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Drama Society Insulted

A CASE OF UNREQUITED LOVE

As its major production for 1954, the A.U.C. Drama Society presented William Congreve's Restoration comedy, "Love for Love," for a season of five nights at St. Andrew's Hall, during the last week of the second term.

The play was produced by Professor Musgrove, Head of the Department of English at this College and one of the most accomplished producers in New Zealand theatre today, and the cast was composed of a number of competent, and in some cases very talented graduates and undergraduates of the College.

The fact that the production received pitifully small audiences, far from being a reflection on the standard of theatre offered or the amount of publicity the play received, was an unfortunate but appropriate indication of the interest taken in its own affairs by the student body as a whole.

Any blame for the financial loss incurred, let alone the acute disappointment which must have been felt by all those who were associated with the production, must fall fairly and squarely upon those students who, for reasons best known to themselves, could not see fit to support a worthy venture made by one of the keenest of the student societies.

This criticism of student apathy is of the sort usually levelled at part-timers, but it would seem that in this case a large majority of full-timers is equally blameworthy, for only a reasonable percentage of full-time students needed to attend to make the venture successful.

Instead of receiving the support it deserved, the Dramatic Society's "Love for Love" has been joined with O'Rorke's earlier production of Beethoven's opera "Fidelio," as an enterprise of considerable merit, which was financed by students, staged by students, and stifled by students.

"Love for Love," in common with most comedies, is a play which is destined to give a great deal more opportunity to the actor in some of its roles than in others, and if the actors concerned take full advantage of these opportunities, they all but



Neil Smith and Gillian Davies . . .

. . . Sophisticated carryings-on.

Above all, his facial expressions conveyed more than a dozen speeches, and his facile changes of intonation, both subtle and not so subtle, made his diction near faultless. His graceful stage movements capped a delightful portrayal.

If any member of the cast came up to the standard of characterization set by Neil Smith, it was GILIAN DAVIES as Mistress Frail. She, too, conveyed a superb sense of sophistication which she injected into her exquisitely forward hussy. Miss Davies also gained immeasurably in her portrayal by her facial expressions, enhanced as they were by a delightfully turned-up nose. Her movements were executed with all the assurance in the world, and her poise was never upset until the situation demanded it at the hilarious climax of the play.

Verve and freshness

MARGARET SMITH, as Prue, was scarcely less entertaining. Her antics as the country-reared daughter of old Foresight were a constant source of amusement. She attacked her part with an abundance of verve and freshness which was somewhat lacking in the leading roles of Valentine and Angelica.

DON MACRAE, as Valentine, failed to put enough life into the part. Admittedly, it did not allow him a great deal of scope, but surely the "mad scene," for example, could have been

funnier, and certainly more likely. To succeed in a part such as this, an actor must get as much as he can out of the few opportunities available to him. Mr. MacRae, in common with at least one other member of the cast, appeared to lack the qualities that are peculiar to Restoration comedy, and consequently, in the company of Tattle, his Valentine was an even paler figure than he should have been.

A little bored

As Angelica, NOELINE PRITCHARD began brightly enough, but the lack of substance in her role seemed to have an unfortunate effect on her characterization also. Miss Pritchard brought poise and beauty to the part, and she has an admirably controlled and varied voice; but she seemed to find very little upon which to bring her talents to bear.

Much the same could be said of DESMOND HACKSHAW in the role of Scandal. One could not but feel that Restoration comedy is hardly his metier: he gave the impression that he had done what he could with a part which gives very little in return, and had finally become a trifle bored with the whole business. The day is keenly awaited when this actor is given a role he can get his teeth into, and thereby display the qualities of which he has given some indication in his former appearances. In any case,

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Don MacRae and Noeline Pritchard . . . True love.



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At the beginning of this year, Auckland ran, very successfully, its first Congress. Next year it will be Otago's turn again, and from preliminary developments, should be as successful as ever.

We take pleasure in presenting an article on this subject. We commend this to you with our wholehearted endorsement. Read it, speak to someone who has been to a Congress, and put in your application to be included in the Auckland contingent.

Forms are available at the Students' Association Office. The dates are January 21 to January 30, 1955.

WITHDRAW TO SERENITY

The best advertisement for the N.Z.U.S.A. Congress, of course, is the people who have been there. You can answer them back and they're less biased, whereas I'm trying to sell something. It's not my fault—it's merely my job. If you're still sceptical at the end of this article seek out someone who has been to past Congresses. It shouldn't be hard as there are a surprising number of ex-Congress bods around the place.

This year's Congress is being organised from Otago and, under the chairmanship of Dr. Basil Howard, a really impressive list of speakers is being lined up. As well there will be a number of non-speaking visitors. Arrangements this year are on the lines laid down previously, with the dates allowing Training College students to attend.

The chores will be in the hands of a bevy of pulchritudinous potato-peelers, who will doubtless undertake other duties outside union hours. Mr. and Mrs. Manning will force them to produce food of a quality better than one could reasonably expect. And there is plenty of it—two, three or even four repeats are not refused. By the way, the Mannings are remarkable people—they have been hosts to 120 of more students for 10 days half-a-dozen times over, and still survive.

The site of Congress is an attraction in itself. I don't refer to its beauty (you should see it by moonlight), though I have heard it called the Adriatic of New Zealand, but to the fact that it is remote. Locked in those sun-drenched Marlborough hills one can forget the routine of civilisation and get away from the omnipresent radio and press of ordinary life. Such a withdrawal from the world seems to me a necessary condition for clear thinking about the world. In the stream everything suffers under the same forces and impacts, and it is difficult to have any fixed points of reference. A temporary withdrawal to the bank enables one to estimate, however, roughly, the direction and velocity of flow.

Another essential to understanding is the encounter of other opinions. At Congress this is unavoidable. The break from routine, if one refuses to think, leaves nothing else to do except make love and indulge in other arduous sports, and one can't do that all day as well as all night. We are driven into an unescapable measure of intellectual intercourse. For this Congress offers opportunities which are not available anywhere else. Gathered together we have a varied company of rich and well-informed

minds, and by removing them from all distractions we force them to exert their power and disseminate their knowledge. Congress does for some, and can for you, become the ideal (and impossible) University. To have caught no matter how slight a flavour of that ideal is the sole justification of the time we spend in our various institutions.

But there is far more to Congress than these intellectual advantages. For the socially-minded its lures are equally compelling. Where else can you meet people from all the Colleges of the University of New Zealand? There is Tournament, of course, but that is a frantic affair, and cannot compare with the long lazy afternoons of Congress and the nights made hideous till after dawn. Who would dare to put on paper the grisly details of the bawdy-ballad session, the fish-fry, the picnic, the fishing trip where not only fish are caught, the endless games of volley ball, the moonlight cruises and sundry other ingenious if perverted products of a never-failing imagination? For the more serious the free time, so valuable at Congress, can be used to improve conversational technique, or the art of song, or of reading poetry, or of listening to music, or even of sleeping. Some even find time to pray once a day and there are Sunday services for those who wish to attend them.

A typical Congress day, breakfast once over, starts with an address, followed by discussion. Before dinner there is time for a swim, and the afternoon is free. Towards the end of the week this is used to catch up on arrears of sleep. Tea is followed by another address and more discussion, and after supper one adjourns to some hut for a party. Some parties are intellectual, a few amatory, all are cacophonous. There are also volley ball, deck quoits, rowing, fishing, tramping and swimming, to fill in any spare moments of the day.

All in all, it is not a matter of whether you can afford to go to Congress, it is whether you can afford not to go.

Executive Meeting, September 6th

Mate Frankovitch conducts Executive meetings in a quiet unassuming way with no fist-banging or ironic remarks. The new members do not speak, through shyness or lack of sufficient wisdom, Craccum does not know; but the experienced members sit back looking thoughtful or amused, or, like Brian Horton, do as much talking as the Chairman. It is amazing how appropriate their dress is to their status—Jock McGowan, the Secretary, wears a coloured flannel waistcoat (no furled umbrella, though!), the Elam representative, Frank Davis is growing a beard, Maiden from the Engineers wears a neat blazer, and so on.

Craccum was surprised how efficiently they work, but then, when anything with financial details arises, it seems to be pushed to the Grants Committee.

