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A PRETTY FIELD OF STARTERS IN ELECTION STAKES.

WHAT DO YOU FANCY?

INFORTUNATELY Craccum went to press before all candidates for Exec. had made their decision to stand. Also, there were various candidates who were apparently too modest to deliver information about themselves to who were apparently too modest to deliver information about themselves to the public eye. We appreciate their qualms, but deplore the fact that it only tends to muddle people in the throes of choice even more. Some of the following did not volunteer any facts of their young lives, so that we can only supply what we know. We apologise for any deficiencies, but can only emphasise that we were not entirely to blame. We also apologise to those people of whose nominations we were ignorant. We would remind everyone that their voting responsibilities should not be taken too lightly, because running the student affairs of A.U.C. is not as easy as it might appear.

BETTY ARCHBOLD.

Betty is a third year Arts student whose chief interests lie in debating and dramatics. She won the Junior Oratory Cup and led the Auckland team in the Joynt Scroll trials at Christchurch last year. She is on the Dramatic Club Committee and has taken part in numerous plays and play readings. Was the ingenious little Jackie in "Hayfever" last year. She has been in plays for the Classical Society too, belongs to the Modern Language Club and the Literary Club and has contributed to Kiwi (have you?) and Craccum. She is an executive member of the S.C.M. and assures us that her skating has to be seen to be believed. Is all in favour of the establishment of an A.U.C. hostel.

CYRIL SHIRLEY BELSHAW.

Cyril is almost too well-known to need recording. He is a third year arts student who has managed to apply all his youthful exuberance to many varied activities with the utmost success. At the moment he is in the Intelligence (not to be confused with Intelligence (not to be confused with intelligent) Section of the Army, but seems to have ample time for correspondence. He took part in the Dramatic Clubs' production of "Hayfever" last year as the dapper little diplomat. He was on the Debating Club Committee between 1940-41, and chairman 1941-42, until forced to retire through pressure of military tire through pressure of military affairs. Was on the International Relations Club Committee 1940-41. Was a sub-editor of Craccum 1940-41 and did most of the dirty work that others should have done. Also did much valiant service on the Rostrum Committee. (Incidentally, have you bought a Rostrum and written for Kiwi yet?)
Was elected to the Exec. in 1941 and had the portfolio of Secretary of Publications and again did much of the dirty work. Cyril is also an N.Z.U. Hockey Blue. He is one of the few people at Varsity who has ideas about what should be done and does them. He is an enthusiastic supporter of the establishment of a hostel, believes in student representation on the College Council and the inauguration of a College bookstall. He is addicted to certain kinds of Vice.

GARRY DENNIS BOOTH

CHAMBERS. Garry is not a very well-known member of this establishment because he is inclined to keep himself in the

Engineering Department where he belongs. He is a former engineering student of Canterbury College, and this is his second year at A.U.C., and his third acedemic year alto-gether. He was on this year's Ways and Means Committee and ways and Means Committee and proved himself a valuable member of it. He belongs to the A.U.C. Fencing Club and plays tennis. Thinks that there is a pitiable lack of co-operation among the students here, and considers that there should be some activities in which all the students could take part. "With due deference to the Editor" thinks that certain aspects of Craccum could be improved. [Thank you.—Ed.]

AUBREY FRANK DE LISLE.

Aubrey is a fourth year architect who won the Senior Scholarship in Architecture last year. He was secretary of the Architectural Society for 1940-41 and President in 1941. Has been on the Social Committee for two years and done much valuable chair heaving and decorating. Has run with Harriers but denies any hunting tactics. Was co-opted to the Exec. in 1942 and in his capacity as Registrar of Societies has cleared up the chaos which previously existed over dates for club functions. He thinks that Craccum should be more than a social rag. (Aubrey, after all we've done for you, too.—Ed.) Thinks that faculties should co-operate more by debates, etc. Was unaware that the Exec. did so much work until he was

SELWYN DAVID EDEN

DUNNINGHAM.

