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They Went To See The Wizard

Messrs. Jacobs and Prescott Invade Sydney

Things are going on in this University that I never expected—that is to say, more things are going on in this University than I ever expected. For instance, did you know that our numbers will rise by next year by natural increase from 2,500 to 2,800 students?

The phrase appears many times in the agenda for the meeting of the Universities Commission and the N.U.A.U.S., which took place from August 20 to 22 in Sydney.

Most of the way over, Sam Jacobs played chess with John Prescott, and at the same time, John Prescott played chess with Sam Jacobs. This remarkable feat of co-operation was the forerunner of much remarkable work done by our two reps. In two and a half days more items were covered by the Committees than were ever accomplished at Dumbarton Oaks, Teheran, Moscow, The White House and the Front Office all combined.

Increases in Students Next Year

Fore-warned is fore-armed, so I placed a couple of five bob bets with local returned men, who thought this increase-in-numbers business was a lot of boloney. But the facts are these:—

The normal natural increase (there she is again) from schools is 300 over and above the number now here—our total is 2,500 this year, and will be 2,800, excluding servicemen, next year. Our expected numbers by 1950 from this source will be 3,000. 400 servicemen are expected to be enrolled in addition to this, so that our increase over this year's figures will be 700.

A large proportion of the returned men are taking up engineering and commerce. There is not such a large swing to arts or science or medicine.

As there is less opportunity for entrance into science or medical faculties at present, a bigger swing to arts may be expected in the future. The lifting of the quotas will not mean a great rush to the hitherto unreserved faculties, as those who would have done arts have swung to a certain extent to science so that they would gain assistance through their course. Thus, the increase in arts should approach normal peace-time figures.

Incidentally, in a survey of English Universities, it was found that the ideal proportion of staff to students is 1:10.

Some zealous student of statistics might like to work out the local ratio, and tie it up with the size of demonstrators' salaries.

Sydney Late Again

Sydney arrived to the Conference afire with righteous indignation, and if they weren't on fire, as soon as they sat at the conference they started smoking.

Prof. Mills threw a spanner into the works immediately by announcing that quotas were now lifted. The effect on Sydney, so I am told, was somewhat like a Mills bomb.

Financial Assistance

It has been proposed (1) That financial aid be given as grants to the State Governments to administer as they see fit; (2) That the Commonwealth Government should have complete control, but that there should be an administrative section in each State; (3) J.R.P. suggested that the Commonwealth Government provide a certain amount of money for assistance

through the Universities Commission, and that it be administered by a section of the U.C. in close contact with the Universities in each State.

This latter suggestion will possibly be adopted.

It was stressed that financial assistance should not become a political tool for the control of the Universities. There should be an individual committee in each State, because the problems of each State are different from its neighbors'.

More Statistics

The figures for the total number of reserved students throughout Australia for 1944 was 4,500. 1,500 of these were assisted. The average amount of assistance was £104, and the maximum to any one person was about £146 and fees. Altogether £192,000 was spent in 1944 in this way. Actually, although only 30% receive assistance, 50% are eligible, but the other 20% don't apply, presumably because of the service clause.

Although quotas have been scrapped, the Universities Commission may possibly find it necessary to maintain quotas within faculties. The seriously disturbed balance among the faculties may make this plan necessary—for instance, to endeavor to get some teachers back, the faculty of arts may have a larger quota than science or medicine.

The N.U.A.U.S. would like to see assistance irrespective of faculties in order of merit, subject to a means test. Also the assistance scheme should be extended to all technical colleges as well.

Problems of Second Degree

This has nothing to do with 'clink' or 'bums'.

Some misguided people aren't satisfied with 3 years at this University, and take a delight in prolonging the torture while they get another degree. At present, a second course will not be assisted, but it is possible that it may be in the case of a student who is very young on the completion of the first degree, or in the case of particular merit. An age limit on assistance of 25 was suggested.

In connection with the needs of the community on which the quota system is based, a student adviser in each University was suggested. It is not proposed to force people willy nilly into a different faculty, but a more, even distribution was thought a possibility by this method.

The dentists are (believe it or not) unpopular—I beg your pardon, dentistry is unpopular as is shown by the fact that in 1942 there were 304 dentists (students) in Australia, while there were 2,000 in medicine, and 1,000 in science, even though dentistry gives the biggest dividends most quickly. But I still reckon 304 dentists is 305 too many. Whether by dangling the cash angle in front of a fresher, a student adviser could convert him to looking down in the mouth for the rest of his days I am not competent to say.

Books

There have been complaints that the amount allowed for books is not sufficient for some years in some faculties. It was pointed out that books are obtainable secondhand, and although you can sell your first and second year text books, your final year books are a permanent investment. The U.C. found it difficult to assess the actual cost of each year but a survey is now to be made on how much is spent on books in each year.

