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• General addresses students NO COLOR PREJUDICE HERE SAYS CARIAPPA

Speaking to an enthusiastic gathering of students in the Mawson Lecture Theatre, the retiring Indian High Commissioner, Gen. K. M. Cariappa said that Australia was the only European populated country in which he had found no color prejudice.

General Cariappa was making his final speech in Australia before he relinquished his position after two and a half years stay here.

He specially cut his journey so that he could speak to students, because he thought them the "leaders of the future."

He said that he did not speak of the color bar which was imposed because of the country's White Australia policy. This was a different

matter.

General Cariappa said that much of India's foreign policy was still misunderstood elsewhere, although it was actually "as plain as a pikestaff."

She wished to avoid war, he said, and believed in friendship with everyone.

Of Australia, General Cariappa said he had had "nothing but kindness and goodwill here."

"Australians are simple and friendly, with the same democratic principles as Indians," he added.

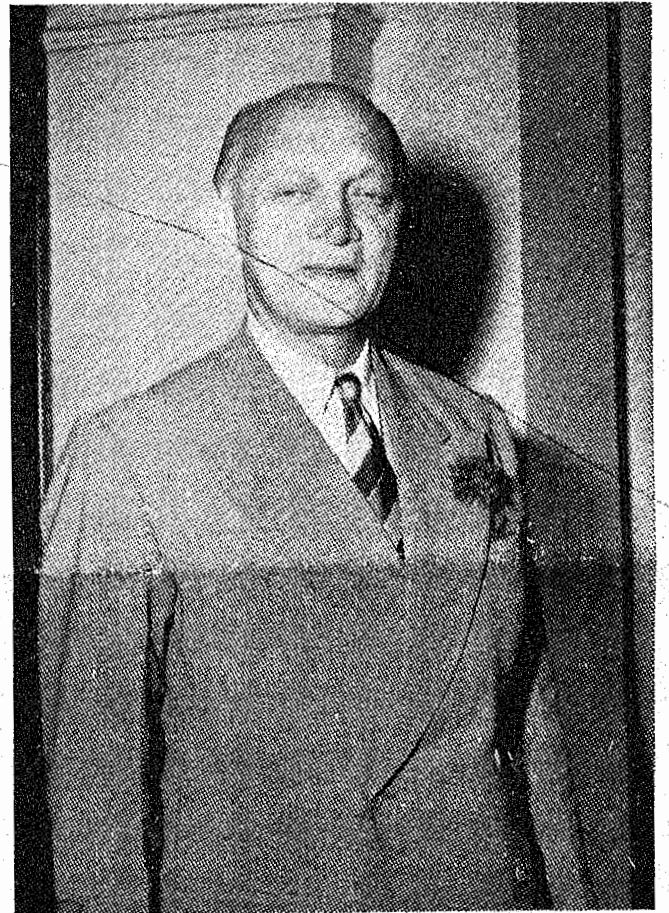
He felt that Australians were worthy of admiration because they were not afraid to "call a spade a spade."

While here, he learned a great deal about Australia's social welfare work, and he sent much information about it back to India, where it was proving most useful.

General Cariappa regretted that more attention was not paid to youth in the Australian community.

Too much importance is placed on the material side here, he added.

After the break in his journey, the General flew to Perth so that he could catch his ship, which he had left in Adelaide.



Gen. Cariappa, who addressed students in the Mawson Theatre, photographed during his visit to the University. News Photo

CAMPUS TAXIS FOR EUROPEAN STUDENTS

"So vast is the campus of Madrid University that students there are provided with a taxi service to travel between departments," said Miss Crampton, of the French Department, at an Arts Association lunch-hour address.

Miss Crampton, who has recently returned from an extensive tour of Europe, first described student life in some of the universities she visited abroad.

"The University city," she said, "is well established in Europe, especially in Greece, Italy, and Spain."

"Madrid University," she added, "is a particularly flourishing example, each department forming a suburb of the city."

Miss Crampton then went on to describe her impressions of the people of Spain. "The farmers," she said, "are often very poor, and work their fields for long hours each day, generally without any of the modern machinery common to farming in our own country."

While in Spain Miss Crampton gained another viewpoint on the Gibraltar question, which, although arousing little interest in England, was a major issue at the time of her visit.

"The acquisition of Gibraltar during Franco's rule would greatly strengthen his claim to immortality," she was told. "But then," Miss Crampton added, "who

would like to be the English Prime Minister who lost Gibraltar?"

TRAVEL CONCESSIONS CLARIFIED

The general position regarding travelling concessions for students has remained in doubt for too long. We are now able to bring to the attention of students the most up-to-date and authoritative information available.

RAIL

With the exception of Western Australia, a two-thirds concession is available to any student not in receipt of remuneration for rail travel.

This concession applies throughout the year with the exception of the peak periods—December 9 to January 15, and seven days prior to Good Friday to seven days after Easter Monday.

Each State railway issues a student concession form for persons over the age of 16, which must be completed before the concession can be obtained.

University authorities usu-

ally hold a supply of these forms.

Any student who experiences difficulty in obtaining this two-thirds concession should report the difficulty immediately to his/her local N.U.A.U.S. Travel Officer.

AIR

Butler Air Transport offers a 10 per cent. student concession. When making bookings it is necessary to have available some document, such as an "authority to attend classes," which substantiates the eligibility of a student for the concession.

Ansett Airways offers a 50 per cent. student concession to persons aged under 19

during University vacations.

Efforts are being made to have this concession at least partially extended to students who are aged 19 or over.

However, this may never eventuate, and no assumption should be made that any extension has come into operation.

An announcement will be made if N.U.A.U.S. has any success in this direction. An application form for this concession is available at Ansett booking offices.

There is no provision eliminating those in receipt of remuneration as far as the two above-mentioned air concessions are concerned.

MISSIONER

The Rev. Harold J. Whitney, B.A., B.D., will conduct the E.U. Week of Witness programme, beginning on Monday, May 7.

Mr. Whitney was born in Nanango, Queensland. He attended Gympie High School, where he was noted as a sportsman, athlete, and long distance swimmer.

As a schoolmaster, he taught for twelve years, then entered Emmanuel University College, Brisbane, where he gained degrees in Arts and Divinity.

In 1940 he was ordained as a minister in the Presbyterian Church, and in 1942 took charge of St. Andrew's Church in Bundaberg for 10 years. In 1952 he was appointed Evangelist of the Queensland Presbyterian Church, and was reappointed in 1954.

His visit to Adelaide as guest of the Evangelical Union is his last engagement before going overseas to further his studies.

● Written by Howard Berry, a final year Law Student at Melbourne University this article gives an account of his experiences in India under the new N.U.A.U.S. Travel Scheme.

WARM WELCOME IN INDIA

During the last vacation N.U.A.U.S. inaugurated its first student travel scheme with India.

To pioneer the scheme a small team of three students was chosen, each one financing his own way.

