? In the opinion of a very great number of people, none at all. It undoubtedly has given us a temporary peace, if we accept that bitter but true definition: "Peace—the period after one war in which the world prepares for the next." But its ability to procure for a desperate world anything but a short breathing space before a period of wholesale massacre must be in grave doubt. That is not to say that I have any panacea for the troubles of the world. The most shocking aspect of the present drift into disaster is that there does not seem to be any way out. the most bitter opponent of the policy followed in the drawing up of the Munich agreement can claim to have found a sure way of salvation, and no one can have anything but the highest praise for the untiring energy and the sincere devotion which Mr. Chamberlain has showed to the cause of world peace. His sincerity will never be questioned, his policy probably will be proved wrong in a very short time.

How then are we to set about building a secure and enduring foundation for the peace which the people of the world so earnestly desire? I don't know, and I think it would be true to say that no one knows. The most widely held view at the present time is that intensive armament is the cure, the "be stronger than all your possible enemies" school. It seems to

me that the most effective answer to this line of thought is the simple one that its use in the past has always led to war. Why, then, should we disregard the lessons of history, and think that we have discovered a new and vital principle?

Some people realise that war will come, but favor rearmament so that we (and incidentally all the other nations) shall be strong when the time comes, and think that we only have to crush Germany and the world will be safe. Apart from the interesting question of just what we mean by "winning" a war, we have once again only to consider the history of the last twenty years to see the futility of the argument. It will hardly be denied that no great nation could be crushed more surely than was Germany in 1918-32, and what was the result, and why should it be any different next time? Absolute pacificism offers the only sure way out of our difficulties, but it requires the support of a whole trained and disciplined nation for its effective operation, and, unfortunately, it is quite obvious that there is neither the inclination nor the time for the conversion and training of any nation.

The outlook, therefore, seems quite hopeless, and following H. G. Wells into the future one see the history of man as:

1940-50: Second world war.

1950-80. Rearmament. Population greatly reduced.

1985-2000: Third war.

2000-2040. Rearmament. Population

? ?: Nth great war. Man extin-

With which comforting thought we say farewell.

Provocations

THE GREATEST DRAMA EVER STAGED

BY DOROTHY L. SAYERS

(Our copy from the publishers.)

The back to a saner-and-more-sincere Christianity tendency has been going forward for some time in a series of well-defined movements, and now Dorothy Sayers has thrown in her hand—straight from the shoulder.

The Greatest Drama Ever Staged'

is an attempt to retell the life of Christ and demonstrate its significance in modern terms. As such, it cance in modern terms. As such, it is a fair enough essay in a modern journalistic style; it is only to be doubted whether the style is particularly suited to the subject. This is not the objection only of "pale curates and pious old ladies," but of those who deny the adequacy of some of the modern terms, and suspect of the modern terms, and suspect them because of their treacherous tendency to lead the writer into making surprising and false effects. For example, the title of the essay has the characteristic modern edge, but it (fundamentally) contradicts what Mrs. Sayers is postulating inside. The life and death of Christ was not a "drama" at all, because there was no audience, everybody being an actor.

The particular line Mrs. Sayers is taking is that the churches are empty.

taking is that the churches are empty, not because there is too much insistence on "dull dogma," but precisely because dogma is neglected. "The Christian faith is the most exciting drama that ever staggered the imagination of man—and the dogma is the drama." If you can resolve the contradictions in terms there you are cleverer than Mrs. Sayers.

The life of Christ, it seems to me, was not a dogma, but an example. The dogma of the Church, its whole attitude, and, indeed, the Church itself, developed later and are in direct opposition to Christ's teaching. Thus, such a sentence as the following, taken from its context, has some cogency, but, in it, implies a wholly wrong idea: "[Christ] was emphatically not a dull man in His human lifetime, and if He was God, there can be nothing and lifetime and its lifetime." dull about God either.'

It is difficult to determine exactly what Mrs. Sayers' position is. Her object is to present Christ as an intensely dramatic figure, indeed, as a large-scale human, yet she insists that Christ must be a God-made Man: "He was not merely a man so good as to be 'like God'—He was God." To her, He was either that or a lunatic, fanatic, etc. What she would not admit is the possibility of Christ's having been an ordinary man.

It seems to me that she has, thus,

explained not why Christ and Chris tianity should be exciting, but exactly why they should be dull. She has forced Christ into the position of a remote divinity, made Him, in fact, a dogma, which must be accepted without any sufficient reference to personal

experience.