Taxes

Subsidies are taxed as income to students. It has been suggested the tax be taken off before the first payment. (One objection to this was that there would then be no first payment.)

But this is not feasible because some people earn more than they spend on a holiday and this tends to create havoc in the taxation department.

It is possible that the lower limit of taxation will be lifted to £156 so students are not taxable unless they earn during the holidays.

That's all for now, folks

ARTS ASSOCIATION NOTES

It was a new thing for the Arts Association to run a lunch-hour talk, but "Radio Drama" proved a popular subject. Mr. Clewlow briefly sketched the history of the stage from the Elizabethan to the present day, leading onto the growth of radio drama. He described very vividly the early attempts to broadcast a play, and the later days when "sound effects," not the play, were the thing. Explaining why these efforts were failures, both artistically and from the point of view of a popular audience, he showed the features that go to make a good radio play. Elizabethan drama, indeed most verse plays, seem to come over well, because they rely entirely on the spoken word for atmosphere and the creation of character.

The A.B.C., he said, could never get enough good plays, and did much to help and encourage Australian writers by its competitions and criticisms of rejected work. The technique of radio drama was still in a state of development, but as the A.B.C. did not retain a company of tame playwrights, the experiments of free-lances were always appreciated.

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Friday, September 7.—A.U.E.S.
A.G.M., Engineering Lecture
Theatre, 7.30 p.m. Election of
officers for coming year. Prof.
Sir Douglas Mawson: Hydro-
electric possibilities in Australia.

Friday, September 7.—A.U.E.U.,
A.G.M., George Murray, 8 p.m.
Chairman: Dr. P. S. Messent.
Speaker: Basil Williams, IRAY
Sec. I.V.F.

Wednesday, September 12.—Science
Association, Physics Lecture
Theatre, 8 p.m. Speaker: Prof.
Trethewie.

Have You Heard?

● That the editorial staff is very concerned about a notice which appeared in a local newspaper last week, stating that a person named ROWEN OSBORN was presented with a son. It so happens that our editor (one Rowen Osborn, for those who don't know) has been making frequent visits to the same hospital during the same week to visit his sister, who has appendicitis. He insists that he has not visited the other part of the hospital! (Inserted by the staff.)

SCIENTIFIC CHARIVARI

Next Meeting will be on September 12, when Prof. Trethewie, of the Institute of Medical and Veterinary Science will speak.

Magazine should be available at that meeting.

Croquet Match against Engineers will be organised shortly. It is hoped that it can be played on the refectory lawn one lunch hour—preferably in pouring rain.

Science Ball raised £77/12/- for W.S.R.

Interstate Liaisons. The Science Association has been exchanging ideas and reports on activities with cognate societies in other Universities and we have learned a great deal therefrom. While at N.U.A.U.S. conference, John Prescott took the opportunity of contacting Melbourne and Sydney scientists. It is hoped that a permanent liaison system can be maintained in future years.

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OPINION

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SEQUEL TO V.P. DAY

To the Editor:

Dear Sir,—In view of the accommodation problem students will be interested to know that St. Mark's College has asked the Minister of Air to restore its property, and to renovate it so that the College can open for residence in February, 1946.

The College has in store the full plant, furniture and equipment to accommodate some 60 tutors and students, together with the necessary domestic staff. No announcement can as yet be made as to the attitude of the Air Minister or in regard to fees, bursaries, etc. I am going to Melbourne early next month to consult Victorian college principals on such subjects, and the student body will be informed, as soon as possible.

During the years 1925—40, the college built up an excellent record in work, in University activities and in sport. The tutorial system, which covered all the main University subjects, the facilities for work, and proximity to the oval and the river enabled students to contribute to University life in the best possible circumstances.

Yours very truly,
A. GRENFELL PRICE,
Master.

NO DISTINCTIONS SHOULD BE MADE IN AWARDING RHODES SCHOLARSHIPS

To the Editor:

Dear Sir,—Preference for service-men is necessary; that is agreed by all. And yet the conditions imposed on the awarding of Rhodes Scholarships, announced recently, have carried the matter too far. The Federal Government and most returned men themselves, agree that there should be preference only when there are two candidates of equal ability for the one position.

Yet the Rhodes Scholarship conditions state that "all scholars must have completed one year's active service prior to October, 1945." This hardly seems fair to those who had commenced their courses and who were not allowed to join up, and to those who were sent to the Varsity by their parents or the Manpower before turning 18, and who could not then get away.

It rules out this year's three logical choices, Ben Goode, Graham Cheesman and Tim Wall, all of them outstanding on the sports field and on the scholastic side, and will continue to rule out those who haven't seen active service. The "active service" clause even rules out those who volunteered, but didn't get out of Australia, which means an overwhelming majority of 1944-45 volunteers.

Could not the Union or the Sports Association take up the matter and see if a fairer set of conditions could not be arrived at?

