

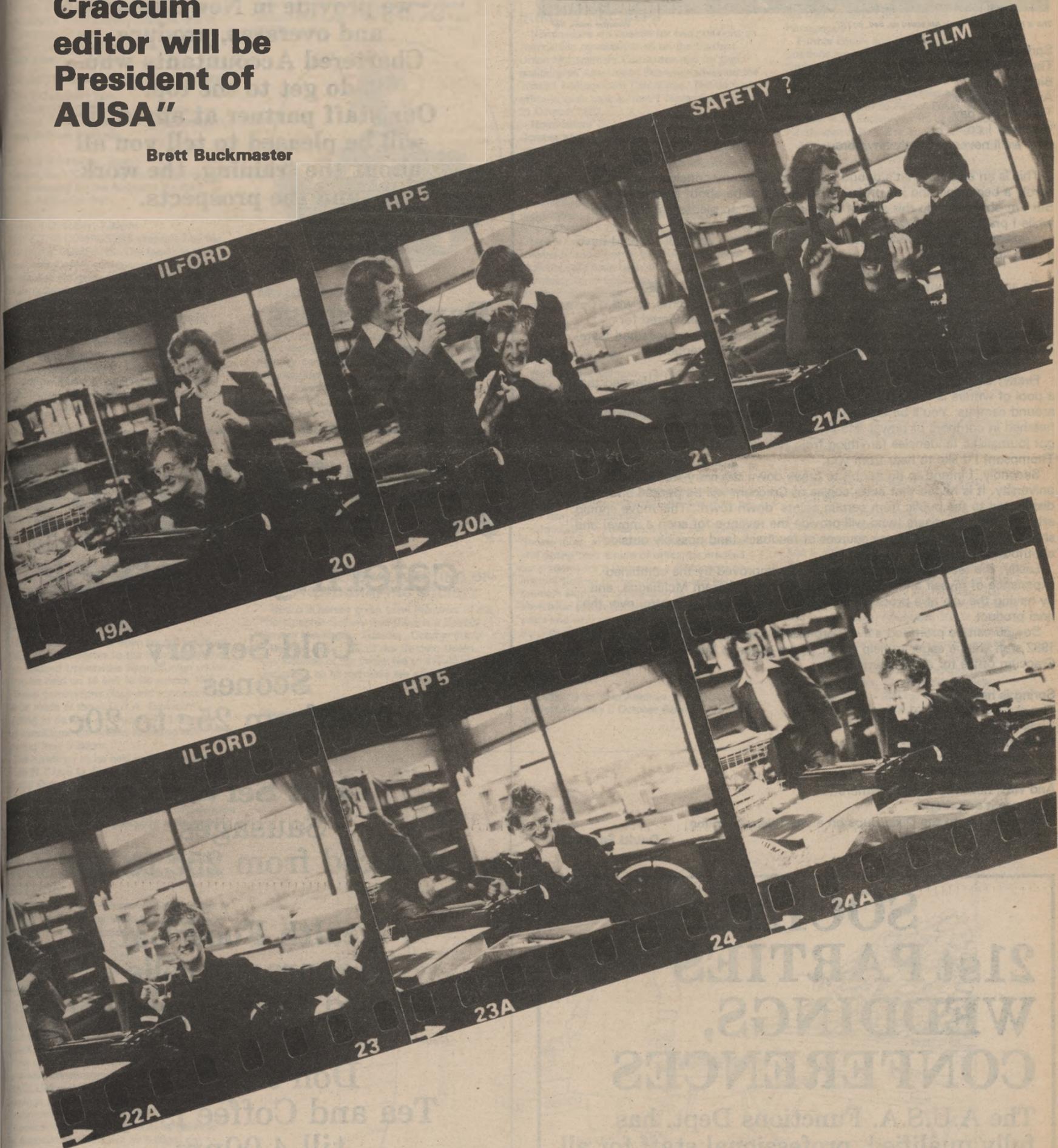
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CRACCUM

"Next year looks frightful. The very political Craccum editor will be President of AUSA"

Brett Buckmaster

UNIVERSITY OF AUCKLAND
-7 OCT 1981
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editorial



This is how this year's editor has ended up. Sad, isn't it?

Whaddya mean, No?

Spring is here
The sky is blue
Birds all sing
As if they knew
Today's the day
We'll say I do
And we'll never be lonely anymore....

This is an editorial that's bound not to come to any conclusions. It has hardly a beginning and it's probably not going to be about anything much. But I'm obliged to do this sort of thing next year, so please bear with me while I practise. And bear in mind that it's Spring.

You see, I'm soon to step into the departing Dak's very tall shoes. I have a hard act to follow.

To an extent, I intend to do just that as Craccum Editor in 1982. Craccum will remain first and foremost a forum for all students. It will encourage lively debate. All material submitted will be considered for publication so long as it is not sexist, racist, defamatory, in gross bad taste or grossly nonsensical (unless that happens to be the intention).

I intend to extend the paper in three main ways however.

Firstly, Craccum will become a more active newspaper. It is intended that a pool of writers is 'on call' to ferret out the newsworthy stories on and around campus. You'll be far better informed about the fiendish plots being hatched in corridors of power and in dingy coffee bars. If you feel you've got journalistic tendencies (anything from Rosemary McLeod to Hunter S. Thompson) I'd like to hear from you.

Secondly, I intend to do my bit to break down the ivory-towerism of the university. It is hoped that extra copies of Craccum will be printed and distributed to the public from certain points 'down town'. This move should attract more advertisers (who will provide the revenue for such a move) and should also result in different sources of feedback (and possibly outside contributions as well).

Lastly, the technical side of things will be improved by the combined experience of myself and 1982's Technical Editor, William McIlhagga, and by having the use of a process camera to facilitate greater control over the final product.

So you can be promised a lively professional newspaper next year. The 1982 staff will be eager to help you if you're eager to help - drop into the Craccum office for a chat sometime.

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Birds all sing
Really they should quack
Tonights the night
We'll say we will
And we'll never be lonely anymore....
(Because it's Spring)

With apologies to the Dixie Cups on a wet Friday morning.

David Faulls

SOCIALS, 21st PARTIES WEDDINGS, CONFERENCES

The A.U.S.A. Functions Dept. has fully qualified, professional staff for all your catering requirements.

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SIGN THE PETITION!

For the past two years thefts of bags from the Science Library have been increasing and the situation is now epidemic. If you use the Science Library and don't want your year's notes stolen, along with your bus pass, money, etc, SIGN THE PETITION in the Science Library to support an improvement in bag security.

GREAT END OF TERM BEATLES EVENING

Friday 9 October is the last day of term, and your last chance to rage. For your benefit we have arranged for a one off performance by one of the great bands of the sixties - THE BEATLES.

An evening of dancing, movies, prizes and fun before the boredom of exams.

Organised by the Progressive Club and sundry wishy washy liberals, this function is designed to raise funds for the Education Fightback Fund and the Workers Educational Association's Adult Literacy Scheme, and to give you a good time.

Varsity Cafe. Friday next week. The Great Beatles Evening. Be there....

KENNETH MAIDMENT THEATRE

Friday 2 October, 1pm
"FRIDAY AT ONE" The very popular free lunchtime concert presented by students of the Conservatorium of Music.

Saturday 3 October, 8pm
Gospel Rock Concert by the New Jerusalem Band presented by the Auckland Revival Centre. Admission free.

Sunday 4 October, 7.30pm
MEET THE COMPOSERS presented by the KARLHEINZ COMPANY. The fourth in this annual series when young composers' works are featured alongside those of their more mature colleagues. Tickets \$4 Students \$2. Bookings 792-300 ext 9624.

Thursday 8 October, 8pm
AUCKLAND FOLK FESTIVAL PROMOTION CONCERT. Guests include Gentle Annie, Devonport Village Band, Helen & Peter Wilson, P.C. Jones (Blues) Chris Priestley and other top Auckland artists. Tickets \$4 Students \$3. Bookings - Mike 494-367.

LITTLE THEATRE COLLOSSAL YOUTH

Wednesday, September 30th, 1pm, a poetry reading by Brett Mason and B.R.White accompanied by instrumental music and mime. Entry free.

MAIDMENT LUNCHTIME MOVIE

Monday 5 October, 1.05pm
"LIFE OF BRIAN" He's not the Messiah... He's just a naughty boy. Starring John Cleese. R16 Admission only \$1.

NZUSU DELEGATES

Nominations are now open for the positions of A.U.S.A. delegates to the meetings of the New Zealand Universities Sports Union which are to be held on 14 and 15 November 1981.

These nominations close and appointments will be made at the A.U.S.A. Executive meeting to be held on Thursday 15 October and candidates are invited to attend this meeting from 7.30pm.

The meetings to be held include a meeting of the N.Z.U.S.U. Finance Committee and the Annual General Meeting of the N.Z.U.S.U.

A.U.S.A. may send one or two delegates to these meetings and the number of delegates will be decided by the Executive at its meeting on 15 October.

N.Z. FOUNDATION FOR PEACE STUDIES FIFTH ANNUAL PEACE LECTURE

John McCreary, Professor of Social Work in the Dept of Sociology Victoria University, will speak on The Moral Equivalent To War: Alternatives to Armed Conflict.

Sunday October 4th 1981 - 2.30pm, MacLaurin Chapel Hall, all welcome.

WANTED: A CRACCUM DISTRIBUTION MANAGER

Applications are invited from persons interested in being the Distribution Manager of CRACCUM for 1982.

This position involves about 6-8 hours work per week, concentrated on the distribution of CRACCUM around campus on Tuesday mornings (term time only). Remuneration being a minimum of \$32.00 per week.