David is a fourth year Arts student notable for his air of total abstraction. his diffident manner, and his pleasant voice. His chief interest at A.U.C. has been with the Dramatic Club, of which he was a committee member 1940-41, and President 1941-42. In spite of being only a part-time student he managed to produce that excellent show "Hayfever" as well as playing the part of David Bliss in it. He was Bluntschli in "Arms and the Man," this year's Dramatic Club production, and altogether has done much to further the interest of students in the Club, which this year has had an excellent following, and has unearthed unsuspected talent. Has most surprisingly sallied forth in shorts to play hockey for the Varsity 3rd XI. in 1939, '40 and '41,

JOY HENRIETTA ASTLEY GLOVER-CLARK.

Joy is a well-known third year Arts student who wears a gown and a slightly harassed expression. In her first year she was the fresher representative on the committee of the Classical Society and this year she is on the Litrary Club Committee, secretary of the A.U.C.S.C.M., and is chairman of the Fencing Club. Thinks that the Student Association should take its place in the community by putting forward the student approach to problems that affect it. To this end there should be greater co-operation among the faculties so that scientists could receive the benefit of the classics and vice versa. Considers that discussions should be reported adequately in Craccum so that everyone could have the benefit of them, and thinks that Craccum should continue its Open Forum.

MARY CLEMENTS HAY.

Mary is a fourth year architect to whom the adjective "regal" is usually applied. She is a good architect, even the men in the studio admit it, and very capable apart from her work. For some years she has been on the social committee, and is usually one of the brains behind the decorations for any of the larger social functions of the College. She was elected to the Women's House Committee last year and has been responsible for the notices in the Common Room. Finally. Mary is exactly the kind of person who would not bother to make a list of her achievements. She prefers to work without mentioning it.

EARNEST ALAN HORSMAN.

Alan does a little of everything. He draws, he writes verse and dialectic prose, and is a member of the Music Club. He is at the moment in the Army, but contriving to keep abreast of what is happening at abreast of what is happening at Varsity. He is a member of the S.C.M. and the Student Relief Committee and he is one of the student representatives on the Extra-Curricular Committee. He was co-opted on to the 1940-1941 Exec., and was a member of the Kiwi Committee last year. (Incidentally, have you written for Kiwi yet?.) He completed his ex-cellent scholastic record at A.U.C. by winning a post-graduate scholarship last year.

JOHN GRAHAM MILLAR.

Gin, as he is known to all who love him spends his time flitting from committee meeting to committee meeting. He is in his final year of his B.Sc., and is Physics Demonstrator and a Gillies Scholar. He is secretary of the Harrier Club and was a Harrier rep. in 1941. He is chairman of the Maths. Society and on the committee of the Science Society and a member of the Tramping Club. He agrees with a slightly more militant policy on the part of an Exec. and favours the abolishment of grants to affiliated clubs for normal annual expenditure. The Stud. Assn. fee would be reduced and clubs would levy subscriptions. This, he thinks, would increase the

enthusiasm of members. He believes strongly in campaign for student representation on the College Council. Approves of the form and ideas of the present Craccum (Gosh!-Ed.) but thinks the execution does not do it justice. Altogether is one of the most active and clear-thinking of our College students.

ALLAN LLOYD ODELL.

Allan is a fifth year science student doing honours in chemistry. He has belonged at some time or another to the Music Club, the Field Club and the Tramping Club, but his main interests lie with the Scientific Discussions Society, of which he has been student chairman for two years, and with the S.C.M. in which he has held executive office for three consecutive executive office for three consecutive years, being secretary in 1941. He has played in an A.U.C. Hockey Team for two years. He is a member of the committee of the Fencing Club and of the Sci. Soc. Has been on the Men's House Committee this year. Thinks that the social life of the College should be improved and that the office of the Registrar of Societies should be extended. Says "how about a resurrection of the Men's House Committee.

IAN BRAMPTON REYNOLDS.

