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STUD. ASS.

This cryptic abbreviation is a camouflage for the Auckland University College Students' Association. And if you've paid your twenty-five shillings you're a member of Stud. Ass.

The Executive of Stud. Ass., known to its friends as Exec., is the body that guides the student destiny. It is composed of a President, two Vice-Presidents, a Secretary, and ten Executive members — five men and five women.

Each Exec. member has a portfolio and following is a list of members and their portfolios.

Dorothea Morrell—President, Legal and External Affairs. First woman President of the Stud. Ass., and seems not over-awed by the position. Is noted for her uncompromising attitude. At present teaching at Auckland Girls' Grammar School.

Betty Sweetman — Woman Vice-President, Chairman Publications' Committee. Judge her by her works and words.

Aubrey de Lisle—Men's Vice-President, Records Clerk. Aub. is a gentle soul who surprises his friends at Studio Stampede. Will be spending most of his time writing his thesis for B. Arch.

Margaret Kissling—Hon. Secretary. Everything a secretary ought to be. Great on gossip. Completed B.A. last year and is brushing up her speed at Business College.

Carol Ayers—Chairman Women's House Committee. Eschews men and make-up. Arts Honours Graduate and Basketball Rep. Is now at Training College.

Mary Hay — Chairman Bookstall Committee. Regal is the word always applied to Mary. Takes an active interest in social and musical affairs at College. Is Senior Woman Architectural Student.

Tui Stallworthy — Chairman Social Committee. Renowned for her charm and efficiency. Completed B.A. last year and has now joined the WAAFS.

Winifred Stanton—Assistant Secretary, Property. Quiet but gets there. Instilling wisdom to the young.

Pat Thomas—Secretary Publication Committee. Tramps with vigour, wears a diamond ring and is yearning for her tropic isles. Completed B.Sc. last year and is at present market gardening.

John Blennerhassett—Registrar of Societies, Scrapbook. Debates with a gentle parsonial air and garners gossip from all quarters. Is in a law office and working at LL.B. this year.

Alan Horsman — Executive Representative on Student Relief and Extra-Curricular Committees. Knows more about any subject than almost anyone else in the College. Is lending his talents to Army Headquarters. Won a Post Graduate Scholarship last year.

Graham Millar — Chairman Men's House Committee. Call him Red. Collects Scholarships as a hobby, and

Students and the War

This year more full-time students than ever before have spent the vacation in essential work—on the wharves, in factories, at Westfield, on the land. Hundreds of students in this country have learned what it is to work as a cog in the industrial wheel or as unskilled labourers. They have talked and worked with non-University men and women and are realising the meaning of community life.

Now, in the fourth year of the war, they come back to another College Session. There will be fewer students taking lectures, more men and women in uniform. Most of the senior men are overseas with the Forces, in camp in New Zealand, or in essential technical work; more and more women are joining up with the WAAFS and the WAACS, and those who are left may wonder at the value of a cloistered life of intellectual pursuits. In wartime it is not easy to prepare for examinations. Contrary to popular belief the student is not detached from the external world; he is very alive to it, and events on the battle-fronts cannot fail to influence his outlook. He is faced with the problem of throwing everything into the war effort or attempting to complete his degree.

Our two Allies, Russia and America, provide an interesting contrast in their methods of tackling this problem. From 1941 courses in American Universities have been "telescoped," "rationalised" and "staggered." High academic standards of Universities such as Harvard have been relaxed to allow for large scale churning out of graduates before they are caught in the draft at twenty. On the other hand, even the invasion of Russian soil does not curtail the work of Soviet students. In the U.S.S.R., where the slogan "All for the Front" rules everyone's life, the continuance of University work is considered of vital importance.

"Soviet War News" writes: "Men and women students are preparing intensively for their examinations. In each of the numerous University libraries one may see them poring from morning till night over books and lecture notes."

