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PROTEST MEETINGS FLOP

"NO AUTHORITY," SAYS PROF. CAMPBELL

ABOUT six months ago, the Union constitution was tossed in the waste-paper basket by the University Council. No-one can quibble at this, as recent parliamentary legislation made necessary a completely new set-up. However, the action of the Council in giving us a new constitution was taken exception to by some of the old Union Committee, and a meeting of protest was called for last Monday week.

Sam Jacobs, President of the old Union, was the only one willing to take the chair, and then not too keen. At approx. 1.27 Sam stirred in his chair and told those present that an S.G.M. of the Union was not yet allowed for in the new constitution. This circumstance had come about in the following manner.

Sam said that Prof. Campbell, Chairman of the Union Council and Dean of the Faculty of Law, had informed him that at present, only part of the Constitution had been ratified, and as yet there was nothing in the constitution about calling special meetings to protest.

This left the protesters in the anomalous position of having no authority to protest at something that was only half there.

The Sheep . . .

To those who accept the new constitution as valid and in force there was only one course open—to change the show into a general meeting of students. Many thought that this would not make much difference as it is many years since a general meeting of the Union had more than two or three staff or graduates present. In fact, some of the members appointed by the University Council, Graduates' Association or staff on to the Union General Committee in the past have never worried to apologise if they can not go to a committee meeting or annual general meeting.

. . . and the Goats

Those who doubted the validity of the methods by which the new constitution was introduced, questioned the decision that an S.G.M. could not be held. There was plenty of argument flung from the body of the hall to the chair and back again.

Mr. Jacobs, when asked under what specific power the University Council could act in superseding or altering the Union constitution, called for a calendar, and Mandrake Scott obliged by producing one out of thin air. Mr. Jacobs was not in the least surprised, but remarked that Mr. Scott had been sleeping with it under his pillow for the last three months.

Argument on the validity of the new demi-constitution could have gone on for hours.

Vague Murmurings

At this stage Mr. Sangster thought it was about time he said something and obviously somewhat taken aback at the state of affairs prevailing and the legal wrangling that had gone on, proceeded to "protest against the attempts being made to introduce the new constitution without reference to a general meeting." This, he maintained, was not in keeping with the principle of the

autonomy of the Union and was unethical and unconstitutional.

About here, people began to avalanche out (two o'clock was fast approaching).

Mr. Sangster pointed out that he was all in favor of the new constitution, but knew several people who were not and thought that they should be given a chance to study and comment on it before it became operative.

Mr. Parsons moved an adjournment until the following Monday,

but while the chairman was looking the other way he disappeared and therefore presumably the motion lapsed.

Law Students' Dance

The meeting finally became a legal battle between Messrs. Jacobs and Scott on the power of the Council to supersede or amend the Union constitution or to initiate such amendment. If Prof. Campbell had been there this could have probably been quickly resolved one way or the other and everyone would have been happy. Prof. Campbell, however, was at lunch.

Ultimately, it was decided that the matter could not be decided outside a court of law and further discussion was adjourned until the following Thursday.

Resumption of Play

A mere handful of about twenty only attended the adjourned meeting. For a kick-off, Mr. Sangster moved and Mr. Scott seconded the following motion: "That this meeting request the Union Council to ex-

pedite the drafting of the new constitution and submit it to a general meeting of the Union for final approval and ratification."—Carried.

Mr. Jacobs pointed out that the University Council would always have the final power to sanction or veto any alteration to the constitution. The mover and seconder said that they recognised that right.

Mr. Parsons said that he took the strongest objection to the fact that members were now denied the right to call a special general meeting of the Union.

Mr. Jacobs re-iterated that the new constitution was only a temporary affair subject to alteration if experience showed such to be necessary.

Mr. Sangster said that his main objection was to the fact that there was no undertaking, tacit or otherwise, that the final form would ever be placed before a general meeting.

After an other fifteen minutes' talk, during which nothing was said, or thought of, Sam suggested that the meeting should close. 2.30 p.m.

W.S.R. Appeal for 1946 — £500

Friday, June 21, marked the beginning of the World Student Relief Campaign. The opening address was given in the Lady Symon Hall by Mr. Michel.

