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WOODSIDE STILL TABU WITH OUR WARRIORS

Following the return of another intake of warriors from the 16 National Service Training Battalion at Woodside, our University Regiment can now boast an addition of two hundred and fifty to its strength. Having already spent a year by the fire and fed by the first intake, the Regiment authorities are probably living in holy terror that this lot will only increase their worries.

They will probably find, however, that these men will be quieter and more efficient than their predecessors. Why?

More Efficient

If this comes about, it will be because the 1955 warriors were possibly more satisfied with Army life at Woodside. Those who read our article, "16 Days Tame At Woodside" this time last year will remember of the lack of effective organization and badly looked after food, and the general complaints that 56 days was far longer than was necessary to complete basic training, in spite of the care taken to ensure that the training was effective.

Waste of Time

We have no desire to dwell on the authorities with caution, as we wish that, as we do not spend time on the more glaring errors in the National Service system, and to offer a little constructive criticism. But let us say, here and now, that again the last few of the fourteenth weeks were paraded as a colonial waste of time.

Last year's critics estimated that, even allowing for a possible increase in the time necessary to train men with a lower educational standard than students, fifty to sixty days was all that was really required for the amount of training that was done. In the light of new reports, since they reflect healthier physical condition of the men, it is estimated that, with the same allowance for differing educational standards, nine weeks (60) would be ample time to complete basic training.

Students and others alike detailed National Service became it was a waste of time, and said it cruel.

"For the first nine weeks we were only given the army supplied food, the remaining weeks we had to go out and get our own. Once we had a week devoted to reading, but the instructors would not let us remain there long."

STOP PRESS

COUNTER SERVICE

JELLY ROLL

P.S. Your formal invites of the Annual Dinner last year were sent out too late. We hope you will not take it amiss if we sent this year's invites out a month earlier.
National Service

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TV Control

It was thought, at the time of publication of Professor Jeffares' article on TV, that a fortuitous gap, which was the subject of considerable interest and controversy, might prove to be a useful tool in the struggle against the monopolistic power of television. But to the more serious objection of the TV people, that the standard of medical understanding is so high, it seems unlikely that this difference will be overcome. There is, however, the additional objection that the greater part of the public is not yet aware of the many dangers involved in the use of television.

Professionalism

Prof. H. N. Robson

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Mr. Bryn Davies

New English lecturer, Mr. Bryn Davies, is from Cardiff University College and a graduate of the University of London. He was Professor of English at the University of the West Indies from 1939 to 1940. He is scheduled to return to the University of the West Indies in 1941. He is the author of several works on literature, including "History of Criticism in English Literature" published in 1940. His work has been widely read and is considered to be a valuable contribution to the study of literature.

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Letters to the Editor

"Panic in a Spanish theatre after a call of "Fire!"" Too many Basques in one exit! ("London Opinion")

"The Editor, "On Dit.""

Dear Sir,

In reference to Miss Carmen Gonzalez's letter in "On Dit," 15/5/53, I feel sure that the Editor will have it in mind to refer to those who are prepared to deny the right to Miss Carmen Gonzalez to express her opinion on a matter of national importance. The Editor is well aware that the right to express one's opinion is an essential part of the democratic process. However, it is my view that the Editor has the right to take action against those who abuse this right.

"We are the people of this country and we have the right to express our opinions on matters of national importance. The Editor has the right to take action against those who abuse this right.

"Sincerely yours,"

Christopher Stark

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Little Duncan

I object to the use of the term "Little Duncan" on such occasions as shows, music halls, etc. It is an unkind term and should be avoided. It is a term that is too often used in a manner that is hurtful to the individual. It is a term that is too often used in a manner that is hurtful to the individual.

"Sincerely yours,"

John Smith

"Reply"

I wonder, too.

C.H. Stokes

"If Australia were to have a democracy known as "The Kingdom of the South," I wonder, too.

C.H. Stokes

"Do you want to be a Beautiful Debutante?"

Make your debut at the Science Ball on May 23. Numbers strictly limited, no contract Co-Secretary, Pamela Chane, in person at the Science Ball.
AIR CADETS IN TRAINING

The following programme has been arranged for the term.

**April 30:** New Commandant—Rev. R. B. Harley, M.A.

**May 3:** Morning Work of the Church.

**May 7:** The Holy Eucharist.

**May 14:** Business meeting to discuss arrangements for Term II.

**May 28:** Five-week programme of instruction in the Church.

REGISTRATION

All cadets are required to register immediately, at the earliest opportunity, at the Cadet Headquarters, 21, Queen Street, Melbourne.