The agenda included receiving a delegation from S.C.M., who want to profits from the bookstall they run have complete responsibility and all at the beginning of the year. The past agreement has been for the Students' Association to have the first £35 profit and 10% of profits after that. Consequently S.C.M., after weeks of work this year made £7. Finally Executive agreed to their suggestion; S.C.M. will run bookstall next year on the new basis.

The report from the A.U.C. delegation to the August Conference of N.Z.U.S.A. was received. The resident executive had approached the Government (at last!) about the inadequacy of bursaries, and at this conference a sub-committee suggested that bursaries be given on a higher standard than U.E. and that once a bursary is awarded the student's work to be reviewed at the end of each year.

But Executive spent the most time discussing whether or not Blues ought to be given free tickets for After-Degree Ball, when Blues are presented, and if so, whether the tickets be single or double! The majority were in favour of free double tickets, but Pat Barnes pointed out the the profit from balls is negligible, let alone admitting extra people free. Later in the evening Executive were unwilling to supply the Cafeteria with an electric mixer, because of the cost and "was it necessary!" And then, after skimming through the list of odds and ends, they approved the accounts for the past three months, amounting to about £600 and not including Tournament fares!

Finally, Brian Horton, presented for ratification this temporary Men's

House Committee:

Chairman: B. R. Horton.
Social Secretary: N. J. Butler.
Social Bookings: C. I. MacLeod.
Common Room Lockers: K. W. Piddington.
Mail, Magazines: H. S. Fairburn.
Lockers: D. Watson; L. Nash.
"Mugwump."

Students' Christian Movement

The Student Christian Movement A.G.M. held in Room 22 on July, was attended by 45 members chaired by the retiring President B. A. Walker, B.A. In his address Bryan said that the life of the movement is the life of the S.C.M. and the life of the S.C.M. is largely on the quality of life of people belonging to them at a particular time. Therefore if we expect great things of the movement we must guard in the University of the Church on earth then we must to ourselves and the quality of commitment to the Lord of that Church. The Church is faced with the problem of commitment more than with the problem of good tactics. The urgent matter we as a branch accomplish in the near future and above the usual activities support Stud. Ass. in meeting seas students and in helping as much as possible. Also we discuss a great deal more about Christian social action because Church with no social gospel Church.

The Annual Report presented the Secretary, J. M. Feist, a year of steady unspectacular work. The activities have been the camps, devotions, study group services and have reflected rather than practical action, the running of the second-hand stall could hardly be called

The most interesting throughout the year have been study groups on specific Christian Ethics, The World Christian Federation—and the in the Science and Architecture faculties.

The work of the movement has carried out vigorously and fully, the financial position has improved and the strength of branch, especially among students, has increased.

The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted in:—

President: Miss Joyce Pegler.
Vice-President: J. M. Feist.
Executive: Misses Pam Cullen, Sheila Fraser, Messrs. D. J. Cullen, G. R. Ferguson, G. Jackson, McCuish, P. N. Wedde.

Permanent Chaplain: Rev. Lewis, M.A., B.D.

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Tournament Photos On Display Outside CAFETERIA

What about Congress THIS YEAR

LETTERS

HOUSE COMMITTEE MINUTES

I notice, with disappointment, that minutes of the M.H.C. meetings are no longer being displayed. Students, I think, feel that the Common Room is their own little piece of university, and as such they like to know that there is an active committee working to maintain and, where possible, improve the available facilities by which they are assured of this although they realise these are only indicative and must be approved by Executive.

M.D.S.

THERE ARE NONE SO BLIND

Auckland 4/9/54

Dear Sir,
I have been very struck recently by the pro. communist and socialist attitude of "Craccum."

Would you let me express my ideas "Craccum" and if you are ready to admit this kind of liberty, could you please publish these lines in the next issue of our University paper.

With many thanks,

Yours truly,

ANZUS.

Although our regulations require all contributors to submit their names as a sign of good faith, we have decided to print this anonymous letter. We were, in fact, so amazed to learn that we had a policy or even an attitude, that we insisted on publishing this comment!

As far as a policy is concerned, however, we fail to see how this can be determined to any degree by articles printed that are obviously not necessarily the opinion of the "editor" (see page 2). If this were not the case there would be even fewer pretensions at unbiased reporting of the news than there are at present. We think it noteworthy to remark that the N.Z. Herald, which can hardly be described as "pro-communist and socialist" are currently publishing a series of articles by Mr. Attlee, whom our correspondent assures us "has been consistently conspicuous for his happy thinking on foreign affairs." —Ed.

THERE ARE NONE SO BLIND . . .

The journey of the British Labour leaders, Attlee and Bevan, to Communist China can only be described as utterly irresponsible and a cheap means of publicity. Both men have led at home to give anything like enlightened leadership or co-operation in sane politics and now seek the spotlight wherever they can find it—something like the man who would jump off Grafton Bridge to get his name in the paper. Attlee has been consistently conspicuous for his happy thinking on foreign affairs. He is no longer able to fall back on the down-to-earth guidance of Ernest Bevin, Labour's Foreign Minister, who died three or four years ago.

The main weight of opinion in the British Commonwealth is pro-American. And that is the simple fact, and as the Communist menace creeps further southward through Asia into the Pacific—following the master-plan for world conquest drawn up by over 30 years ago—Australasian thinking will become more realistic and put aside the co-existence ideas of these two countries. In his heart of hearts Churchill knows that co-existence with the Communist world will not work out. In his unpublic moments he behaves the same. Neither of

Visit of Australian Swimmers

Arrangements are being made for the visit next January of an Australian Universities' swimming and water polo team. The tour liaison officers for the Australian and home universities respectively are Ernie Berge Phillips, brother of the manager of the 1951 team, and Trevor Eagle (A.U.C.), a member of the team which visited Australia last year.

The itinerary is Auckland five days, Hamilton one, Wellington four, Christchurch five, West Coast three, and Dunedin three. The individual colleges will conduct trips from their own centres. With an A.U.C. team the visitors will compete in inter-club carnivals at Whangarei, Pukekohe and in Auckland.

The Tests are to be conducted at Wellington and Christchurch, the events being 110, 220 and 440 yards freestyle, 110 yards backstroke, 220 yards breaststroke, 330 yards individual medley, 4 by 100 yards freestyle relay, 3 by 110 yards medley relay, and water polo.

It is as yet uncertain whether some of the stars will be available for the tour. However, the Australian Universities will undoubtedly send a strong team which may include Cyrus Weld, a successful competitor at the recent Empire Games and John Foster, the Olympic water polo player.

The N.Z.U. team, to be selected by post by the end of November, will probably include the national title holder John Hamilton (Victoria) and the former Empire Games representative, holder of the national junior 220 yards breaststroke record, Trevor Eagle (Auckland).

Among the Aucklanders to meet the Australians in the local carnivals will be John Orbell, the Auckland 440 yards backstroke champion, if he decides to join the 'Varsity Club; Murray Francis, who did good times for 110 yards last season, and Peter Heim, a former Auckland title holder and a member of the N.Z.U. touring team, unfortunately, Ace Clarke, one of our top sprinters for the last three seasons will be attending a Students' Congress in Australia and so will be unavailable, and Bob Leek, the Auckland 220 yards breaststroke champion is now at Otago University.

Further details of the tour and the selection of teams will be published as soon as they come to hand.

A.L.

they will take a stand in public even though there are definite signs that Russian internal affairs are in a mess. The Kremlin knows it and also realises that it has no hope of escape except by bluffing the West into concessions which would at the same time aid Russia and create divisions among the Western powers.

America is fully aware of the facts. A committee of the American Congress (both Houses) recently advised Eisenhower to hasten the Soviet collapse by sealing off Russia from all contact with the West. The rumblings from inside Russia are heard by every intelligence agent inside Russia. They are making constant reports to the British Cabinet.

Attlee and Bevan must know the facts by this. Churchill and Eden are fully aware of the situation. Yet neither will make a move in accord with the American proposals. They fear that public opinion in Britain is not ready. Meantime Attlee and Bevan, like witless mannequins, parade the East in search of popularity at home.

Such are the weaknesses of the twilight stage in modern democracy.

OUR BROTHER'S KEEPERS?

It is hoped to establish at this University a branch of the World University Service (W.U.S.) as an indication of our concern and sympathy for the students of lands less happily circumstanced than our own.

A meeting will be held on or about Wednesday, 16th September, (the second Wednesday of term), to set up a Committee for this purpose.

