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"IF IT WEREN'T FOR POWDER"

THE WANDERIN' WOMEN BLUES

DURING the last vacation our Varsity women again proved their superiority by winning both the hockey and basketball inter-varsity contests. There is no foundation in the rumor that the theme tune of the other Universities is "Baby, Won't You Please Go Home".

No Hacks with the Sticks

Women's hockey matches were contested in Melbourne on September 28-29. The Adelaide University was represented by D. Wall (capt.), R. Jenkins (vice-capt.), L. Kelly, M. Pizzini, M. Wilson, J. Hooper, E. Stott, E. Hudson, D. Thompson, with C. Evans and E. Norris as reserves.

Teams representing universities were Vic., W.A., Tas., N.S.W. and S.A.

First day's play saw a victory for S.A. over the Tas. team by 3 goals to 0. Score at half-time was 1-0 in our favor, then the Tasman team began to rally and equalized, 1 goal all. Then it was a bit of struggle for both teams, S.A. just managing to score the final goal a few minutes before the whistle.

Next on the S.A. list of opponents was Victoria. Up till half-time only 1 goal had been scored, and this one by S.A., but after the half time break S.A. had a fairly easy run and rattled in 4 more goals, while Victoria was held scoreless, and S.A. ran out easy winners at 5 goals to nil.

The match against Queensland on Wednesday appeared to have been really tough going (for Queensland). The Adelaide team scored a mere 3 goals while Queensland, like Victoria, couldn't push the ball through our net one.

One of the highlights of the women's inter-varsity hockey matches was on Thursday, when a battle royal between W.A. and S.A. was played. After seventy minutes of struggling neither team had scored. It was in this match that A. Kelly acquired a beautiful green ring-sequencing it between two sticks — and Mary McPharlan collected a "lock on the face." They bring 'em up tough in the West!

The match against N.S.W. was again a goal struggle, and again a drawn match at all all.

Because W.A. had been defeated by Tas., and N.S.W. defeated by W.A., South Australia, who did not lose a match, won the shield.

Good combination by all members was the main cause for our victories, and every member pulled her weight, and we all congratulate them on their win.

On September 30 a combined University team played the Victorian state team, and the State team won 4 goals to 0. South Australia was represented by R. Wall (left half-back), W. Pizzini (midfield), while M. Frisker was reserve.

An interesting note about the Inter-varsity hockey is that while S.A. scored 8 goals, we had only 2 goals scored against us.

The "Net" Result

For the second time in succession and the third time altogether, we have managed to keep the Inter-varsity Courier of the week a goalless draw, our team consisted of Allan Day (capt.), Margaret Wall, Bette Wasser, Patsy Lay, Pat Anderson and Margaret Brookes. Probably the best match of the carnival was played on a Thursday morning when Bolivia played Melbourne. Both teams were in a match, easily defeating all their opponents, and this match was the deciding factor of the winners of the carnival.

They were left at first due to tension on both sides, and early in the game the Victorians were very unlucky to lose their captain, Dorothy June Turner, who had to retire due to a knee injury. However, the game was very close — 10-13 — in Adelaide's favor, Allan Day and Margaret Wall playing outstandingly. Other results were:

- Australian Women's team v. Australian Men's team 10-8.
- Queensland v. Tasmania 4-5.
- South Australia v. Victoria 18-17.

In the combined team, Melbourne was well represented by Diana Rayza, Mirrene Cumpson, Nancy Wall, Peggy Hancock, and Rosmary Mary Wood, also Allan Day and Margaret Wall were chosen from Adelaide. This team was easily defeated by the S.A. State team by 35 goals to 8.

Entertainment for the visiting teams included an afternoon tea at St. A's College, dinner at John Martin's followed by an evening at the pictures, a picnic in the hills, and a dance at the home of the club president, Mrs. Ray Bone.

CONFER, REFER AND DEFER!!

VAC BRIC-A-BRAC

Student Christian Movement — Jan. 19-29, Adelaide, N.S.W.
Inter-varsity Fellowship — Jan. 14-24, Thorhous, N.S.W.
I.W.P. Theological Students' Conference — Jan. 22-27, LaFayette, N.Y.W.
Agincourt Conference — Holiday House, Mt. Lofty, Dec. 5.

There are probably S.G.M., E.U. and Socialist Club local conferences, but "On Do" has not been notified, so check on your notice-boards in the Refectory.

Just Arrived!

Macbeth: Organic Chemistry
Lemons & Ference: Physics
BROWN & PEARCE, 227 North Terrace
WELL, daws, since the editor evi-
dently did not have the material
that he should finally break
down and ask me to contribute an-
other article, I may as well take
advantage and rate him on his
feeds, as he; and, unless these
little stories that have been
circulating about the one-sidedness
of "On Dit" are true, this column
will be printed in toto, which my
dears, means the "whole works,"
bulbaphumus and all.
A song a day keeps the editor
at bay, especially when it is dedi-
cated to him, as so called in the
Southern Jazz Group, and as my compatto
and great American dignified, Bob
Dyer, would say—let it Riddle, Bel-
ieve me, he must!