Whilst in India the students were looked after by a small organisation called Lok Milap ("meeting of peoples"), which functions along similar lines to the U.N.E.S.C.O. experiment in international living.

Lok Milap's aim is to increase understanding and build up friendship between the people of India and citizens of other countries.

They believe that the best way of achieving this aim is to take visitors from abroad into their homes, and show them what the real India is like.

FREE BOARD

The idea is that the incoming young men and women spend about a week in each home as working family-members, and pay no boarding or lodging charges.

As they move from one town or village to another they naturally are able to see well-known places, but the emphasis is always on observing various kinds of peoples, customs, and living conditions.

On arrival in India you are shown a list of invitations that have been extended from families throughout the country.

According to your particular interests, be it in religion or politics, or one of the professions, you may choose the families with whom you would like to stay.

You are quite free to select in a small area, or right throughout the whole country. On the invitation forms is information about the numbers of the family who speak English, their interests and habits, means of transport, occupation, and eating habits (e.g., whether strictly vegetarian or not).

EASY TRAVELLING

Travelling around India is made easy by a very efficient network of railways, which stretch into every corner of this vast land.

Moreover, it is extremely cheap, third class being about 3/- per 100 miles, second class 10/-, first class £1, and air-conditioned class

about the same as air fares.

When you arrive at a new destination you will usually find your Lok Milap host is waiting for you at the station. He will take you to his home, and look after you in every way imaginable. Nothing is too much trouble if it will make you feel more at home.

You will be shown all the wonders of this historic land

and the Indian hospitality poured upon you.

RECOMMENDED

It is to be highly recommended that any student who is interested in learning about India should avail himself of the opportunity of using this scheme, and so undergo the unique experience of seeing this ancient country at close quarters.

Lively debate on respectability

According to Brian Stone and Malcolm Bennet respectability is not a bar to progress. They convinced the audience of this in a lunchtime debate, held in the Lady Symon Hall on Monday, April 16.

Interjectors considerably livened the speech of Mr. Andrew Jeffery, leader of the affirmative side, who opened the debate.

Isaac Newton and bathing suits were cited as interesting examples of what casting off the cloak of respectability has done for men (and women).

Mr. Stone, leader of the opposition, prominently displaying a clipping from a week-end paper, aroused interest with his definitions of "U" and "Non-U."

The audience was amused to learn that one can still retain respectability at the Adelaide University, even though sporting a beard.

Messrs. Anthony Hearn and Malcolm Bennet upheld their respective sides, the latter putting forward some convincing arguments on behalf of the middle class and its respectable progress through wealth and strength.

After the summing up, the

chairman, Miss Margaret McLachlan, who had been kept busy calling the house to order during the debate, declared the motion lost on the vote of the house.

Travel forms

The culmination of many years' hard work and progress in the N.U.A.U.S. Travel Department is the news that the N.U.A.U.S. universal Travel Application Form is now available for immediate use by students and their families and dependents.

This is a major development in the history of student travel in Australia.

It means that travel details can be arranged by a student or staff member at his local S.R.C. or Guild Council office. A form is available there for you to fill in. It doesn't matter whether you are making a local train trip or an international air flight.

As soon as the form is completed and returned to your local travel officer your requirements will be attended to, and in a few days your tickets should be available without you having set foot outside the University.

It is emphasised that this method is no quicker than if you make your own arrangements in town. It is, however, a very great convenience if you are able to give a week or ten days' notice.

In addition, there is an accommodation and employment form, should you require N.U.A.U.S. to arrange these facilities for you at your destination.

Literary Society

Mr. Donald Glover, Fulbright Research Scholar, now attached to the English Department, will speak at the third meeting of the Literary Society, to be held on Wednesday, May 16, at 8 p.m., in the G.M. Library. His subject will be "American Humor." All are welcome.

UNION NIGHT

Friday, May 4,
8 p.m.

BRIDGE EVENING

Don't bring cards as it is a Talk on Bridge by
PROF. BULL!!!

Evangelical Union

WEEK OF WITNESS

PROGRAMME

Rev. Harold J. Whitney will be speaking at 1.15 p.m. every day in the Lady Symon Hall.

Monday, May 7—

"Man's Thirst for New Life."

Tuesday, May 8—

"Obstacles to New Life."

Wednesday, May 9—

"Is New Life Possible?"

(Question time afterwards)

Thursday, May 10—

"The Miracle of Birth."

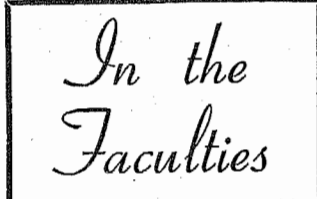
Friday, May 11—

"From Death to Life."

Special Meetings

● Bible Studies, by Rev. G. R. Delbridge and Rev. A. S. Tinsley, on Tuesday and Thursday evenings, at 5.15 p.m., in the George Murray Library.

● End-of-Term Church Service: On Sunday, May 13, at 7 p.m., at Tusmore Presbyterian Church. The preacher will be the Rev. H. J. Whitney.



ENGINEERS!

How about this?

On Friday, May 7, the Adelaide University Physiotherapy Society and the A.U.E.S. are sponsoring an informal dance in the Lady Symon Hall.

As the intention of having this function is to promote co-operation and social intercourse between the faculties, we would like to see fifty (50) smooth engineers present.

All the physiotherapy students have already promised to come along, and it is up to the engineers to demonstrate their chivalry.

Supper will be provided, and the charge for admission is 2/- per male.

We have arranged three trips to places of interest to engineering students in the first week of the May vacation.

The trips are to British Tube Mills, the Railway Workshops, Islington, and it is also intended to visit General Motors—Holdens. Further details will be posted in the Engineering Buildings.

The committee of the Students and Graduate Section of the Institution of Engineers, Australia, has drawn our attention to the fact that only a very small percentage of student engineers have joined the Institution of Engineers.

They feel that both students and the Institution would gain much from a more active participation by the students in the activities of the Students and Graduate Section.

Anyone interested should contact Peter Boros, secretary of the A.U.E.S., remembering, however, that only third year students upwards are eligible for membership.

We are appealing for articles for the A.U.E.S. magazine.

We will print articles on ANYTHING, and of almost any length.

DENTAL SOCIETY

The first monthly meeting of the A.U. Dental Students' Society will be held in the Dental Hospital Lecture Theatre on Wednesday, May 2, at 8 p.m.

The guest speaker will be Mr. John Cock, a World War II air ace.

Students present at last year's lecture by Mr. Cock will recall what an interesting and instructive speaker he is on war experiences.

It was as a result of his last lecture that we decided to invite him to speak again on his war adventures.

ARTS ASSN.

On Thursday, May 3, Father Michael Scott, S.J., Rector of Aquinas College, will address a lunch-hour meeting in the Lady Symon Hall. Father Scott, well-known as an authority on modern art, will speak on "Contemporary Australian Painting."