Claims to be "tall, dark, single and totally devoid of any ideas upon Craccum, the Caf., Margot Hogben or any other college institution." (Can I help you?—Ed.) He has been two years on the Architectural Society's Executive, and the same length of time on the committee of the Catholic Club. He is a third year architect who was secretary of the Harrier Club in 1941, and is now their treasurer. Was co-opted to Grad. Ball Committee in 1941 and '42, and was in charge of the decorations. Has conducted all his offices with efficiency and lack of fuss.

GEORGE SCHISKA.

George is a fourth year science student. For the past two years he student. For the past two years he has been secretary and treasurer of the Swimming Club. In 1940-41 he was men's champion in freestyle swimming and represented A.U.C. at Christchurch and Wellington. He is an elected member of the Men's House Committee. He belongs to the Tramping and Music Clubs and has played football for two years, but is unable to play this year owing to inunable to play this year owing to injuries received on the field. Thinks that most faults found in Craccum and the Caf. are due to the general "ennui" of students who could quickly cure them. There should be strict supervision to protect student property, especially in the Common Rooms. Also, considers that some travelling recompense should be made to those who have to fire watch over the week-ends.

DOROTHY SEAMAN.

Dorothy is an English honours student who is well-known for her activities in various directions. She is the secretary of the Literary Club and the International Relations Club. She has been on the committees of the Dramatic and the Tramping Clubs. Her chief enthusiasm is with extracurricular activities. She considers that committee members of clubs should combine to hold a bureau at the beginning of the year to make personal contact with the freshers and discover where their interests lie. She would also like to see greater co-operation between the Arts Clubs, and thinks that this year's efforts of the Debating Club to hold debates with other clubs was a move in the right direction. Thinks that by greater co-operation students would be able to attend nearly all meetings in which they are interested.

HARLEY SPRAGG.

HARLET STRAGE.

Harley is a fourth year student doing honours in History. He is a member of the Men's House Committee, and on the committees of the Swimming and Table-Tennis Clubs. He sings what he calls a "snappy bass" in the Music Club and attends meetings of the International Relations Club. This year pressure of work is too great, but in 1940 and '41 he played football for the A.U.C. 3rd grade team. He plays tennis and swims in the summer, but vows he is

no great exponent of either. Thinks that Craccum is about as good as it can be at present. (Thanks.—Ed.) He would like to see more care taken of student property such as commonroom furniture and more effective control exercised over the lower half of the students' block. Is anxious to see a more, worthy successor to the piano in the Men's Common Room, as he apparently feels that he has worn it out, Harley being famous for his rendering of classics such as "I.T.M."

MARIN SEGEDIN is a second-year student taking Maths. and Physics. He made his debut into College life last year by becoming a stage hand in the Revue, and helped to perpetrate in sackcloth and straw the camel whose antics so delighted the audiences. The activities of the Harrier Club, Sci. Soc., Table-Tennis Club and Field Club were followed by him and later when the new Executive took over he was appointed to the Social Committee. On his return from Camp late in March this year, he was elected to the Committees of the Harrier Club, Tramping Club and the Mathematical Society, and when Craccum enlisted the services of several sub-editors he became sub-

editor for Men's Sports. In the Sports line his main interest has been with the Harrier Club, and this year he has represented the College in outside competitions, in which the College has done so well. In his opinion there is plenty of room for improvement in the quality and quantity of Craccum, but as a subeditor he appreciates the difficulties in running it. If it were possible to get round the paper shortage and the dearth of contributors, arising, no doubt from the fact that so many of the Arts students are in Camp, he considers that Craccum would be vastly improved. He maintains that all those who are fortunate enough to be able to attend Varsity preparing for war work, have the extra duty of keeping going College life as much as possible as it was in happier days so that when the others return the transition back to days of Tournaments, Revues and Processions can be made as quickly and as efficiently as possible.

JESSIE TUI STALLWORTHY.