I'm not quite so smart as I once
was. I can teach you a thing or two.
People make life so cute they may
not. But you're the biggest I ever knew.
Can you see if you weren't so smart,
You would learn to be twice as smart!

While I am in the poetic strain
you've said it, desire, "support
that stress"—here is a most con-
genial one, on and on youMI:...r.
the tone is not the same and the
structure is something like a
MacDowell, but the key is a
lump on tap and
this thing is a thing. I
am I have to be
What's the
people to

I'm sorry to have
the Socialist Club,

I was
very

Some statements to the above claims can be disputed as nothing but a perversion of the most contemptible dimensions. It is easy for the Socialists, to refrain from defending themselves and the Socialist Club, against the accepted practices of law and order and some of the most deplorable states of the Socialist Club,

As for the Socialist Club, claims.

I was wrong

I am quite resigned to the fact that this admission will be avidly seized upon by the detractors who are inevitably present among such a heterogeneous assortment of old women as the student union. However, I would be little short of dishonest if I failed to admit to the student union that I was in error regarding student autonomy.

During the last S.R.C. elections, when the T.N.E. C.R.C. of the student union did not have to be coerced into so doing, it was patently obvious that students were not interested in representation, or much else.

Since I have been on the Union Council, I have had an opportunity to observe the manner in which the Union Council acts. It is clear that the Union Council acts in a fair and reasonable manner, and that the student union is in a better position to deal with the many problems that it faces.

In conclusion, I would like to say that I believe the Union Council is doing an excellent job, and I hope that it will continue to do so.

The students on the Union Council have been very cooperative, and I believe that they are well deserving of the support of the student body.

I would like to thank the staff of the student newspaper for their help and support during my tenure on the Union Council.

I believe that the student newspaper is an important part of the student body, and I hope that it will continue to be a valuable resource for students.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Don Thompson.
A MONTHLY WITH 400 EDITORS AND 3,000 CORRESPONDENTS

BELIEF in international co-operation appears to be at a discount at the moment. Mention it in a casual conversation, and in nine cases out of ten one is met with a shrug, a sneer, or a snort. Nevertheless, international actions in many branches of human endeavor are of increasing importance. One of the more recent examples is the monthly "Excerpta Medica," which was established a few months ago in Amsterdam, Holland.

Every month this periodical appears in fifteen volumes, each volume dealing with a special branch of medicine and each with a comprehensive table of contents—in English—of what has been published in its special domain.

Every day 400 editors and 3,000 correspondents, from their contributions which have been collected from 6,000 specialists in Berlin, Breslau, Milan, Rome, Potsdam, Tubin, London and Glasgow, Moscow and Odessa, Amsterdam and The Hague, in short where medical publications appear, are watching for new developments.

Nobody of course could read and digest the entire 30 volumes each month. Take for instance the volume dealing with Dermatology and Venereology. This volume contains 240 pages, and the total number of pages of the complete set is estimated in average 14,000 annually. Hence it was the central point of scientific publishing: Springer's "Central Register and Indexes," last but not least, was elaborated, Dutch publishing houses made plans to artists this center to Holland. They were convinced that Germany was located in the core, and would be made to pay up. The Netherlands Government, at last to London, was advised of these plans through underground channels. It gave its blessing and the signal to go ahead.

The volume dealing with Neurology and Psychobiology, and the A.B.C. Scientific Publishers of Amsterdam were in this particular venture. Already Dutch printing works are employed to keep up with the demand.

Unesco circles are elated with the efforts of the Dutch publishers. Books like the "Excerpta Medica" must be established for every science, they say. And not only in English, but also in French and Russian. For the time being, however, the Dutch publishers will content themselves with English which is more and more becoming the international language. Other languages will be considered later, if found necessary.

SYNTHETIC PRODUCTION OF VITAMIN A ACHIEVED BY DUTCH SCIENTISTS

ALTHOUGH the chemical structure of Vitamin A was the first to be elucidated, nobody has succeeded so far in synthesizing this substance, i.e., in preparing it chemically.

It is true, that in 1927 Kuhn & Morris published a statement that they were planning to do so, but, contrary to expectation, since no one was prepared to apply this method in practice. Kuhn & Morris themselves never returned to this subject either, it was doubted whether they had really succeeded in synthesizing vitamin A.

Nevertheless, attempts to approach the problem in different ways continued. A number of laboratories were formed, and the result was that the present output of fish liver oil and butter from which vitamin A was hitherto derived, supplied only about one fifth of the need of the body.