In England the position is much the same. English Students realise that their greatest contribution to the war effort will be the turning out of a skilled scientist, doctor, teacher or administrator in the shortest time possible. That is why many of the English Universities, Manchester, Liverpool, Leeds, Sheffield, have dispensed with the long vacation and introduced a fourth term to shorten the time spent in academic training. Students of other Universities have worked in munitions factories or helped with harvesting the crops during the vacation.

D. M. Pritt's article in "University Forward," the organ of the University Labour Federation, is worth quoting:

"If we understand society and the place of the student in it, we shall know the importance of the university, and see why the bulk of students must continue their studies. Some who would be university students in peacetime may serve better by going into factories, or straight into the armed forces; but this will not be the case for most of us. War does not lessen the demand for technicians, for specialists, for trained minds; and those of us who are fitted to meet that demand are as important as the most skilled workers on direct munition production, and should remain at the university with the full responsibility to qualify for specialised posts as well and as quickly as possible."

CRACCUM

The Staff of CRACCUM had hoped to present a more progressive lay-out this year, but the difficulties due to wartime restrictions have been too great. We are confined to a four-page issue and may have to resort to small type to get the news through to you. So if your prize article does not appear in this issue don't be disappointed—there'll always be another CRACCUM.

Buy a Jubilee Book!

On sale at the Bookstall.

This is something you can hand down to your children with the Old School Tie.

tramps with the best. Completed B.Sc. last year.

Marin Segedin — Secretary Social Committee. Tall, dark and beautiful, and the last word in efficiency. Final year B.Sc.

Mr. Postlewaite—Business Manager. A wizard with cash. Has kept the Stud. Ass. afloat for years.

SCHOLARSHIPS

A.U.C. congratulates the following students of the College who have been awarded scholarships:

Post-Graduate Scholarship in Arts—G. A. Hookings.

Travelling Scholarship in Architecture—R. W. Douglas.

Senior Scholarships:

English — Tinline Scholarship — Betty N. Archbold.

Latin—Lesley Housby.

French—Lesley Housby (aeq.).

Pure Mathematics—J. G. Millar.

Applied Mathematics—J. G. Millar (proxime accessit.).

Zoology—Elsie M. Thomas (proxime accessit.).

Architecture—I. B. Reynolds.

Geology—H. J. Harrington.

Constitutional Law, International Law and Conflict of Laws—Betty Webster.

Economics—C. S. Belshaw (special wartime scholarship).

A. H. Carter (Victoria) who was awarded the Cook Memorial Prize, was a Student at A.U.C. for three years.

CONTRIBUTORS NOTE

1. Use a typewriter if possible. If not, write legibly and print all proper names.
2. Use only one side of the paper.
3. Number sheets at the top of a page and enclose the number in a circle.
4. Indent each paragraph about two inches.
5. Don't put important details in the last paragraph. They may be cut off in the make-up.
6. Speak of 'Varsity "men" and "women," not "boys" and "girls."
7. Hand your copy in on time.

E.P.S.

Fire-watching at the College has now been discontinued but this does not mean that we should retire into an ostrich-like indifference to the possibility of an "emergency." Students should make themselves familiar with the location of the following:—

First Aid Post—St. Andrew's Hall—just across Anzac Ave.

Air Raid Shelter—in the basement of the Biology Block.

First Aid Cupboard—in the College Office.

The Students' Block has also its own first aid outfit, acquired by student subscription and Exec. subsidy. At present this is in Exec. room.

Rules for procedure in the event of a raid will be found on the blackboards in lecture rooms.

The large black bins around the College are water containers and are not to be used as receptacles for waste paper or as aquariums.

DEBATING CLUB

Freshers picking their way shakily along the cloisters this week will become aware of the clink of crockery, the sound of raucous laughter, and (bad show) the clang of a cash register near the south end. This is the College Cafeteria where everything but the cutlery and a Staff seat can be bought at a reasonable price. It is open for morning and afternoon tea, lunch and dinner, and even if you are not hungry, many friendships and much happy conversation can be bought for the price of a bread roll.