Tui is that tall, fair girl who is always present wherever there is hard work to be done that gets no thanks. In 1939 she was on the Student Refugee Committee, in 1940 on the Social Committee and 1941-42 she has been a member of the Women's House Committee, the secretary of the Social Committee and the Grad. Ball Committee, and latterly of the Debating Club. She is also a member of the Student Relief Committee. When she has time from her committees Tui is a fourth year Arts student. You will remember her as Raina in this year's "Arms and the Man."

ELSIE MURIEL THOMAS.

Which is pure camouflage, as she has always been called Pat anyway. Pat is a third year science student who has managed besides all her first-class passes to do one thing and another during her three years at A.U.C. She won the Freshers' Debate in 1940, was Ann in the Dramatic Club's production of "Outward Bound," and played hockey for the Intermediates, and took part in Revue. She was in Revue again last year, and was on the committees of the Debating Club. This year she is secretary of the Tramping Club, in which she has always taken an active part, on the committees of the Dramatic and Debating Clubs and the Science Discussions Society. She is a subeditor of Craccum, and a member of the Field Club and the Scientific Society.

ATTENTION! AMOR VINCIT OMNIA. No Presidential Elections.

This year there was unanimous nomination of the president, the secretary and the woman vice-president. This year the fate of the student body will be guided by women, and boys, will they show them how. President is Dorothea Morrell, the lass who makes the pointed comments and always sees the quickest way to do a thing. Secretary is Margaret Kissling, who showed her high degree of efficiency in that capacity over the last year. Woman vice is naturally Betty Sweetman, who from the time she was head girl at Epsom Grammar has never looked back.

Unfortunately there is no room in this issue for their obituaries, and we would like to take this opportunity of apologising to Miss Morrell who is going to be terribly offended. However, just wait till next time.

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Last week we appealed to the students of this College for money for Student Relief and collected £8. This, with £4 already collected, makes a total for this year of £12. The 800 students here can do better than that. We want every one's help to raise this amount to £25, which after all means little more than sixpence a head. Any member of the committee will receive donations, and when you leave the Caf. remember the students in Europe and China who cannot continue their studies without help, and put your change in the Student Relief Box.

In Australia and Canada, student organisations are sending money overseas as well as looking after quite a large number of students in internment camps by providing them with books and seeing that they have facilities to study. Last year New Zealand I.S.S. Committee sent £360 to England. £180 was sent on to China, £140 to Geneva and the rest used to purchase text books which would go to prisoners of war in Germany and elsewhere, through Geneva. If they have the books ready in Geneva, the staff of the European Student Relief Fund can get books to prisoners within a fortnight of receiving their requests.

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No patriotic fund contributes, so it is up to students to make this valuable constructive work possible by giving generously. Help make the contribution from A.U.C. at least £25. It's little enough for a College of this size.

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KIWI

FOOTBALL — THE SECONDS.—
The position in the Seconds is grave, but not desperate; in fact everybody is having a really good time, and we are a jolly fine body of men. It is just that we don't win, but that is a minor detail. Anyhow we still lie third in the competition, which is not so bad considering that there are four teams in the competition and one

habitually defaults. Suffice it to say that we were narrowly defeated in the last four games. We went down with all guns firing and have nothing

to be ashamed of.

The forwards have given a good account of themselves. Constantly working together as a pack they are as good as any. Their resourcefulness and initiative is beyond all possible doubt. For example, in a game against Manukau we were a bit short, in fact five of our well proportioned forwards were confronted by eight gigantic colossuses at the other side. Every time the scrum went down we only took the initial strain and when they put their real weight in we disappeared round the side (all except the centre hooker) and got the ball, whereas the other side lay writhing on the ground (upon our hooker).

The fault is more likely to lie with the backs. That does not say they are bad. On the contrary they are very good, only the other team is better. The lack of a full-back has been a great detriment throughout.

Praise is due to Revington, who is actually a forward, but has adapted himself admirably as a half-back, and has saved many ticklish situations. Peter Davenport also must be mentioned both as a good captain and for his brilliant, faultless play. Both these men should go very far.

So taken all round we are one of the best second grade teams Auckland has seen for many a year.