Prof. Karmel explains BEER, SMOKES, TAXES AND MENZIES

In a vigorous review of Australia's economic trouble, Professor Karmel showed how it was necessary that Australia's supplementary Budget be introduced.

In criticising the Budget, Prof. Karmel said that there should have been an increase in personal income tax; and that the Budget came six or eight months too late.

In taxing beer and cigarettes, those hardest hit were the people in the lower income groups; and, he added, the Government has been persistently too late in its policy of curbing economic troubles.

This is quite possibly the result of such a short time in office, and as an alternative, Prof. Karmel suggested that the term be increased to five years.

Conditions

In describing the conditions which led to the Budget, he pointed out that there had been an increase in demand for capital equipment when the productivity was not high.

There was also a demand for investment and consumption goods, which produced a tendency towards inflation.

This internal shortage tended to spill over into the imports, and we imported more than we could afford. This happened prior to 1951-52, and resulted in inflation and difficulties in the repayment of loans.

Expansion

In 1953-54 a reasonable balance was presented, but in 1954-55 there was an expansion in demand, mainly

by private industries. Trade and employment were high, and prices rose a little. This inflationary tendency was countered by imports, which satisfied the demand. How-

ever, there were some latent pressures towards inflation, and a large deficit in the balance of repayment.

In October there were some measures done to check the problem—a tighter policy in lending, and cuts in Government expenditure—but they were not very effective.

STUDENT UNION REJECTED

At a recent meeting the S.R.C. rejected a proposal that the Union Building should ultimately be run by a council consisting entirely of students.

A number of councillors stated that administration of the buildings required both more experience and time than students possessed on their own.

The S.R.C. recommended, however, that there should be a student majority on the Union Council.

It was felt that the student body at present had an inadequate voice in the control of buildings used almost entirely by themselves.

The Union Council is at present composed as follows:

- Two University Council representatives.
- Two Graduate representatives.
- Two Staff representatives.
- Three S.R.C. representatives.
- Three Sports Association representatives.
- The Registrar.
- The Warden.

Its function is to allocate the Statutory Fee, and to administer the Union buildings, including the Refectory.

The existing constitution

of the Union is now being investigated by a sub-committee of the Union Council, on which the student body is represented by the President of the S.R.C.

CONFERENCE AT BELAIR

This year the S.C.M. is holding a first-term conference at "Nunyarra," Belair, from May 21-24.

Its central theme is "What think ye of Christ?"

Dr. Hebart is giving three addresses related to this topic: "The Mystery of Jesus' Messiahship," "Jesus the King," and "Man's Response."

We expect many questions and doubts to arise from these addresses, especially in the study circles.

We want people to come along and ask: "Was Christ really what He said He was? And what did He say He was, anyway?"

We expect they'll wonder "Is there such a thing as the

Night Lectures

At its last meeting the S.R.C. discussed the inconvenience of night lectures to many students in the Arts, Science, and Economics Faculties.

Full-time students appear to resent having few or no lectures during the day, and then having to stay often until 7.15 to wait for lectures which have been fixed for the convenience of part-time students.

The S.R.C. sympathises with these students, but nothing definite can be done until it is known how many students are affected.

Steps may then be taken to try and have lectures duplicated.

So if you have more than one night lecture per week on your time-table, drop a memo. in the S.R.C. office.

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Divided Churches

The Church cannot forget its weakness in disunity.

It is continually being thrown at it in such questions as: "Well, what does Christianity say? The Christians can't even agree amongst themselves."

There has been a growing conviction through the years that the carrying out of God's will is a task too big for a divided Church.

But who is to relinquish a firmly held belief in the cause of unity?

In 1932 Paul Couturier, a French Roman Catholic priest, suggested the observance of a "Universal Week of Prayer for the Unity of All Christians."

He felt this to be something in which Christians of his own or any other Church could join.

This idea has developed until to-day in Australia most Roman Catholic and Protestant Churches are keeping this Week of Prayer, beginning on Ascension Day—May 10.

Our ideas on the ways to unity differ greatly, but with unity in prayer the Churches look to unity in the Church.

PLEASE DON'T LEAVE

1. Trays in the George Murray Common Room.
2. Personal property on the desks in the Barr Smith.
3. Girls unescorted for the end-of-term hop (May 18).

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

MEETING IN BONYTHON HALL

MONDAY, MAY 14, at 1.20 p.m.

Speakers representing the

ANGLICAN
FREE CHURCH
LUTHERAN
and ROMAN CATHOLIC
points of view

Chairman - - The Vice-Chancellor



Traveller Elizabeth Woodgate, who recently returned from a Youth Forum in the United States. Elizabeth has gone into Residence at St. Anne's and is reading Arts.

A-BREAST OF THE TIMES

No Crush on Khrushchev

A modern John the Baptist earned his triumphal tour of Britain by growing a curl "a la mode."

In fact, British Government officials were afraid that the smiling M. Malenkov had lowered British resistance to the gospel of Communism.

They have now been reassured by the stony silence in which the British people have received M. Khrushchev and Marshal Bulganin. The luckless pair must harbor nostalgic memories of their garlanded reception in India.

What will be the repercussions of this tour of Britain by the Russian leaders on international relations?

Stalin, undisputed leader of an openly anti-Western Russia for thirty years, never once left his native land (except for a couple of war-time conferences, each not far from Russia). This inevitably restricted his knowledge of conditions in foreign countries, and Russian foreign policy tended to ignore the realities of world politics.

Foreign affairs advisers could not have kept Stalin so well informed as could his own personal experience. Isaac Deutscher has, in fact, provided good evidence that Stalin's policy in his later years became increasingly affected by an inbred Russian mysticism.

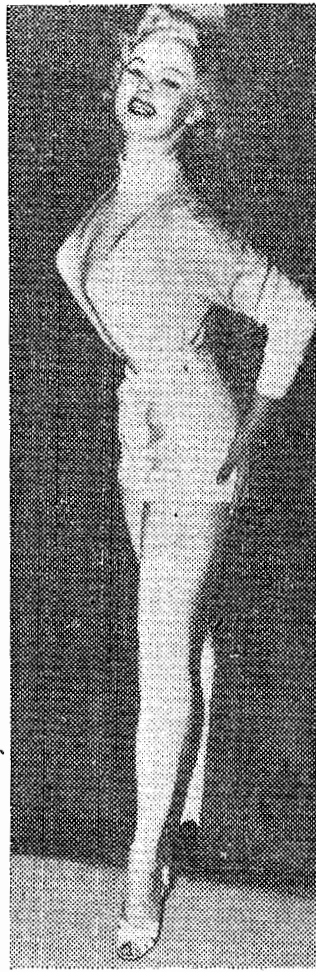
Western statesmen therefore had reason to fear aggression by Russia. An isolated dictator pays little heed to the armed strength or public opinion of his potential adversaries. Predictions of an imminent world war were widespread during the last few years of Stalin's reign.

They are no longer in the air. Has the West been lulled into a false sense of security by Russian exchange visits?