BOOKSTALL

Bookstall this year will be in operation from March 3rd to March 10th.

Place: The Ping-Pong Room, next to the Men's Common Room.

This is another Exec. Service to you, so give it your active support by bringing in books to be sold as early possible.

Further information from the Secretary, Margaret Kissling.

KIWI

KIWI is the annual magazine of the A.U.C. Stud. Ass. The Editor aims to publish it early in the second term and urges students to give their active support by writing prose or verse. Prizes are offered for literary and artistic work.

Contributions to be left in the CRACCUM box in Exec. Room.

FRESHERS

These pages are for your information. They will introduce you to the night-life of the College and give you some idea of the non-academic part of life at a University.

COLLEGE CLUBS & SOCIETIES

TRAMPING CLUB

President: Mr. Cecil Segedin.

Club Captain: Campbell Reid.

Secretary & Treasurer: Pat Thomas

A.U.C. Tramping Club went ahead in almost phenomenal fashion last year, and has every indication of more than keeping up the good work during the present session. Last year's activities included day trips to the Swanson Cascades and Mokoroa Falls, and week-end camps at Hunua, Waiheke, and Muriwai. The Harrier Club joined in a camp with Tramping Club at Swanson, and the After-Degree Camp was held in combination with the Field Club at Papa Aroha on the Coromandel Peninsula. The "Bike-Hike" to Huia will never be forgotten with its train of punctures, broken chains, and subsequent aversion of participants towards a sitting posture. But it was worth it.

During the holidays tramping activities have been kept up. Each excursion or Camp has been under the leadership of a different member of the Club, which now has quite a number of people experienced to lead parties. In addition, various reconnaissance trips have lately been made by male members of the Club.

It is a mistake to think that the Club exists solely for the benefit of hardened trampers who with grim expressions on their faces get over the distance in the shortest possible time. Many of the best trampers in the Club had never been out tramping before last year. Things are done gradually, and the carrying of packs is made easy by initial practice on shorter trips.

Come along and see for yourself on the first day-trip of the year: (Sunday, March 14). Don't be shy about making an appearance, and if you are not sure about anything or would like to meet other trampers, leave a note in the rack for the Secretary or Club Captain. Or go to see Mr. Segedin in Room 9. If that won't convince you, nothing will!

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

This Committee is a sub-committee of the Students' Executive, and all social functions in the College are under its jurisdiction. During the year it runs two Balls—Freshers and After-Degree—and also is represented on the Graduation Ball Committee. This year we hope to run a Skating Party as well as a Dance at the end of the second term. In addition there are the Coffee Evenings run by the various College Clubs. During the year it is hoped that Freshers will attend these as much as possible for, after all, at these coffee Evenings in particular, you get to know your fellow-students.

Of course the Committee's first function is "Freshers' Welcome Ball," on Saturday, 13th March, to which Freshers are admitted free. So be sure you're there to get an introduction to the social life of the College.

DRAMATIC CLUB

Do you act? Have you ever written a play? Are you interested in stage work or play readings?

The Dramatic Club caters for all. This year's activities will include a

monthly play reading, a stage production in the 2nd term (this is the big event of the year), and lecturettes on matters dealing with stage craft, when they can be arranged.

The first play reading will take place in the Women's Common Room at 8 p.m. on Thursday, March 18th. It is at these evenings that talent is discovered and recruited for the 2nd term Show. The support of all interested in the matters and manners of the stage is earnestly solicited for these functions.

The Committee is desirous of reading any One Act Plays written by students. This aspect of our work is to be specially encouraged and we would like to see your efforts as early as possible in the year.

For any further information seek out:

Chairman: David Dunningham.

Secretary: Dorothy Gwynne.

Treasurer: John Lyttleton.

They want to help you and they want you to help them.

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS CLUB

I.R.C. is here to help you to gain some knowledge of present world conditions and to take an intelligent and active interest in the factors which are determining those of the future. No matter whether you are the reddest of the red or the bluest of the true-bluest, as a student, it is your responsibility to give honest consideration to international affairs.