Applications in writing should be given to the Association Secretary by 5.00pm on Monday 12th October 1981. Applicants will be invited to a meeting of the Craccum Administration Board later in the week, at which the appointment will be made.

For further information contact David Kirkpatrick, the Editor of CRACCUM at the CRACCUM Offices, Students' Assn. Buildings.

DISCOUNT BOOK

Each year the Association publishes a discount book in an effort to advise students where things can be bought at lower than usual prices so that bursaries can be s-t-r-e-t-c-h-e-d f-u-r-t-h-e-r.

This booklet could be even more useful than it presently is if all those students who have friends/relations/employers/lovers etc with business interests were to persuade said friends etc to offer discounts to students.

While it would be nice if everyone sold everything to students at half price or less every discount helps, and they can even increase the business turn-over - restaurants and hairdressers for example often offer discounts on their less busy days to build up trade.

If you have contacts who might be interested please put this to them - if you want a sample of the book to show them you can pick one up at AUSA Reception - and if you have any questions or any success please contact Bob Lack in the AUSA office - ph 30-789 ex 85.



MOTORCYCLE CLUB

Come to the last meeting before the exams. See all the wonderful Suzuki films and be harangued about activities during the holidays and next year. Consume vast quantities of munchy comestibles to alleviate any boredom you may feel.

This meeting of minds is being held in the Old Grad Bar (top floor, Student Union building) on Wednesday 30th September, starting at 7.30pm. Be there!

URGENT MESSAGE

Would the person who gave Warwick a lift from Karangahape Rd to Great North Rd near Fowld's Park in a Triumph Herald at about 9.30am on Saturday 12th please phone him as soon as possible? PH. 444-5318

SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

Notice is hereby given to all members of the Photographic Society that there is a Special General Meeting on Tuesday, October 6th at 1.15pm in Room 237 of the Student Union. The increase of the yearly fee to \$10.00 will be discussed, so all members are asked to attend if possible.

Martin Feeney
AUPS Secretary

ORIENTATION HANDBOOK

Applications are invited from persons interested in being Editor and/or Technical Editor for the Association's 1982 Orientation Handbook.

Applications should be in writing and should include details of the applicant's relevant experience and plans for the publication. Remuneration is open to negotiation, and the applicant's wishes in this regard should also be mentioned in the application.

Applications close with the Association Secretary at 5.00pm on Monday 12 October 1981 and applicants will be invited to attend a meeting of the Publications Committee which will be held later in that week to consider the appointments.

Further information may be obtained from the Secretary or from the Publications Officer, John Broad.

SUMC & TMC REPS

Nominations are opened for two positions as Association representatives on the Student Union Management Committee and for two positions as Association Representatives on the Theatre Management Committee. The term of office in each case is from 1 November 1981 to 31 October 1982.

Nominations close at 5pm on Wednesday 14 October and appointments will be made at a meeting of the Association's Executive to be held on Thursday 15 October. Candidates are invited to attend this meeting from 7pm.

Association representatives on these Committees must at the time of their appointment and during their tenure of office be enrolled for a course for a Degree or Diploma as an internal student of this University and must be full-time or part-time students who have been enrolled at this University for at least two years and who have successfully completed the equivalent of one year's full-time study.

SENATE REPS

Nominations are now open for two positions as Association representatives on the University Senate for the period 1 November 1981 to 31 October 1982.

Nominations close and appointments will be made at the first ordinary meeting of the Association's Executive Committee held during the month of October. A date for this meeting has not yet been set but it is likely to be on Thursday 1 October so candidates are advised to hand their nominations to the Secretary no later than 30 September.

Association representatives on the University Senate must, at the time of their appointment and during their tenure of office, be enrolled for a course for a Degree or a Diploma as an internal student of this University and be full-time students or part-time students who have been enrolled at this University for two years and who have successfully completed the equivalent of one years full-time study.

FREE FILM

Camping tours in America. Lunchtime 1.00pm Monday 5 October Room - Old Grad' Bar.

PUBLIC TELEPHONES

During July it was decided to remove the student telephones from the vicinity of the Quadrangle near the Cafeteria to the Student's Lower Common Room. Since the change of location the phones have remained in good working order and are available for use Monday to Friday between the hours of 7.30am and midnight.

For students who need to use a phone during the weekends please note that there are two pay phones at the University Post Office and one free phone in the Recreation Centre, these phones are generally in good repair and available for students' use.

H.I. Phillips
Student Union Manager

STUDENT COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT SCHEME:

Positions are available at Auckland Branch of the New Zealand Society for the Intellectually Handicapped.

Further details and application form for these positions are available at Student Association Notice Board and Newman Hall, Waterloo Quadrant.

Applications must be posted by Friday October 9th, 1981 to Patrick Firkin, Auckland Branch, N.Z. Society for the Intellectually Handicapped, P.O. Box 26-038, EPSOM.

All positions are from 1st December 1981 to 1st February 1982. Positions are as RECREATION ASSISTANTS. Eight students are required to work throughout this period, in two phases.

PHASE I: The provisions of a small number of recreation activities rotating throughout Auckland area, e.g. craft class, one day hikes etc.

PHASE II: Each student required to work with four intellectually handicapped young people (both school age and young adult), to assist them in becoming more involved in community leisure time activities.

Male and female students required. Some evening and weekend work. Driver's licence almost essential.

AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL MEETING

On the 5th of October we will be having our last meeting of the year. Please attend. Venue: Exec Lounge.

Food Co-op Price Guide For 1/10/81

Beetroot, 15c each; Broccoli, 10c = .070 kg; Cabbage, 50c each; Carrots, 10c = .450 kg; Cauliflower, 40c each; Celery, 60c each; Garlic, 10c = .020 kg; Ginger root, 10c = .025 kg; Kumara 10c = .200 kg; Leeks, 20c each; Lettuce, 40c each; Mushrooms, 10c = .026 kg; Onions, 10c = .100 kg; Potatoes, 10c = .350 kg; Pumpkin Crown, 60c each; Rhubarb, 10c = each stalk; Silverbeet, 10c = kg; Spring onion, 10c = .130 kg; Tomatoes, 10c = .050 kg; Apples, 6c each small stummers, last week; Bananas, 10c each; Mandarins, 10c = .200 kg season ending; Oranges, 10c each NZ Navels; Pears, 12c each Winter Nelis Tamarillos 10c = .200 kg; Kiwi fruit, 13c each; Asparagus, 10c = .050 kg; Tangelos, 10c each.



An Address to University of Auckland Labour Club given on Monday, 20th July, 1981 by David Caygill, Labour MP for St. Albans and the Associate Shadow Minister for Finance

This is an unhappy time for our country: we are divided over the Springbok Tour (though the majority are clearly opposed to it!); our economy is in a mess; and we have unacceptably high levels of unemployment, inflation and taxation.

Socially we are in a mess as well. Perhaps the best evidence for that is the fact that 100,000 New Zealanders left this country permanently over the last 5 years. However there are three other indications of social failure that are not as well known as the emigration statistics:

1. The proportion of young people from working families going to University has fallen in the 1970's. In 1971 the proportion of working class students here was less than in Britain - and the proportion has fallen since.

2. The proportion of Maori students obtaining school qualifications is well below the non-Maori rate.

3. According to one leading economist (Brian Easton) 22% of New Zealand families now live in relative poverty, i.e. getting less than 70% of the average after-tax income. This figure is up 20% since 1973.

Of course one could cite many other examples of social unease: the growth of gangs, the evidence of "rising crime", or even the stridency of political debate; the question for politicians in an election year is obviously "what are you going to do about it?"; and I want to devote most of the remainder of this address to answering that.

But first I want to underline something: whilst economic affairs are of first importance, without economic growth we cannot hope to achieve social progress, we have to understand why, that is, what we are trying to achieve as a nation or a government. Labour's aim is not just to line our individual pockets. Our social objectives, which collectively demand economic recovery, include dramatic improvements in the way we treat those who are disabled by illness, and reform of the country's major institutions.

In some cases this won't even take much money, for example, the institution of a regime of open government, and reform of our industrial relations system.

But in other cases, such as solving the transport crisis and reforming local government, we will need a strong economy before we can afford the improvements that are needed.

So let us turn now to the economy. We are faced with a clear choice: "Think Big" or "think balance", or, perhaps more accurately, think in terms of what the country can really afford. The Government is backing off "Think Big" as a slogan: instead they are talking of their "Growth Strategy", but the only strategy is a political one. Apart from anything else that is true for economic reasons, because there is no room for anything else alongside the "Think Big" projects. The Prime Minister's latest budget said "investment in energy-intensive projects will take about one-tenth of total fixed investment over the next 10 years" but most of these projects are to be built over the next 5 years. The investment required is more like 20% of total investment over the next 5 years.

Labour Can Work

During the 70's, one-third of private investment went on housing and non-profit services such as churches and clubs. Much of the rest went on office building and urban development. Less than 20% of total private investment went to machinery, plant, or agricultural land development, but the Government proposed to insert 20% of normal fixed capital investment for energy-intensive development!

It is true that much investment will come from overseas, but this still needs to be serviced. Government plans call for \$1.8 billion for investment to come from New Zealand - for example, for the electricity development required by the second smelter.

"Think Big" demands a sacrifice in our living standards and in our ability to deal with the country's social problems. That's its cost. So let's look at its returns.

Firstly, in foreign exchange: From the Government's own figures there will be no foreign exchange earnings from "Think Big" until 1986! That will be postponed beyond 1987 and 1988 if those are dry years - because if they are, we will be burning oil like crazy to make up for the anticipated short-fall in electricity during those years. It will not be until 1990 at the earliest, and quite possibly not until 1992, that "Think Big" will earn more than it will have cost until then.