He was supported by the Vice-Chancellor, Professor MacKellar Stewart, who asked that his presence at the meeting be taken as indicating the support of the whole University for the cause of W.S.R. It is the sign of true studentship, Professor Stewart said, to assist those less fortunately placed than ourselves. In so doing, we further

eight years of war—the destruction of equipment, the scarcity of books and of housing, the inflation of prices. The courageous movement of whole Universities over distances up to 2,000 miles in the face of Japanese attacks showed the desire for learning among the Chinese.

China Calls for Help

These continued retreats meant the loss of equipment, and the housing of students in "dormitories" not fit to be used even as animal stalls. With our homes, libraries, lecture theatres, and liberal food supply,

and happiness of University students, making life far more tolerable and conducive to study.

Mr. Jacobs Supports

Mr. Sam Jacobs, chairman of the meeting, pointed to the success of W.S.R. in the past. Last year, Adelaide Varsity raised £350, which was a quarter of the sum raised in Australia. This year, with war charities no longer claiming our attention, and with foreign students still in desperate conditions, we should raise £500. It is for us, said Mr. Jacobs, to remember our fellow students in their sufferings. A little heart-searching should persuade us that, as the Vice-Chancellor had remarked, we should dig deep in our pockets to give of our abundance to those who lacked the essentials of life and the equipment for study.

DID YOU KNOW THIS?

That if all the beer consumed in Adelaide on Anzac Day were placed in one receptacle, he would probably be very drunk.

That if all the steel girders used in the construction of the new Maths. building were placed on end they would fall down.

That Joan of Arc was not Noah's daughter.

That peace is still raging in China. That the Melbourne Express was delayed for ten hours the other day. The passengers first heard about it from the evening papers. That there is really no Father Christmas.

That the Legislative Council is no place for children in their first childhood.

That the Adelaide University is a hot bed of socialism (with thanks to Sydney for inspiration).

STOP PRESS JACOBS RESIGNS

SAM JACOBS HAS RESIGNED FROM ALL UNIVERSITY COMMITTEES

Full details next issue

the growth of knowledge and diffuse its benefits over wider areas.

Courage of Students

Mr. Michel based his talk on experience in the education programme of China, where he and his wife had been teaching and organising for 15 years. The Chinese placed great emphasis on preserving their institutions of higher learning. Despite the war, there were now 150 advanced centres of education, and the government provided for their financial needs and even made small grants to students.

At present, the efficiency of the system was marred by the effects of

we are well cared for. Our Chinese brothers-in-study lack all these, thus suffering from cold, disease and despair. Textbooks are as scarce as food and housing—the willingness and ability to work are thwarted by environment.

Because their standard of living is still low and production disorganised by war, there cannot be a rapid satisfaction of student needs by the home government. It is for us to help bridge the gap.

Our financial aid, with that of students from the rest of the English-speaking world, will allow China to import requirements for the health

CLUBS AND SOCIETIES

WHEELS START TURNING IN FACULTY SURVEYS

Beginnings

After some years of talking, in N.U.A.U.S. lobbies, about conducting Faculty surveys, at last something is being done. Last Friday, the C.S.C. called together representatives from all Faculties or Diploma Courses to implement the surveys. Seeds were resown at the last Brisbane conference and spurred on by the reports of the efforts in other States, your Adelaide team has got under way.

Who They Are

At the meeting last Friday, the representatives included:

- N. Polglase (Science);
- E. Brewster (Pharmacy);
- B. Leach (Dentistry);
- P. Young (Ag. Science);
- J. Ashbolt (Soc. Science);
- V. Pulford (Commerce);
- R. Hecker (Medicine);
- C. Jose (Eng.);
- K. Magarey (Arts);
- B. Saint (Phys. Ed.).

The Purpose

It is hoped to prepare a report as comprehensive as possible of the conditions within each Faculty as they appear to students and to graduates. The reports from all the States will be correlated and a general report prepared concerning each Faculty.

These reports will then be placed before the Vice-Chancellors' and the Registrars' conferences, the governing bodies of the University and the respective student organisations. It is hoped that they will be of great value not only in regard to the improving of courses and correcting anomalies, but also in making standards uniform throughout Australian Universities.