The Club meets once a fortnight (usually on a Monday night). It invites Auckland's best speakers of all shades of opinion to address the Club. Every meeting ends with a general discussion which allows for the expression of varying points of view.

The Club has a library containing many excellent books on international affairs. It is situated on the right-hand side of the ground floor of the library and books may be taken out in the usual manner.

This year I.R.C. intends to consider conditions in some of the countries such as South America and Scandinavian, which have been to a large extent neglected in discussions of the past, but which have recently proved of great importance. Other topics will include a survey of the Middle East and the policy of the U.S.S.R. towards backward races.

At the first meeting to be held on Monday, March 15th, at 8 p.m. in the Women's Common Room, Mr. E. Olsen, B.A., of the W.E.A., will give a survey of the events of the year 1942. All, especially Freshers, will be very welcome. Further information may be obtained from the Chairman, Dorothy Seaman, or the Secretary, Joy Glover-Clark.

LITERARY CLUB

The purpose of the Literary Club is to help students to attain at least an intelligent appreciation of literature, and we hope a great deal more than that.

Don't get the idea that membership is confined to English students and highbrows or to the Arts Faculty (these terms are not synonymous).

We want every one who can read to come along and give us his ideas and find some new pleasure in branches of literature he hasn't tried before.

Speakers will include Poets, Professors, Students and others, and meetings will cover aspects of New Zealand, English and American literature. Also, there will be a meeting devoted to the reading and criticism of the literary work of members.

Meetings are held once a fortnight, usually on a Tuesday evening. Watch the notice-boards for announcements and get in touch with the Chairman, Joy Glover-Clark, or the Secretary, Betty Archbold.

MUSIC CLUB

President: Prof. Hollinrake.

Secretary and Treasurer: Mary Hay.

Music Club meets every Wednesday in the College Hall from 7 till 8 p.m. to sing folk songs, part songs, and rounds.

We are building up a really good library of these, but our activities extend further than this. Every year we produce a concert for which we learn several works on a larger scale.

Our 1942 Concert was the last of the Sunday afternoon recitals held in the second term. The programme included compositions by Graduates of the Music School and performed by members of the Club. This year we propose to sing "Serenade to Music," by Vaughan Williams, a Bach Church Cantata, scenes from "Orpheus," by Gluck, and a Choral Suite arranged from the "Faust" Ballet music.

The first meeting of Music Club will be held on Wednesday, the 10th of March. We would also mention the gramophone recitals held on Friday evenings in the College Hall, from 5.30 to 6 p.m., and the Sunday afternoon recitals held in the Second Term. All students cordially invited.

CLASSICAL SOCIETY

Chairman: Marjorie Anderson.

The first meeting of the Classical Society will be held in the third week of term, probably on Tuesday, the 16th March. Professor Cooper will give a lecture with lantern slides on some of the buildings of Ancient Rome. This will be a particularly interesting and instructive evening, and we wish to extend a special invitation to all first year students in the Department of Classics.

Miss Smith's talk on "Magic in the Ancient World" last year amply indicated that the Classical Society is by no means as dry as dust and dead as a certain CRACCUM contributor seemed to think. Our meetings during the year will form a valuable addition to regular lectures for all who want to know more about life in the Ancient World, so remember to watch out for further notice of our activities.

Helen I. Gordon,
(Secretary.)

FIELD CLUB

Field Club offers you all that it should as such a club, and more if you come and get it. The Club provides for all those students no matter what faculty they belong to, who find enjoyment and interest in any aspect of out-of-door life. Its main object is to aid the biologically-minded student in broadening his knowledge of Botany and Zoology, too often gained by armchair methods. It offers camps, excursions, and lectures, throughout the year. The week-end camps are held mainly at Swanson, and are of

great value to the Fresher. The May and After-Degree camps are usually held further afield, but owing to war restrictions this was not found possible during the last year. However, a very successful Camp was held in conjunction with Tramping Club at Papa Aroha.