What about jobs? The Minister for the Environment has recently talked in terms of \$1.3 million cost per job. We need 32,000 new jobs per year over the next decade. This could be compared to the fall of 12,000 private sector jobs last year, or to the total addition of only 17,000 new full-time jobs since 1975. "Think Big" will produce directly only 4,000 new jobs! The only way one can manufacture jobs from "Think Big" is to argue that jobs will

come from the foreign exchange earnings, but we have already seen that these are largely illusory. There are none 'til 1968 and by 1990 we have still not paid off the borrowing we have had to incur to put those jobs in place.

The Government claims 160 jobs will flow from each \$1 m. of export earnings. They don't quite explain how jobs have fallen in the last year despite a rise of \$1,000 m. in export earnings. The real proposition from which their false claim has been derived is that 160 wage and salary earners normally spend \$1 m. of their earnings on imports. This is not at all the same as saying that an extra \$1 m. in foreign exchange would create 160 new jobs, because the capital cost of those jobs has to come from somewhere. The other point is that the Government's own advisers told it that you need at least 10 years' worth of \$1 m. earnings before you get in the order of 160 jobs, but it won't before 1996 or maybe 2000 before we have had 10 years earnings from "Think Big".

The public must compare the alternatives. We could invest our scarce resources in agricultural development or in manufacturing rather than "Think Big". In fact, both of these sectors have sought to protect their investment demands against the ravages of "Think Big", and they are right to do so. \$2 billion is roughly the capital cost of the smelter. That would produce 950 jobs directly and approximately \$150 m. of foreign exchange earnings each year. The same \$2 billion invested in agriculture would generate 50,000 jobs directly and \$1.8 billion in foreign exchange earnings each year. Even if you accepted the Government's multiplier of 160 jobs per \$1 m. foreign exchange earnings, that would yield another 24,000 jobs from the smelter, but another 288,000 from the same investment in

Some might ask where the markets will be for agricultural exports? It's a fair question, and for that very reason Labour's carpet development plans propose to begin by spending a modest sum exploring the potential market in America. The real question for the country is whether we gamble on the future world market for aluminium, or work in our traditional area of expertise, marketing food.

So let's turn now to the alternative programme that Labour is offering. This can be summarised under four headings:

1. Agriculture
2. Small Business
3. Manufacturing
4. Regional Development

1. Agriculture

The farmers will get the \$2 billion increased investment they have been seeking. Labour will put more young people on the land. We will emphasise further processing of our agricultural produce. We will seek more markets for that produce, for example, by extending our diplomatic representation overseas - in Black Africa and South America, to name two areas in particular. We will emphasise irrigation, not just because of its benefits to agriculture, but also because it will be an important source of relatively unskilled jobs.

2. Small Business

There are approximately 120,000 small and medium scale businesses in New Zealand. If every one of these took on just one more employee there would be no unemployment problem in New Zealand right now. What prevents business from doing this is not red tape so much as the burden of tax and a general lack of confidence in future prosperity. In some instances a lack of skilled employees also prevents business from taking on unskilled staff. Accordingly Labour has training and tax policies designed specifically to meet the needs of small business.

3. Manufacturing and Regional Development

These two are bracketed because traditionally we have regarded manufacturing as the principal form of regional development we wish to promote. We will do this by returning the Development Finance Corporation and the Bank of New Zealand to their original public objectives. We will also expand the Export/Import Corporation. It is important to see regional development as an alternative to "Think Big". Not just the rural areas outside Taranaki and Northland, but even in urban areas like Auckland. "Think Big" will generate fewer jobs in Auckland than this city has already lost through the closure of Southdown!

Finally, can I emphasise again the important social objectives Labour seeks to achieve in addition to the restoration of our economy.

- We need open government at both central and local levels.

- We need a modern industrial relations system.

- We need an efficient local government structure.

- We need to modernise our public corporations, such as the Railways and Air New Zealand.

- We need to revitalise our social welfare system, in education, and health and social welfare.

To achieve all these goals, we need a commitment to both economic reform and social justice. The Labour Party offers such a commitment, and it is the only Party that does.

Get A Job, You 'Orrible Students!

Life exists outside the laboratories; work can mean something more than assignments. Even the University recognises this, and so we can thank them for the Careers Advisory Service and the Student Employment Bureau. These services are dedicated to making sure that students can earn enough during the year and in the holidays to enable them to continue their course of study, and to helping them find a job suitable to their qualifications once they have graduated.

Careers Advisory Service

Behind the Upper Lecture Theatre in Rooms 14 and 15 Guy, Sue and Rosemary spend their days counselling students in interview techniques and collating an extensive information library on employers. At the moment they are concentrating on Careers Week (October 12-16), when a large number of employers will be holding court for eager graduates or graduates-to-be.

Especially they are trying to make sure that everyone who wants to is fully informed about the timetable and the necessary procedure.

Guy points out that CAS also has openings on its books for those who just want to take a year off. Also, there are increasing numbers of inquiries and offers from overseas employers. In an interesting twist, some South East Asian employers are advertising here for overseas students studying at Auckland. The Australian



market is ever increasing, and trans-Tasman employers are widening their interest beyond engineers (their traditional interest) to include commerce graduates, and the job market generally in the Land of Oz is huge.

While agreeing that unemployment is a vital problem in NZ, CAS believes that it is primarily a case of unqualified school leavers being left behind by increasingly specialised markets, whereas those with

qualifications still have a lot of opportunities. In any case, actual academic qualifications mean little in comparison with drive, resourcefulness and self-confidence. Often the first couple of job interviews may not result in the offer of employment, but the staff at CAS note that the change is remarkable over the course of a year: from tentative and uncertain youngsters to contenders who handle interviews with aplomb and consequently are



CAREERS WEEK November 16 - 20

All systems are underway with the organisation for Careers Week. The invitations have been sent and we are awaiting final acceptances. This is the initial list of acceptances, but a full listing will be printed along with the organisations actual requirements, in the OCTOBER 6 ISSUE of CRACCUM. Mark this date in your diary as bookings for all participating organisations will open on this day. If you have not already registered with the Careers Advisory Service, do so now. No registration form will cause a hold-up at booking time and you may well miss out on the opportunity to see those particular companies or organisations - Do it now.

Auckland City Council-Valuation Dept.
Auckland Public Library
Auckland Savings Bank-Computer Centre
Auckland Regional Authority
AMP
Alcan N.Z.Ltd
Audit Office
Barr Burgess & Stewart
CBL
Dulux N.Z.Ltd
Databank Systems Ltd
Executive Search Group Ltd
Commission For the Environment
Feltex
Fisher & Paykel
Fletcher Construction Co.
Ford Motor Company
Hutchinson Hull & Co.
Johnson Wax N.Z.Ltd
Inland Revenue
Kirk Barclay
Lawrence Anderson & Buddle
Michael Biggs & Assoc. (Mgmt.Consultants)
Marac Holdings

McCulloch Menzies
Ministry of Transport
N.Z. Refining Company
N.Z. Steel
N.Z. Industrial Gases
National Bank of N.Z.
N.C.R. NZ Ltd
Price Waterhouse
Professional Staff Consultants
P.A. Management Consultants
Probation Service - Justice Dept.
Prudential Assurance
Ros Melville Bridgman & Co
Rank Xerox
Reckitt & Colman
Dept. of Social Welfare
Dept. of Statistics
State Services Commission - Computer Services Div.
State Services Commission
Dept. Trade & Industry
T & G Mutual Life Society
Winstone Ltd
Wilkinson Wilberfoss
Woolworths (N.Z.) Ltd

FLETCHER CONSTRUCTION COMPANY
Fletcher Construction Company will be on campus during Careers Week for recruiting purposes. Their Company Presentation will be prior to this on Tuesday October 6, in the Upper Lecture Theatre at 1.00pm.

They are seeking graduates in Commerce - Acctg & Mgmt.St., Architecture, & all facets of Engineering. Those intending to make an appt. for an interview should attend this presentation.

JOB VACANCIES

JOINT PLANNING OFFICER - HOBSON COUNTY/DARGAVILLE BOROUGH
Conditions of appointment & schedule of duties can be obtained from K.D. Brennan,

County/Borough Engineer. C/- Local Government Centre, Private Bag, Dargaville. Applications close 4.00pm Wed. 14 October.

INTERNAL AUDITOR

Major finance house - market leader - dynamic growth environment. Qualified or part qualified.

Apply to Tilly Dunstan. Phone 792-492.

COMMERCE GRADUATES: McCULLOCH MENZIES

Positions available in both audit & accounting services departments. Seeking persons who can readily adapt to the working environment. Further details may be obtained by writing to: Mr Greg Anderson, McCulloch Menzies, P.O. Box 428, Wanganui.

ACCOUNTANT

Either qualified or near to completion of BCom, or working towards ACA. Involves budget work, monthly accounts, account reconciliation.

Promotional prospects are excellent. Salary negot. Time off for exams.

CORPORATE PLANNER/ECONOMIST - TASMAN PULP & PAPER

MCom Econ or similar degree & possess a strong mathematical background.

Functions of appointee are various but would include the application of economics & financial analysis to the planning of developments in the pulp, paper & timber commercial environment. Applications in writing to: Personnel Officer, Tasman Pulp & Paper Co. Ltd, KAWERAU

MARKETING CAREER OPPORTUNITY - RANK XEROX

Good marketing degree supported by mathematical & statistical ability. Communication skills, both verbal and written are important. Position exists in H.Q. Auckland for a graduate to join the marketing dept. This dept. provides a full range of marketing services, including planning, reporting & research both by market sector & product.