Such action will be little more than a belated response to a long-standing challenge to which other Colleges have risen before us: Canterbury University College has for years done the major share in keeping interest in W.U.S. alive in New Zealand, under the leadership of such men as Professor Hight, Dr. Broadhead and Dr. Hulme, and more recently the initiative has passed to Dunedin, where two Presbyterians, Rev. J. M. Bates both wardens at student hostels, have taken the leadership of a movement with strong student backing. (O.U. raised £225 in a single work-day recently. Need one say more?). Victoria, hitherto as apathetic as ourselves, has recently undertaken the formation of a W.U.S. branch. That leaves us as the only delinquent.

W.U.S. is an organisation with a long and distinguished history. Its origins, not surprisingly, reach back to the first World War, and the concern felt for European students desperately affected by war and blockade. The body formed to meet that immediate problem did not fade out of existence when the most crucial phase of the post-1918 crisis had passed away. Instead, it developed into international Student Service (I.S.S.), a full-scale organisation devoted both to long-term problems of student relief and to facilitating cultural contacts and intercourse aimed at uniting "(student) men and women. . . ."

Hugh the Drover

"Hugh the Drover" owes much of its charm to the folk-songs that Vaughan Williams has worked into the texture of his far-from-easy score. With keen principals and a splendid chorus, the Teachers' Training College overcame most of the difficulties and gave a performance that deservedly drew large houses.

The two leads, Mary and Hugh, were played by Jill Evans and Graeme Dreadon, both well known round 'varsity.

Mary was acted with simplicity well suited to a country girl; Hugh on the other hand lacked some of the free and easy swagger of a drover. But both these performers have clear well-produced voices that carried well and proved the backbone of the production.

The other principal parts consisted of witty character sketches, often well sung and always well acted. Sonny Wilson as the ballads seller was especially good. The first-rate chorus romped through the fair scenes, secure in their singing and enthusiastic in their acting.

Restricted stage space led to some awkward movement in Act II, but otherwise the production was lively and contained one or two brilliant strokes. The management of the fight was worth seeing in itself.

One great lesson emerges from this production. Unless a hall has a deep or concealed orchestral pit, the size of the orchestra must be kept down. On this occasion, too many players played too loudly and completely drowned some of the smaller voices.

J.P.A.C.

Who supports W.U.S.? It has always reflected the widest possible range of religious and political viewpoints, and the Dominion Committee which is shortly to be set up will consist of representatives from staff and students of Universities and Training Colleges, from political groups such as the Student Labour Federation, and from religious bodies such as the Catholic Society, and Evangelical Union and the Student Christian Movement.

To do what? It is scarcely necessary to insist that the needs of students in many parts of the world are very great indeed, and form an obligation which it is our duty to fulfil. Most obvious among these needs is the problem of student health; not merely increased medical supplies, but a system of regular medical inspection and the provision of a wide range of preventive medicine. Recently W.U.S. has been undertaking a world-wide survey of student health facilities, and it is the intention of W.U.S., New Zealand, to devote its major efforts in the coming year to health problems among students in South East Asia, a field to which our attention is being constantly directed at present. Under the heading of Student Lodging and Living, W.U.S. is undertaking a great deal in the way of building and equipping hostels, common rooms and cafeterias, as well as aiding individual students—including refugees and D.P.'s—with scholarships and supplementary food and clothing. In addition, supplies of books, typewriters, laboratory equipment and micro-film machines have been made available in an attempt to fulfil the slogan which has always governed W.U.S. activities: "Give them the tools."

W.U.S. is not a charitable institution; it is a body designed to provide students with the raw material of self-help projects with which they can work out their own salvation.

Its reference is world-wide. In the words of a recent W.U.S. publication, "the world programme of W.U.S. forms an integrated whole. The success achieved in one country, the problems faced in another, are related to the work in all the countries, providing fresh initiative, new experiences to be shared, and contributing to the common and ever-growing fund of knowledge."

W.U.S. may appear to have no scheme for building a brave new world according to some scientifically-induced formula. But, as Rev. Luke Jenkins pointed out recently, to achieve world reform, "the channels of international intercourse must be cleared; our views of each other must be given a touch of kindness and our contacts, however induced, sweetened."

"All this originates in persons, and W.U.S. is steadily building in the one-world of our time, amongst thinkers and the professions, just such foundation for larger understanding."

"And, in any case, what of meanwhile? Something must be done to meet personal need while the bigger issues are gestating"

DO WE CARE ENOUGH TO TAKE ACTION?

T.G.W.

Victorian Renaissance . . . Au

The renaissance of Victoria University College was the remarkable aspect of this year's Winter Tournament. At Easter Tournament Victoria were unable to score a point for Tournament Shield. Yet after only five months they had revitalized their sporting outlook and gained a clear-cut win of the Shield.

Victoria officials and players showed tremendous enthusiasm. Many in key positions were working until late hours at night, and then going off to work at eight or nine o'clock the next morning. Many of the players, too, took an hour or two off to play their sport and then returned to their jobs. They showed courage and determination in the face of what to too many Aucklanders would be insurmountable obstacles.

Victoria has for some time been faced with the open disapproval, sometimes even hostility, of the local residents and council. They have banded together admirably to retrieve their position to such an extent that billeting presented no problems. And

We arrived in Wellington on one of their worst mornings; wet, cold, windy. Rather understandably, very few people, apart from those meeting billetees, were present to welcome the team. Dispersal procedure was excellent; within twenty minutes the only lingerers were those few who were waiting to be met by their hosts. The remainder had been directed to one of three buses, and these left very smartly.

A well-attended and successful Talent Concert was held in Victoria's Little Theatre on Sunday evening. We in Auckland have every right to be envious of this, one of Victoria's fairly recent acquisitions.

Sports competitions began on Monday morning. Here, the only disadvantage was the large number of events on at any one time. To see all the play in one sport, one had to miss nearly all the others. A relatively high standard was maintained in all sports, and it is difficult to single out any one game for mention. Probably the most exciting was the Women's Indoor Basketball match between Auckland and Otago. This was won by Auckland after six minutes extra time, by one goal (2 points).

Another fine performance was that of Victoria in defeating the Australian hockey team one-nil.

Drama Tournament was held on Monday and Tuesday evenings. Here Otago put up a very convincing performance, after only one week's preparation. Many thought Otago would receive the adjudicator's nod, but Mr. Champion had other ideas.

The evening socials were not unqualified successes. They were convivial enough, but often it was near impossible to hear the music, and dancing was handicapped accordingly. A free "imitation monkey act" was provided by Malc. Douglas (C.U.C.), who, after the trials and tribulations

the response to billeting campaigns is one of the best criteria of the attitude of the residents of a city towards the university.

To reply that Auckland is handicapped by too large a proportion of part-time students is begging the question. Victoria have nearly as large a proportion, and their total numbers do not come upto that of Auckland.

The example has been set, Auckland. You are holding Easter Tournament here in 1955, and Victoria have issued you the challenge to discard your lethargy, abandon your 'I'll look after myself, the other chap can go to the devil' attitude, pull together and turn on a really fine Tournament, and put up a better than mediocre performance on the sporting field.

of N.Z.U.S.A., was in a jolly carefree mood.

Tournament Ball on Thursday night was counted a success by those who attended. Neither dress nor conduct was formal, and the atmosphere varied accordingly. The dancers even dared to sing, an unheard of thing at a ball. Good luck to them!

Victoria arranged the odd party for competitors, and there were generally fairly quiet. One complaint was received, but the point of view of the aggrieved one was quite possibly very restricted.

N.Z.U.S.A. could not show any dinner-suits or soda-water this time, but Auckland reached the headlines again by walking out of a meeting to prevent a topic being discussed further. (Their action was probably justified, as the topic, eligibility of freshers for Easter Tournament, had already been once discussed, and voted against, at the meeting.)

Thanks and congratulations to Victoria. They gave us a very enjoyable Tournament, and in addition gained their well-merited win. J.H.



A.U.C. Basketballers in action.

Official Welcome

About three hundred and fifty Tournament participants attended the official welcome held at Victoria College on Sunday 15th, August at 2 p.m. They were welcomed by Mr. B. V. Galvin (Tournament Controller), who was accompanied by Dr. Williams (the Principal), Councillor Kitts, Will Chandler (Massey), Miss P. Beck and Ron Barber (Tournament delegates).