Advocates of free international exchange as the road to world peace are often branded as unrealistic sentimentalists. Recent Russian peregrinations, however, coincide more than accidentally with an easing in world tension.

Had he stayed at home, M. Khrushchev might still have believed that the British people would ultimately welcome Communist deliverance. But faced with a cool welcome from the masses of England, he has placed increasing emphasis on the importance of co-existence.

Early in the tour he



made the unprecedented statement that the British people (not just the reactionary Government, but the working classes as well) were not in favor of Communism.

Conservative Western politicians will no doubt cite once more the basic tenets of Communism as conclusive evidence that Russia is still bent upon aggression. They overlook the fact that, provided Russian leaders are well informed, they will inevitably adapt their dogma (which has always been subject to zig-zags) to current conditions.

Russian leaders now realise the futility of warfare. Their long-term aim of world Communism is as harmless (or harmful?) as the American aim of world democracy.

Since the disillusionment of 1939 our statesmen are well aware of the ever-present need for at least limited war-preparedness. But they have over-encouraged, especially since the death of Stalin, the popular fear of war. America has suffered most, but a glance at Australian newspapers shows anti-Communist hysteria to be almost as prevalent in this country.

As long as anti-Communism is widely propagated, popular fear presents a dangerous threat to basic freedoms of thought. These alone can the West offer as a fundamental alternative to the ideology of Communism.

First term, freshers work . . .

David sat in the cane chair and tried to study, and the more he tried to concentrate, the more meaningless the words became, for he was remembering, reliving that past which now seemed so long ago.

He was lying on his bed in the dormitory. A gust of wind fluttered the pages of a book lying open on a chest of drawers, and set the dried leaves whispering outside. The boughs tossed impatiently, struggling to free themselves from the trees, trying vainly to follow the impetuous wind.

A few spots of rain splashed against the louvres. David strolled listlessly to the balustrade, looked at the darkening sky. The rain fell faster now, and the wind tugged at the struggling trees. The cold wind blew the raindrops in his face.

Unstrapping the big canvas blinds, he let them drop into place, and wandered around into the deserted common room.

But here the sound of the wireless in the long, empty room only magnified the end-of-term loneliness.

Outside, the rain poured down, and the trees tossed violently. David switched off the wireless, and went back to check his luggage.

The eighty-foot diesel launch plunged through the night at a steady ten knots. David slept fitfully; the spray from the swell kept splashing his face as the vessel slid, shuddering, to the trough of the waves, climbed, straining, to the crest.

When David woke he was dreaming of her. It was just dawn, and the launch lay anchored half a mile from the rickety old wharf. The wind was strong and cold, and the brown water sped with an alarming swiftness out to sea; here in the semitropics it was normal for the tide to ebb at least twenty feet.

They rowed shorewards in the dinghy. David had meant to shake hands with the engineer, but somehow the rush of loading luggage had been too hectic. Now

he sat watching the tanned figure as the distance between the launch and the dinghy slowly lengthened.

That engineer was a first-class bloke. What had he said, again? "Listen, mate. When it comes to getting that old engine started, your University-trained engineer isn't in the race." David would probably never see him again, but he felt it was too late now to wave.

David held her close, caressing her hair.

"I'm glad you're back," she whispered softly as their lips parted. She pressed her cheek against his shoulder, and he kissed her hair.

Then, in an unbelievably short time, it was the last end of term. The sun poured heat through the louvres, softened the asphalt on the tennis courts.

The sky was very clear and blue, the heat searing,

soaking, strength-sapping. David leant on the balustrade and wiped his forehead with his fingers.

In the dormitories the mattresses were rolled up on the beds, the blankets roughly folded in a vague attempt to obey the end-of-term order: "Blankets to be neatly folded."

In an empty cupboard someone had written in chalk, "Merry Xmas."

Strangely, the expected sadness at leaving school did not come.

David went out to the water fountain in the quadrangle.

Once more the common-room was empty. Outside,

the trees wilted in the burning heat.

"The end of school," thought David. He looked at the book in his hand, dropped it carefully to the floor.

"Hey, Geoff," he said. "Coming down to the shop for a drink?" P. Edgar.

A PHOENIX MORE FREQUENT

• "Since I have been down here I have heard very little but cries of anger at the apathy we find in our University."—(A.U.M., 1953)

Adelaide University Magazine, however, raises its double head, and with a single voice cries out for ARTICLES.

Designed as an outlet for less ephemeral views than those of "On Dit," A.U.M. ideally should reflect 1956 University life and thought in a nice crystallised form.

This magazine first appeared in 1939 as a vehicle for infant poets, and until 1951, rejoiced in the optimistic title of "Phoenix." Now, after a year-long liberation, it recreates itself under the more recent name of A.U.M., and begins its long dark night of article-hunting.

The dawn of publication will come, we hope, in September of this year.

We, the editors, do not intend that this year's A.U.M. shall be frightfully literary, existentialist, theological, or poetic, and are sincerely avid for your personal experience with electric dynamos, genes, or James Joyce.

It doesn't matter whether you write five lines or five hundred (we have full excision rights), whether you write in ink or blood or lead, on every alternate line, or from right to left; whether your genius or muse is scientific, literary, or schizophrenic.

All we want is enough articles to produce a magazine which reproduces what you of the University have on your morbid little minds. We can be found at most



LEE KERSTEN

times of the day in the Refectory or the English Seminar Room. Articles and suggestions can be left in the appropriate pigeon-holes.

So if you write Amoebic verse, dabble in witchcraft, or have been a Zombie, please tell us.

LEE KERSTEN.
HANS SASSE.

THOUGHTS AT NIGHT

You have heard their voices
Spectral voices
Floating softly, a fairy whisper
Upon a dream-embosomed shaft of moonlight.
Voices of darkness
Moaning, forboding
Sinister phantoms of forgotten hopes
Lost in the ocean of a darkling past
Beyond retrieve.

H.C.

(With acknowledgement to THE NEW NATION)

Big programme for Theatre Guild

In 1956 the Adelaide University Theatre Guild begins its nineteenth year. Plans are well advanced for a varied programme which will be at least equal to any that have proceeded it.

The stress, you will note, is on variation of mood and content. During the year our programme will range from contemporary tragic-comedy—with more than a touch of farce—to high tragedy in the grand traditional manner. None of our plays has been seen previously in Adelaide, and we hope that this fact alone will encourage members to make every effort to increase our membership.

Only in this way can the Guild's ambitious future be assured.

Tragi-comedy

At the end of May the exciting and unusual tragi-comedy, "Waiting for Godot," by Samuel Beckett, will be produced by Brian Bergin, who is well known for his many productions and per-

formances for the A.U.D.S. Early in July Philip Fargher will produce "The Prisoner," by Bridget Boland, which is a contemporary problem play of great dramatic power, and will certainly rouse discussion here, as it did at its first performance in London less than two years ago.