It is not envisaged that detailed uniformity will be aimed at, but that standards should be as uniform as possible so that a degree at one University is equivalent to a degree in any other University. This would make it easier for undergrads. and honors students to transfer to other States to undertake further work. At present there is a wide discrepancy between many degree and diploma courses.

The Method

The C.S.C. asked the reps. to see if sub-committees could be set up within the Faculties and diploma courses to conduct the survey. Two alternatives as to the means of gathering information were suggested: the Gallup Poll or the questionnaire. Specimens of the questionnaire papers used by Perth for their survey were distributed to the reps. and will help materially in the drafting of questionnaires.

The following is a draft scheme suggested by the Brisbane conference and it gives the probable scope of the survey:—

1. General impressions of Faculty.
2. Consideration of individual years:
 - (a) Subjects as separated entities;
 - (b) Lecturers;
 - (c) Practical courses;
 - (d) Relation of practical work to theory;
 - (e) Relation of subjects to one another.

3. General facilities:
 - (a) Laboratories;
 - (b) Apparatus.
4. Lecture systems—voluntary and compulsory.
5. Faculty libraries:
 - (a) Text-books;
 - (b) Periodicals and general publications.
6. Scholarships, prizes, endowments.
7. Fees and extra expenditure.
8. Relations of students with staff.
9. Students' representation on Faculty.
10. Student societies and affiliations.
11. Relations of students to graduates and graduate organisation.
12. Impressions of post-graduates:
 - (a) Immediate;
 - (b) Of several years' standing.
13. Suitability of courses as train-

ing sides. Mr. Moore first described the different kinds of quiz which he conducts, and then gave us a sample of one of them. The competitors came up to the microphone (imaginary) to answer their questions. They even called forth the off-heard, "Come just a little closer, please!" by sidling away from the microphone (imaginary). The intelligence of the average student was quite a credit to the University, and even those who weren't quick enough to answer the questions, grave and gay, enjoyed the quiz. The meeting ended at 9.45 with the customary supper-item.

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MEDICINE—
ENGINEERING—

We have been told that the secretaries of the Engineering Society and Med. Students' Society have gone bush. If this is true, will someone write some Eng. and Med. notes for "On Dit." Or aren't you interested??"

LAW DANCE, 1946

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ing for a vocation and suggested modifications.

14. Employment of graduates—channels of employment.
15. Facilities for post-graduate and extra curricular research.
16. Position of women students in Faculty.

N.B.—It is hoped that the compilation of surveys will not drag. If you have particular views on any or all of these points let your rep. know them, irrespective of what the sub-committees may do. This is an important subject, and of vital concern to present students and presents an opportunity for the expression of student views, which opportunity it is hoped will not be missed.

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THINK BEFORE YOU THINK!

ARTS ASSOCIATION

There was a double attraction for the Arts Association meeting on Tuesday, June 25. Mr. John Horner left his accustomed organ stool to discuss "Impressionism in Art and Science." The aim behind this impressive title was to prove that Art is always right and Science is always wrong. Which he did, conclusively. The loss to those who did not hear this talk was considerable—students of Science will continue their deluded labors, when they could have heard this warning and left the Paths of Error before it was too late. It was even demonstrated to us that we don't know whether we are thinking, or thinking about what we are thinking about.

Quiz

At 9 o'clock, Mr. Dick Moore arrived, fresh from a quiz show at 5AD. Two teams had been previously picked and ranged on oppos-

IMPORTANT NEWS FROM THE SCIENCE ASSOCIATION

At the next meeting of the A.U.Sc.A., to be held on Wednesday, July 10, four students will give papers—Les Frahn, Joyce Thomas, Ren Potts and Ian Hiscock. The first-mentioned says that his subject has had so much abuse that he won't tell us what it is, but it is sure to be good! The second speaker, Miss Thomas, will tell of some of the very important "chance" discoveries made in Science. "Nosterrix" is the subject chosen by Ren Potts. Sounds most mysterious, so don't be left in the dark, come along and see what it is all about. Ian Hiscock will give the final paper on "The History of Parasitology."

Having enjoyed themselves so much at the Science Ball last year, everyone is asking when we are going to have another. That's a good sign! We like it! And hope that you will all come along on September 14 (first Saturday in third term) to the 1946 Science Ball.