—K.I.M.

MORE FILTHY LUCRE NEEDED

To the Editor:

Dear Sir,—It is pleasing to see that lately space has been given in the press to Varsity needs, but it is unfortunate that the fact that the real need is money has not been stressed. The end of the war creates many problems which must be faced immediately. A veritable deluge of ex-service students can be expected at the University next year, and we must admit that the sudden cessation of hostilities leaves the place lamentably inadequately prepared to cope with them in the technical faculties.

Few enough politicians and members of the general public are alive to the conditions prevailing here during the past year. Research—an integral part of any University—has had to take a bad second to attempting to train students. The number of first year students has more than doubled in the past ten years, but there has been no corresponding increase in staff. The number of biology students has outgrown the Benham laboratories, although the building has been erected only a few years. Other departments are carrying up to half as many again as they have facilities (staff, space, materials, apparatus) to train satisfactorily. The refectory has no priorities either for goods in short supply or for labor.

Under such conditions the staff is to be congratulated on the way they have managed to cater for the training of students without jeopardising the status (as far as the worth of the degrees are concerned) of this University.

A much larger allowance is needed for these faculties, and immediately.—Yours, etc.

"FORTIFIED WINE."

S.C.M. CONFERENCE

All those who are trying to wake up this University will be pleased, and probably surprised, to learn that there are at least eighty students here who are making an effort to appreciate the ideas of others and to look beyond the limits of their own degree courses. These students attended the S.C.M. conference at Holiday House, Mt. Lofty, during the first week-end of the vacation.

"The Kingdom of God" was the subject of the conference, and Rev. J. R. Blanchard and Mr. D. David were the speakers on Friday and Saturday nights respectively. On Saturday and Sunday mornings we studied parables on the subject, and on Sunday evening Charles Birch summed up the whole conference in an inspiring address.

On the lighter side, conference provided ample opportunity for vocal exercise. John Prescott, as usual, accounted for most of the noise at community singing, and his emphatic conducting convinced us that his chat with Dr. Sargent not so long ago must have involved the swapping of

a few ideas. One very bright spot between songs was Nancy's delightful impromptu on "Shaving—a criminal offence."

On Saturday afternoon, a local hall rattled to the tread of the "light fantastic toe," and Sunday afternoon's concert produced everything from the Warsaw Concerto to various imitations of a cardinal's toasted motor-bike.

Meal times provided some new excitement. Geoff. Jones had constructed a system of mathematical equations of the form X and I to W and W , giving, as solution, the orderly roster. It was just as well Geoff. had the answers on his private copy. Sunday night's tea was a real bust-up despite the poisonous atmosphere.

The train trip home was a merry one, the volume of singing being proportionate to the distance from the nearest station and being independent of the distance from the guard.

So ended a very successful conference, with all asking: "When's the next one?" and the first-timers wondering why they had not come before.

EXCURSION TO FAULDING'S

On Monday, September 3, a party of twenty Science students inspected Faulding's Laboratories at Southwark.

The magnesium salts plant was first inspected. From rock magnesite are made magnesium sulphate (B.P. standard after only one crystallisation), magnesium carbonate (both pond, and levis), and magnesium hydroxide. These are used in various medicinal preparations.

In the bacteriological department penicillin is manufactured and made up in the form of ointments and throat pastilles. The main steps in the growing of the mould and the extraction of penicillin were described.

The research and routine labs. were next. In these control is kept over the quality of the products made, and any problems or the preparation of new lines are investigated.

In the perfumery and pharmaceutical department much spirit is kept under bond. Here was introduced that notorious "animal" smell—civet. On the floor above a number of proprietary lines, such as milk emulsion and malt extract are prepared.

Those attending were all very interested in the whole show, from bottle alley to penicillin, and we offer our thanks to the management for giving us the opportunity to see over the works, for the afternoon tea, and for the small parcel and to the staff who contributed towards the success of the afternoon.

SCIENCE UNION NIGHT

The Union Night conducted last term under the auspices of the Science Association proved a great success in spite of the cold weather. Altogether there were over 120 present.

Proceedings opened with impromptu speeches on a variety of subjects, ranging from Hazel Ashby's "That Hindustani should be a prerequisite for Botany II" and John Sanders' "The effect of one type of camera upon the operator of another type of camera" to "That membership of the Labor Club should be confined to the Medical Faculty" by Bill Mansfield and Stirling Robertson's heavily censored tirade "On behalf of the Working Classes."

The semi-impromptu debate, "That we do too little work and have too much amusement," was noteworthy for several heartrending appeals for more leisure and nostalgic misgivings

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on the passing away of the good old days. The debate resulted in a victory for the pro side, Ian Hiscock and Monica Williams, against their opponents, Mary Robinson and Peter Trumble.