Fourth play

Arrangements for the fourth play are in the "negotiation stage," and details will be circulated shortly. Finally, the Guild will present Schiller's great tragedy, "Mary Stuart." The conflict of the two queens, their clash of motive and personality, have long been a favorite theme for playwright, novelist, poet, and apologist! Schiller's portrayal of these great events

has all the characteristics which made him the national dramatist of Germany. The play will be produced by Derek van Abbe.

We would thus ask you, with the above programme in mind, to make every effort to increase membership. Our subscription remains unchanged. Single membership, procurable at Allan's, will cost 21/6, double membership, 35/6. Undergraduates (who pay 10/6 for single membership, one guinea for double) should apply to the Secretary.

Members will notice a special innovation this year. A detachable slip on each ticket voucher can, on presentation at Allan's only, be exchanged for any number of additional tickets (at 5/- plus 3d. booking fee for each). This is designed to enable you to bring friends to the performances.



Brian Bergin, who will produce a play for the Theatre Guild pictured in one of his former theatrical triumphs.

DARK CITY

*Dark City
Amid time's syncopation
Transforming placidly
The dying embers of the past
Into the turbid pageant of tomorrow.*

*Only shades and images
Of the twilight city
Cast back the waves of poignant memories
Upon the wind-swept shores of love's oblivion.*

*Neon lights
Shattering the monochrome of a sublunary night
Behind desolate city blocks.
Lights, fading candles
Transient symbols of life's transient facade
Illuminating
The unsubstantial dream world
And the hollow, unceasing movements
Of a discordant symphony of time.*

*City of darkness, concealing gaily
Putrid squalor
Garish magnificence
Under the pallid haze of lunar twilight.*

*Lonely
Amid a whirlpool of meaningless faces
Portending vacuity
I remember you.*

*I remember you
In the dark city
And in the morning.*

H.C.

INTERNATIONAL CLUB MEETING

"KNOW THE YANKS"

SLIDES

SPEAKERS:

U.S. CONSULATE
MISS E. WOODGATE

Chairman: Dr. Grenfell-Price

Be sure to come on **MAY 8, at 7.30 p.m.**

Local students neglect International Club

It was evident from the meeting held by the International Club for this year, that while overseas students are keen to mix with and discuss their countries with Australian students, we are not prepared to give up our time to learn from them.

The meeting was well attended by Asian students, mainly from Malaya, Indonesia and India. There were more Australians attending from outside the university than Australian students.

The high attendance of outsiders shows that the club's function as a medium between the general public and the university is succeeding admirably.

All who went enjoyed an interesting programme on Indonesia, which began with David Evans giving a travelogue about the Australian student delegation's recent visit to Indonesia.

This was followed by a question-time in which many interesting answers were given, by a panel of Indonesian students, to questions on politics, religion and national de-

velopment in their home country.

Two interesting films, the subjects being "Bandung" and "The Afro-Asian Conference" were then shown, the former showing many aspects of one of the world's model cities and the latter giving an account of one of the world's most important international events, held at Bandung.

After supper, prepared by Indonesian Columbo Plan students and consisting of an Indonesian style salad, the final film, depicting scientific development in Indonesia today, was shown.

This meeting is representative of the interesting gatherings to be held by the International Club throughout the year.

Australian students are especially urged to support this club and are ensured that their support will be justly rewarded.

Next meeting

The next meeting will be held on May 8, the subject for the evening being "Know the Yanks." It is proposed to have talks by Elizabeth Woodgate, the U.S. consulate, and a representative of the Australian-U.S. Association. Slides will be shown and the meeting chaired by Dr. Grenfell-Price, who, like Miss Woodgate, has just returned from U.S.A.

Busy time for Aquinas Society

The End-of-Term Dance, July Camp, and a Week of Prayer are the main activities of the Aquinas Society in the next few weeks.

END OF TERM DANCE

The Lady Symon Hall has been booked for Saturday, May 19, from 7.30 to 11.30 p.m., for a dance to wind up first term activities.

We stress that the dance begins at 7.30 p.m., so come early, prepared to enjoy yourselves. Bring your friends and 4/- each, and we will provide supper and a first class dance.

JULY CAMP

The week-end of July 13, 14, 15 has been booked at the Mylor National Fitness Camp for a week-end in the hills for the Aquinas Society.

After Christies Beach Summer Camp no further introduction to the Aquinas Society style camp is required.

Watch for news of book-

ings early next term, as accommodation is limited, so be ready to book next term.

WEEK OF PRAYER

Monday, May 14, is the date for the lunch-hour meeting at the University during the week of prayer for Christian Unity.

Father Michael Scott, S.J., will present the Catholic case and basis for Christian Unity. Prominent churchmen will present the points of view of their respective Churches.

ASCENSION THURSDAY
Mass will be celebrated in the Lady Symon at 5.15 p.m. on Ascension Thursday, May 10.

ANNUAL BALL

Saturday, June 30, is the date the Refectory has been booked for the Annual Ball. Now is the time to think about your pre-ball party.

Letters to the Editor

Left

Dear Sir,—Belief in Socialism is no thought-crime. Even Premier Playford is half a Socialist. Even though he rejects Socialism in principle, he allows it in through the "back door."

In South Australia many of the vital factors of production, from coal to railways, and from electricity to housing, have been quietly denied to private enterprise. And the basic tenet of Socialism is that industry should operate not for private profit, but for the common good.

This is a political belief with a fundamental sense of purpose behind it. It is therefore not surprising that the Oxford University Labor Club is a vigorous organisation, with an expanding membership of well over 1,100.

To many unthinking people Socialism is socially unacceptable. Here in Adelaide the Liberal Union is the refuge of the social elite. Its members are more interested in the social notes than in serious intellectual discussion.

The Liberal Party has, in fact, no positive philosophy. It lives on anti-communism and anti-socialism.

It professes a belief in private enterprise. At the same time, Mr. Menzies has been forced to offset the evil effects of private enterprise by agreeing to at least a minimum of State-sponsored social services.

In recent years anti-Labor parties have increasingly adopted portions of the Socialist platform. Their denunciation of Socialism is nothing but rank hypocrisy.

Only the positive philosophy of Socialism can cope with the great problems of our time.

No other democratic political creed offers a system of equality among all citizens.

The human suffering caused by economic depression and

Remember that we must have everybody's support to make this year's ball the successful function last year's was. So arrange your party now for the Aquinas Society Ball on Saturday, June 30.

"LUNCH HOURS"
Remember to attend your faculty discussions group, and the Rosary, at either 1.05 or 5 p.m. daily.

inflation can only be averted through governmental planning along socialist lines.

JUNIUS

Right

Dear Sir,—I would like to reply to "Socialism Explained," which appeared in the last edition of "On Dit."

Socialism does not allow for the human failings which we all possess; it imagines that we are all Albert Schweitzers. We all say how wonderful he is, but how many of us are prepared to join him in the jungle for love of our fellow men?