DEUTSCHER VEREIN

A well-attended meeting last week, held in the German Department, was attended by a large number of German people. The programme included a reading of the speech of the German Government in Berlin, an address by Dr. H. J. Muller, and a discussion on the political situation in Germany. The meeting was well attended and the speeches were well received.

The next meeting will be held on May 5th, at the German Consulate, and will include a reading of the speech of the German Government in Berlin, and a discussion on the political situation in Germany.

N.U.A.U.S.

RATIONATION OF COUNCIL STATEMENT

The S.R.C. is, at this point, in the process of considering the resolutions passed at the N.U.A.U.S., so this week I am going to put before you some of the really important motions that were put:

**Student Journalism**

This subject was decided to adopt and hope to finance in the near future. The motion passed by the N.U.A.U.S. on the administration of the Australian Student's Union, and the major work of the conference last year was the formation of the Federation of Australian Student's Unions. This has already done a lot of good work.

A "Student Journalism" special interest group has been formed in the National Union. It is hoped that this move will promote the development of the Union papers and result in a first-class reading for all students.

**Travel Scheme**

If you would like to go to New Zealand during the long vacation, then here is an opportunity. The National Union will book your passage for you, and arrange a trip for you whilst you are in New Zealand so that you can pay your way. Watch for more details on this.

**Debates**

Upon the recommendaion of the Debating Committee, N.U.A.U.S. has moved that no one be introduced into the selection of debating topics.

**Music**

It is hoped to obtain an orchestra to tour Australia.

**Sports**

To be the representative of the N.U.A.U.S. in the University Games.

**Drama Festival**

The student union is pleased to announce that the Drama Festival will be held in May. The festival will be open to all students, and all clubs are welcome to participate.

**Student Union**

The following is an open letter to all students:

Dear Students,

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to inform you about the upcoming events and activities at the university.

1. **Student Journalism**
   - We are excited to announce the launch of our new student journalism program. This initiative will provide a platform for students to voice their opinions and engage in critical thinking.

2. **Travel Scheme**
   - We are offering a special travel scheme for students planning to visit New Zealand during the upcoming vacation. Interested students should contact the union office for more information.

3. **Debates**
   - The Debating Committee has decided not to introduce new debating topics for the upcoming season.

4. **Sports**
   - The university will be hosting its annual sports festival. Students are encouraged to participate and show their spirit.

5. **Drama Festival**
   - The Drama Festival is set to take place in May. We are looking for enthusiastic and talented performers to showcase their skills.

If you have any questions or would like to get involved, please don't hesitate to contact our office. We are always looking for new members and ideas to make our campus a more vibrant and engaging place.

Best regards,

[Your Name]

Local Secretary/Treasurer, N.U.A.U.S.
HANDS OFF TV, PROFESSOR!

Professor Jeffares is more subtle than most of his fellow authoritarianists in the current campaign for a T.V. monopoly. Since the Professor himself seeks only a cultural tyranny, he is prepared to throw out the sop of an "independent" corpora-
tion to those who fear political tyranny.

But all tyranny is to be re-
jected, whether it be political, religious, intellectual or cultural. What the Professor found was that the freedom of the other man destroy the spirit of man in any form. And you destroy a principle—and there are many who will make use of that breed and seek to widen it.

Freedom, the freedom of the other man, is no longer popular with the frightened and the fear,

The little was demand security. Professor Jeffares wrote the "security" system of T.V. Safety Fire.

The professors and the pub-
circuit—"assigned savages of mankind—take the freedom of other men, the free-
dom to refuse to be moved by the pro-
dress, cry these frenzied savages and sire, the profes-
sional as well as direct, men are not as you think them,
dren, their T.V. programmas must be seen by them better.

Priestly and the Irish poets forever.

PERSUASION. NOT FORCE!

In a democratic persuasion and not force of personality and suppression, are the path to the true knowledge. The Professor must find that life for himself, each must be free to choose. The professor must not persuade other men. This reading party. For their own good. No other will give the public the type of entertainment it wants, or can. So it is.

SOAP, NOT POETRY!

In the language of the soap-

The Professor of English literature denounces the profit-oriented system of the advertising tycoon. These fools weep over a man and their reading party. For their own ends. Those fellows must give the public the type of entertainment it wants or can. So it is.

Unreal 'Dido', Dull House

The main complaint against the performance of Purcell's opera "Dido and Aeneas" at the Conservato-

The drama was a failure, not only was it a failure, but it was a failure.

LONELINESS

Speak to me—my soul speaks,
And ice bubbles on the wound
Slowly cut by your absence.
The snow falls, soft and light,
His merry hums all over us.

I laugh, not, but rather
Weep along tears with
The sterile moon.

CHARLES CLIFTON.

MICROSCOPES and how to choose one...