Apply: Mike Cowey, Training & Performance Development Manager, Rank Xerox (N.Z.) Ltd, P.O. Box 5948, Auckland.

OCCUPATIONAL PSYCHOLOGISTS - MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

Defence Psychology Unit has two vacancies for psychologists in occupational areas. Minimum degree of BA(Hons), BSc(Hons) or equivalent reqd.

Duties include advice to selection boards,

occupational analysis, selection test development & validation, occupational counselling & screening, and assistance to the recruiting organisation. Applications by October 16. Further details CAS.

COMPUTING POSITIONS - R.N.Z. NAVY

HEAD OF PROGRAMMING: Overall charge of all analysts & Programmers, advising Director on all aspects of software, responsible for quality control, on-the-job training of all analysts/programmers, software design & procurement, and advice on aspects of hardware design.

ANALYST: Lead programmer in charge of a team for development & support of general operational data systems.

PROGRAMMERS: Members of a programming team involved in the development & support of general operational data systems using PASCAL & eventually ADA. Further details CAS. Applications close 5 October 1981.

GENERAL SECRETARY - N.Z. UNIVERSITIES' SPORTS UNION INC.

Full-time position, salaried with an initial 2 year contract. Fields of work include - Secretarial & financial matters, co-ordination of touring activity, communications, promotional activities, seeking of sponsorships, promotional resource person & expert for NZUSU, preparation & implementation of NZUSU development plan. Further info. CAS.

ACCOUNTING OPPORTUNITY - HAWKES BAY

McCulloch Menzies, Napier branch, would like to contact graduates in Accounting, who wish to reside in the Hawkes Bay area. Good opportunities arising within this national firm. Contact: P.D. Wilson, McCulloch Menzies, P.O. Box 944, Napier.

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Leading growth company requires BCom. grad., or ACA student to work with Co. Secretary & Acctg. Manager. Would appeal to those with financial/auditing background who wish to progress in the commercial/financial acctg. field - real career opportunities. Apply to Mrs Cathy Gould; Phone 799-189.

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Opportunities exist for graduates to join Rank Xerox as Sales Trainees, engaged in selling the copier range of products. Mktg &/or accounting disciplines preferred.

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It appears that the market may change greatly in November, with Government Departments keeping a low profile at the moment. Although there is a fair bit of resistance to working in Wellington, a large percentage of graduates end up in some branch of the civil service.

CAS stresses maintaining a positive attitude towards finding a career, and they provide an excellent service for anyone seeking work at any time of the year.

Student Employment Bureau

Shirley Bayliss has become a welcome institution in the Student Union, having helped students for a decade in their search for part-time and holiday employment. Some things have changed over the years: more students are having to find extra work to make enough money to live on, and some of the larger employers of several years ago, such as the Railways, have ceased to employ students part-time. In spite of that, Shirley is coping more than adequately with the increased pressure for jobs, and at the moment has plenty of vacancies on the board in her office on the first floor of the Union Building.

She advises, however, that it's a bit early for the summer jobs to be advertised. Most of them start coming around mid to late October. One of the reasons for that is the chance of students agreeing to take a

job and then not turning up for it, having decided in the meantime to work (or holiday) elsewhere. That sort of thing leads to a bad reputation for the Employment Bureau, something which is completely undeserved.

Shirley puts in many hours searching out jobs for "her" students, and the results speak for themselves. She says that one of the most pleasing situations is when she manages to find a part-time job for a first year student, and then that student keeps that same job throughout his or her university career. Two years ago AUSA made her a Life Member of the Association, and she is very pleased to be able to do so much for us.

At the moment there is quite a bit of work about. The newly renovated Customhouse needs staff for all sorts of jobs, while the Sheepskin Rug Shop in Queen St is looking for someone who can speak some Japanese to help deal with the tourist trade. The office is open from 10 till 2, and there is bound to be something of interest for people seeking work.

As times get tighter it is a great comfort to know that students have such competent help in finding jobs. The services are part of what you paid for at enrolment, and the people who staff them are always willing to advise and guide willing workers.

Strong communication skills, written & oral, essential. Contact: Mr Mike Cowey, Training & Performance Development Manager, Rank Xerox (N.Z.) Ltd, P.O. Box 5948, AUCKLAND

QUALITY CONTROL OFFICER - JIM BULL POTATO CO. LTD

Require the services of quality controller to supervise control production & packing at the Reta plant.

Degree in Food Technology, BSc or person with experience in quality control in food processing. Applications should be made in writing, giving full particulars to: Factory Manager, P.O. Box 294, MARTON

ANALYTICAL CHEMIST - N.Z. FARMERS FERTILISER

The position reports to the chief chemist alongside a formulating chemist. The work will be primarily analytical, working on pesticides & herbicides both manufactured products and residues.

Construction of a new plant & laboratory will soon take place at Otahuhu. The existing operation is at Penrose.

Contact: Mr Peter Clark, Personnel Manager, Phone: 33-709 for appt.

ELECTRONICS ENGINEER: PRECISION ELECTRONICS HAMILTON

Graduate BE Elec, reqd. to assist in the development programme. Requirements are:- an enthusiastic & innovative approach to the job, backed by the necessary qualifications & technical expertise.

For further info. call - Mr Seward, Ph. 274-5762 Auckland or write to: The Manager, Precision Electronics Ltd, P.O. Box 9188, Hamilton.

MARKETING ASSISTANT - N.Z. FARMERS FERTILISER

BCom. Mktg (with papers 72.201, 72.301, 72.306) Appointee will report directly to the National Sales Manager of the Chemical Div. Position mainly involves Market research and sales analysis data interpretation, providing information to product managers to assist in the formulation & achievement of marketing goals.

Contact: Mr Peter Clark, Personnel Manager, Phone 33-709 for appt.

MATHEMATICS GRADUATE - NEW ZEALAND LIFE ASSURANCE GROUP.

Interested in graduates of mathematics who would like to pursue a career in the actuarial field. The work is demanding tho' rewarding and attractive career prospects exist. Wholly owned N.Z. company with H.O. in Auckland.

All enquiries to: Mr R.H. Garrett. Phone: 790-694 Ext. 801

TWO GRADUATES - HOUSING CORPORATION OF NEW ZEALAND

HC offering employment from October onwards in the clerical establishment. Intending applicants should phone Mrs Dowswell 278-0980 to make an appointment. The successful applicants will be placed in the mortgage lending division dealing with loans for home ownership & the administration of these. Subsequently the appointees will be rotated to our Housing, Accounts & Legal-sections, to provide the opportunity to gain a broad background knowledge of the Corporation & its functions.

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RESEARCH OFFICER/ASST. RESEARCH OFFICER - N.Z. FOREST SERVICE

Position in the Utilisation & Development Division. Duties: Market research & general investigatory work into all aspects of timber & wood based product utilisation.

Qualifications: Degree in Economics, Statistics or allied fields.

Applic. close October 7 with Executive Officer (Personnel), N.Z. Forest Service, Private Bag, Wellington. PS 17A Vacancy No. 5605

GRADUATE IN MATHEMATICS - PROVIDENT LIFE

Provident life wish to recruit a maths grad to commence employment as an Actuarial Trainee at the end of the year. Provident Life is a small office, H.Q. in Wellington and part of the Phoenix world-wide group of companies, and able to offer a wide range of experience. Application forms available CAS.

ATI JOURNALISM COURSE

The closing date for applications for this course is 3rd of October.

Susie & Bob's Cookery Column

This week we decided to put in some more recipes in the 'basic meals' line. All of these recipes are based on wiener schnitzel - which you buy from the butcher already thinly sliced. You will need about 200 gm per person. Schnitzel is useful because you can add a lot of things to it and invent your own recipes. Here are some of ours.

Basic Wiener Schnitzel

If the slices are very large, cut them in two. Dip each piece into flour, then into beaten eggs and then into breadcrumbs. The easiest way is to set out four plates containing 1) seasoned flour (flour with salt, pepper and garlic salt mixed into it) 2) beaten egg 3) breadcrumbs and 4) prepared meat. This part is very messy, so it pays to have a large bowl of warm water and a tea-towel handy.

When all of the meat has been coated, heat a little oil in a frying pan and fry the pieces for a couple of minutes on each side. They are now ready to serve. You can buy expensive packets of breadcrumbs or you can make your own by toasting bread and then hitting it with a rolling pin - put the toast inside a paper bag first!

Wiener Schnitzel with Cheese

Forget about eggs and breadcrumbs. Cut the schnitzel into smallish pieces. Coat each with seasoned flour as above. Heat a tablespoon of oil (it should be olive, but if you can't afford that peanut will do) in a frying pan and add a tablespoon of butter. Brown the pieces of schnitzel on both sides and transfer them to an oven-proof casserole dish. You may need to add more oil and butter if you have a lot of meat.

When they have all been done add about a teaspoon of butter to the frying pan and shake a tablespoon of flour into it, stirring furiously so that it doesn't go lumpy. Slowly add ¼ cup of water and keep stirring. Then add one small can of tomato paste or tomato puree. If you have any red wine add 2 tablespoons and a can of tomatoes or a couple of tablespoons of chutney are optional extras. Add 2-3 chopped cloves of garlic and any



herbs you like. Basil and oregano are the best. Pour the sauce over the meat in the casserole and cover with slices of cheese - mozzarella or gruyere preferably. Place in a pre-heated oven at 350°F for 20 minutes. Turn the oven on to grill a couple of minutes before serving to melt the cheese.