Annual Criminal Trials

GEORGE MURRAY HALL

FRIDAY, JULY 26, at 7.45 p.m.

Sensational Facts to be Released Shortly

WOMEN'S UNION DEBATING CLUB

After being in recess for some time, this Club has now blossomed forth into life again, and held its first debate on Wednesday, June 26, at 1.20 p.m., in the Lady Symon Hall. About sixty students were present and the subject, "That persons under the age of eighteen should be admitted to the University," was fought out between Alison Western and Cynthia Cox on the affirmative side and Anne Whittington and Elizabeth Adam on the negative. Sam Jacobs, who adjudicated, said all the speakers debated very well and he awarded the victory to the negative side by one point.

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AG. SCIENCE CLUB

The third meeting of the Ag. Science Club was held at 7.30 p.m. on Monday night.

Four first years, and one from each other year, were elected to assist in preparing and tidying up the Science and Ag. Science Ball, which will be held the first Saturday in the third term.

The president (Mr. Young) then mentioned (amid some groans) that money had to be forthcoming for W.S.R. He proposed a shilling per head, and put the matter to the meeting. However, 2/- was moved and seconded as a more suitable sum, and the motion was carried practically unanimously.

Mr. Young then informed the meeting that the N.U.A.U.S. wanted the opinions of students on their courses, and to that end a survey would shortly be conducted among members of the Faculty.

He then introduced Mr. Herriot, of the State Soil Conservation Department, who spoke on "Soil Erosion."

Starting his lecture with a number of slides which showed some spectacular examples of soil erosion, Mr. Herriot said although the slides were not representative of the all-over position in the State, they showed what could happen.

He pointed out that in all farming areas, bad farm practice was the root of soil erosion. He named bare fallowing, overstocking and "square farming on round country" as the chief factors.

Bare fallowing and overstocking, he said, removed all cover, and allowed the wind to sweep large areas bare, and by constant fallowing, the soil structure was broken down, and formed a practically waterproof surface plug when rain fell. Thus, large quantities of water, which should have soaked into the soil, ran off, caused gutters, and, on lower ground floods. Cover, he said, was the cure of all erosion.

He then dealt briefly with the development of erosion control. It had progressed from the stage where control was negative, and mainly an engineer's job (e.g., filling gullies, contour banks, etc.) to the present day, where it was recognised that soil conservation lay mainly in preventing erosion rather than curing it.

Marginal Lands

Speaking on marginal lands, he said that under the Marginal Lands Act, a balance between agricultural and pastoral pursuits had been obtained. Unfortunately, due to manpower shortage, and political pressure, the balance was being destroyed, farmers either becoming entirely pastoral or entirely agricultural, either of which was disastrous.

Concluding his talk with a discussion on legislation relative to soil erosion, he said a democratic approach had been maintained throughout.

The basis of the legislation, he said, was that no man could mismanage his farm so that erosion shall occur.

Although on the face of it the legal aspect appeared full of loopholes, questions from members showed that it was practically waterproof.

Other questions were asked, reflecting a somewhat unusual mental activity among members.

At the conclusion, a vote of thanks was passed, and members adjourned to supper.

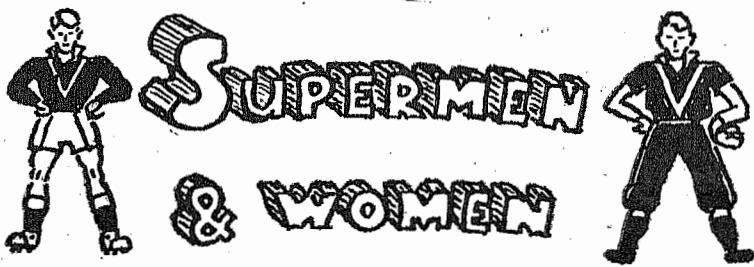
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FOOTBALL

SCIENCE V. ENGINEERS

An inter-faculty match was played on the Varsity Oval on Wednesday, June 26. Both teams were below full strength, and the Science team below full numbers in the first stages. Couriers were sent out into the highways and byways, however, and with one man retrieved from Botany practical and with the Engineers' emergency, the gaps were filled.