Don't buy a microscope until you have seen the range of instruments in the laboratories at Wome

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DOUGLAS HOLLAND.

WATSON HOUSE, 251-253 NORTH TERRACE.
A Blue Penciled ‘Clochemerle’

The film of Gabriel Chevallier’s book “Clochemerle” has met in the British film, many excellent points of acting and dialogue. Unfortunately, as a native of an English-speaking country, it does a lot of crime values — particularly those which are dependent upon the French for their appreciation.

I would like to know why the French took a public objection to Clochemerle, and in particular to the book. Perhaps, it may be due to the fact that the French language is so different from our own, and thus it is difficult to translate the book into such a language which is understood by the French.

The film is a faithful adaptation of the book, and it is understandable why the French took objection to it. Perhaps, the French took objection to the book because of its social criticism, and they did not want it to be shown in the film.

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"A" Grade Stars in Two Big Wins

With two matches of the 1953 season played, the University Blues are firmly on top of the A1 premiership ladder. Last Saturday week the first match of the season was won by the Blues, 15:10. The result had come as a shock to the European University, who had been successful against the Blues in the final round of the previous season. This time the Blues were too strong for their opponents, winning by 22 goals. The second game, against Alberton, third last year, was a repetition, with the Blacks winning by 20 goals. 52 goals to 15 in two games is big business and, as we were told, Alberton have not had such a big loss before.

In the first game, the Blues, led by John Martin (17) and McLeod (6), were the goalkeepers, but the real stars of the game were the Blues, who made up the backs. Martin was the Blues' man of the match, closely followed by the rest of the backs. The Blues' action was memorable for its accuracy and the Blues' backs achieved the highest percentage of goals scored.

At Alberton

Against Alberton, played on the Fort Reserve, the result was a shock for both teams. Alberton, who were the visitors, went down 2-0 to 11-9 in the second quarter and their hopes of winning the game were dashed.

A train carrying the Alberton team arrived in Durban on Monday and was taken to the Alberton Reserve for the match. The Alberton team consisted of John Martin (17) and McLeod (6). The Blues' backs were the stars of the game, with John Martin (17) and McLeod (6) making a great contribution.

Devastating combination of two stars

The joint force of Martin (17) and McLeod (6) were devastatingly effective. They combined to form a powerful backline that was difficult to breach. McLeod's quick thinking and John Martin's speed in the circle turned the tide of the game in the Blues' favor.

In the smokey heat of Alberton, the game was played in front of a large crowd, who were captivated by the display of skills and abilities of the Blues' backs.

At half-time, the Blues had a 9-3 lead, but in the second half, Alberton made a determined attempt to pull the game back. However, the Blues' dominance was too strong and they held on to win by 11-9.

Badminton

With matches only four weeks away, the Badminton Club is busy building up its strength. Many new players, who are enjoying the sport, have joined the club. Some have shown marked improvement in their play, while others are still learning the game.

The aim of the club this year is to advertise and display a Wireless Club. If players keep up the good form they are showing, the club will be a success.

Lacrosse

With matches starting on May 2, both lacrosse teams are training hard so that all will be in good condition by then. The new players are doing well and show very good promise for the future.

The difficulty of obtaining sticks is causing some concern, but it is hoped that we will have enough. Some are buying new sticks and others are obtaining them from old players who have kindly handed them on to the younger players.

All those who played last year are working hard to keep up the good form and will be ready for all matches by the end of this week.

Batter Up Play Ball

Saturday, April 25, saw the beginning of the 1953 Winter Baseball season.

Our A team, much vaunted by the absence of Bill Fuller, who graduated in Medicine last year, fared comparatively well. The team, led by Cecil Price, was very experienced, and with the exception of John Schofield, who was not available, everyone was present.

The B team, who were perhaps a little unfortunate to lose by 5-0, played well and gave a good account of themselves. The team was captained by a very promising young player, who showed great promise.

MINOR "B"

Our third side, which played in Minor B Grade under the able captaincy of Brian Holman (at), had a good win against the University Blues in the first game. The score being 18-0. There was also a good win against the Young Companions in the second game, with the score being 18-0. The team is well balanced and has produced some good players.

MINOR "C"

The Minor C Graders, well known as the D.I. 9's, are again fielding a powerful line-up. Most of the old players, with the notable exception of Brian Holman, are back again playing. Practice is held on Sunday mornings at 9:30 a.m. The Inter-University games will be held in Brisbane during the second term, and the next match is against St. Mark's College, Brisbane.

Scotch

Squash

Preliminary arrangements have been made for the use of a court on the squash court. The times are available to players for a two-hour period, and it is hoped that the court will be fully occupied by then.