Wiener Schnitzel with Capers

Proceed as above recipe until you reach the point of adding tomato paste. Don't!!! Instead add ½ cup white wine to the flour/butter/water sauce and stir until thick and smooth. Then add 1-2 tablespoons of capers, a dash of tobasco peppers, garlic and herbs if you like and about a tablespoon of worcestershire sauce. Pour the sauce over the meat and cook at 350°F for 20 mins.

Beef Olives

Leave the slices of schnitzel whole. On each one place one of the following (or any combination) fillings: sausagemeat flavoured with chopped onions, herbs, and chopped apple; stoned prunes or dried apricots; pate; chopped ham and slices of cheese; anything that takes your fancy. Roll the slices up around the filling and secure with toothpicks. Brown the rolls in oil or butter and then place in a baking pan with more butter. Bake at 350°F for 30 mins.

OFFER TO MEDIATE

After, reading Darryl Carey's 'Constructive Advice' letter I will attempt once again to find a solution with our Executive Committee.

On Thursday (Oct. 1) I will go to the Executive and hopefully we will try and talk reasonably with each other on a final hour solution to avoid legislation being passed.

Basically we students feel that: 'A referendum on all future financing of controversial political activities' is a very reasonable request. Certainly any reasonable person would think so.

We have threatened the Association with legislation because we feel we have no choice. And it seems unanimous from my supporters that legislation stating that "student money is to be spent on the welfare of students not political activists" is a lot more desirable than the current situation where political activists can spend our money as they deem fit without a referendum.

Next year looks frightful. The very political Craccum editor will be President of AUSA and he has a direct political activities budget of

\$10,000 to play with (plus all the indirect political finances).

I would be happy to see the following introduced: Next year when students enroll they would be given a ballot form stating:

"Should students have a referendum on the financing of all controversial political activities" or

"Should the Executive be able to spend our money on whatever controversial political activity they deem fit."

To a reasonable man that seems fair enough. And certainly if the Executive is reasonable then they must grant the students this basic right.

If nothing constructive comes out of this Executive Committee meeting then we have no alternative but to ask for legislation.

**Brett Buckmaster
Power to the Students**

P.S. If Craccum think that I am making but hollow threats then I suggest they haven't done their homework.

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ATTENTION! ALL THOSE FACING CHARGES!

The text of the Legal Defence Kit under 11. Defended Hearing (representing yourself) on page 2 of the Kit omits an essential detail, namely,

"If approaching the date of hearing you will not be ready to proceed on that date e.g. because a key witness is not available or medical or scientific enquiries are not completed ring the Police Prosecutions section, preferably a week before the date (3 or 4 days at the very least) and inform them and ask them to agree to an adjournment by consent."

This text should have been included under the above section immediately before the start of the text "When you appear, ask for an adjournment. If the police will not consent tell the Judge your reasons and also that you gave the police plenty of notice. Say your defence would be prejudiced by having to proceed today".

Those of you who are expected to appear in Court had better move quickly if you want to take advantage of this.

The Tour: A Cop's View.

For me I suppose, it all started with Molesworth Street. Then there were the four days at the National Party Conference. Remember the Second Test? I did: it was my birthday - what a way to celebrate - looking after 2000 demonstrators from Adelaide Road where they were holed up by angry rugby supporters, to Cambridge Terrace where the march finally broke up. I also remember the Auckland game and the chaotic Third Test.

All together I have attended 10 protests and spent over 400 hours on operational requirements.

The Tour taught both sides to organise in large numbers. However those who did really well were the Sports equipment and Motorcycle helmet retailers.

Whether or not the Tour was a "political decision" does not concern me. What does concern me are the "alleged" incidents of Police and Protestor violence.

1) I don't like fellow officers making sarcastic remarks to Protesters.

2) Nor do I like Protesters calling Maori and Pacific Island officers "Nigger".

The time has come to forgive and forget the bitterness and hatred generated by the Tour. Both Police officer and Protester must return to reality - the Tour is over, the Springboks are gone.

If the protesters start looking for another cause to march for then New Zealand will become a battleground yet again.

A.Cop

P.S. A Sergeant I know says he hasn't drawn his baton in twenty-five years of service. I would one day like to say the same.

The Ballad of the Biko Balloon

I thought I saw a Biko Balloon
Calm above the fighting throng
A small balloon with a hanging name
A fact; above, this "right" or "wrong"

And on this day of that man's death,
An insult to his cause and name,
His spirit soared above the crowd
To see their fight and whisper Shamel

My friends were closer to the front
We, actors all, had found our stage
But the blue audience only showered
White-knuckled fists and visored-rage.

We sheltered then inside a drive
"Oh, we live here. You can't come in!"
But both their shutters clicked and whirred
And was that barricade and chain, their usual rubbish bin?

"No, don't do that", the husband said
As from his drive the bricks were ripped
The young men's rage stalked live and huge.
Fear moved; Impotence howled; Hate gripped.

My friend and I stood on that road
He wept to see this boiling street
I held his shoulder and could not cry.
My anger was this cold, my memory is this heat.

A car was crushed and posts were hurled
No slogan here but tear and kick
But was that uniform on fire, was that Acid in that jar, who flung that "chuku" stick?

There were other scenes within my mind
A bayonet wound in a small child's back
A pregnant mother stabbed to death
"But they're just Swapo; she's right Jack!"
- the South African trooper said.

The crowd roared, being entertained
By some unseen magnificent catch.
But as we ran and cursed and feared
We were playing in the REAL WORLD match.

As I lay in bed that night
I thought of those not making love
The wives of police, the injured of the patu squad,
The mothers and the children; the crushed and broken dove.

And then I saw a Biko Balloon
Calm above the butchered dead
A small balloon with a hanging name
"Biko" was all it said.

Roy Murphy (thanks to STCI)



Death Penalty

David Moise, aged 25, Johannes Shabangu, aged 26, and Anthony Bobby Tsotsobe are alleged members of the banned African National Congress (ANC). They were sentenced to death by Mr Justice Theron in the Pretoria Supreme Court on 19 August 1981 after being convicted on charges of treason and offences under the Terrorism Act. The charges related to acts of sabotage carried out on behalf of the ANC in particular causing bomb explosions at important oil-from-coal installations in June 1980. They were also alleged to have been responsible for an armed attack on a Johannesburg police station in April 1981.

During the trial, which began in June 1981, serious allegations of torture were made by the defendants and by certain witnesses. However, the court ruled that certain statements of confession, which the defendants alleged had been obtained under duress, were admissible as evidence. An argument by the defence that Anthony Bobby Tsotsobe should not be convicted of treason because he had lost his South African citizenship when the Transkei "homeland" was made "independent" in October 1976, was also dismissed by the trial judge.

As yet, it is not clear whether the three prisoners have been granted leave to appeal. However, it seems likely that such an appeal will be made and that they are not in imminent danger of execution.

Three other alleged members of the ANC were sentenced to death for treason in November 1980. They are currently awaiting the outcome of their appeal. James Mange, who was convicted of ANC activities and sentenced to death for treason in November 1979, had his sentence commuted on appeal to 20 years' imprisonment in September 1980.

South Africa has one of the highest rates of judicial executions in the world. According to official statistics, 133 people were hanged in 1979 and there were 130 executions in 1980. In July 1981 it was revealed that a total of 69 executions had taken place since the beginning of the year. By far the majority of those sentenced to death and executed had been convicted of criminal offences such as murder. However, at least 8 alleged ANC guerrilla fighters have been sentenced to death since mid-1978, one of whom has so far been executed.

Amnesty International is opposed to the death penalty in all cases without reservation on the grounds that it is a cruel, inhuman and degrading punishment and a violation of the right to life.

OCCUSSI-AMBENO RECOGNISES ARAMOANA

The tiny east-Asian sultanate of Occussi-Ambeno, situated in West-Timor, says it recognises the independent state of Aramoana.

An official release from the sultanate's Foreign Ministry said, "This government can no longer recognise the country's present regime after long consultation with groups there and now considers the nation to be Aramoana."

Occussi-Ambeno leader, Sultan Michael the First, said "A prime factor in our decision has been the collaboration of the present regime with the Association of South-East Asian Nations (ASEAN)."

"The consistent attempts to form trading and military alliances with this group can only be condemned as fascist and insensitive; and insensitiveness borne out by the approval for the racist South African rugby team to tour.

"This is only one example in recent years. The non-recognition of the Fretilin independence movement, and the refusal to allow Fretilin representatives to speak has drawn our ire.

"We now look forward to rewarding relations with Aramoana," Sultan Michael declared.

Occussi-Ambeno's minister of foreign affairs, the Hon. Mr Jamie Vinsangh, said recognition of Aramoana would take effect from midnight September the 14th 1981 (NZ time).

Sultan Michael also said other nations opposed to ASEAN policies may follow his country's lead. "I will be using my influence to get these nations to recognise Aramoana and impose trade bans while the present regime is in power. The trade items involved are in some cases significant to the running of western societies", he added.

Representations would also be made by Occussi-Ambeno's delegates to the United Nations with a view to convincing them to follow his lead, Sultan Michael concluded.

When contacted by Markpress by telephone in Occussi-Ambeno's capital of Baleksetung, Sultan Michael said he would not name the nations or the trade items concerned.