Lectures are given on various interesting topics by the Staff, outsiders and the students themselves. Students in particular are encouraged and given the opportunity to air their opinions about their own pet topics. Full particulars of the Annual General meeting, when the officers for the year will be chosen, will be displayed on the notice boards.

MODERN LANGUAGES CLUB

All students are invited to attend the Modern Languages Club, one of the most active clubs in the Arts Faculty. Our aim is to amuse and interest as well as to increase general knowledge of the countries of modern Europe. Last year's programme included a musical evening, an interesting talk on France before the capitulation, by a Free French sailor, M. Leon Bois, and readings of French comedies, e.g. "Les Precieuses Ridicules," the highlight of which was the reckless embracing of Professor Keys and Dr. West. This year the committee is planning to initiate Freshers into the intricacies of French games, and national dances, and to illustrate the works of French and German composers and modern comedy writers.

Student Chairman: Helen Gordon.

Secretary: Joan Sweetman.

ENGINEERING SOCIETY

The object of the Society is to give students an insight into the practical side of all branches of Engineering. The lectures and excursions arranged by the Society thus play a very important part in all the Varsity Engineering Courses. Therefore ALL Engineering Students, Freshers and Professional men alike, should take an active part in the Society's work.

Interesting and instructive papers will be presented by prominent engineers, as well as students. These lectures are usually held in the Lecture Theatre in the School of Engineering. An excellent supper is served at the close of every meeting. During the year a series of excursions to engineering works of interest will be arranged.

Notices will be posted from time to time in the Engineering School and the Student Block, giving further particulars of the Society's activities.

You, as Engineering Students, have the say as to what kind of a programme the Society will have this year, so make sure that you, personally, attend the Annual General Meeting of the Society, which will be held early in the first term. The time and date will be posted on the notice-boards.

The Secretary, D. T. Knox, will be pleased to give further particulars.

SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY

This society embraces in its syllabus of lectures and excursions the theoretical aspect of all of the sciences. Lectures given by outside and student lecturers provide the Society with interesting topics for discussion, and excursions are conducted to the more instructive Industrial Plants round Auckland. It is hoped that the good attendances of

past years will be maintained this year.

The Annual General Meeting will be held early in the term, so watch the notice-board for announcements.

Anyone desiring further information about Sci-Soc may contact either the Chairman, W. W. N. Brown, or the Secretary, P. C. N. Wong.

CAFETERIA

This year Debating Club wants to hold as many debates as possible and to make every one of them worth holding. The Committee believes that this Club should be one of the most important and best supported in the College, and will be glad to receive criticisms and suggestions to that end. Freshers in particular will be welcome at all meetings and their active participation is desired. Due notice will be given of all Debates and Oratory contests.

Early in the year's programme will be the Freshers' Debate, and Freshers are asked to watch all notice-boards concerning it.

Student Chairman: Tui Stallworthy.
Secretary: Mary McMillan.

STUDENT CHRISTIAN MOVEMENT

Are you bewildered and horrified at the destruction of our time?

The Student Christian Movement is a fellowship of students who desire to understand the Christian Faith and to live the Christian Life. Study Groups, opportunities for worship and prayer, week-end camps, social activities,—these are all part of the programme of the Movement. We welcome all students to join in our activities, feeling that only in this way can the full benefit of our fellowship be enjoyed.

S.C.M. Executive.

President: Malcolm Mackenzie.
Vice-President: Joy Glover-Clark.
Secretary: Dorothy Seaman.
Treasurer: Betty MacDonald.
Chaplain: Rev. G. A. Naylor.

Any student wishing to get in touch with the Chaplain personally, please ring 48-607.

Coming Events.

S.C.M. will entertain Freshers at a party early in the first term. Watch notice-boards for particulars. There will be a large and beautiful supper—free to Freshers—AND THE FIRST SCAVANGER HUNT EVER HELD AT A.U.C. This important event will go down in the history of A.U.C. along with tower-scaling, lily-pond bathing, and other memorable events. Don't miss it.