In 1945 the problems of synthesizing vitamin A was taken up by several Dutch scientists: Dr. J. F. Arends and Dr. A. van Dors, who were employed in the laboratories of the Dutch "Organon" Chemical Works at Usselo, Holland. They succeeded in obtaining a substance which differed only very little from vitamin A. In 1946, the so-called vitamin A acid, whereas vitamin A itself, is an alcohol. Starting with beta-2-keto and coupling this substance to a benzoyleonic ester, it was possible to obtain a new substance which was identical with vitamin A in every respect and one which was a true vitamin A.

Exhaustively tested with several other experiments, this vitamin A substance which only differed from vitamin A in this respect, that the last group is a COOEt instead of the ClOEt-group in vitamin A. This

THE social position of university students appears to be from the outside much more favorable than it is in reality in most countries. Allowances may be in most cases liberal enough to permit the student to pay his way, to be reasonably well dressed, to buy his three meals a day, but the margin allotted to "unessentials" is generally fairly narrow.

Probably the vivid dispute over what in social and political discussions of university students is one of the most important factors that determines the political and social position of university students than amongst any other section of the community.

PAUSE FOR THOUGHT

Sanatorium exist in Holland where T.B. patients can receive treatment regardless of their means or social standing. From the point of view of their family and the medical profession in the community, much can be said for the sanatorium patient. In a sanatorium he has to share wards in these institutions with people from all walks of life. The fact cannot be denied, however, that to force him to take part for months on and in conversations with grocers, butchers, and bakers, the tone and content of which is on a different level from the standards the students are used to and what is worse—from which they cannot escape, has an unfavorable effect on the progress of their studies. In the sanatorium, the undergraduate is apt to worry about his future. His work proceeds steadily—he hates being left behind by his mates—but he is not sufficiently well.
1948 "SONG" BOOK
Faithful, fruity, or frolicked, it is the "50's" songbook, and we need not neglect the verse for the University non-
professors.

Write them during your re-
percentage mark contributions "SONG-
Book." The addresses for your song book are the "in a" or the "in a" best or the Un-
versity Office.

Contributions should be bright and not stilted.

Mr. Scott, with Miss Goldbug again replying. Just as the reply had climbed the first few notes, on the
third speech we hit one.

In the final on Thursday afternoon, Adelaide had to meet Canberra, taking
the negative of "That cultural relationships between nations are more
important for maintaining the means than economic relationships."
Our team was the same as in the round with Mr. Opie reply-
ging this time. Though we had not the semi-final on a majority verdict,
the judges were unanimous in awarding Adelaide the final, but again it had been very close.

At the conclusion of this debate, Dunya — the Philippines Cup — was
handed over to the Adelaide team, filled with two bottles of sparking
bargain, and practiced very smartly. Adelaide new line with Melbourne in
being the only team to have seen Dunya twice in the six contests which
we have been invited to.

In conclusion, all the teams wish to thank the University for all the
help and encouragement which we have given us during the whole of the
debate. The kindness of Mr. and Mrs. Nevin, of Canberra, for the very
sincerely and intercollegiate.

Some Swearing — Tut! Tut!
The other day the new S.R.C. swore itself in.
At a dignified ceremony, as 100% attendance of new
Councillors elected Maggery to Presidency, Roder to
Secretaryship, and Gawn to the Treasury.
These, with Elizabeth Robin, form the Executive of the 1948 S.R.C. Your representatives are
listed elsewhere in this edition. (No waste space —sorry.)

STUDENT'S POINT OF VIEW
Now that policy speeches and elec-
tions are over, let's have a look at
to see what is expected of this body of students.

For a start, let's have a look at our
representative councilmen, the what
they've been doing and what they
are doing. This is the time to find out
the "1948 attitudes," not seldom do they
disagree with their "1947 attitudes." It's
not in this place, anyway.

Right from the outset, then, we have a division. A representation of student opinion, except for Salvador Dali's reviews of all whose lives are too short to live in a century.

In the new S.R.C. there is no such thing as equality.

Certainly, the Council does come to decisions and they have to be brought to
the students — but generally in the way which
the students have not been used to. The new S.R.C. does not agree.

There are as many people who are the student's opinion as there are who know what S.R.C.
represents. As a whole, they are a group of people who are too busy to be interested in
the political arrangement of the nation. However, the S.R.C. is not
restricted to a group of people who are too busy.

Benefit the S.R.C. attempt an old
trick on the student body, and if you
are a member of the S.R.C. you are
then the "secretary." This means,
benefit is a person who is interested in
the Student's Council and in particular
the University. A person who is interested in
the Student Council interests in the University.

Benefit the S.R.C. are not interested in
the Student Council interests in the University.

Benefit the S.R.C. are not interested in
the Student Council.