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Brett Buckmaster wants to deliver AUSA from the hands of the student politicians back to democracy and the students. The implication is that AUSA does not serve students and is not democratic. There are two aspects to being a student: (i) people who study, go to lectures, tutorials and libraries, the people Brett thinks AUSA should represent. But we don't live in the "ivory tower" entirely and students are also: (ii) people living in society, using public transport, shopping, living in the suburbs, talking to friends, different people with different needs to do different things and AUSA must also represent

a) Policy is made by SRC, students' representative council, that is a near-weekly meeting of all students interested in association policy on Wednesdays at 1pm in the SRC lounge. SRC also decides which clubs are eligible to receive funds from Executive through affiliation. SRC is directly accountable to students because it is the students - all members of AUSA have full speaking and voting rights. There is little to prevent any student attending, except desire, as there are no lectures or tutorials or meetings of any affiliated club, or at least there shouldn't be.

not allow the democratic free discussion that a General Meeting does, only presenting a blank yes/no vote alternative. Wording of motions becomes of crucial importance in formulating referenda rather than the principles they represent (witness the abortion referendum). In addition a referendum is an expensive use of funds that could be better used elsewhere whereas a General Meeting costs nothing. However as a last resort after full discussion of a General Meeting the referendum makes the final decision, its merit being that, presently, it involves more

say the Alexander Haig Fan Club's request for assistance with building Neutron Bombs, then THE FACILITY ALREADY EXISTS for students to kick them out through a simple bare majority at SRC. But Brett cries "SRCs are always stacked!" If anything is thought to be "controversial" it generally gets plenty of advanced warning through publicity in Craccum etc. In the unlikely event of something happening against the will of students the next SRC has the power to reverse the previous decision. I reiterate, AUSA's structure is one of the most democratic and responsive

A.U.S.A. and DEMOCRACY

by Bruce Cronin

these aspects of students' lives. The two aspects are obviously related as one needs to be a fully developed person to study most effectively and it is often hard to distinguish study aids from personal needs. Is exercise and thus sport necessary for study? What about an active mind, debating skills, quick-thinking etc.? Thus to meet the needs of all students, as a representative body should, AUSA must meet all aspects of student needs.

To determine (i) what services students need, to study, such as realistic coursework, good libraries, and (ii) what they need to live a normal life, such as income, independence, and how to meet these needs AUSA has democratic procedures:

1. Since everyone benefits from improved study aids and general increases in the bursary and different people have their different needs all met, a compulsory levy is placed on all students. Not only does everyone benefit and so should contribute, but also the costs of determining who received the benefit of 1978 philosophy students fighting for 2/3 coursework etc. are administratively and thus financially prohibitive. Similarly how many times did you look at the noticeboards or watch a game of squash in the Rec. Centre or listen to someone using the sound system in the quad or even use the toilets, and how much would it cost to charge you for these activities AUSA pays for? A compulsory levy is the fairest and cheapest means of obtaining the funds to meet students needs.

2. The decisions as to how best to match these funds to students' needs are made through AUSA's democratic structure:

b) Executive administers the funds of the association according to the policy decisions of SRC, or, where there is no policy, to their mandate from their electors. Executive is voted for annually and so is accountable to all interested members of AUSA.

c) There are a number of democratic checks on executive decisions:

i) Elections are conducted so as to encourage the best choice. All candidates are required to submit photos and policy statements which appear in Craccum and at polling booths. A number of forums are organised so that all candidates are open to questioning by the voters.

ii) A General Meeting of the association can be called on any matter that executive has or hasn't considered, including the removal from office of any executive member, by a petition of 20 students to the executive. In any case there are two General Meetings held annually. All General Meetings are well publicised, with at least 2 weeks notice being given to avoid "stacking" as much as possible. Obviously the more people that attend the less the chance of any attempted "stacking" having an effect. The General Meeting allows full discussion by all interested students and has ultimate power to overturn any exec decision or, with 2/3 vote, alter the constitution of the association. There are few organisations that have this level of working democracy built into their structure.

iii) Referendum. In the case of a contentious decision being made by a General Meeting (i.e. very few votes deciding the issue) the matter is referred to referendum to make the final decision. Referenda are generally not used because they do

people than other forms of decision-making.

iv) Craccum. A free press is perhaps the best check on the abuse of executive power and Craccum is one of the best examples of a free press. Independently financed and with its own administration completely separate from Exec decisions Craccum is in a perfect position to criticise and search for any "abuse of power" without threat of retribution. Compare this to the general NZ press where criticism of any of its advertisers threatens its financial backing.

3. Through this democratic structure AUSA determines what i) students need in order to study and ii) what they need as people. The process is simple pluralism. Individuals and like-minded people convince a majority at SRC that their need is worth supporting. If successful the executive then dishes out an appropriate amount of services to the group. These services and groups vary considerably. Services may include toilets or cafeteria and coffee/milk bars, facilities to meet, representation to Uni. or local business or government to lobby for course changes, discounts or bursaries etc., hireage of sports equipment for squash players, team transport to sports tournaments or transport to conferences, or even a cash grant for newsletters. The type and size of the service depends on the type and size of the group making the representation, whether it be the tacit request for clean toilets by everyone or the request for affiliation and thus cheap facilities by the basketball club.

If a group asks for support for some need of theirs that a sufficient number of students disagrees with,

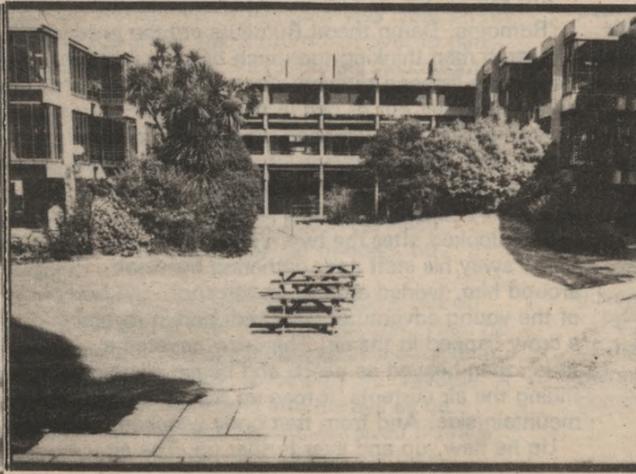
around. Making AUSA more democratic in practice depends on increasing participation in that structure, not in changing the structure itself.

When we look at Brett's demands for change ("referendums or legislation" is more like blackmail) it is apparent that he is after a structural change in the operation of AUSA.

Craccum Sept.8. "Students should say where our finances go...and the only way for this to be achieved is that a referendum be held on all controversial political activities."

Craccum Sept.22. "Calling a SGM is not the answer. Most of us aren't interested in attending one anyway."

It seems that if you are not interested enough in an issue to talk about it openly then you are hardly in a position to weigh up both sides of a controversy off your own back and make a reasoned decision in the referendum. To boycott SGMs in this way is to stifle any free debate on the issue and would not allow people to change their minds in the face of better arguments as they would never hear arguments other than their own. To call for referendum-made decisions on every "contentious issue" without first talking about the issues involved is to discourage open-mindedness and tolerance from other points of view. And to talk about issues, what better forum is there than the present one, SRC or General Meetings where decisions can be made without the unnecessary expense of referendums. To restrict free discussion, as Brett's referendum proposals do, is to restrict democracy. The tragedy of the "Buckmaster phenomenon" is that this fascism is promoted in the name of democracy.



In the Land of the Sad a rumour circulated to the effect that there existed, somewhere, a village where milk and honey flowed, and where the general shadow did not prevail. Puck determined to find the place which gave rise to this rumour, and to discover for himself whether or not the reality corresponded to the spoken word. Hence, as he travelled he would periodically stop and ask any who chanced to be near if they knew of the village of milk and honey.

A long time he travelled, during which period he encountered many interesting facets of human life, and helped various people in various ways. But always he sought further word of the village of milk and honey. And one day that word came.

He was walking down a road, this time wearing the body of a strong, virile adventurer, when he noticed an elderly man seated on a hand-carved wooden chair, his eyes closed, puffing on a pipe.

'Hello!' Puck called out.

The old man started, opened his eyes, closed them again, then squinted in Puck's direction. He took his pipe out of his mouth, spat onto the ground, and nodded. Puck walked over to him.

'Hello grandfather', he said

'Howdy stranger', the old man replied. 'Passing through these parts, eh?'

'I am', Puck replied. 'It's a generous countryside.'

The old fellow nodded.

'Very fair indeed.'

Around them birds chirped and crickets scratched. Fields, wide and green, set off from one side of the road, while from the other stood an orchard, at the edge of which, in the shade, the old man had sat himself. Puck took off his hat to wipe the sweat from his forehead, then eased himself down onto the grass beside the other.

'Warm, eh?' The old man chuckled. 'Hot day for walking. Where'd you be travelling?'

'I'm looking for the village of milk and honey', Puck told him. 'Perhaps you've heard of it?'

The old man took his pipe out of his mouth.

'Yep, I've heard of it all right. A man doesn't live to be as old as me and not learn a thing or two along the way.' He put his pipe back into his mouth, however, and shook his head. 'But you don't want to go there stranger. Not if you know what's good for you.'

Puck shrugged.

'What makes you say that?'

'You see them mountains up there?' He pointed at a long line of peaks which thrust themselves over the horizon. Puck nodded. 'Them mountains are the highest mountains you're likely to see in a year's travelling. The village of milk and honey is on the other side of them mountains. But no-one can reach there these days.'

'Why not?'

'Because there's only one pass over those mountains. And there's a man who sits at the top of it, sits and waits. And waits. And waits. And when a traveller comes through the pass, he shoots them dead. Then he cuts off their right ear, puts it in his bag, and throws the body into a crevasse that no-one's going to climb out of. Especially someone whose dead. That's why you can't reach the village of milk and honey, stranger. No-one has for these few years past, and no-one will. At least, not until that sniper's long gone and buried. Take my advice, don't even think of going up there. We all die soon enough, without going and getting killed for no reason.'