The quiz which followed proved of substantial benefit to W.S.R. funds. Some questions were hard, some easy—some scientific, some not—some fair, some definitely not—some appropriate, some out-of-place.

Supper was followed by dancing to the music of Mal's Pals—alternatively Bill's Thrills.

PUTTING OUT THE CAT

"Darling."

"Huh?"

"Darling, did you put the cat out?"

"Uh?"

"Did you put out the cat?"

"The cat?—Arr, does it really matter?"

"Yes, dear, we can't have it inside at night; we don't want it to sleep on baby's face again, do we?"

"Oh, blast baby's face and the cat!"

"Darling!"

"Oh, orright, I'll do it . . . m-m-m-m-m-m-m!"

"What, dear?"

"Oh, nothing. I just said, I'll do it."

"Well, you didn't expect me to get out and do it, did you? How like a man, no consideration at all. Fancy expecting your wife to get out . . ."

"O.K., O.K., no need to start an argument, is there?"

"Who's starting any arguement? Why I just . . ."

"OrRIGHT! . . . mm. mm. . . Where the hell's me slippers . . . uh . . . mmm . . . I dunno where the cat is . . . Could be anywhere . . . mmmmm . . . Puss, puss, puss, puss, puss . . ."

"Shshsh! Not so loudly; do you want to wake baby? We don't want all that trouble over again. Call quietly."

"Well, how the hell will the . . . m'm'm' . . . cat hear me if I whisper to it? . . . Oh, orright . . . pusspuss pusspuss! Here kitty! . . . arr, what's the use?"

"It might be in the sitting room, dear, where the mousehole is."

"Yeah, it might, but if I know that cat it'll be as far away from a mousehole as it can . . . Might as well not have a cat for all the good it does . . . Puss, pusspusspusspuss . . . kittykittykitty . . . Here, puss . . . Har, not in here, try the kitchen . . . m'm'm'm! . . . OUCH! Wotthelzat? . . . Blasted mousetrap . . . Dunno what we have the m'm'm' cat for. Puss, pusspusspusspuss! . . . HERE KITTY!!!! . . . H'm'm'm'm! . . . I s'pose it's got out by itself, being a cat . . . Here Puss . . . Arrh! There you are . . . Here, puss, here . . . Commeer, willya? . . . Here, nice puss . . . Don't you know me, puss . . . m'm'm'm'blasted d . . . d cat . . . Ahrrharrh! Gotcher! . . . Orrright, keep calm, puss . . . Ha, ha! No you don't . . . Ouch! Oh you . . . Lemme get to that door . . . There! . . . Now stay out, blast you! . . . M'm'm'm' . . . now back to bed . . . m'm'm'm' blasted cat . . . Yes, I put it out . . . Yes, RIGHT out . . . Yes, and I shut the door properly . . . Move over . . . ORRIGHT! . . . m'm'm' m'm'm'm' . . . zzzzzzz . . ."

"Darling."

"Huh?"

"Darling, did you put the milk things out?"

"Uh? Oooohooo . . ."

ETC.

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"And father would be such a dear
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INTER-VARSITY DEBATES

Adelaide Defeated

For the first time in six years the Inter-Varsity debates were held in Melbourne this year. The Philippines Cup, which was presented by the President of the Philippines before the war, was won by the Melbourne team under the leadership of Mr. Murray Groves.

The Adelaide team, comprising M. G. Mackay (leader), D. T. Barnes, F. O. D. Crowther and reserve R. J. Opie, left Adelaide in the first week of the vacation for the contest.

On arrival the team was met at the station by the General Secretary, D. R. Anderson, and the President of the Melbourne S.R.C., Mr. Bottomley. Class distinction was strictly observed on the train. Messrs. Jacobs and Prescott (en route to Sydney) travelled 1st class sleeper, while the team sat up 2nd class. Sam Jacobs sardonically chuckled at Murray Bridge when he wished the already battered team a good night's sleep. Big Sam and J.R.P. looked immaculate as they leapt out of the train at Melbourne, while the unshaven debaters were handed a list of engagements by David Bottomley.

The arrangements for the week were extremely well planned to undermine the health of every team except Melbourne—few survived the endless round of functions. Mr. Crowther was seen fast asleep in the middle of Swanston Street at 12 noon—city traffic was held up for several hours.

Adelaide's first and last debate on Nationalisation of Airlines was held on Monday night after a Union dinner, which seriously weakened the powers of resistance of the S.A. team. Malcolm McKay opened the attack with his Churchillian eloquence and pleaded with tears of blood for a 'better world,' cheap fares for all, and gave a vivid picture of the monopolistic octopus. The audience cheered madly when meticulous Malcolm asked them to change their hearts (or something). Dell Crowther made the usual cutting remarks about Mr. Holyman and his friends. The audience were staggered by his revelation that the shipping companies were strangling the airline companies, who are strangling us. However, Mr. Crowther survived and rounded off his speech with a well-timed attack on the opposition. Finally, Bert

Evatt, alias D. T. Barnes, rose to his feet and delivered a shattering blow by attacking one of the female members of the opposition (verbally, that is).