The second essay in the book is called "The Triumph of Easter." It calls or the control of the con is an incoherent attempt to elaborate St. Augustine's epigram, "O felix Augustine's epigram, "O felix pa—O happy guilt, that did deserve such and so great a Redeemer." Here again, it seems to me, her fault is that she has taken the emphasis away from what is important, the whole life of Christ the Man, and placed it on the miracle of the Resurrection; it is this continual insistence on its miraculous nature which makes it less and less relevant to the ordinary man. That is the curious paradox of the book: it looks as though it is written for the layman, but it is not. It has a hearty and wholesome air about it a hearty and wholesome air about it

"Whatever game He is playing with
His creation, He has kept His own
rules and played fair"; or, "He cured
diseases by any means that came
handy, with a shocking casualness in
the matter of other people's pigs and
property." On the other hand, however, Christ is never allowed down to
the level of the ordinary men. "They the level of the ordinary men, "They had seen the fact of the living God turned upon them; and it was the face of a suffering and rejoicing Man." Why the capital letter?

INTER-FACULTY DEBATING

The second semi-final of the Inter-Faculty debates took place on the first day of third term and resulted in

Music defeating Law II.

In the final, Music (Misses Jacobs, Sampson, and Upton) affirmed, and Law II (Messrs. Menzies, Zelling, and Johnston) denied that "we regret that the Plymouth Rock did not fall on the Pilgrim Fathers." Music charged the Pilgrims with all the vices of Puritanism, while the legal fraternity hotly contended that both as Pilgrims and Fathers they had done their duty. Music showed a tendency to treat the debate as a question of the worth of American culture rather than as to what had been the effect of the settlers on American culture, and this may have been the substantial cause of their defeat.

COMING EVENTS

To-night: Swimming Dance (Refec-

Wednesday: Revue Rehearsal, Refectory, 7.30. Pianoforte Recital, South

Hanolorte Recital, South Hall,
10.45 a.m. Students of Miss
Maude Puddy, assisted by Mr.
Harold Parsons, 'cellist.
Friday, November 25:
P. & I.R.C.: Lady Symon, at 8 p.m.
Miss V. Srzich on "Yugo-Slavia."
Mr. J. Allison on "Fascism."
Monday November 28:

Monday, November 28:

Science Association. The President's Address.

Monday, December 5: Conservatorium: Final Students'

Concert, South Hall, at 8 p.m.

Tuesday, December 6-13:
Ralph Tate Society. Excursion to Tunkalilla

December 20-21: Revue (if you rehearse to-morrow night).

ROAD MAP

We have received from the Shell Company of Australia, Limited, of North Terrace, a letter which has un-fortunately been mislaid. The gist of the matter, however, is that the latest Shell road map is available to all motorists who call at the company's office or write stating the registra-tion number of their car. The pro-duction is exceedingly good: it includes maps of the city, suburbs, all interstate routes from Adelaide, and a large and excellent map of the whole State. We recommend it to all those who contemplate any motoring during long vac.

(Continued from column 1.)

insurance companies pleaded act of God, which shows that even then we

God, which shows that even were the chosen race.

The very breath and spirit of the age, then, is to be found in dubbing, snubbing, and drubbing. There were, other things. There was of course, other things. There was publing and a bard called Shakes-beer. The latter is usually referred to by the critics as a roaster, but he may have been Bacon. Several people have earned sufficient to maintain them-

selves by writing books on this sub-ject, which is only further proof that independence is a low virtue. It is not within the scope of this essay to give an authoritative exposition of this point, except to state that belief in the view should be ipso facto grounds for certified insanity; my aim has been rather to indicate the broad trend of this all-important period of history. And, above all, remember that to be unhistorical is to be nonsensical.