But Puck was already standing.

'Thanks for the advice, grandfather. I promise I won't go and get myself killed.'

And he was off, while the old man sucked on his pipe and contemplated the folly of youth.

For days Puck travelled down that long and lonely road. Occasionally he came upon a farmhouse, and was given a little bread and cheese, perhaps even a slice of bacon. But at other times, for days on end, he saw and heard no-one, for the road led in only one direction, and it was not a direction which appealed.

Gradually, the mountains came nearer. Finally, almost two weeks after his meeting, Puck stood on the lower slopes. High above reached the peaks. A chill wind blew off them and wrapped themselves icily around his body. But Puck enjoyed the sensation. There were times when he wearied of the world of humankind, and preferred the simple world of the elements.

Puck was still standing there, admiring the trees around him, the peaks above him, and the cloud-filled sky beyond them, when he saw in the distance down the road he had come, a cloud of dust. It rose thickly. He looked more closely and

saw a man riding a horse. They were coming very fast. Thoughtful, Puck sat down and waited.

A few minutes later the rider and his mount arrived. Seeing Puck on the roadside, he reined in and eased the horse toward him. He looked down at Puck.

'Hello stranger', said the horseman.

'Hello', replied Puck.

'Going up the mountain?'

'I am. What about you?'

The horseman glanced up the trail. He nodded.

'Yes indeed.'

'You've heard the rumours then?' Puck asked

The horseman frowned. 'Rumours? What rumours?'

'They say there's a sniper at the top of the pass. He shoots and kills any who travel through it. Then he cuts off their ear and drops the body into a crevasse. Sounds dangerous.'

But the horseman just shrugged impatiently.

'Rumours. Damn them! Rumours are the product of scared men thinking too much by the night fire. Bahl! If we listened to every rumour we heard we'd be afraid to get out of bed in the morning.'

And with that he whipped his horse and urged in up the trail. With a whinny, the horse responded. It reared, then dug its hind legs into the ground. A few swift bounds and it was gone.

Puck looked after the two, smiling. Then he threw away his staff and, gathering his cloak around him, twirled around on the spot. The body of the young adventurer vanished, and in its place a crow flapped in the air. The crow hovered a little, then heaved its wings and began climbing. Riding the air currents, it rose up the mountain-side. And from that body watched Puck.

Up he flew, up and ever further up. The air

currents whirled around his light body, ruffling his feathers, throwing him from side to side. Puck was exhilarated. He was high and free.

But on the mountain events were developing.

He was near a peak, hovering over the only pass that could be seen. It wound its way tortuously through the rocks. The only living beings were clumps of hardy tussock grass, and sparse, shrunken shrubs. Around them cracks split the rocks, and chasms yawned dangerously. At several points cliffs fell away from the path, dropping sheer for hundreds, sometimes even thousands of feet. All was rugged and obviously but rarely travelled.

Puck swooped on the air currents, looking for the sniper. At last he found him.

The sniper was huddled at a strategic point overlooking the pass. A number of boulders hid him from the view of anyone coming up the pass, but he could see down without obstruction and observe if any were climbing up towards him. Puck swooped over him. He held a cross-bow in the crook of his arm. Cawing, Puck settled down on a small ledge sheltered from the wind. He had a clear view of the sniper and the pass. He waited.

He did not have long.

Shortly, the sound of a horse's hooves crunching small stones could be heard, then the harsh voice of the rider urging his mount on.

The sniper sat up. The wind ruffled his shaggy beard. He raised the cross-bow to his shoulder.

Oblivious to the danger which threatened, the horseman sang stoutly as he rode. The clapping of the hooves grew louder. The rider sitting astride the horse came into the view.

To one side, unseen by the traveller, the sniper

THE TOP OF THE WORLD

(An Adventure of Puck, the Magician)



drew up his trigger. The rider's heart rigid fingers. Then he sliced heavily to the horse. Skittishly, it master to haway.

Puck watched the sniper's movement.

The sniper moved down from the peak. This he placed on his belt. Then, his body through the deep crevasse thousands of feet bottom. With his body over the

The sniper's day was near evening. The sniper then replaced the trail. The sniper began to climb the ambush. It, and up to Puck, balanced.

Soon a fine smell of cord and swirled peaks. The sniper slept for the



drew up his cross-bow. He aimed. He squeezed the trigger. Straight and true, the bolt pierced the rider's heart. He threw up his hands, grasping with rigid fingers for something which was not there. Then he slid slowly off the horse's back and fell heavily to the ground.

The horse, frightened, plunged and reared. Skittishly, it pranced down the path. Finding no master to halt it, it reared again and galloped away.

Puck watched through beady, crow eyes.

The sniper paused to eye the rider for further movement. There was none. Smiling, he scrambled down from his position among the rocks. Taking out a knife, he cut off the dead man's right ear. This he placed in a small pouch attached to his belt. Then, grunting and puffing, he dragged the body through a gap in the rocks beside the trail. A deep crevasse yawned away into the depths, thousands and thousands of feet, without visible bottom. With a last grunt, the sniper threw the body over the edge. It fell without a sound.

The sniper stood. He looked up at the sky. The day was nearly done: dusk was sending the first evening chill into the air. He wiped his forehead, then replaced the hat on his head and returned to the trail. There he picked up his cross-bow, then began to climb up the rough mountain-side. Past the ambush point he climbed, past the ledge above it, and up to a cave unseen from the trail.

Puck, balancing on the air currents, watched.

Soon a fire flared at the cave's entrance, and the smell of cooking venison was caught by the wind and swirled a moment, then dispersed among the peaks. The sniper was preparing his meal before he slept for the night. Puck found a suitable ledge and

settled down for the same.

The next morning came cloudless and clear. The sun was rising into a gloriously blue sky when the sniper took up his accustomed position among the rocks. He had only a short time to wait.

Soon there came the sound of a traveller whistling, and of his staff striking the ground as he progressed.

The sniper wiped his hands and raised the cross-bow.

Cheerful, unsuspecting, a well-built, virile young adventurer walked briskly into range. The sniper's finger tightened. The finger squeezed. The bolt streaked faster than the eye could follow. It thudded into the adventurer's heart, and the adventurer fell without a sound.

Gleeful, the sniper leaped down from the ambush position, and ran over to the corpse. He pulled out a knife. The adventurer was lying on his face, and the sniper had to turn him over to gain access to the right ear. As he did so, he caught sight of the dead man's face. An involuntary gasp escaped him. The dead man's face was his own!

How? how? The question played visibly over his face. But there was no doubt about the actuality of the fact. The eyes, the nose, the beard even - they were all his own. The sniper shook his head, rubbed his eyes. There was not mistake, no delusion.

Gritting his teeth resolutely, the sniper cut off the right ear and placed it into his pouch. Then he dragged the body through the gap in the rocks and pushed it over the edge. It fell into the crevasse. A gleam of satisfaction came into his eye as he watched it fall. He then turned, retrieved his bow, and again took up his place among the rocks.

The sky burnt hotly. Sweat was squeezed out of the skin, and the late morning heat shimmered off the rocks. So it was when another traveller came up the mountain pass. This time it was a slight, middle-aged man. He wore peasant clothes, and a large floppy hat hid his face from the sun.

The sniper raised his bow. The man tramped on. Emerging from behind a boulder, the sniper had a clear view of his victim. The bolt flashed; the man fell.

Eagerly, the sniper scrambled down onto the trail. His knife glinted in his hand. Yet when he neared the dead man, he hesitated. Something... something...

Nervous, he nudged the body with his foot, pushing the hat away from the face. And as he did so, he screamed. Once again the face was his own!

An incomprehensible mumble fell from the sniper's lips. He wiped his forehead, buried his face in his hands, looked up and down the trail, then, unable not to, glanced at the dead man's face. It was his, without any doubt. He trembled.

Shivering, he put his knife away without cutting off the ear. Grunting, groaning to himself, he dragged the body through the gap in the rocks. It fell into the crevasse.

The sniper peered into the rocky depths long after it had vanished. Sweat beaded his forehead, and his eyes stared wildly. His hands shook.

Slowly, slowly, he calmed down. He stumbled back onto the path and picked up the cross-bow from where he had dropped it. Then he returned to his seat in the rocks above the pass.

The day wore on. The sun rose to its zenith, burnt there a while, and began to slide into the afternoon. The heat wavered among the peaks. The sniper sat and waited.

Several hours later another traveller could be heard huffing and growling to himself. The sniper raised his bow. The traveller came on up the path, as yet hidden behind boulders, but nearing. The sniper steadied his arm, waiting for this latest traveller to emerge.

He came, swearing and cursing. He was a big man, as cragged as the mountains around him. His limbs were strong and tough, and a scruffy beard hung from his face.

The sniper looked at him down the length of the bolt. He followed him as he strode on. His finger tightened on the trigger. He waited, waited. But couldn't shoot. There was something about the man, something familiar. The way he talked to himself, the way he walked, the ruggedness of his posture.

An involuntary cry escaped the sniper's lips.

The traveller heard it. His head snapped up, he stopped talking to himself, he halted. Slowly, deliberately, he revolved on his heel. His eyes sought out the source of the sound. His face lifted up. His gaze met that of the sniper.

And the sniper shrieked.

The man he was looking at was himself!

The sniper started gibbering. He backed away, trying, desperately, to drag his eyes away from the other's, but unsuccessfully. They clung. He fell, and the hold was broken. Shrieking, delirious, the sniper scuttled up the mountain-side, up past the ledge and towards his cave. His feet struck out for hold frantically; his hands gripped rocks feverishly.