The spectators saw Science get a good start, only to be outplayed during the rest of the first quarter. Engineers were getting the ball away from ruck, and their big men (Marker and Cooper) dominated the high-marking. The end of the first quarter saw them five goals ahead: 7-4 to 2-3.

Things evened up in the second quarter. Coulls, for Science, was playing a dashing game and initiated a number of attacks, many of which were turned back by Vaughan, the Engineers' goal-keeper. Half-time scores: 10-10 to 4-6.

The third quarter favored Science, partly because of improved play and partly because of the Engineers' kicking. By this time Coulls was practically carrying the Science team, and Davies, at centre for Engineering, was doing more than his share. Bill Solly's ruck tactics should be mentioned but do not bear a close examination. Third quarter scores: 12-16 to 9-7.

The last quarter was not as exciting as some have been in recent years. Generally, and this could be said of the whole match, Engineers were comfortably on top. The reason for their win was probably a slight all round superiority, both in the places and in the rucks.

Final scores: 16-20 to 11-10.

BASEBALL

A'S RETURN TO WINNING FORM

After their run of "outs," the A's played almost errorless "ball" to shut out Prospect batters in all frames.

The rookie, Laurie Smart, made a fine debut on the centre mound, pitching a two-hit game with 5 strike-outs and fielding 8 grounders, several of them being hot chances. We now have a fine pitching combination in Irwin and Smart, and if the batting can be improved, our premiership position will improve.

University scored when Duigan came home on Smart's right field hit. Brokensha batted well, and if he can take his average to 350, he will have interstate chances. Safeness: Brokensha (2), Smart, Duigan, Marcus.

B Team

This greatly improved team avenged its defeat at the hands of Prospect in the first round, and were unfortunate in the game finishing a draw 3-3.

Irwin pitched well and Sharpe and Fuller brought off almost impossible catches.

Barrow and Kilgariff batted well.

C Team

Although outitting their opponents 11-7, wasted chances on bases

and fielding lapses, gave Sturt the game.

Dave Craker starred with 4 safe hits and Hansbury collected 2. Tansell pitched well.

D Team

With a great win against Goodwood Ramblers, 20-3, University goes to second position on the premiership table.

Fine batting was seen from Mansfield, while Tonkin, Miller and Ziesing maintained their high average.

E Team

This match was similar to the C's. Prospect were out-batted, 9-1, but safer fielding gave them the game. Daly and Emery, with 3 hits each, led the batting. Davidson is fielding well at third.

To-morrow, all teams have good chances, the B's having the hardest match against Sturt.

But swing too late for a solid hit. For though it seemed not fast at all, It popped right into short stop's mitt. The batters come and the batters go And the innings pass through the afternoon And back to the dug-out bench they flow Where the air is blue with their profane tune. And on that bench with angry hum Their voices bark with a puzzled ring "We oughta murder that lucky bum." Why, gee, the rummey ball ain't got a thing; The barracker's roar for a scoring thrill From that man with nothing on the pill. But all they got was a shut out score And it's almost true what the slugging crew Said of the lad in the pitchers' role: The guy had nothing besides his glove— And a lotta nerve and some swell control. "K2."

RESULTS IN BRIEF

29/6/46

FOOTBALL—

A's d. S.P.O.C. A's, 22-26 to 9-7. B's d. P.A.O.C., 12-12 to 9-8. C's d. C.B.C., Wakefield Street, 22-17 to 2-3.

HOCKEY—

A's d. Knightsbridge, 2-1. B's lost to Kenwood, 3-5. C's d. Argosy, 4-2. D's lost to Grange, 0-6. E's lost to Holdfast Bay, 0-6. F's lost to Knightsbridge, 0-2.

LACROSSE—

A's lost to Brighton, 1-17. B's lost to Legacy, 3-17.

BASEBALL—

A's d. Prospect, 1-0. B's drew with Prospect, 3-3. C's lost to Sturt, 10-17. D's d. Ramblers, 20-3. E's lost to Prospect, 7-8.

TABLE TENNIS—

A's d. Union Bank, 18-0. B's d. Savoco, 12-6. C's d. Technicians, 17-1.