His first 5 minutes were brilliant, according to the adjudicators—but the last 10 minutes of his speech were monumental to the cause of Oxometry. He will be awarded the honorary degree of doctor of Oxometry at the next Assizes of the Oxometrical Society.

From this it will be gathered that Adelaide lost to Tasmania by a narrow margin (quote "Advertiser"). The defeated team retired with dignity, while Melbourne prepared for the final slaughter. Melbourne's winning debate was one of the finest pieces of debating heard for years—we congratulate them on a well-earned victory. ('Farrago,' please copy).

Melbourne hospitality was excellent. We hope Adelaide can do as well for its visitors next year. Next year the contest will be held in Adelaide, when it is hoped Adelaide will settle down to some conscientious debating with Sam Jacobs at the helm.

Although Mr. R. J. Opie did not debate, his researches in the Melbourne Public Library and elsewhere were invaluable. The debaters are to be congratulated on their survival and their excellent field work between debates. It is hoped that interest in debating here will be revived next year when Adelaide will be the scene of the next battle of words. Special mention may be made here of C. J. Nader, who was selected for the team but was unable to travel owing to illness—it is hoped he will be available for the contest next year.

(Names used in this column are entirely accurate and bear every resemblance to persons living or dead.)

INTER-FACULTY CHALLENGES

SCIENCE BEAT ENGINEERS AGAIN

For the second year in succession the Engineers suffered defeat at the hands of the Science team, by a far greater margin than last year.

Among familiar faces seen at the match were that of Bill Solly, playing his yearly football match, and Jim Whittle, advertising a well-known periodical by shouting "Get a Man, Blacks!"

The first quarter was tough and rugged, and Science, starting two men short, were unable to take full advantage of the slight breeze and the quarter finished 2—2 each a-piece all round.

In the second quarter Engineers took wings and put on 3—3, while Science were kept down to 1—1, mainly by Whittle's excellent work at back.

Science won the match in the third quarter. At full strength and kicking with the breeze, they slapped on 8—7, with Bates kicking some excellent goals, while the Engineers scored only 2 goals.

In the last quarter all that it was necessary for Science to do was to keep the Engineers at bay. Engineers scored 6—4, while Science added 3—2 to their total.

For Science there was no one really outstanding, but Hannaford, nursing an injured wrist, was perhaps best. Palmer at centre and Cowper at the goalmouth did good work for Engineers.

Best players—Science: Hannaford, Pridham, Judell, Wall, Keeves, Bowes,

Rook. Engineers: Cowper, Butterworth, Palmer, Whittle, Rilstone, Stolz.

Final scores—Science, 14—12; Engineers, 13—9.

RUGBY

INTER-FACULTY MATCH

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 29, 1945

The Meds. fielded a strong team of regular players, with a padding of footballers from the 1st XVIII, while Science were able to play a team composed entirely of regular Rugby players. The same day, however, a certain notable personage in the Chem. department had had a 21st birthday party, and most of the Science backs had unfortunately attended this "do." When the time came to play, these backs were unable to hold the strong Meds. attacks, although they succeeded in neatly removing Alec Tregonning's shorts...! The Meds., due in no small measure to the efforts of the Australian rules footballers and Mellor, playing break-away, ran away to win by a large margin.

A considerable crowd turned up to watch this battle of the giants, but most of them had no inkling of the principle of the game. They went away as puzzled as they came, the game being, on the whole, of rather low standard.

Scores: Meds., 33, defeated Science, 3 points.

BASEBALL BATTLE

The first Inter-Varsity carnival since 1939 was held in Adelaide during the second week of the vacation. Owing to the late arrangements after sanction was received from the A.U.S.A., Sydney was unable to attend and the only visiting team was Melbourne University, which arrived on Sunday, August 19, and was met by members of the Adelaide team. After informal introductions the meeting adjourned to the hotel, where an attempt was made to decide the results of the coming matches on ability of respective players and form in past matches. Both teams decided that they would be the victors.

Monday at 2 p.m. saw the first ball of the carnival pitched by Jack McCoy for Melbourne. Page and Brokensha were put out, and when Slade hit safely to short stop, Beard came home to score the first run of the match. Rose followed with another hit to bring Slade in. In Melbourne's first innings, Graham Bath received a free pass to first, Frank Mouser hit to the outfield and Bell's subsequent hit brought them both home. During the next few innings, Melbourne batted strongly to take the lead by 10 runs to 4, but a rally in the ninth scored Adelaide 6 runs to tie up the game. By now the match, which had started in brilliant sunshine, was being played in a "Melbourne downpour," making the ball very difficult to handle. Adelaide took the lead by 11—10, but in the evening ninth innings, Melbourne equalled. The 11th innings gave each team a run, and as the light had now failed game was called, 12—12.