Sunday Tea—March 28, in Women's Common Room, at 4.30 p.m.

Speaker: Rev. G. A. Naylor, Chaplain to S.C.M. in Auckland.

CATHOLIC CLUB

Catholic Freshers are asked to get in touch with the Secretary of the Club, Joyce Finlay, for information on Club activities.

EVANGELICAL UNION

A cordial invitation is extended to all A.U.C. Freshers to take part in the activities of the Evangelical Union. The A.U.C. E.U. is a branch of a world-wide fellowship—the Inter-Varsity Fellowship of Evangelical Unions.

Activities of the A.U.C. E.U. include Sunday Teas, which are held in the Women's Common Room at 4.30 p.m. A friendly atmosphere combines with enjoyable singing and thoughtful addresses to make the Teas among the most popular of E.U. functions.

"Squashes"—You can have a really

good time at these social evenings. "Squashes" are advertised from time to time on the College notice-boards.

Weekly Meetings include a meeting every Thursday evening at 8 p.m. Mr. E. M. Blaiklock, M.A., Senior Lecturer in Classics, will conduct a series of studies at these meetings during the first term. Prayer groups are also held each day at mid-day and in the evening, and there is a study circle on Mondays, at 1 p.m.

In addition to these functions are the House Party, held in the Mid-Term break of the second term, and the Inter-Varsity Fellowship Conference to be held this year at Dunedin during the May vacation.

Enquiries are welcomed, and may be addressed to the Secretary, c/o the Letter Rack, or to any of the other Executive members.

Executive:

President: Les W. Allen.
Secretary: Eva C. Foulkes.
Treasurer: Mavis W. Addison.

Coming E.U. Events:

Sat., Mar. 6th—7.30 p.m.: Freshers' Welcome—Women's Common Room.

Thurs., Mar. 11th, 8 p.m.—Weekly Meeting—Speaker: Mr. L. Allen.

Sun., Mar. 14th, 4.30 p.m.—Tea—in Women's Common Room.

Sat., Mar. 27th—Picnic.

SPORTS CLUBS

ATHLETIC CLUB

Weekly Meetings: For the sake of keener competition these are held in conjunction with the Old Grammarians each Wednesday evening during the season. The time of the meetings is 5.45 p.m. and the place is the Auckland Grammar School grounds.

By the time CRACCUM is printed the Club hopes to be the possessor of several Auckland titles, for the championships are being held in the next few weeks. Madeline Coldham, who was placed second in the Ladies' High Jump last year, has excellent prospects this year, while Norm. Thom has obtained leave and will be down from Waipapakauri to defend his Senior Broad Jump and 220 yards Hurdles titles.

Others who step out regularly are "veteran" Stan Wilshire, who can still show the younger members a fine turn of speed; Alan Thom, who will be making a bid for the Junior Sprint and Broad Jump titles, and Jim Shackelford and Gin Millar, who should have an excellent chance in the three miles. Wally Wilkins seems certain of a junior hurdle title, while Dave Jones has been running really well in the sprints of late.

Interfaculty Sports are usually held about the end of March, and full details will be posted on the notice-boards during the next fortnight.

The Auckland Relay Championships are to be held on March 27th, and we earnestly request the assistance of Freshers at this meeting.

Our numbers are small, and there will be vacancies in all the teams, so once more we send out an appeal to join us on Wednesdays at the Auckland Grammar School, or contact the Secretary via the letter rack.

TENNIS CLUB

Club Captain: Winsome Denne.
Secretary: Helen Gordon.

In spite of weeds as hale and hearty as ever on the courts and a marked disinclination on the part of members to push a roller, the 'Varsity Tennis

Club has kept going this season with a membership slightly larger, if anything, than in previous years.