ATHLETICS—

Adelaide-Gawler Relay, 3rd.

WOMEN'S HOCKEY—

A's lost to Aroha, 1-4. B's d. Largs Bay, 6-1. C's d. A.T.C., 20-0.

BASKETBALL—

A's lost to Laddyped, 18-27. C's lost to Athos, 5-48.

TABLE TENNIS

With the completion of the first round, our three teams between them have won 19 out of their 22 matches.

The A's won their eight matches, and so finished top with a percentage of 73. The team has remained unaltered for the past six weeks, and the individual performances are as follows:—Jackson, won 27 rubbers, lost 5; West, won 25, lost 7; Muirhead, won 17, lost 7; and Daw, who has been off form lately, has won 21, and lost 11.

The B's won 4 of their 7 matches, and are fourth in their grade (B2). The team has changed from week to week, but with regular players will have a good chance of finishing the minor rounds in the 2nd or 3rd position. M. Meek has won his 12 matches in the grade; Tonkin has won 14 and lost 10, while Noblet and Lucas have won about half their matches.

The C's won all their matches in the first round; with the remarkably high percentage of 76. Keldoullis has played well, and has won 21 of his 24 rubbers.

On his good play in the C's, Dahlenburg was put into the B team.

The three matches played between June 21 and 26 were outstanding in their scores. The A's won 18-0 (without losing a set). The B's won 17-1, and the C's won 18-0; thus 53 of the 54 rubbers played were won.

Players are reminded that entries for the State's championship and handicap events must be lodged soon. These are to be played between August 5 and 15.

University tournaments will be held at the end of this term, and the list of events will soon be available.

LACROSSE

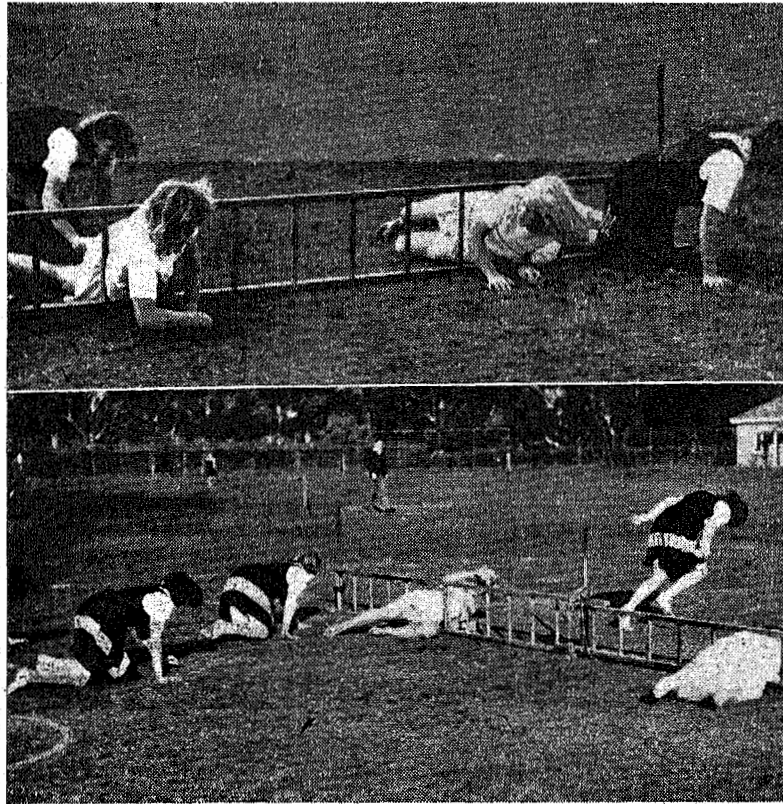
END OF FIRST ROUND

The first round of lacrosse matches has ended with Varsity eighth on a premiership table of nine teams. However, the standard of play has at times been better than this would indicate, and with a full team for the rest of the season, don't be surprised to see them rise high on the list. The A's have shown what they (Continued on Next Page)

WE repeat our appeal to Secretaries of all Clubs and Societies to let us have any photos they may have.

We want to print them, but we can't do much unless you are willing to help.