Safe-hitters:—Melbourne: Darling (4), Bath, Dyer (2), McDonell, Mouser, Bell; Adelaide: Slade, Rose (3), Rowe, Kilgariff (2), Page, Beard, Fahey.

Vic Rose pitched well for Adelaide, and McCoy and McDonell made a good pitching pair for Melbourne.

Tuesday's match was also even up to the 7th innings, when the score was 3—3. In their 8th session, Melbourne bunched 4 safe hits, and with a base-on-balls, brought 4 men across home-plate.

The game was not as exciting as the first one, Melbourne making full use of men on bases and playing a tight field. Only 4 Adelaide batters were K2'd by the three Melbourne pitchers—McDonell, McCoy and Mouser; and Beard, for Adelaide, 'fanned' 9 visiting batters. Safe-hitters:—Melbourne: Darling (3), Dowell, N. (2), Bath, Mouser, Bell; Adelaide: Sharpe (2), Brokensha, Beard, Fahey.

The final match on Thursday resulted in an easy win for Adelaide by 7 runs to 1.

Brokensha was the first Adelaide batter on base, with a two-bagger to left field and was brought home with an outfield hit by Beard. In the third innings, two more runs came in with sacrifice hitting by Rose and Fahey. In the fourth innings, Melbourne pitcher, McDonell, pitched only 5 balls to dismiss the three Adelaide 'tail-enders.' In Melbourne's last session at bat, Mouser hit safely to get on to first base and 'stole' second, and wild throw from Adelaide's second baseman enabled him to cross home-plate for Melbourne's only run.

Safe-hitters:—Adelaide: Brokensha, Slade (2), Beard; Melbourne: Mouser, Bell, Darling.

After the match, long throw and "fungo hit" competitions were held between the States. In the fungo hit, Vic Rose (Adelaide), 106 yards, won from Frank Mouser (Melbourne), 100 yards; and in the long throw, Jack McCoy (Melbourne), 111 yards,

won from Don Beard (Adelaide), 107 yards.

The series of matches was extremely successful and augurs well for coming Inter-Varsity carnivals with all States participating.

It is doubtful if anyone played at "blues" standard, but Keith Darling (Melbourne first base) played fine "ball" to bat with an average of 530 for 8 eight safe-hits, and fielded with "ball" to bat with an average of 530. Mouser also did a good job at either end of the battery. Graham Bath captained his team well.

For Adelaide, Vic Rose deserved first honors for his steady pitching and batting, and Peter Brokensha for his brilliant outfielding.

So much for the day-time activities. On Tuesday night the two teams went to a ball at the Palais, "Casanova" Slade supplying partners for the visitors, and after the preliminary introductions there was no holding them.

Thursday night was the night—the Inter-Varsity dinner. McCoy and Kilgariff engaged in a duel, but both retired exhausted. Adelaide club vice-president, Paul O'Brien, was present and helped to keep the river flowing.

On Friday night the express was ready to pull out with all the Melbourne team excepting Jack McCoy, who was taking a long time to bid farewell to his fans. With thirty seconds to go, he couldn't find his train ticket, but was allowed through the barrier, and was last seen hanging on to the buffer of the last carriage—"What a man!"

Best averages for the series were:—Melbourne: batting—Darling (530), Dyer (333), Bath (270), Mouser (250), Dowell, N. (220), Bell (200); fielding—McCoy, Hall, Watson (1000), Mouser (950), Darling (940),

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The minor round of League matches has been completed, and the C team is to be congratulated on fighting its way to the finals.

Tomorrow a challenge match is to be played between Medicine and Engineering. Medicine should win. Teams are: Medicine—Ball, Beard, Wicks, Wyllie, Maddison, Kohler, Paull, Hallett, McLeay; Engineering—Fahey, Page, Kilgariff, Brokensha, Rowe, Sharpe, Dudley, Lansell, Purdam. V. Rose (Economics) is umpire.

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SPORT—Inter-Varsity and Local

Impressive Performance by Men's Hockey Team

During the vacation the team put up one of the best performances for a hockey team in an Inter-Varsity in coming equal second, losing only one match. With a little more fortune in the draw we may have even snatched the cup.

The train journey to Sydney was not conducive to sleep, and despite the use of the floor, luggage racks and corridors very little sleep was obtained. Those who were able to doze were overwhelmed by McCarthy's feet but were soon wakened by Brown and Leach who ran from compartment to compartment with hysterical cries of "You'll do me, mate."

The state of disrepair we presented on arrival in Sydney can well be imagined.