More Changing Rooms Being Erected

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MORE SUPPORT FOR SPORTS ASSOCIATION

On more than one occasion this year we have bemoaned the condition of 'Varsity sport at the present time. And what has happened since our last issue has not led us to form a different opinion. At the time of our last issue, the winter season was nearing its end, and our hopes of carrying off the season's honors were fading rapidly. In the last ten weeks we have seen them fade altogether, except in rugby. Usually we participate in a few A Grade finals, but this year we were not represented in any final round, except by the A rugby team, and we should be thoroughly ashamed of ourselves. The summer sports are now in full swing, but our success in them has been very restrained so far. What is wrong with our sport? This question has been asked more than once this year on this page, but no constructive answer has been received. The complaint of insufficient practice is not peculiar to our clubs, and can hardly be responsible for the all-round inferiority. We are rather inclined to think that the University (meaning the students who compose it) does not support the Sports Association as it should. Compared with the number of members of the Union, the membership of the Sports Association is remarkably low. Even many of the leaders in student affairs stand quite aloof. Not half the members of the Union Committees are financial members of the Sports Association. As to them personally we can only say that they are fools. They do not know what they are missing, or, if they do, they are so unbalanced as not to do anything about it. But the fact remains that our sporting activities are not given the support they deserve. We have already expressed our opinion that membership of the Sports Association should be compulsory to all members of the Union. If that were so there could be no excuse for this non-support of our various clubs. There would be an ample revenue, and an ample supply of recruits in every sport. It seems that until something in this nature comes about our sport will continue at its present standard.

HOW THE WINTER SEASON ENDED

Football.—In football we had a chance of getting in the final four right up until the last match. In that we played Underdale, and we had to beat them by six goals to displace them from the four. We failed, however, and lost fairly easily. Underdale went on to win its semi-final. We were second to Melbourne in the inter-Varsity and were represented we were second to Melbourne in the inter-Varsity, and were represented by quite a number in the combined Varsities' team. Four blues and a whole host of A.U.S.A. awards were given. For the recipients see column three.

Lacrosse.—In lacrosse we were only for a week or so in the running for the finals, and we finished next to

bottom. We had several representa-tives in the State side, and two blues were awarded. We lost the inter-'Varsity rather easily.

Hockey.—We were rather unfortunate not to be included in the final four in A Grade hockey, as we were fourth for most of the year, and it was only in the last match that our fate was known. We finished fifth, but our merits were recognised by the State, for no fewer than eight out of our eleven played in the various State teams. We came second only to Melbourne (there were five teams) in the inter-'Varsity, and two blues were

CRICKET

A Grade.

Up to the present match we had been running consistently at second to bottom. Last Saturday and the previous week we played Glenelg, the

bottom team, and now we are bottom. On November 12, we batted first, but not very well. We took all day to score 184, and were then all out. Our batsmen were stolid and, while they lested uninteresting. Test howler they lasted, uninteresting. Test bowler Waite had too many guns for our tailenders, and he took six for 75. Geoff Page scored 71 in a careful and restrained innings (including eight fours), and kept the side together. He was the top scorer for the day in any match. Fred Catt collected 36 and John Stokes 31, and six scored less than 5. Gordon Morrison livened up the end of the innings by scoring 22 in 18 minutes. This included two sixes and one four off one over from they lasted, uninteresting. Test bowler sixes and one four off one over from

Glenelg last Saturday won the match with four wickets in hand, and went on to score 241 for seven wickets. At one stage we had a chance, with two down for 35, but dropped catches (three before this and several afterwards) lost the game for us. Slade took three for 56; Morrison, two for 50; Stewart, one for 31; and Page, one for 30.

B Grade.

We have just completed a match with Glenelg, and were only just beaten. On Saturday week we made beaten. On Saturday week we made 142, of which Gould (27), Wellington (31), Dawson (39), and Rudd (37, not out) made the greater part, and then last Saturday the Glenelg tailenders just managed to pass our score and finished with 157. Rose, three for 11. Rostlay three for 46: and Ed-41; Bentley, three for 46; and Edwards, two for 19, were our best bowlers. In our second innings we made three for 64 (Hill 22 and Turner 27).

MR. E. W. BENHAM

Those who are or have been connected with the Law School since the war will learn with regret that Mr. war will learn with regret that Mr. Benham has decided to resign from his position as Lecturer in Equity. There appears to be some doubt as to how long E. W. B. has actually been expounding with subtle phrase the intricacies of property law, but it certainly exceeds twenty. A more learned lecturer, and one more anxious that his students should really grasp the principle, it would be difficult to find. The Law Students' Society have decided to hold a dinner in honor have decided to hold a dinner in honor of Mr. Benham on Saturday, Decem-

The society has also decided to publish, for the first time, a Law Faculty magazine. The committee recently appointed H. E. Zelling, D. C. Menzies, and E. F. Johnston to constitute the Editorial Board. The Melbourne and Sydney Law schools each publish an annual magazine of an extremely high standard, both from the point of view of production and legal argument.