Councillor Kitts first apologised for the absence of the Mayor and Councillor McGrath, and then went on to welcome the visitors to the city of Wellington. He stressed the importance of such tournaments, both from the sporting and social viewpoints, and concluded by wishing everybody every success.

Dr. Williams expressed much pleasure in seeing the visitors, apologised for the weather (which was the fault of the Weather Office). He also stressed the important place that these Tournaments have in the University life.

On behalf of the visitors Will Chandler thanked Victoria and the City of Wellington for offering their university and city to the competitors for the Tournament.

At the conclusion of the welcome, the official photograph was taken, and afternoon tea was served in the cafeteria and Women's common room.

Men's Indoor Basketball

V.U.C. scored a merited win in the Men's Basketball being undefeated in four games. O.U. lost only to V.U.C. in a splendid game—highlights of this were the 32 points scored by Ralph Salt (V.U.C.) and the fouling off of Otago's star centre Brian Bradley. Gren Alabaster (O.U.) was the other outstanding player at Tournament; all agreed he was unlucky to miss Blue selection. Bradley and Salt fully deserved their N.Z.U. Blues.

The N.Z.U. team lost to Wellington representatives 48-61; a fair indication of the run of play. N.Z.U. lacked combination, but this was to be expected since the team was selected only a few hours before the match. Once again Bradley, Alabaster and Salt were outstanding for N.Z.U. while Noel Hayman—ex N.Z.U. player—added sting to Wellington's attack.

A.U.C. sent their 'B' team to Tournament, plus B. Kingi from the 'A's' and J. Nicholl from Ardmore. No games were won but all played well against far superior opposition.

Results were:

- v. V.U.C. lost 30-73.
- v. C.U.C. lost 33-34.
- v. M.A.C. lost 44-57.
- v. O.U. lost 33-73.

V.U.C. overwhelmed our team in the first game of the Tournament.

C.U.C. were perhaps a little lucky to scrape home by one point. This game was a fast open one with Jack Nicholl, John Davis and Barry Kingi playing excellently for A.U.C. Canterbury's quick-break had us worried for the first half, but in the last quarter we improved considerably on

defence but could not score the equaliser.

M.A.C. were held until the quarter, when our defence wilted, enabling them to establish a ten points lead. There was too much fouling in this game, but our forwards played easily their best of the Tournament.

Surprisingly enough O.U. were held until half-time, after which they steadily drew ahead. In the quarter we improved a little, phenomenal shooting by Alan maintained the lead at the end.

Credit for these next games should be given to our Tournament reporters,

Jim Holdom
Val Fromm

whom we thank and congratulate on an excellent coverage of all the principal events, and whom all cases of libel, injury, etc., should be addressed.

Overall, the lack of good cost us the games against C.U.C. M.A.C. Terry McLiskey, usually forward, was obliged to play for all games. Consequently, though work fell on the other guard, Dalton, who acquitted himself well. Congratulations go to Jack and John Davis for selection in N.Z.U. 'B' team which beat the representative team from the Merni League 27-24.

The host college provided splendid Tournament on sporting and social sides—though residents of 'The Terrace' might disagree, having had course to calling in the police 'quieten' a social evening at house in that vicinity.

Congratulations also to our and his wife—Stan and Val—on the happy occasion.

T. H. Mc

Women's Indoor Basketball

Almost without exception games in this section of Tournament were even and consequently exciting for both players and spectators alike. Victoria were the winners, taking the cup from the holders, Canterbury. Victoria thoroughly deserved their win although it might be attributed in part to their imports from Canterbury, which have undoubtedly raised the standard of the game. Canterbury, one loss, second, and Auckland took the place with two losses.

All the games were played on fine courts at the Winter Show Buildings and we thank Victoria for the capable manner in which they organised the Tournament.

Auckland's first game was against Canterbury, who won with a better combination and better play. The Northerners had difficulty in getting the ball from the goal to the forwards, being unaccustomed to the large court. The final score was 28-13.

The Victoria-Canterbury game even throughout, the final score 24-22 in Victoria's favour. For Victoria H. Blick played a sterling game while F. Rankin and C. Foote played well for Canterbury.

Victoria had the edge on Marlborough through their game and won 31-24. The game, however, was more

Auckland In Their Usual Place!

not score the score indicates, with N. until the Auckland-Otago game proved to be a very close struggle. It started off with Otago going into the lead at half-time. Then Auckland drew it up, and drew level, although forwards were being rather un- after while. In the end a little by Alan at the end.

the next game was also even, the final score being 35-32. Otago. M. Hoyle played very well. Massey, as did A. Hight for Otago.

The Auckland-Victoria game, which was Auckland's last game, and showed much improvement, although their shooting still left a lot to be desired. The guards played well and kept Victoria's score to 25. Auckland's total was 19, the highest scorer being J. Hames. Although Victoria were the ultimate winners, Otago made them work for their win. H. Eyre shot well for Otago and B. Little and H. Blick for selection.

Victoria, the score being 29-16. Massey's total would have been in their game against Canterbury had their forwards been able to get in closer to shoot. They scored 51. Canterbury won their game against Otago, showing better teamwork and knowledge of the game. The Auckland-Massey game was, although Auckland were definitely superior throughout. The forwards did not shoot well in the quarter and Massey were in the but Auckland bucked up and won the final score to 28-14 in favour.

N.Z.U. players were over- come by the Wellington women in the game on Wednesday night. Ina Bowman was the only Auckland player chosen for the N.Z.U. team and congratulated her. There were no other players announced.

B.B.

Badminton

The performance was of a high standard, especially in the men's section. Most of the top singles were evenly con- sidered as the scores indicated. With the complete superiority of the men players, V.U.C. domi- nated the play and won the tournament fairly easily. Their opposition came from O.U. which had a better balanced team. A.U.C. fielded their full team instead of the last-minute changes, we could have put up a better show and possibly won the tournament.

L. Hew performed very well to win the only five games for Auckland. The play was such that he was men- tioned in the "Evening Post" and had a little more stamina he could have won through the rest of his games. D. C. Light several times tried to be in command of his game but could not quite match the opposition. T. Gan was never near his best although he won three sets in most of his

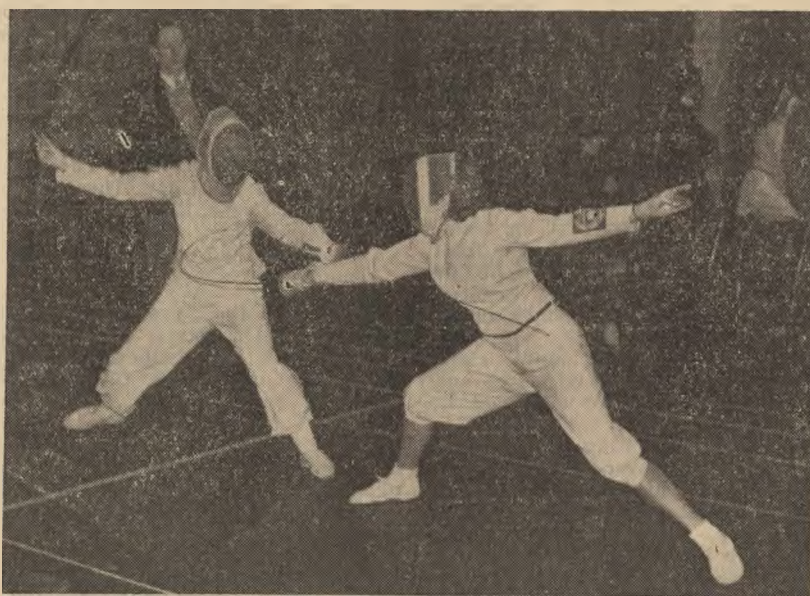
games. B. C. Choo unfortunately had to pull out after the first game and J. Holdom substituted for the second day.

Our women were outclassed in every department. Miss P. Brookings several times went near clinching her games only to lose in the final stages. Misses W. Strickett and J. Oakden played their best but found their opponents too strong.

However, with the experience and lesson we learned down south, we should be able to make a better showing next year.

On the Tuesday evening N.Z.U. played Wellington, losing 6-10.

T.G.



Prue Lusk (on right) winning her N.Z.U. title for Auckland.