WOMEN'S SPORTS DAY



The Obstacle Race: before and aft—

"THE SHUT OUT"

The batters come with a cocky air, And wave their bats like a swinging gate. For all they see in the pitcher's stuff Is a dinky hook and a "nothing" ball. They take their cuts at the dinky hook That flutters in like a big balloon, And then they curse with a puzzled look At finding that they have swung too soon. They swing with glee at the "nothing ball,"

SOCCER

On June 22 the A team played Prospect United at Lefevre Terrace, North Adelaide. Prospect won 5-1. Goal-scorer: Levitt. Best players: Same, Geisler, Donaldson, Levitt.

The B team played the last game of the first round against Sturt, losing 11-0. The game was very poorly played, and it was Sturt's first win. Best players: Womersley, Casling, Neal, White.

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LACROSSE [Cont.]

can do at full strength by beating Glenelg 6-5, and holding East Torrens, at the top of the table, to 26-17, when Bruce Frayne was missing from goals.

Three Varsity players—O'Sullivan (centre), Harbison (attack) and Wallman (forward) have been chosen to practise for the State team—Harbison's selection, especially, being meritorious, as he has only been playing irregularly, owing to athletics training.

The B's have won every match in which they had a full team, but owing to two forfeits in the vacation, and a defeat last week, when playing a man short, they are now about third in their section.

Leading goal-throwers for the A's are Kunnick 14, Hallett 13 and Wallman 11, while for the B's, Harry 17 and G. Ward 15, lead the way.

The A's are playing spasmodically, but perhaps Munday is most often in the best players; for the B's, all are playing well—Dunn was promoted to the A's for consistently good play early in the season, and Goode is perhaps best of the others.

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BOXING

A trainer has now been secured for the Boxing Club. He is a man with a wide experience of this sport, and so far has made considerable progress with those who have been training. The trainer will be coaching every Wednesday afternoon from 4 o'clock to 6. Now is the time to learn the "noble art of self-defence." Those who wish to participate in training, come along with shorts and sandshoes only, all the other equipment is supplied.

A general meeting will be held in the George Murray, at 1.20 p.m. on Monday, 8th, to discuss the coming intersarsity boxing at Sydney and the likelihood of us being able to send a team. This term, too, we hope to arrange an exhibition evening, which will be run on the lines of a tournament. The committee wants your views on these matters.

And so, don't forget! Training, Wednesday afternoons—the general meeting to discuss intersarsity boxing, training, and a tournament—George Murray, Monday.

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"DOLL FACE" DUE

Vivian Blaine, Dennis O'Keefe, Perry Como and Carmen Miranda head the outstanding cast of "Doll Face," the song-studded new musical hit opening to-day at the Regent Theatre. The 20th-Century-Fox picture, produced by Bryan Foy and directed by Lewis Seiler, also features Martha Stewart, Michael Dunne and Reed Hadley in important roles.

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DITTY

If I could find
The knowledge all
From years behind
That I've let fall,
Solomon's mind
I'd make look small.

—NEV.

RHODES SCHOLARSHIP**REGULATIONS FOR 1947**

For 1947 one Rhodes Scholarship will be allocated to each State. In each State the Scholarship will be open equally to "service" and "ordinary" candidates. To "service" candidates the same conditions of eligibility will apply as in the election held at the end of last year. In the case of "ordinary" candidates the conditions of eligibility which were operative before the war will be maintained. The main differences between the categories are:

(1) "Service" candidates may be married whereas only single "ordinary" candidates are eligible.

(2) "Ordinary" candidates must be of such an age that they will have passed their nineteenth and not have

**THE JOSEPH FISHER
LECTURE IN COMMERCE**

for 1946 will be held To-night.

Friday, July 5

At 8 p.m.

By

PROF. S. M. WADHAM, M.A.(Professor of Agriculture in the
University of Melbourne)

Subject:

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MEANJIN PAPERS:**Volume Five, Number One**

By "Critic"

This is the reaction of a very ordinary Varsity student to "Contemporary Verse and Prose."

One of the sections of this publication is entitled "Reviews." I do not think anyone is capable of reviewing a review, therefore I propose to dismiss it with a brief statement that the reviewers, at least, seem to have read the books they criticise.