NEW EDITOR

"On Dit" will next year be edited by Mr. O. E. Nichterlein, of the Medical School. Mr. Nichterlein graduated with a brilliant course in Honors English and then proceeded to Medical Honors. cine. He is now in fourth year, having obtained top credit in third last year. We wish the new Editor every success and congratulate the Union on having obtained the services of so brilliant a man.

EXTENSION OF THE CHANGING ROOMS

The foundations are now being laid for the proposed extensions to the men's changing rooms at the Oval, and so they should, Deo volente, be ready for the next winter season. has been a constant source of complaint in recent years the way that the present rooms are crowded. As many as three people have been known to share one locker, and the provision of hooks, etc., for hanging clothes on is quite inadequate. In addition, since the demolition of the Jubilee Oval pavilion, the rugby and soccer players have been homeless, and the present additions will provide room for them. The problem of what to do with visiting teams has also been a serious one, and it is now to been a serious one, and it is now to be solved by having an upstairs changing room for them above the extension of our own rooms.

The additions are being built on the southern end of the present building, and will be roughly two-thirds the circust of the existing one. Down-

the size of the existing one. Down-stairs a door will connect the present

NON-PENNANT TENNIS

CLUB

Since the opening of the season on October 15 the numbers playing on

Saturday afternoons have been accommodated comfortably on the five courts

now available, in contrast with the impossibility of coping with them experienced over the same period last year. On the completion of the addi-

tions to the pavilion a new court is to be laid down, which should ensure the continuance of this position for some

The courts remain open throughout

the long vacation, and your 1938 subscription to the Sports Association

carries you on to the end of the cur-

A Word of Warning.—The annual tournament, open to all members of the Sports Association, will be commenced in 1939 earlier than usual.

The large number of entrants this

year caused the tournament to run on into the winter season. To prevent

The committee will not mind if the

entrants are fewer, so if you want to

play make a point of looking for the notice and entering in the first week

CONGRATULATIONS

The number of blues awarded each year is not great, and those who receive them can be justly proud, for the

qualification is outstanding performance. We extend our congratulations to the following:—

Baseball: A. Gould, E. C. Swan. Boxing: D. B. Hendrickson.

Football: H. L. Masters, D. C. Dawkins, A. P. Le Messurier, B. A.

Lacrosse: D. C. Menzies, G. T.

Women's Hockey: B. Irvine, H.

The following received A.U.S.A. awards:—Baseball, A. F. Catt, A. Gould, N. F. Johnston. Athletics: R.

Hockey: J. Cleland. Football: J. J. Rice, J. Hodge, B. A. Magarey, P. Kleinschmidt, D. C. Dawkins, H. L. Masters, G. O. Page, W. J. Betts.

Hockey: W. Forbes, J. Kelly.

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of next term.

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rent season in April, 1939.

rooms with the new rooms, while, of course, there will be a separate door to the additional room. The visitors' room upstairs will have an external

be restricted to about three rows or seats. A scoring table will probably be provided in the new part of the stand. Those who were responsible for the installation of the clock on the stand were careful to allow for these extensions, for the clock, hitherto awkwardly placed on one side will be reafter be a graceful or nament. will hereafter be a graceful ornament in the centre of the completed stand.

The additions, besides fulfilling an urgent need for next season, will enhance the appearance of the stand, and will fit in with the Oval very well.

staircase, which will be at the rear of

the building.

In the front, the stand is to be extended for the length of the additions at the rear, but because of the upstairs changing room the seating accommodation in the new portion will be restricted to about three rows of

All members of the Sports Association will be very grateful indeed.

If You Want-

To complete your celebrations, or To forget the worst,

YOU SHOULD COME TO THE

CABARET

The climax of the

year

Refectory,

December 2

TABLE TENNIS

A sub-committee of the Men's Union committee is arranging a table tennis tournament to be held early next year. Stan Goodall has generously donated a cup for the singles championship, and trophies will be given for winners and tropines will be given for winners in other events, which will probably comprise a doubles championship and singles and doubles handicaps. The sub-committee consists of F. Dibden and A. P. Cherry, and they have coopted C. M. Gurner and J. Hodge.

The Law students are conducting a

students are cond tournament at the present time, and most of the Law school is taking part. George Joseph is stakeholder for all bets, but we understand that confidence in the stakeholder is wanting, as no bets have been forthcoming.