Fencing

Fencing Tournament this year resulted in a win for V.U.C., with C.U.C. as runners-up. C.U.C., with four fencers of almost equal ability, won the men's section with an unbeaten record. V.U.C., with one loss were second. V.U.C. were unbeaten to win the women's section and O.U. qualified second with two wins. A.U.C. were third with one win.

A.U.C. did not have the experienced fencers to support Chau and Miss Lusk. However, both teams did reasonably well, and the women's team defeated C.U.C. 8-1.

The best individual efforts were:

Men—

Sharfe O.U., No losses (Out of 12)
Matheson C.U.C., 2 losses
Chau A.U.C., 3 losses
Free V.U.C., 3 losses

Women—

Denham O.U., 1 loss (out of 9)
Lusk A.U.C., 2 losses
Pool O.U., 2 losses
Pyne V.U.C., 2 losses

Men—

versus V.U.C.—lost 4-12
versus C.U.C.—lost 5-11
versus O.U.—lost 6-10

Women—

versus V.U.C.—lost 3-6
versus C.U.C.—won 8-1
versus O.U.—lost 8-1

A.U.C. fencers gained two places in the N.Z.U. teams which played Wellington, Chau in the men's team and Miss P. Lusk in the women's. Both these N.Z.U. teams won, the men very narrowly.

N.Z.U. versus Wellington.

Men's Teams:

N.Z.U.—

Sharfe O.U.
Chau A.U.C.
Free V.U.C.
Knox V.U.C.

Wellington—

Hampton
Stafford
James
Smith

Qualifying Rounds first place should have gone to the A.U.C. quite comfortably. However, when the team was faced with a strange waterlogged course swept by 65 m.p.h. gales their performance, to say the least, was dismal. The team average for the first round was 91.5, but with improved play in the afternoon round managed to finish in third place only five strokes behind the winning V.U.C. team, with O.U. second. But for Les Pointon's 77 in the second round (incidentally the only competitor to better 80 on that day) the team would not have appeared in such a favourable light.

In the subsequent match-play, Kevin Treacy and Bernie Coyle were defeated in the first round and Leo Pointon was eliminated in the semi-finals. Auckland sent six individual competitors to Tournament and two of these qualified for the Championship—Trevor Coxon and Graeme Revell—but they too failed to survive in the match-play. Ultimately Kevin Treacy and Trevor Coxon contested a dour final in the Championship Plate with no quarter given on either side, the youthful Coxon not surrendering until the final hole. Some further honours came Auckland's way when Leo Pointon and Kevin Treacy were selected for the N.Z.U. side and Trevor Coxon was the reserve. Further honours fell to Auckland's lot when Kevin Treacy with his fluid (not alcoholic) drive slammed a mighty ball some 280 yards to win the Long Driving Championship.

Golf as usual was capped by an excellent dinner held in the Hutt Club's Lounge, and a fine social evening followed.

The N.Z.U. team turned on a high quality performance against the Hutt Club—virtually the Wellington provincial side—losing by four matches to two but this result could easily have been reversed as two matches were unfortunately lost, losing the last two holes when the N.Z.U. players were leading. Results were as follows (N.Z.U. names first):—

R. Carver lost to G. Tustin, 2-1
R. Gillet beat G. P. Roberts, 2-1
L. Pointon lost to K. Thorne, 1 down
B. Boon lost to J. Payne, 1 down
R. Treacy lost to S. A. McDonald, 2-1
A. Zohrab beat I. Read, 5-4

K.T.

Soccer

Auckland was undefeated in the three matches it played gaining valuable points for the college and the soccer trophy. Victoria, well up in senior competition, and last year's winners—after a draw with Auckland—provided the strongest opposition. Otago, strong contenders for promotion to seniors in local competition, were just eclipsed by Victoria and beaten 1-0 in the latter stages of a very evenly contested game. Canterbury were soundly beaten in each of their games.

Auckland's first match was against Otago. The ground was firm, the weather fine, and the wind furious.

Golf

"Oh! How the mighty have fallen," this phrase well sums up the performance of the A.U.C. Golf Team in this year's Winter Tournament, played on the Hutt Course. With teams reduced to four in number, A.U.C. fielded a strong combination, all flaunting handicaps. As Tournament Shield points were decided on the teams scores for the Championship

J.F.

WOT, MORE TOURNAMENT!

Ball control was difficult. The tight, close-passing forward movements of Otago were seldom able to pierce the Auckland defence. Our team developed a good combination, helped by strong clearing kicks by the fullbacks, good ball distribution by the half-backs, and accurate passing among the forwards. Warwick Elley placed some fine centres and shots in this game, with Lou Bobb and Gordon Hard combining well in swift runs on the right wing. Kevin Sang at centre forward shot hard and well. A.U.C. won by 5 goals to 1. The Otago goalie made some good saves in this match.

In a fast game on the Basin Reserve, A.U.C. defeated C.U.C. 3-0. Auckland showed good backing up by the backs, and many fast rushes by the forwards with strong crosses by Lou Bobb. Lou's only weakness in this game was the strength of his centres. Victoria's forward line did not show its reputed thrust and when it did pierce the Auckland defence, Jim Rogers in goal was a tower of strength.

The last encounter of the Tournament was with Canterbury, who were soundly defeated 10-2. Features of the game were the sparkling wing dashes and foot of Phil Painter, pivot and captain of the team. Mohammed, the Canterbury captain, made many changes in his team throughout the Tournament, which was contrasted by the unchanged and unified team fielded by A.U.C. in all its matches.

All the Auckland players contributed to the victory, and the team was clearly the most balanced in the Tournament.

Three of our players were selected for the N.Z.U. team: Phil Painter (very deservedly as captain), Lou Bobb and Jim Rogers, goalie for the fourth time. Gordon Hard was selected as a reserve—for the second year in succession.

It was a very satisfying and successful Tournament for the team. The only pity was that Massey and Lincoln did not field teams this year and our four reserves were not given a chance to show their capabilities. Bob Lusk must be mentioned as invaluable for retrieving numerous balls from the icy waters of Evans Bay during the Otago Game played on a nearby field. R.D.

Table Tennis

Table Tennis was dominated by Victoria, whose representatives won the team's event and annexed every individual title. Final points were: Victoria 24, Canterbury 5½, Otago 1½, Auckland ½, Massey and Lincoln 0.

Conditions for the Tournament were near perfect, and all players had a thoroughly enjoyable time.

The N.Z.U. teams were as follows:

Men—

A. Robinson, V.U.C.
T. Darroch, V.U.C.
G. Gardiner, A.U.C.
T. Shadwell, C.U.C.

Women—

Miss V. Fleming, V.U.C.
Miss M. Clarke, O.U.

The N.Z.U. men's team played the Wellington representatives and were trounced 12-0. However, considering the strength of the Wellington team, which included M. Dunn, a New Zealand representative, and J. Crossley, seeded sixth in the country, the side acquitted themselves quite well.

The best match was between Robinson and Crossley, the latter winning 21-19, 21-18.

Our hopes of retaining the Table Tennis championship were dashed on the first day of the Tournament when we lost to Canterbury in the team's event. In the closest of encounters in which the lead fluctuated incessantly Canterbury triumphed 11-10. The Auckland women players showed good form and won all four of their singles matches but unaccountably lost their doubles. Of the men, J. Rogers showed the best form in winning both his singles matches, while E. Sang was unlucky in not winning both his matches, losing 21-19 in the third set against Canterbury's No. 3. M. Robinson, after leading 19-17 in the third set against N. McGillivray, the No. 1 Canterbury player, lost 21-19. The Canterbury No. 2, T. G. Shadwell, was the best male player, winning all of his matches.

Auckland's failing was in the doubles and combined doubles; they won only two matches out of the nine contested. With two matches left to play Canterbury led 10-9, and it was beyond Auckland players to win both of these.

Victoria, with a very strong team, trounced Canterbury 20-1 in the final after disposing of Otago 17-4 in an earlier game. Other matches resulted Otago beat Massey 19-2; and Canterbury beat Lincoln 21-0.

The individual championships brought their share of surprises and many fine matches were witnessed. R. Woods (V.U.C. No. 4) caused the biggest sensation by beating the outstanding Canterbury player T. Shadwell in the first round of the men's singles. Three of Auckland's team reached the

defending brilliantly to outsteady his more aggressive opponent.