The Club has been handicapped by having lost most of its older and more responsible men members such as Graham Reid, now in the Navy; Bruce Millar, in the Air Force; and Arthur Lowe, now the proud possessor of one stripe. Some of our more promising younger players, notably Graham Holland, have also developed military obligations. This season too, we have missed the capable guidance of our former Club Captain, now Mrs. L. H. Millener.

Both 1st Grade and 2nd Grade teams were entered in the Inter-club competitions. To spare the reputation of team members a discreet silence about results of matches seems the wisest course. There have been some very close games however, and a number of matches have been lost from five all in the third set.

Beryl Warren, calm and collected as always on the court, has played her usual strong game.

Winsome Denne has played little this season in the 'Varsity Courts, but has had some wins in Inter-club games.

Joyce Bell, who captained the 2nd grade team, is always ready to lend a helping hand at Club functions, but has the fault, shared by a number of players, of not showing to the best advantage in match play.

Thelma Stokes and Betty Waygood are both optimistic and cheerful players, always ready to do their best whenever they are called upon to play.

Graham Wright is a reliable and able player and makes up for his lack of inches in agility and cunning.

Gordon Jacobsen has possibilities but this season has shown the effect of too little practice and, on occasion, too many late nights.

Jim Gwynne has proved one of our keenest players, and certainly one of the most regular in his attendances at the courts.

Although our supply of balls is running low, we hope to continue to play for another month at least. A Freshers' Tournament, consisting of a Knock-out Singles Competition, will be held on Saturday, 13th March. The subscription for Freshers will not be more than 2/- or 3/-, so let's see plenty of new faces and fresh talent on the first Saturday of the term.

SWIMMING CLUB

Club Captain: Ted Giles.
Vice-Captain: Betty Webster.

A.T.C. Vice-Captain: Ruth Phillips.
Secretary and Treasurer: Cam. Reid

The Club's activities include Club nights, Wednesday, 6—8 p.m., and Saturday afternoons (usually at Tepid Baths), trips to popular beaches, coaching in swimming, diving and life-saving, and the organising of water-polo. Social outings are arranged, and of course everyone lives for the Swimming Club Coffee Evening in the second term. Both the swimming and social outings have been successful with the exception of Ray Southwell's attempts to teach diving to Cam. Reid, and the picture party to "Son of Fury" where gossip held sway for the majority of the evening. Congratulations must go to Pat Hastings, for a fine harbour swim in a very difficult sea, and also to Pat Newcomb for her championship diving (Please note that Pat's ability to shine in a bathing suit

and a pair of shoes had nothing to do with the judges' decision).

Freshers are urged to get in touch with any of the committee for information and everyone is asked to "Watch out for Magnificent Swimming Carnival" this term.

CRICKET

The University Club amalgamated this year with Middlemore and have enjoyed a successful season, finishing second in the semi-final, just completed. Two members hit brilliant centuries this season, Pearson and Club Captain Cooper. Pearson knocked up 110 against Parnell, while Cooper carried his bat with a fine 126 for Auckland Reps. against an Artillery side. Solid support was given in the batting by Bell, Elliott and Vivian. In the bowling, Andrews and Albrecht were the terror of the opposing batsmen, both men taking over 50 wickets each. University Club provided four men in the Auckland Representative side, Andrews, Albrecht, Jackson and Cooper who all gave solid displays.

Freshers, interested in cricket, are advised that the season is not over, and are urged to get in touch with Arthur Bell, 44-415, who will welcome them with open arms.

HARRIER CLUB

The Harrier Club has made great strides during the last few years, and is now the largest men's Sports Club at 'Varsity. The season commences towards the end of the first term, and cross-country runs ranging from 3 to 8 miles are held every Saturday afternoon throughout the winter.

One of the big advantages of harrier running is that each runner can make it just as strenuous or easy as he wishes, for three or more packs are formed which run at speeds varying from racing pace to an easy rate in which the harrier rule of taking the speed from the slowest runner is observed. Although the great majority of runs during the season are not races, teams are entered in all the principal cross-country races. A major success of the Club last year was the winning of the Onehunga-Auckland Road Race.