LATEST RESULTS

WOMEN'S TENNIS.

Last Wednesday our A and B teams, who are both in Women's Pennant B Grade, played each other, and consequently we cannot claim a real vic-tory. It would appear, however, that the B team is stronger in doubles

Results:

C. Williams, F. Symonds (B) d. B. Wellbourne, B. Mills, 6—4, 6—5.
J. Edge, P. Britten-Jones (B) d. L. Hannan, H. Walker, 6—2, 6—5.
But in the singles the A team showed their superiority:

B. Wellbourne d. C. Williams, 6-2,

B. Mills d. J. Edge, 6—2, 6—1. C. Hannan d. F. Symonds, 5—6,

H. Walker d. P. Britten-Jones, 6-2,

The final result was: A, 4 rubbers 8 sets; B, 2 rubbers 5 sets.

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PENNANT TENNIS

Our district and our A pennant teams were off on Saturday, and we were represented only by the B and C pennant teams. Our B's had a hollow win, but the C's a very solid loss. The results set out below tell their own

B's v. East Torrens B. B. Magarey-T. Hutton d. Horstmann-Ayers, 5-6, 6-0, 6-3.

A. Plummer-S. Cleland won on forfeit, 6-0, 6-0.

B. Magarey d. Ayers, 6—2, 6—1. D. Cleland d. O'Grady, 6—1, 6—0. A Plummer d. Horstmann, 5—6,

T. Hutton won on forfeit, 6-0, 6-0. The result was six rubbers to none.

C's v. North Adelaide.
P. Yates-S. Worthley lost to Pengelley-Threadgold, 6—4, 6—3.
T. Hunter-G. Hunter lost to Worthley-Bradley, 6—1, 6—1.
T. Hunter lost to Pengelley, 6—3,

Hunter lost to Bradley, 6-3,

Yates lost to Worthley, 6-4,

S. Worthley lost to Threadgold, 2—6, 6—4, 6—2.
The result here again was six ruo-

bers to none.

PROFESSION V. STUDENTS

The annual cricket and tennis matches of the Legal profession against Law students are being arranged for Monday, December 12. This is one of the events in the Law students' year, and all of them will be pleased to hear that the cricket match, which lapsed so unfortunately last year, will be revived this year. last year, will be revived this year. The tennis match, of course, is too blished to discoura even by the extreme heat in which it was played last year. After all, there are considerations which make it endurable no matter what the heat is. And it is all at the expense of the

Cabaret Comes Back All jazz fiends, rhythm hounds, and people wanting just a helluva good time should mark Friday, December 2, in their little black books, because that day (and the early part of December 3) is the 'Varsity Cabaret. Cacti, haciendas, sphinxes, and gypsies are quite definitely off in favor of an up-to-date mediaeval atmosphere. This idea should give scope

to all types present.

The precincts are to be decorated with gay banners, old weapons and shields hung about the walls, which will lend an atmosphere of sparkling

color and bright romance to the usual air of severe scholasticism.

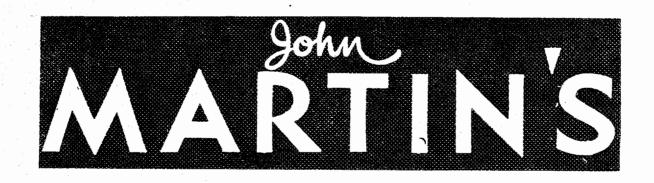
Another attractive feature of this bright show is Mr. Henry Boake Smith and band. Only the best band in Adelaide is suitable for the 'Var-sity Cabaret, and Mr. Smith and his boys are looking forward to playing here, so it can be taken for granted that there will be no half measures as far as swing, pep, and rhythm are concerned.

Adelaide's largest dance floor has been specially engaged and will be laid down on the lawn, so that people may

dance in the open air, under a network of colored lights and bright balloons, if they wish.

More good news is that the price has been substantially reduced from that of last year's Cabaret, and the tickets are now only 6/6 each. Tables may be booked at the Union Secretary's office, and the box-plan is now there. open there.

As usual, some turns have been arranged to supplement the gaiety and vim of the dance of the year.



remind all Account - holders, in the Union Man's Shop, that they can use their Accounts to advantage when doing their Christmas Shopping in Man's Store at John Martin's (so do make your Christmas