Miss V. Fleming was far too steady for her opponents in the women's singles, and came out an easy winner.

Miss P. Harrop (A.U.C.), who played very consistently throughout the tournament, offered the most resistance to Miss Fleming, in the semi-final, losing 9-21, 15-21. Miss P. McKenzie was not disgraced in losing to Miss M. Clarke (O.U.) 17-21, 15-21.

M. Robinson and Gardiner reached the final of the men's doubles, losing to Darroch and A. Robinson 14-21, 21-13, 21-14, 21-18. Rogers and Sang combined brilliantly to defeat a more favoured pair in Lewis and Lye (O.U.) to reach the semi-final also, and then lost narrowly to McGillivray and Shadwell 16-21, 21-16, 23-21, 23-21.

M. Robinson and Miss Harrop were beaten in the semi-finals of the combined doubles by Darroch and Miss Fleming 21-10, 21-14, while Gardiner and Miss McKenzie were beaten by Shadwell and Miss Baker in the quarter-finals.

Drama

The Drama Competition was held on the Monday and Tuesday evenings in the Little Theatre of V.U.C., with Mr. Richard Campion as adjudicator. The hall was crowded beyond capacity for both evenings.

"Aria da Capo", produced by John Trim for O.U., was a complex play with only a very superficial story, but a deep moral. Mr. Campion felt that the players were not always entirely successful in conveying the meaning to the audience. The players, he thought, were possibly the most experienced and the most technically proficient of the four teams. Their

that more attention could have been paid to makeup and props, especially the cart, to make it less "a product of a timber yard." The boy was outstanding, all himself in parts to be "caught the play" and he showed a sense of words and metaphor. His mother was relaxed in her part, gave an admirable performance, play, said Mr. Campion, had as had also the presentation. Victoria presented scenes of Schweitzer's "Anatole." Due to illness of one of the cast the scene of this play was curtailed, they proceeded to the remainder of the play. Mr. Campion chose to judge the play but criticised the of the performance seen. The is essentially one of wit, polished sophistication. This atmosphere captured quite well.

"Sunday Costs Five Pesos," a Mexican folk play, was produced by Auckland by Anne Spinley. Niggli wrote this originally for the University Competition in 1934. The adjudicator said that it was a good play to act, that it showed characterisation and was presented with a spirit of enjoyment. Perhaps the acting standard was as high as that of Otago, the cast being less experienced. Copland, as Berta, gave a attacking performance and Davis was the most assured. Decor had shown wit and taste, was, however, rather too sophisticated for the play. The costumes too have been more colourful. The duction had pace and enjoyment for the audience.

In summing up, Mr. Campion that he thought it wrong to regard drama as a competitive art. The University theatre could contribute something to life in New Zealand. The placings were: Canterbury first; Otago second; and Auckland third.

Women's Hockey

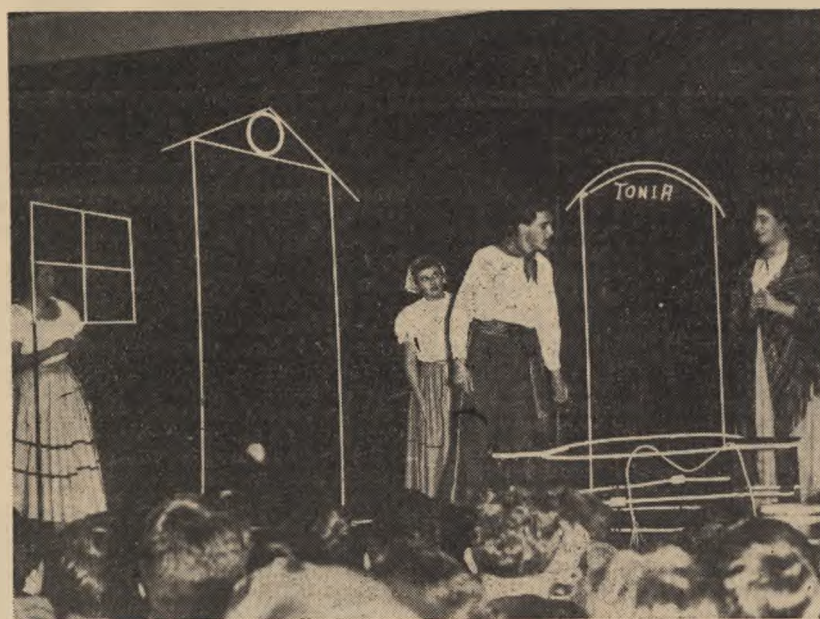
The women's hockey team had a very satisfactory Tournament, with a large measure of success in their three matches. Much enjoyable hockey.

The first match against Victoria was an encouraging start for Auckland; the team played well as a unit, the forwards on the attack co-ordinatedly; the halves, following the ample of the captain, Bev Saunders, were persistently aggressive. Backs always reliable, though at times a little slow; and the forwards win for Auckland.

With plenty of enthusiasm rather less energy, the play continued in the afternoon against the Otago team who had, surprisingly, drawn with Canterbury in the morning. The Auckland forwards found it very difficult to penetrate strong Otago defence, while the Otago forwards, with an almost less combination, scored five goals against Auckland's two.

After two matches in one day, heavy ground and in a cold wind, the girls were tiring, so the two matches were played in the morning. Canterbury. This was the game of the three; the halves and backs played steadily, Nora Davis and Bev Saunders interrupting dangerous moves, but the forwards were unsettled and on the defence in the first half, though they edged strongly later, especially in the right, and Auckland were the victors after this very event contained goals to 3.

Eight of the Auckland team played in the Possibles



A.U.C.s dramatic effort . . .

A scene from "Sunday Costs Five Pesos."

quarter-finals but only one, M. Robinson, proceeded any further. He reversed the result of the team match with N. McGillivray, this time winning 21-14, 21-14, 20-22, 21-18, and then beat R. Grubi, V.U.C. No. 3. He was, however, outplayed by T. Darroch in the semi-final, 21-13, 21-11, 21-13. E. Sang played splendidly to defeat S. Lewis, O.U. No. 2, in a match characterised by many long, hard-fought rallies, but he also was beaten by Darroch. G. Gardiner was beaten 21-17, 21-17, 21-15 by A. Robinson in another quarter-final while J. Rogers lost to D. Lye (O.U. No. 1) in an earlier round. The final of this event followed the same pattern throughout, with Robinson

costuming and makeup were the best, and the decor, though not brilliant, was adequate. The Otago team showed a very high standard of performance.

Pat Frost produced Christopher Fry's "A Day with a Cart" for Canterbury. The setting, according to Mr. Campion, was admirable in its simplicity and "Left the words to colour the stage," although he thought that a ground rail would have helped. He congratulated the cast on the way they conveyed the words and meaning to the audience without artificial emotion. At times the chorus was hard to accept as a chorus often is to a modern audience. Simplicity of set and costume throws accent on to other things and Mr. Campion felt

TAMENT

bles trial or the N.Z.U. Bev Saunders, Bev Montgery, Nora Danman, Bobette Pat Franzen, Mary Midgely, Margaret Bullock and Elizabeth Disprose, and the first were selected, with Nora the captain.

N.Z.U. team, together for the time, played very aggressively, and Bev Saunders were untiring back or defence, and Bev Montgery showed her usual valuable turn, but the play lacked direction and, ended in a draw.

Saunders and Nora Denman awarded N.Z.U. Blues; both of very well deserved after a season consistently good hockey, culminating in their Tourament success.

The Auckland team were and in the Women's Hockey tournament.

A.R.