No. The average man's mentality is so constituted that a socialistic State makes him apathetic, and saps him of enterprise. Socialism has no room for competition—and competition is the best driving force in the world.

I would advise everyone to look around and see how Socialism works in reality. In Victoria Square one can see M.T.T.-owned trams and buses, which are running at a loss, and privately owned buses which run at a profit. In England the steel industries were taken over by the Government; the financial loss was so great that they had to be handed back to the owners. The same happened to a certain degree in the coal mines. Now that they are State-owned the miners are discontented, less coal is produced, and many overseas markets have been lost, as the price has become too high.

Socialism is an empty dream for adolescent youth to ponder over in University cloisters. Socialism can only be carried on under the "incentive" of secret police. Those of us in this University who pride ourselves on our clear thinking must turn away from the idealistic cobweb called Socialism to the clear, sane path of Democracy through individual freedom. That way lies progress, and ultimately a fuller and richer life for us all.

R.M.

Left

The Editor, "On Dit."

Sir,—In your last issue you published an article bearing the pseudonym "Junius," in which certain opinions of an avowedly socialist character were expressed. Directly beneath this article appeared the statement that the opinions expressed therein were not those of the Editor. Since this statement was so placed as to refer clearly to the article in question, and since no similar statement has, to my knowledge, been made in previous issues about any article, political or otherwise, it seems evident that this is a case of unwarranted discrimination against one particular viewpoint. Why the socialists should be the body to suffer is a question readers might be interested to consider for themselves.

It is obvious that you, Sir, cannot agree with all opinions published in "On Dit." But since you rightly give no indication of whether you prefer Jeff Scott or the E.U., I must object to your expressing your political views in a situation which I consider requires you to be equally impartial.—Yours faithfully,

GRAEME WATSON.

E.U. activities

Bible Studies:—

This term, Rev. A. S. Tinsley has been leading us on "The Central Truths of New Testament Teaching." These have been very profitable, and if you haven't come to one of them yet, you will find us upstairs in the Lady Symon Library every Wednesday lunchtime.

Next term, Rev. G. R. Delbridge and Rev. T. Jones, from Holy Trinity, will lead our study in the Acts of the Apostles.

Public Meetings:—

Mr. Delbridge spoke at our first public meeting on "Christian Fundamentals," the bases of our belief in the Lord Jesus Christ. A few weeks ago, three members of the union, Ian Burnard, Ted Treloar, and Ian Bednall, spoke about "God and Man"—God's plan for men.

His working out of this purpose through His Son, and our own personal relationship with Christ as Friend and Saviour.

Week of Witness:—

During the coming week, we shall endeavor to bring to you the promise of New Life for all who believe in the Lord Jesus Christ.

Freshers

who attended freshers' camps

REUNION TONIGHT

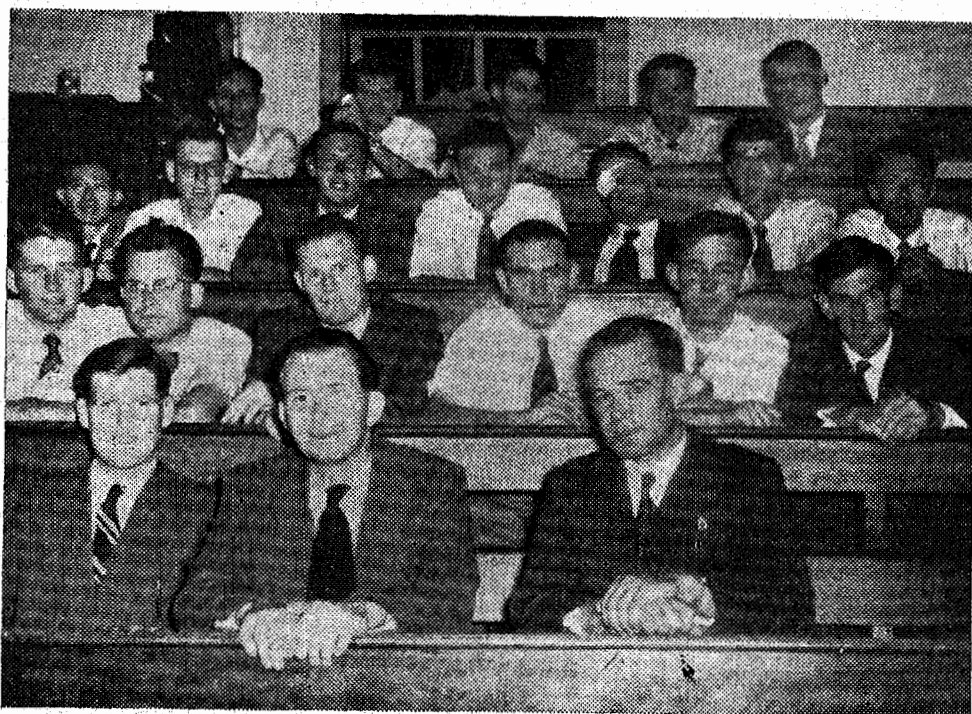
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in

Lady Symon Hall

Slides of Both Camps |
Supper |
Dancing |

FREE



Dental Society members photographed at the society's A.G.M. In the front row are Vice President H. Kennare, Immediate Past President G. Millhouse and President K. Robertson.

OUR MORONIC GENERATION

It is reported that, some short time ago, the University suffered a relapse and finally expired.

The grave was prepared long ago by the general body of Engineering students. In Arcadia the Meds. raised their Cokes in a toast to its demise.

This article is an appeal for pallbearers. Thus far only the Vice-Chancellor has applied.

In the meantime, the former University buildings are being used to house the employees of a Degree factory. Few of these show any disposition to undertake the intellectual pursuits which once flourished at the University.

Hogwash? The sort of tripe that University authorities and S.R.C. members constantly put forward? Well, it has confirmation from at least two other sources.

Source No. 1 was a voice on the 'phone. "We're doing a survey on student interest in political issues," he said. "Can you give me a summary of political activity in recent years?" The voice belonged to a former editor of "On Dit."

One could not now point to even a faint sign of student interest in the burning political issues of the day. The voice gave vent to nostalgic memories of the time when politics were hotly debated, and vital issues were decided within the University grounds. Students of that generation were in a position to give the lead to public opinion.

The information that not one of the present S.R.C. executive was a prominent member of a political club led to a whistle of surprise. "There was a time when political opinion meant the difference between election and rejection for the Student Council. Those were the days!"

Source No. 2 was Max Harris, whose opinions are voiced in the jaunty paper known as "MOP."

Under the heading of "Unkindness to Students' Week" he relates his experiences as a speaker at January's Student Congress.

"I set myself a difficult but exciting task—an attempt to relate, and even to synthesise, the three big concepts which have emerged in the deepest thinking of the post-war years. The first, the most important intellectual event in post-war life, I took to be the Wiener-Shannon theory of Communications. —The second pervasive concept of contemporary thought I took to be the sociological set of ideas about conformism, and the "fear of freedom." —The final and deepest idea of recent history I proposed was the existential idea—

"I looked up at the end. Before me was a vast sea of uncomprehending faces, expressions singularly reminiscent of stunned mullet.