FOOTBALL — FIRST GRADE.— Since last report the Seniors have won two games and lost three.

After losing to Takapuna (22—8) several weeks ago, the team turned the tables on them with a win of 24—0 in a very wet game. The heavy pack of forwards went well, especially when, urged on by voluble cries from Joe, the scrum took the ball forty yards in one grand rush. The ground became very slippery towards the end when the game seemed just one wild race to kick the ball (in the right direction if possible).

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The following week saw the team win again (11—0) after a hard game against Eden. Though still accused of laziness the team went well. George Cawkwell got good work out of the forwards and the backs got enough of the ball to show good form.

HARRIER CLUB. — Since last Craccum related our inferior performance in the first big open race of the season, the Club has enjoyed some success, by winning a large proportion of trophies in the Onehunga-Auckland Road Race. No small achievement was the arresting of the Wilson's Team's Cup (now in the College Library) from the strong Lynndale combination, who had monopolised it for five years. The Club has been within a hair's breadth of a team win on numerous occasions and it was very heartening both to the runners and the supporter (thanks, Clem!). The points were gained by F. Orange (2nd), Mr. G. Segedin (9th), J. W. Shackleford (10th) and J. G. (Gin) Millar (16th). J. A. Coombes and

A. D. Hodge were also handy to give support.

In addition, Jim Shackleford turned the "scales" on a "whale" of an attack of stitch and went home with a fish-bowl, the Sealed Handicap Trophy. Nice work, Jim!

The Club has thoroughly enjoyed runs held from the homes of Dr. and Mrs. Service and the Rev. and Mrs. Frank De Lisle. We must apologise, however, to the De Lisles for our very poor attendance, and although Club Captain George Porter endeavoured to eat seven dozen sausage rolls unaided, he did not make up for the happy comradeship of the usual boisterous twenty. Running is good for you, so keep it up, boys!



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TRAMPING CLUB. — During the mid-term break, the Tramping Club accepted the Field Club's offer to hold a combined camp at Omiha, Waiheke. A dozen people went down on Thursday, to be joined by a comparable number on the following night. On the Friday the smaller party held a short tramp to Onetangi Palm Beach and back via Ostend. On the Saturday a similar trip was made to Cowes. On the return journey, about three and a half miles from home, one of the members weakened by an attack of 'flu, found it impossible to proceed, and the Tramping Club had to face an unaccustomed emergency. The President and Committee wish to express appreciation for the way everybody present willingly co-operated, thereby preventing any serious consequences of the mishap.

As a result of this experience, the Committee have decided to create a special "Emergency Fund," to be drawn upon only in cases of real emergency. The existence of this fund should remove any risk of financial embarrassment and enable the best course to be adopted regardless of expense. We rely on members to support this appeal to augment the fund. The Executive has very generously agreed to subsidise the fund up to £5.

The camp finished on the Sunday, and as usual the trip home was spent in singing songs from our varied repertoire. Incidentally, in spite of there being no Tournament, the Haka tradition is being kept alive in the College by the Tramping Club at least.

BASKETBALL. — Seeing that our match with Wellington was merely a friendly game to keep the spirit of tournament alive, we were very pleased that we drew 11—11. The Wellington team had one or two outstanding individual players, but their combination was still that of an inexperienced team.

As we played according to tournament rules, and had had only one complete practice as a team, we did not attain the standard expected of any A.U.C. Representative Basketball team.

As a whole the game was very slow and definitely below Tournament standard. However, the Wellington people enjoyed themselves, and we feel therefore that the visit was well worth while.

SWIMMING CLUB.—You may remember this Club as being the first to gain the use of the Ping-Pong Room for its very successful Coffee Evening earlier in the year. We need new members. Whether you want to get that surreptitious foot off the bottom or clip a second or two off that fast hundred-yards dash, the Swimming Club can help you. Come along to the Annual Meeting, to be held in the first week of next term, and see what is going on. Watch the notice-boards for the date.

G. SCHISKA. Hon. Secretary.

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