Much of the other material is criticism (mainly of Marcus Clarke), which I will not attempt to review, as criticising a critic is rather futile.

The articles appear to have been written by people with a good grasp of their subject. Particularly noteworthy is Barbara Hockey's "Indonesian Nationalism," because it is about the first article of its kind that I have read that is not violently abusive either to the Indonesians or the Dutch.

Two short stories grace this issue of Meanjin Papers. "Tough," if some of the vulgarities were deleted, would just about make the grade for "The Mail" magazine section.

"The Catalyst and the Analyst," however, is a more readable, if slightly "arty" attempt.

Now we come to the poetry. This seems to be of a slightly higher standard than usual with these periodicals. James McAuley's "The True Discovery of Australia," is a clever satire. Talking of Australians, he says:—

And sit on their verandahs taking
tea,

Watching through the pleasant
afternoons

Flood, fire, and cyclone in suc-
cessive motion

Complete the work the pioneers
began.

Of shifting all the soil into the
ocean."

Perhaps his style approaches doggerel, but it is eminently suited to his treatment of the subject.

"Dunedin," by Allen Curnow, and "The Half Light," by "X" (I don't wonder he was ashamed to sign his name), are of that dreadful "arty" form which recall Max Harris in his wilder moments.

The writers of "The Builders," "Woman and Child" and "Holiday in Brisbane" seem to have considerable difficulty in conveying their meanings.

Variety

The remaining literary section in this booklet is entitled "Variety."

A. R. Chisholm is deliciously satirical in "Chris Brennan on Music."

The best description of Peter Hopegood's "Lorca and His Critics," is the note appended at the end of his article by Mr. Hope, a previous critic of Lorca:—"... he (Mr. Hopegood) is plainly unable to distinguish between Lorca's actual poems and the luxurious Hopegood mythology which romps all over them like convolvulus on a cow shed."

Art

There is yet another section in this book called "Art." The articles,



E.U.—

Friday, July 5, 1.20 p.m.: Public meeting—"God's Hand in Occupied China." Speaker—Miss Mary Andrews. In Chem. II Theatre.

Tuesday, July 9, 1.20 p.m.: Bible study on St. John's Gospel. Advanced Maths. Room.

Friday, July 12, 1.20 p.m.: "God's Hand in the Sudan." Speaker—Rev. Arthur Riley, of Southern Sudan. Chem. II Theatre.

Tuesday, July 16, 1.20 p.m.: Bible study on St. John's Gospel. Advanced Maths. Room.

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Wednesday, July 10: Eng. v. Law. Lady Symon Hall.

P. & I.R.C.—

Monday, July 8: Discussion—"Nationalism and Science," led by Prof. Portus.

Socialist Club—

Saturday, July 6: Week-end conference.

NOTE: Club secretaries, please see that information for this column reaches "On Dit."

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Letter to the Editor**"W.S.R. MISGUIDED"**

The Editor, "On Dit,"

Dear Sir,—When asked to buy a badge for the W.S.R. appeal last week, I refused, and received a look of blended pity and scorn.

My reason for refusing to part with a bob was not just shekel-happiness of a severe degree or a bad spin at Morphetville the previous Saturday, but because I believe that charity begins at home. After taking a look around Bedford Park and 105 A.G.H., Daw's Road, and seeing the Legacy boys march on Anzac Day, I find it hard to care how many chilly Chinese lack fires and whether voracious Viennese students are eating cats and dogs, and I'll continue in this callous mood until every bedridden Australian veteran has the comforts he deserves and all the dependants of those who died are adequately cared for.

I suggest that the talents and energy of those organising and carrying out the W.S.R. appeal could be directed to a better cause; in fact, the best cause of all. Perhaps they too, need a look around the ex-P.O.W. wards at Daw's Road. I am, etc., "M. & V."

I am entirely unable and unqualified to comment upon. The reproductions of the pictures I find interesting, but can say no more about them.

To sum up, I find the book interesting as an attempt to discover hidden Australian talent. Unfortunately, I fear, none has been discovered in this issue.

Oh, and I almost forgot! The Editor "because there has been such a spate of manuscript submitted for criticism has decided to raise the fee from 2/6 to 5/- for each MS. criticised."

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