"What transpired in the discussion was not that my exposition was confused and obscure, but that NONE of this elite group of undergraduates had ever heard, even vaguely, of any of these concepts. . . . Students these days cultivate a deliberate indifference to ideas. Great changes have occurred in the universities, and in the calibre of academic staffs. . . . The student mind is locked, bolted, and barred against ideas on

politics, philosophy, or religion, excepting the set of orthodox and uncritically accepted views with which they arrive at a university."

Max Harris is right. The root of the evil lies in the

fact that the average student is proud that he has no truck with intellectualism. He believes himself to be at the University fundamentally to get a degree.

No doubt Australian Uni-

versities are producing a fine set of technicians. At the same time, Australia is rapidly becoming bankrupt in leadership, culture, and basic philosophy.

By contrast with the vital-

ity and confidence of its Asian neighbors, Australia is already a dead nation. Unless Australian Universities can provide a ferment of ideas, our country will be without a future.

What's wrong with Adelaide?

The Olympic Games are providing valuable publicity for hundreds of commercial organisations throughout the world.

Watchmakers proudly announce feats of their chronometers in the timing of past Olympics, exercise books display Olympic designs on their covers, and now it seems that lottery tickets, too, are decorated with the famous pattern of circles.

Here is a great opportunity. But what are we doing?

Overseas people who intend to witness the big event in Australia this year will no doubt hear much about Melbourne.

They will possibly do a certain amount of research, and ask intelligent questions of the various travel bureaux throughout the world, thus increasing the chances of their holiday here being interesting and educational.

It is all well and good for travellers to be interested in their prospective holiday centres. Melbourne will no doubt benefit greatly from their influence—both monetary and cultural.

But what of Adelaide,

Brisbane, Perth, Darwin, Hobart?

I have not mentioned Sydney, because this ranks with London and New York as a city continually in the news, and as such, needs very little publicity. Canberra I have omitted also, because this is Australia's capital, and as the seat of Federal Parliament, is frequently mentioned.

But what of the other cities?

It is obvious that other places will be by-passed. The vast majority of visitors will not include other parts of Australia in their itineraries, and it will be our fault.

A few may be lured to the Northern Territory in the hope of seeing real Austra-

lians—black ones. But each State has star attractions of its own. South Australia has the Flinders Ranges, Queensland the Barrier Reef, and so on.

Western Australia and Queensland have issued dull visit-us-after-the-Olympics leaflets advertising their respective States.

Pamphlets

The covers of these pamphlets look as if they were printed for the first Olympics, held years ago in Greece.

But they are better than nothing.

South Australia, to my knowledge, has not yet issued any sort of pamphlet whatsoever.

Progress, yes—but in the wrong direction.

The cry, of course, is for money. Nothing can be done without cash, authorities say, and they are right, to a certain extent.

But perhaps the small funds that are available could be used to greater advantage with only a minimum of effort.

Many say: "There's no need to advertise Adelaide. People will come here for the Davis Cup after the Games, anyway."

This may well be. But how many people will also spend a few weeks in Adelaide after the Davis Cup? How many will get away from the city and explore the rugged Flinders Ranges, or visit other country areas?

Only a very small number, I should think.

The majority will return to their own countries full of praise (or otherwise) for the Davis Cup and Adelaide, but they will say nothing of other all-the-year-round attractions of this State.

Let us agitate for more publicity from those in charge of such matters. Melbourne is in the headlines, and perhaps the rest of Australia will be there if available funds are used selectively.

Perhaps, also, State authorities will be stirred from oblivion into unconsciousness, and thence into a gradual awakening of the need for immediate action. C.A.

Left News

Every few years, at election time, one hears opportunists of the Right Wing asserting that Communism and Socialism are synonymous terms.

Of course, as any student of politics will tell you, this is plain, arrant nonsense.

However, as a means of winning the votes of the more credulous section of the community it has paid handsome dividends in the form of big majorities at elections for many a long year.

Well known "Liberals" W. T. Wentworth and the noble knight, Sir Arthur Fadden, can testify to its success, for it is they—following in the wake of such celebrated figures as Senator Joseph McCarty and Col. Campbell, of the New Guard—who have perfected this difficult art.

The word "Socialism" can be interpreted in many different ways—well over 200 definitions have been collected. Socialism can convey totally dissimilar meanings to different persons.

If you recall the election posters of the Liberal Party, you will remember two quotations, both containing this word, "Socialism," one being by Lenin, the other by the late J. B. Chifley. The inference which the Liberal Party campaign manager hopes the public will make, is that both Lenin and Chifley were advocating the same solution to problems. Surely this is the height of blatant intellectual dishonesty.

A slightly more sophisticated approach taken by some "Right-wingers" is the claim that Democratic or Fabian Socialism will eventually lead to Communism. This belief that the raison d'être of Democratic Socialism is to set up a Communist system must be overcome. One might as well say: "Christianity is a step to Atheism—one only has to overcome God."

Democratic Socialists, with their strong faith in mankind and democracy, will continue, as always, to be in the vanguard of the fight against Communism. By introducing more social and economic reforms, Democratic Socialism is mankind's best bulwark against Communism.

The Labor Group will be holding their next public meeting on Monday, May 7, in the George Murray Library.

David Penny, of the Economics Department, will play an American record entitled "The Investigator," a parody on MacCarthyism.

Future plans include a brains trust and a meeting to discuss self-determination for Cyprus.

The Labor Group, unlike Denis Warren, of "The Advertiser," were elated to hear of the Socialist victory in Ceylon, and in common with our Asian friends, wish this Government every success.

Women Badminton players for Melbourne

A Women's Inter-Varsity in Badminton will be held for the first time this year.

Melbourne is the lucky host for this historic contest, which is scheduled to take place in the second week of the May vacation.

Six teams will possibly compete, and we are sure there will be plenty of spectators to watch the girls in action.

There are gaps to be filled in the proposed Adelaide team, and new women players are sure of a chance of selection. Come on, girls!

Practices are being held regularly at Brougham Place Church Hall (next to St.

Ann's) on Wednesday afternoons from 2.00 p.m. to 5.30 p.m., and on Thursday nights from 7.00 p.m. to 10.30 p.m. Everyone is welcome! No previous experience is necessary—we'll teach you!

Matches begin on May 7, and competition for a place in the team will be keener this year, as the club has decided to enter a "B" Grade team only.

At the General Meeting on Thursday, April 19, Albert Thong and Stanley Khoo were elected Secretary and Assistant Secretary respectively.

NEW LIFE IN CHRIST

The Evangelical Union invites you to hear
REV. HAROLD J. WHITNEY, B.A., B.D.