Men's Hockey

and v. Otago

first game was fast and even, and gaining a 3-1 lead which it maintained to the finish, despite a final onslaught by Otago. Buxton for Auckland played a game at left hand, and Dave Smith in goal cleared well.

and v. Australian Universities

was the big match. The day Victoria had surprised by holding Australia in a fast and vigorous game, and then finding the net in a burst to take the game. Auckland were keen to follow this lead and with a furious onslaught. Three in the first ten minutes Auckland found the net with Ted Percival,

felt, very prominent. Only one was allowed. There followed a long down period until half way through the second half when Auckland was allowed a very doubtful goal. This completely changed the game and Australia stormed its way to a 3-1. It was only in the last minutes that the good solid play of Auckland fullbacks Bill Tees and Peter Clapham collapsed.

and v. Canterbury

Canterbury surprised Auckland in the first few minutes of the game by good positional play took the half by three goals. Dave Goldsmith in goal for Auckland was in-attacked with a badly bruised back could do little to stop the forward Auckland gradually took control of the second half with the half the Buxton brothers and Ken Nicholson outstanding. Ron Mayhill close to scoring on several occasions, once stopped by a desperate tackle which surprisingly did concede a penalty bully. He was ably supported by Rex Forbes and Ted Percival. The game ended in a draw, with Auckland drawing over the Canterbury defeat but not scoring.

and v. Massey

Auckland beat a weak Massey team 5-0. Rex Forbes as centre forward made an outstanding game. Mention was made of the penalty corner which scored 5 outstanding goals. Ted Percival hit to Graham Nicholson who stopped for Ken Nicholson to slam into the net. It was the most successful penalty corner seen at tournament.

and v. Wellington

final game determined the runner-up to Canterbury, the unbeaten Auckland, which nevertheless went down to Australian Universities 4-1. Wellington had been the only winner over Victoria. The first half was even

but frustrating, through the actions of strange umpiring which seemed to anticipate infringements. At this stage, Dave Goldsmith played well. The second half was a repetition of the first, with Auckland being pulled up for astounding reasons. With their backs up, Auckland, led by Ron Mayhill, stormed their way into the net, completely swamping Wellington's defences to win 6-1. At that, the baffled umpire apologised to the team!

N.Z.U. v. Australian Universities

The N.Z.U. team had its surprises, notably the choice of clever individuals playing out of position. From Auckland, Graham Buxton played left half, Ron Mayhill inside right and Dave Goldsmith goal keeper. Rex Forbes was emergency forward and Ken Nicholson, the North Island captain, was considered most unlucky in being kept reserve half.

N.Z.U. had the opportunities, including seven penalty corners in the first half. None of them were converted! Graham Buxton played a sound game in the halves. Dave Goldsmith incurred two penalty bullies, both of which were netted. The forwards were sluggish and individual, more than a combination. Ron Mayhill showed effects of a bad cold (he later was confined to bed with 'flu'), and the wings were inadequate. Many scoring chances were lost, and Australian Universities won 2-1. Their defences worked overtime and by strong clearances and successful fly-hitting freed their hard working forwards.

It was a case of a weaker team making the most of their opportunities and beating a cleverer team which muffed its chances.

R.M.

Cross Country

The N.Z.U. Cross country championship was held over a 6½ mile course at Paekaeriki. It consisted of two laps of mainly rough undulating sand hills and some stretches of gravel road, with the start and the finish on the beach. It was a gruelling race run in hot sunshine, and a true cross country test where a knowledge of the course was an advantage.

When the starting gun was fired Gilbert of Victoria led the field of 28 away; closely followed by Stevens (Victoria) and Travers, French, Smith and Russell (all of Auckland), and M. Brown of Canterbury, Beaglehole and Gow (both of Victoria) were both in a good position at this stage, with L. Phillips of Canterbury not far behind them.

When the runners entered the narrow, winding cattle track about a mile from the start, Gilbert had a lead of about 100 yards from Stevens who was closely followed by the four Aucklanders all running very strongly.

Re-entering the rough country, with 2½ miles to go, Gilbert of Victoria led Stevens (Victoria) by 150 yards, and further back were Travers, French, Smith and Russell of Auckland.

There was a fairly fast finish down the beach, with Gilbert winning in 41 minutes 35 seconds, Stevens 250 yards behind in 42 minutes 20 seconds, and Pringle about 260 yards further back in 43 minutes 08 seconds. Russell, French and Smith of Auckland finished 4th, 5th and 6th to give them second place in teams placing. Canterbury was third and retained the Carmalt Jones Cup for the South Island teams race.

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

In the last issue of "Craccum" was printed an article for the Convention for the Improvement of International Relations, to be held in Auckland in the second week of September.

As "Craccum" goes to print the Convention is well in its stride, and we can take some small stock of the achievement of the Convention.

At a meeting held in the College last term, Reverend Duncan, the chairman of the organising Committee outlined the purpose of the convention. There were no resolutions to be passed, no decision to be reached by a binding majority vote, but there was to be an attempt to seek unanimous agreement, and where this was impossible to clearly and frankly state both majority and minority opinions.

The purpose of the convention was not to belabour the government, or to set up a pressure group to influence the government (though it was hoped that the government would take some notice of the decisions reached) but rather to encourage some hard thinking about international problems. Rev. Duncan expressed his opinion that the major problem was one of human relationships, of the tensions between men, not of "the bomb," or peace or war. Professor Northey and Mr. Philip Matthews, both members of the panel, emphasized the need to make New Zealanders think about International affairs, and condemned the apathy existing in New Zealand today. Professor Northey regarded the Convention as an opportunity for the man in the street, unable to speak through other media, to express his views.

How far are these aims being realized? Is there popular support for the convention, are people enthusiastic, are majority and minority opinions finding expression?

The facts speak for themselves.

After a slow start, and heavy initial expenditure with little result, some members of the Convention were pessimistic about the outcome of the Convention. Two weeks before the opening however, the situation altered overnight and the applications began pouring in to Auckland. There now seem to be some doubts whether the hall will be big enough.

Support has been forthcoming from all over New Zealand, from the Rev. Clemens in Invercargill to Labour Party branches in Northland. At the beginning of the Convention some two hundred delegates were enrolled, and

Small-bore Rifles

This year the I.C.I. Shield went to C.U.C., a well-merited win, with A.U.C. fourth. The A.U.C. team did not score as highly as was hoped, most of the team shooting below their pre-Tournament averages.

Dave Hoyle and John Fraser however were consistently good, Rachel Hair returned some good scores but unfortunately dropped rather badly on two cards. Tony Maingay and Bob Adams scored well below their averages.

Dave Hoyle and John Fraser are to be congratulated on their selection for the N.Z.U. team, which lost to the Wellington District Reps.

This year, for the first time the South Island team won against the North Island. Dave, John and Rachel shot for the North Island team.

A.T.M.

more are still coming. There are delegates representing church groups of many different denominations, Labour Party branches, Trade Unions, Women's Unions, World Federalists, Peace Councils, Co-operative communities in Nelson and the Waikato, Christian Pacifists, cultural and social organisations, university clubs, Returned Servicemen's organisations, and the Communist Party. Some organisations, unable to send representatives have sent messages of goodwill.

In the letters sent to the Organising Secretary there has been a surprising unanimity of opinion. Nearly all have welcomed the setting up of the Convention, and expressed their agreement with its aims. Throughout New Zealand there exists an awareness of the problems facing the nations, and a desire to discuss these problems. The Convention is providing a forum for these opinions, and encouraging further thought and discussion.

The broadcasting authorities have expressed their interest in the Convention, and radio time has been allocated to convention speakers. The newspapers have given a fairly wide coverage to convention activities so far.

The high hopes of the organisers have in part been realised.

However, a disturbing note has been struck by some speakers. The nature and scope of the Convention was made the subject of a resolution which was made available to all those intending to attend the convention. This states "that the convention be open to all those interested in lessening world tension, irrespective of the groups or organisations to which they may belong." Some speakers have ignored that the theme of the convention is the 'lessening' and have concentrated more on points of disagreement than of agreement. If anything worthwhile is to come out of the Convention, delegates will have to spend less time expounding their pet points of view and more time exploring the means of implementing those beliefs that they hold in common.

The plenary sessions will probably suffer from this expounding of party lines right throughout, and it seems that constructive work will be left to the Commissions.

DELEGATE.

Student Press

The editors of Critic, an Otago University spasmodical, received an adroit rap over the knuckles from the New Zealand University Student Newspapers Association. Some time ago they published some adverse comments about V.U.C.'s attitude concerning the tussle with the city fathers over their Capping Procession, and were shrewd enough to avoid publishing an official reply from V.U.C. countering the Otago arguments. If we may believe the Otago delegation's assertion that the reason was lack of space, we still find it a trifle puzzling when we turn, periodically, to the latest issue of Critic, which contains a whole blank page.

N.Z.U.S.A. AUGUST MEETING

The two major issues at this year's August Council Meeting were the questions of international relationships, especially in the South-East Asian region, and of Bursaries.