It is our claim that once a student comes to a harrier meeting he almost invariably becomes a keen and regular member.

If you wish to keep fit during the winter, join the harriers.

Officers: D. G. Porter, Club Captain;
J. G. Millar, Hon. Secretary.

WOMEN'S HOUSE COMMITTEE

The Women's House Committee is in charge of all women's interests, and looks after the Common Room and cloak-room. The House Committee is also in charge of the lockers which may be hired from Joy Glover-Clark, who will be in the Federation Room or the Common Room during the first week of term.

A Pound is kept, and lost or confiscated articles may be reclaimed from members of the Committee.

There is a reading room in which are kept a number of periodicals (note—do not tear them more than you can help.) In addition the House Committee runs occasional social evenings for women students.

Further information will be given at the "Welcome to Freshers" on Friday night, 5th March, so all be there.

MEN'S HOUSE COMMITTEE

Chairman: J. G. Millar; Hon. Sec.: D. T. Knox; Hon. Treas.: J. Gwynne. Committee: N. R. Page (Social Affairs), P. Wong (Common Room), E. Gray (Pound), I. Wilson (Magazines, etc.), N. J. Rumsay and J. Lowe (Lockers).

This Committee controls the Men's Common Room, Locker Room, Committee Room and Ping Pong Room, and is responsible for the conduct of students in these rooms.

A considerable sum has been spent on the upkeep of the Common Room furnishings, and students are requested to treat them carefully.

Every student is urged to have his own locker, and these can be rented by applying to N. J. Rumsay. Rental 2/-, with a deposit of 2/6 for the key. The Reading Table in the Men's Common Room is stacked with interesting periodicals. The Ping Pong Room is open to all students, both men and women.

During the year Sing Songs will be held in the Common Room, and all men are invited to take part and learn the College Haka and songs.

Coffee Evenings are also held in the Common Room. The Committee hopes to revive the Annual Smoke Concert this year, and for the men this should be the most important event of the year. Watch the notice-boards.

MR. SKYRME

Mr. Skyrme, the god-father of all at A.U.C., has completed twenty-five years of association with the College. His record of service is almost unbelievable—in 25 years he has missed locking up the College on only two occasions when he was prevented by illness.

Mr. Skyrme takes a keen interest in students and their doings and he, and his dog Tim, are perhaps the best known figures around the College.

We wish him all the very best of health and happiness in the next quarter century.

HOPE CHEST

Beneath the Registrar's notice-board in the Entrance Hall is a polished wooden chest, looking somewhat as though it represented the hopes and dreams of young maidenhood. Unfortunately it is nothing more romantic than a receptacle for waste paper, and thus forms part of the war effort of the College. Students are requested to place all their waste paper and cardboard in this box, but are asked to see that their contributions are clean. Incidentally the chest is not intended as a parking place for suitcases or even for happy couples.

FRESHERS!!

Did you win Essay Prizes or Drawing Prizes at School? If you did, see if you can win a KIWI Prize.

GOSSIP

During term 'Varsity Students haven't time for the finer arts of love and life, but the long Vac. always brings a crop of weddings and engagements.

Miriam Matthews and Dick Dell sprang a bombshell by announcing their engagement. Dick is at present languishing on a tropic isle.

Jean Mawson is sporting sapphires as her "gage" from Neil Smith. We'd prophesied this for a long time.

Congratulations to "Willy" Whale for unobtrusiveness. Comrade Whale is now a married man, complete with blessing of Church. We also admire the spirit which prompted him to teach electricity and magnetism to the little sons of gentlemen at King's, wearing a Communist badge.

Blow to Lectural pride! Dr. West earned one penny per hour less than Jock Asher at his Vac. job. They were working on the Greenlane Hospital—Jock as a navy, and Dr. W. as a carpenter's assistant.

Prof. Belshaw joined the workers at Westfield. This was one time when the Prof's hayfever was a definite advantage.

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