The assortment of colds picked up en route, gastric trouble and nervousness could well account for the "green" beginning against Melbourne next morning. It was in this early few minutes that Melbourne scored. Settling down, we found that they were not a team of super-men, and from then on we had much the better of the game. With Nobbs and Tregonning leading, the backs repulsed the opposition and the forwards attempted to score. It was not until late in the second half that Lewis, who had played very well, broke through to score, and the game resulted in a draw.

A certain degree of apathy and lack of vigor prevailed later in the day when we went out against Brisbane, and, with the exception of Nobbs, we played far below the form we displayed in the morning, and were defeated 2-1.

On Wednesday we played Armidale, and the forwards, who had been re-organised, functioned much better, Anderson and Maddern, combining well on the left, scored between them 4 goals, and we won 5-1.

Our final match on the Thursday was against Sydney. It was played in rain and on a very wet ground. We easily defeated Sydney, 4-2. The margin might have been greater but for difference in interpretation of rules by our backs and the umpire, allowing Sydney to score unopposed. This should impress the necessity of playing to the whistle, no matter how obvious the breach may be.

As a result of these and other matches, Brisbane won the carnival undefeated, while we drew with Melbourne for second place.

Reviewing the forwards we find Anderson was outstanding; his distribution of play was good, and he was chosen in the combined University team. Of the others, Lewis and Maddern played their best hockey for the season, and Leach, who played the last two games, played quite well, but Jackson and Waddy were disappointing.

Tregonning was an outstanding back of the carnival and was also in the combined team, while Nobbs was unfortunate not to have been chosen, his play was always good and he appeared to have unlimited energy.

Crisp, Walsh, Cornish, Brown and McCarthy, while playing good, sound hockey, did not display their patches of brilliance seen in club matches.

Goal-hitters for the series:—Anderson, Lewis and Maddern (each 3), Jackson (2), and best players for the series, chosen from umpires' votes, were Tregonning, Anderson, Nobbs, Lewis, Maddern.

SATURDAY MATCHES

A's and Motors in Final
Saturday was the semi-final, and the A's defeated Wanderers in one

of the scratchiest matches this season. Our play in the final round of club matches was unbeatable, but the short passing forward tactics, so effective then, were abandoned on Saturday, with the result that once again scoring was low. Probably the main factors for the breakdown were the effects of the Sydney trip, which left its mark on almost all.

In the game against Motors on Saturday all will need to be at their top. We have beaten them twice this season and will do it again if all keep their position, and if Crisp and Tregonning can counter Bowden and Rankin. Ruthless tactics and speed will be necessary to allow us to meet them again in the challenge final.

The C's did well to defeat Wanderers; they are a good team, which is well balanced and should have the speed to defeat Teachers next Saturday. The backs, now at full strength, should be able to hold the Teachers' forwards, and much will depend upon the goalie.

The D's were unfortunately defeated by Forestville after a replay of 20 minutes. This team, composed of all new players, has done well and many of them will be good replacements for the higher teams next year. Hannan, in goal, was outstanding on Saturday, and he will be of inestimable value next season.

FOOTBALL NOTES

SEPTEMBER 1, v. COMBINED
S.P.S.C. and P.A.C.

This match was one of the best we have had this season, being evenly fought throughout. The schools team was faster than we were, and began by outmarking us as well. The fact that we were even with them at half-time was due to the accurate kicking of our forwards (7-0). Surprisingly we seemed to be in better condition than they were, and although they were within a point of us at one time during the last quarter, we scored a couple of timely goals, and won by 12 points.

We were unfortunate in losing both Judell and Abbott in the first quarter. Dewar played a brilliant game at full-back, and Cullity got some very nice goals.

Scores:—University 12.2, d. S.P.S.C. and P.A.C. 9.8.

Best Players—Dewar, Wall, Robinson, Holmes, Cullity, Cowper.

Goalkeepers—Cullity 7, Cowper 2, Eldridge 1, Goode 1, Otto 1.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 25,
v. COMBINED R.A.A.F.

There were some well-known League footballers opposed to us in this game and we expected a much more even match than that which took place. The University team played some of their best football for the season in this match, and won fairly easily.

Scores: University 13-9 defeated R.A.A.F., 6-3.

LACROSSE

The first Inter-Varsity lacrosse for five years was played in Adelaide yesterday week, August 30.

In the first quarter, Adelaide broke away from the draw and scored two quick goals, but by the end of the 25 minutes, Melbourne had equalled at 2.2.

Adelaide got 3 more early in the second quarter, but Melbourne, appearing a little faster in attacking and getting rid of the ball quicker, were only trailing 6.5 at the long interval.

The third quarter was even throughout, and with no side able to get a break, it seemed that the side able to keep the pace up longest would win.

The last term began with Adelaide leading 10.8, but holding the home team scoreless, Melbourne broke through in the last ten minutes to score four goals and ran out winners 12.10 after a very even game.