On both of these matters, Auckland, in particular, wanted some sane and realistic policies determined, and although some Colleges regarded this as an obstructionist attitude, it became clear as the meeting progressed that with one College, at least, prepared to question and even criticise motions that seemed purely idealist and altruistic, much more of value came from this meeting than was apparent at the beginning.

International Affairs

Discussion on International Affairs centred around the building up, and maintenance of closer contact with students in the South-East Asian sector.

In his report on the recommendations made at the COSEC conference at Istanbul last year, on the lines of one of the resolutions passed at Istanbul, that "It is recalled that regional co-operation can contribute a valuable part in the work of the Secretariat," Mr. Brewster suggested in the main a conference, to be held in the immediate future, at which a co-ordinating body for the collection and distribution of information and viewpoint should be set up.

Under Mr. Brewster's suggestions, such an organisation would have a secretariat, rotating in each country in turn, and thus bringing home to each of the student bodies concerned the significance of the scheme. Each secretariat would appoint a travelling delegate, for which Mr. Brewster "stressed the importance of personal contact."

Among the functions of such a South-East Asian organisation would be the publishing of the S.E. Bulletin, the encouragement of student relief

organisations, the facilitation and encouragement of visits of students in the fields of debating "culture", and sport between member countries.

Further to this, each member union would publicise as widely as possible the aims and activities of the organisation, and would keep their Governments and University authorities informed on developments regarding the setting up, and motives of, the organisation, with a view to seeking assistance on any project or problems likely to arise. Each country would also appoint a corresponding member.

In the view of the A.U.C. delegation, which abstained in the adoption of Mr. Brewster's report, he had advanced no reason for the holding of such a conference, and no single specific purpose could be discerned in the proposals. It was felt by the delegation that the desire to do something along these lines was highly laudable, but felt that the promotion of friendship between this country and our Asian neighbours may be better achieved, at least at this stage, by a free interchange of correspondence and information. In fact, more good, at a fraction of the cost, may be done by this method than by sending delegates overseas.

Mr. Brewster's report mentioned

such activities as debating, culture, and sport.

"Just how," the A.U.C. delegation asked, "do you think a debate between a New Zealand and a Siamese team would fare? Language appears to present certain not so subtle problems."

When reading his report, Mr. Brewster in the course of time came to the word "culture". He said he didn't really know what it meant, but he thought it would be a good idea. Just another example of the thinking which goes on at N.Z.U.S.A.

The question is, do our students receive full value for their money, when delegates are sent overseas, as distinct from interchange of ideas, etc. The delegates themselves will benefit immensely from such trips, but it is doubtful if this benefit, even in part, is transferred on to the students who pay for the trips.

It must be remembered, too, that people who have already been on one or more trips overseas are full of the value and importance of such conferences such as that suggested, and perhaps are even keen to attend another one or two. The value to them is doubtless high, but that value is not passed on to the people who financed their trips, the university students of New Zealand.

For instance, how many students in A.U.C. are aware that last year Messrs. Dalgety and O'Brien attended a COSEC conference at Istanbul, and who are, as well, aware of what was discussed there, and the fruitful points which arose.

Thus, the delegation felt that, as regards international conferences, three important factors have to be considered, each in the light of the other two; namely: In sponsoring International conferences (1) the benefit which may accrue to the Asian and other countries participating; (2) the cost involved in holding such conferences; and (3) the benefit which may accrue to students of this country.

By maintaining a reasonable balance between these three factors, students generally may be convinced that internationalism of certain kind is warranted; is, in fact, well within the scope of those they elect to represent them, and that some benefit may result in the long run to them.

The delegation was far from being convinced that any good may result from a general policy of well-intentioned helpfulness in international affairs, a policy with purely altruistic motivation; rather the policy to be followed should be motivated by a point of view which may best be titled "enlightened self interest."

Bursaries

Compared with the rather indeterminate nature of the bursary situation last Easter, discussion and policy formulation in Wellington was very satisfactory indeed.

This was because the majority of the delegation had obviously given the matter serious thought prior to the meeting; because they had come to realise that although an over-all increase in bursary payments must always be the main aim Mr. Algie's insistence upon some interim form of redistribution would have to be heeded in order to make some kind of improvement in the existing situation;

The Council was further aided by the presence of Dr. Currie Vice-chancellor of the University of New Zealand on the first day of the session. Although he expressed no more

than personal opinions and statements of official policy, he did a lot to clarify the position, ensure the crystallisation of attitudes necessary for N.Z. to adopt in its representations to government.

Although N.Z.U.S.A. is not ahead materially a good line has now been formulated at two levels: the one maintaining for an over-all increase in bursary payments; the other, the need for a more satisfactory distribution of existing money.

This latter consideration was taken up very fully in the C.U.C. tabled at the meeting. These were referred to a sub-committee of the Council and were brought into clear statements of policy following is a slightly abridged version of the final draft:

- (1) There should be a complete re-awarding of the present merit bursaries of full-time national bursaries of payment annually with raising the standard award.
- (2) This should be implemented by requiring all students to sit an external examination prior to leaving school, the present Scholarship examination. The standard required should depend on the number of bursaries to be awarded, value.
- (3) Following the first year of university the bursaries should be reviewed and reconsidered in the light of results of stage examinations. Three stage I units successfully completed would be considered as of continuance, or award of bursaries. That is to say, a student could be eligible for a bursary if he merited it.
- (4) The number of Junior and Senior bursaries should be based on the moneys available, the number of first class honours graduates in New Zealand annually (this example 40 and 60 respectively). Further the number of bursaries should be based on from 65 to 200 annually, always that moneys are available for increasing the value of present bursaries before increasing the number.
- (5) Those receiving board bursaries and scholarships should receive additional money for their studies. For receiving the ordinary bursary a special hardship fund should be established, to be administered by individual College Councils.
- (6) All fees at present payable by the Education Department should remain for those who have completed their University Education, with the proviso that in the event of failure of the present money for taking alternative courses the Arts course would be led.

In short, a merit system at school level, and carrying over to university, would ensure that students would benefit, and worthy students would not. The bright secondary pupil would be helped on to university, the scheme also catered for students whose intellectual development not develop until university level was reached.

Generally, a satisfactory system has been evolved. Further progress will depend upon the quality of the proposals, and the Minister's willingness to listen.

"Love for Love"

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it may rouse him from his present lethargy.

Two people who entered well into the spirit of the piece were Jill Evans and John Young. Miss Evans, as Mistress Foresight, had not quite the touch that Gillian Davies brought to a similar role, but nevertheless gave an adequate performance. Mr. Young's Ben Legend was a suitably robust young sailor.

In the parts of the older characters—always the most difficult for a young company—Garry Small, as old Foresight, and Denis Pain, as Sir Sampson Legend, both gave highly commendable performances. Their portrayals carried conviction and were consistent throughout.

Garry Tee's voice was a little hard to become accustomed to, and his work suffered accordingly. The fact, however, that he could have made more out of the servant Jeremy, was compensated a little by the obvious enjoyment that he derived from taking part. Ronald Chudley and Bernice Roberts, who complete the cast, both gave adequate performances in smaller parts.

The producer, Professor Musgrove, scored a major success in the way he managed to convey to the audience the true spirit of Congreve's work. If he had coaxed a little more from some

of the players, the production could have reached still greater heights. Except for a rather stilted beginning—perhaps in part due to the dramatist—the action rarely flagged, and built up to a well-sustained climax.

The costumes by Barbara Thomson were duly authentic and had more than ample colour. The set-designers were two architectural students, Vincent Terreni and Colin Cameron; they wisely steered clear of an elaborate decor, and achieved just as much effect with a series of flats ornamented in the style of the age. The production was assisted immeasurably by the work of Don Paton, both as set builder and stage manager.

To sum up, "Love for Love" was a very competent production of the type of theatre which is rarely seen nowadays. Once again the Dramatic Society has shown that it is capable of first class work, and also that it is ready to tackle even more ambitious tasks—perhaps next year we may hope for Shakespeare.

But the fact remains that unless the students of this College are prepared to take an interest in its activities, the Dramatic Society cannot carry on; of all the arts, drama is the one which needs an audience for its very existence. Without it, it would be like a football team taking the field only to find that there was no-one to play against. It's up to you—if the Society maintains its present rate of progress you won't be disappointed in its work.

—D.J.S.