Monday, May 7, to
Friday, May 11

RUGBY TEAM AGAIN ROMPS HOME

But lacks support

Few of the many hundreds of University students who do nothing on a Saturday afternoon trouble to watch a team in action.

Deduct 500 players of all sports and there is a liberal allowance to watch — about 2,650, who obviously can't all play, should cheer the Varsity teams.

Conscious of growing strength, the Rugby Club appeals to the supporters of all games to spend part of their Saturdays in watching the teams they follow.

We know you can't get afternoon tea, but if you support the game, the Rugby Club will see that it is provided.

Already endeavors are be-

ing made to discover an old "Cafe de Movealong" to serve afternoon tea around the University playing fields.

Great win

The A team followed a great win over Woodville with a run-away victory over Glenelg.

We are lucky to have such players as Captain Hone, Johnny Williams, Allan Sargeson, Malcolm Gelder, and Mick McCall, who have proved capable of some prodigious feats; but it is always the team that gets the tries.

Hui Weng Choon, our star "five eight" of two years ago, after a couple of preliminary runs, shows promise of a great comeback.

All this leads to very promising things for Inter-Varsity in Hobart.

Results

Since the last publication of "On Dit" there have been two Saturdays to report.

FIRST GRADE

University, 16, d. Woodville, 3.

Scorers: J. Staska, Z. Staska, Baron-Hay, Van Gelder (tries), Hone (2 goals).

Best Players: Hone, Van Gelder, McCall, Sargeson, Tan, Wadsworth.

University, 38, d. Glenelg, 0.

Scorers: Baron-Hay (2), Sargeson (2), Rosewall, Radford, Finnucane, van Gelder, Hone (tries), Hone (3 goals and a penalty goal), Tan (goal).

Best Players: Sargeson, van Gelder, Hone, Tan, Williams, Powell.

RESERVE GRADE

Old Collegians, 15, d. St. Marks, 11. Scorers: St. Marks—Lea, Ziesing (tries), Fitch (dropped goal), Ford (goal). Best Players: Fitch, Schmidt, Lea, Ziesing.

University, 20, d. Woodville, 11. Scorers: University—Powell (4), Vowles, Eu (tries), Olden (goal).

Football Results

Grade A1: University 9.11. d. Semaphore Central 6.15.

Goalkickers—University, Treloar, Bishop, Bungey 2, Downer, Ackermans, McAuliffe; Central, Buckland 2, Atkins, Warley, McDonald, Sikeves. Best players—University, Tuckwell, Downer, Ackermans, McAuliffe, Wilson, Edwards; Central, Atkins Pwelski, Simmons, McDonald, Warley, Shea.

Grade A2: University 15.16. d. Teachers' College 10, 10.

Grade A3: University won (no scores).

Grade A5: Goodwood 12. 26. d. University 12.12.

Best Players: Powell, Vowles, Olden, Eu.

University, 6, drew with Burnside, 6. Scorers: University—Wadsworth, Horrocks (tries). Best Players: Stone, Lim, O'Brien.

North Adelaide, 41, University 8. Scorers: University—Ziesing (try). Best Players: Chittlebrough, Caseley-Smith, Ford, Welbourn.

HOLD IT GIRLS!



Girl Basketball players vie for possession during practice.

Ball teams win

Three of the five University baseball teams scored wins in the first series on April 21.

The Major A nine notched a great 5-3 triumph over the strong West Torrens side.

Gerry Kinnear, in his first A Grade start, allowed but two hits, and although he walked ten batters, always had enough in hand to hold an early lead.

The final Torrens rally was cut off by a smart double play, Doug Othams being the pivot man. Neil Quintrell had two hits for Varsity.

The Major B team was outclassed 14-2 by an omnipotent Torrens side, which gathered 19 hits.

Although guilty of five errors first up, this team boasts a good infield, and with increased strength in hitting and pitching inevitable, it will make its presence felt.

A 19-11 victory for Varsity over Woodville was the result of a free-scoring Minor B game at Woodville South. Mark Schafer pitched all the way for this team, which could finish as high as any Varsity nine this season, for it has plenty of young talent available to go with its nucleus of experience.

In Minor D, University was soundly defeated by Prospect, 17-2, but in Minor E managed to scrape home 9-8 from East Torrens.

RAIN MARS NOVICE ATHLETICS

On April 18 the University Athletics Club held a meeting in which were run the novice championships, St. Mark's sports, and two events of the University open championships.

The track was wet and heavy, and this, combined with gusty winds and light rain, spoiled the meeting, slowing times down considerably.

Best performances were returned in the novice events by Cowan (three firsts and a second) and

Munn (two firsts and two seconds).

R. McWilliam, with three firsts, took off the St. Mark's Cup for best performances in the St. Mark's events.

It was good to see increased entries in University open three-mile event, run on the same day. No less than seven started.

The event resulted in a win to Carlos D'Assumpcao, with Darnley Taylor a close second, and Jeffery a long third. The time was only 24.4 secs. outside the record, established by Assumpcao last year.

Under the conditions, Crawford's time in the 440 hurdles was good.

Hockey Club to field five teams

The hockey season is already under way. Practices have been going well and from the available talent we should have no difficulty in putting up good sides for every grade.

Players are numerous—competition keener—and each position is being well fought for.

Inter-Varsity

The Inter-Varsity hockey meet is being held at Brisbane.

It will most probably be during the first term vacation, so if you intend going hurry up and put your name on the list as there is not much time left.

For some reason this year there is a shortage of goalkeepers. So if you want to make sure of a position for yourself here is your opportunity.

Cool, collected and confident Ian Gulland is there to coach you. Under his able guidance new comers should do well. Bala—last year's most improved player—is kicking well again this year. With a bit more confidence he should do well.

New-comers Allan Hutchinson, Hoh and Kamal are showing promise. We will probably see quite a bit of them during the coming season. Peter Brumitt and Chris Wilson have improved tremendously. Keep the ball rolling boys, it may get there if the forwards keep awake! Lanky Dhillon has lost

some weight and is shaping well. Lets hope he maintains his figure. Skipper Narinder has been training hard to get fit again after nursing a twisted knee. He is doing well and with a few more missed meals he should be as good as gold.

Pat is as nippy as ever but must stop watching the side line for moral support!

Grudge Match

The match of the year—the grudge game between South East Asia and the Rest is expected soon.

The first league game is on May 5. So folks there is not much time left.

Wholly set up and printed in Australia by E. J. McAlister & Co., 24 Blyth Street, Adelaide, and published by the Adelaide University Students' Representative Council.

Women B.B.'s start well

The Women's Basketball team has begun the season with two good wins.

The first, against Hope Ward, resulted in a 31-19 victory.

Last Saturday the A's showed fine form to defeat Crusaders 23-13.

The B's are also performing well, and have a win over Crusaders to their credit.

With strong third and fourth teams this year, the club is making great strides.

TODAY! UNIVERSITY OVAL ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIPS

SEE THE STARS IN ACTION

2 p.m.