Melbourne's tear-through tactics and its fast, open play down the wings emphasised Adelaide's unwillingness to play on after giving a pass, while its quick, short passes were a lesson to home forwards, who waited too long before passing and consequently found their team-mates well covered when they finally did move.

The Players

In goals, Hetzel missed some easy ones, but often came under notice by turning round the cornered shots which could have been expected to find the net.

Bramfield, Abbott and Williams gave Adelaide a back-line, which, by its rugged and forceful play, kept the Melbourne forwards on the hop all day and forced them to use their attacks as extra forwards.

Beard was unlucky in finding himself opposing a former champion sprinter, while Fiske, on the other defence wing, also had to give his opponent a good share of the play. The visiting attacks did a great deal of damage.

Kenihan consistently got the draw, and more than held his own at centre.

Harbison had the better of his opponent at attack, and gave the forwards plenty of opportunities. On the other side of the field, Oldham broke about even with his man.

Nancarrow scored his side's first five goals, and found his left foot turning a great help. Wallman held the ball a little longer than necessary, but his excellent stickwork often got him out of trouble—he did much to give Adelaide its 3-time lead. Hallett, though not spectacular, was unbeaten on his wing, and his clean, quick passes and his long leads for the backmen made him one of Adelaide's most valuable men.

An even team which should have won, but in which no one player can be blamed for its defeat.

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th
	qtr.	qtr.	qtr.	qtr.
Melbourne	2	5	8	12
Adelaide	2	6	10	10

Goalthrowers: Nancarrow (6), Hallett (2), Harbison and Wallman (1 each). Best players: Abbott, Hallett, Williams, Bramfield, Kenihan, Wallman.

BASKETBALLERS BRING HOME THE BACON

The basketball has been very successful of late, barring the A's loss, showing that our training around the oval has not been in vain.

In the last week of the term a letter came from Melbourne inviting us to join in the inter-Varsity contest to be held there during the second week of the vacation. Unfortunately, two of our team couldn't go due to the Med. and Massage not having holidays but exams; but we left, determined to do something. In our five days away we did as much as is ordinarily done in five weeks, al-

though the girls left behind on Friday night didn't accept their supper invitation. The greatest event was our winning the cup, the third time Adelaide has won it. We beat Melbourne 24-19 and Sydney 45-7.

The A's rested on their laurels unfortunately last Saturday, and lost in the second semi-finals to L.V.B. 26-32. The B's are to be congratulated on coming top of the grade, beating Y.W.C.A. 24-16 in a grand match last Saturday.

This finishes our basketball for the season. The final of the A Grade still has to be played, and there will be a high-class match between the S.A. State team and Victoria on Saturday on our oval. This should be well worth watching, especially to see Betty Hunter play.

RIFLE CLUB

A meeting of the club committee was held on August 15. Agenda included a financial report from the treasurer, grading of club members for A and B grade championships and handicap aggregates, discussion of prizes for the prize meeting (which we intend holding on October 15), and other business (supper, etc.).

On August 26 the first possible was shot—well, for quite some time (?). D. Peek shot superbly to score 80 out of a possible 80—he automatically wins a silver spoon.

Postal teams (3) having been picked by teams committee, sent in to No. 1 M.M.R.C.U., and targets and handicaps subsequently received, the first postal series was fired over 25 yds. at Keswick Barracks last Sunday, September 2. Results could have been very much better, but poor weather conditions—rain, wind, and bad light—weighed heavily against any sort of accurate shooting. The next series will be fired some time after September 15.

Forms have been distributed by the staff officer for rifle clubs from Keswick, re condition and state of affairs of the University Rifle Club (.303 bore shooting) in 1938 before dissolution due to the war. This points encouragingly towards resumption of .303 clubs. It seems almost certain now that the latter will definitely recommence shooting in July of 1946.

The usual shoot will be held at Keswick Barracks on Sunday morning, September 9.

RUGBY

PORT ADELAIDE v. VARSITY.

This match was very keenly contested between the Port Adelaide players, the spectators, and the referee. The Varsity team having gained an early lead, were content to join the spectators. Even so, much friction occurred between players (and the ref.).

At half-time, Port Adelaide, needing a little sustenance, tried to straighten themselves out with celery. (Physiologists and bio-chemists take note that it had no effect.)

Handicapped as they were, Varsity struggled through and just managed to touch down as the bell went.

Scores: 26-3.

WEST TORRENS v. UNIVERSITY.

Two free kicks in the first few minutes gave West Torrens a 6-point lead at half-time. We retaliated with a try, which made the score 8-6 in our favor.

West Torrens then showed us some really good football, and they walked all over us to score between the posts. However, they failed to convert it. We managed to get another penalty goal, which put us in the lead. For the rest of the time, we were able to stop West Torrens scoring.

Scores: 11-9.

Winning this match leaves us to play Woodville in the finals.

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