From below, the traveller watched, his eyes cold and calm.

The sniper vanished above.

The traveller waited.

It came less than a minute later: a deathly scream. Followed, almost immediately, by a falling body. The sniper had shot himself with his cross-bow. The bolt stuck out of the side of his neck, and blood spurted from the wound as the body bounced off rocks. It journeyed down towards the pass.

The traveller watched it dispassionately.

It bounced on a large boulder above the pass, bounded over the traveller, and disappeared through a gap in the rocks to hurtle down the thousands of feet which measured the depth of the crevasse.

As it vanished, a sardonic smile touched the traveller's lips. Then he drew his cloak about him, and twirled on his heel. The bearded traveller dissolved into the air, and a virile, young adventurer took his place.

Puck took a last look around the pass at the top of the world. He nodded to himself in a satisfied manner. Then he picked up his staff and continued on his way.

Keith Hill

THE NEW ECONOMIC POLICY

Its impact on race relations in Malaysia.

I am reminded of an incident:

Two school boys, one a Malay and the other a Chinese, were crossing a narrow bridge on their way to school. The bridge was slippery and the river was swift and swollen for the rains had just stopped. One of them slipped and fell into the river. The other was frightened but managed to get across and ran for help. But the people he met wanted to know first whether the drowning boy was a Malay or a Chinese. He could not answer - all he thought of was his dying friend. By the time help arrived, his friend had disappeared beneath the current: a week later his body was found down the river.

This tragic incident may be just an isolated case, nevertheless it illustrates the extent racism has seeped into the lives of Malaysians and affected the very terms in which they view one another in daily life. The racial factor seems omnipresent.

There has not been a month which passed without issues of certain racial connotations being raised, be it 'Yap Ah Loy' and the search for the founder of Kuala Lumpur, Lion Dance, Merdeka University, or the various "economic conferences" organised by the MCA, MIC or UMNO. In essence, race relations in Malaysia have become more polarised, racial politics more pronounced today than it was in the period before 1969. Ironically or not, the period of increasing racial tension also coincided with the passage of time during which the government implemented the New Economic Policy (NEP) with implicit aim of laying the groundwork for national unity by "restructuring society" to correct the economic imbalances among the races. The NEP also aims to eradicate poverty.

Given that the NEP has such noble aims, how is it that during the one decade since it was implemented in 1970, Malaysia appears to be heading more towards the reverse of what it set out to achieve. An understanding of the NEP and its implementation would unveil the link between this policy and the current racial, political and economic issues in Malaysia.

The present political leadership which assumed power after the May 13 racial riots claims that national unity or harmony can be achieved only if the national cake is shared equally among all races - thus the arithmetic formula of 30% for the Malays, 40% for the non-Malays and 30% for the foreigners. This formula, also couched in a term called 'bumiputrahism', is based on the observation of the ruling elites that the Malays are not having a fair share of the economy.

STRATEGY NO. 1

Thus under the NEP formula, one strategy calls for the restructuring of the employment pattern by sector. It involves relocating a substantial number of Malays from the agricultural sector to the industrial and commercial urban belt. While it is certainly a more healthy sign for the racial composition in the economic sectors to be reflective of the racial composition in the country, by not expanding the job opportunities in the

industrial, commercial sector fast enough to accommodate the influx of the rural Malays, and also by not relocating and providing incentives to the non-Malays to move to the rural sectors, the policy could only lead to a situation where the various races have to compete for jobs. As new jobs in the industrial and commercial sectors are reserved for the Malays, there is a marked increase of Malays. This has caused a glut of unemployment among the non-Malays. According to government statistics, 52.4% of the 31,500 of the newly unemployed between 1970 and 1975 were Chinese and 33.3% Indians. This situation when seen in the light of the national unemployment figure which is estimated by the government to be as high as 400,000 in 1978 (while some independent academics put it as high as a million), it becomes a source of discontentment.

While in essence the real issue is job opportunities and the need for creation of new jobs, the real issue becomes blurred in the midst of a racially charged atmosphere. The non-Malay unemployed would see their predicament in the light of "jobs being robbed away by the Malays, with the support of the government". In reality however, the Malay working people are in no better position. Despite the jobs reservation for them Razaleigh Hamzah admitted that there were nearly 150,000 unemployed people in Kelantan alone, amounting to about 19% of the population, and Kelantan being a predominantly Malay state, it necessarily means that most of the 150,000 are Malays. Likewise, for the Malays unemployed, they are subjected to the notion imposed by the ruling elites that their predicament is due to the "monopoly" of the non-Malays in those sectors.

The relocating of rural Malays to urban employment creates social problems in its train. The government policies do not cater for the housing, transport, educational etc. needs of these new urban Malays. The industrial and commercial

employment serve only to transfer the poverty among the Malay masses from the rural to the urban areas. Malays working for multinationals receive the same pittance as their non-Malay counterparts. While this common denominator of the working people of all races could provide the logical platform for multi-racial political movements demanding for better working conditions for themselves, this reality is yet to be widespread. The recent wildcat strikes at Bayan Lepas and countless other industrial actions over the last few years are indications that political and social movements of a non-racial character can emerge in Malaysia. But before such a situation arises, the discontented Malay working people in the urban areas could be misled by UMNO-type of agitation that their plight is due to the non-Malay control of the economy; likewise the discontented non-Malay working class can be led to believe that they ought to support the MCA, MIC or the DAP for they are made to believe that these parties are the 'guardians' of non-Malay interests.

STRATEGY NO. 2

The second strategy of the NEP calls for the restructuring of the employment pattern by occupation. In effect this involves an injection of Malay participation in managerial and administrative posts. To achieve this, the government sees it necessary to expand educational opportunities of the Malays - a move which is certainly justified by the fact that most Malays being rural based, are not enjoying the necessary educational facilities and training as what they, or any person of another race, ought to enjoy. Again in providing educational facilities to the Malays, the government does it not by massively expanding the education facilities but by crudely imposing a race quota system in the admission to institutions of higher learning.

While the criticism that what the government is doing in this area only goes to benefit a small sector of the Malays in the making of a Malay

middle-class, and does not filter down the needs of the vast majority of the Malay masses may be valid, it nevertheless does have its benefactors. The massive sums of money that have been channelled to send Malay scholars abroad would automatically expand the otherwise small number of Malay intelligentsia. The contradictions between this newly emerging middle class Malays and the general Malay population have not reached such a proportion that could shake up the whole UMNO institution which operates on the basis that the Malay community is a homogenous one.

A problem area which emerges out of this strategy is the creation of discontent of the non-Malay middle class. While a section of this non-Malay middle class may have the financial means to send their children abroad, the majority of them perceive the problem of the limited education opportunities of the non-Malays in very racial terms instead of directing the issue to demand for more educational opportunities for all. Such misguided views are institutionalised in the political party systems in Malaysia where non-Malay communal parties find this education issue as the most effective in attracting supporters and voters for them.

Besides this education issue, there are other issues such as employment and promotion opportunities for the non-Malay middle class. These issues that confront them are not issues of economic survival but rather a matter of where their economic position would be. They feel threatened by the policies of the government, and feel squeezed, that is, their interest is being encroached upon by the emerging Malay middle class. These non-Malays see the emerging Malay middle class as the new contenders for the limited resources and they resent it. This has become an area where the racial twist is most overt, for the middle classes are also the most articulate. This is also an area where the urban-based communal parties fish for supporters.

STRATEGY NO. 3

The third strategy of the NEP which is the most important but also the most controversial, is the call to increase domestic ownership of equity to 70% by 1990. Of these 70%, 30% would be made up of shares by Malay individuals and public trust agencies for the Malays.

To achieve this 30% Malay share, the government has been using public funds to set up agencies at national and state level to acquire shares. Some of these organisations include the Bumiputra Investment Fund, the various State Economic Development Corporations, Mara, Pemas, the Urban Development Authority, Bank Bumiputra and Bank Pembangunan. These organisations are supposed to act as trustees for the whole Malay population. In theory these agencies would transfer shares to Malay individuals in the future. Along with this strategy of achieving 30% Malay shares in industries, the government has recently lowered corporate tax from 40% to 35% for companies with 30%



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In recent times this question of distribution of shares held by the agencies has been highlighted, particularly at the Third Bumiputra Economic Conference held in June 1980. A resolution was passed by the Conference which calls upon the government to sell the shares of these agencies to Bumiputra individuals as soon as possible. These shares are supposed to be sold at cost. But the central point is: who among the Malays is eligible to buy? As the chief executive of the National Equity Corporation (Permodalan Nasional), a subsidiary of the Bumiputra Investment Fund, put it, "we do not envisage a rural bumiputra who is still struggling to make ends meet to be an investor..." From the results of a survey of the 100 biggest manufacturing firms conducted in 1974-75 by an economics lecturer in the University of Malaya, Inche Abdul Ghani, he found that only a special group within the Malay community really gains from the NEP bumiputra share allocation. Of the 7861 Malay shareholders in these 100 firms, 76% own shares of 1000 units or less whereas 0.2% own shares between 50,000 to 800,000 units. The survey also shows that of the 68 Malay directors, 10 are professionals, 16 civil servants or military officers, 7 politicians, 6 political-civil servants, 4 politician professionals and the remaining 25 businessmen, i.e. more than half are politicians or civil servants.

In a survey carried out by the Far Eastern Economic Review in 1978 on the issuing of shares, it revealed that while members of the Malay public were subjected to balloting with a 1,000 share limit for each allocation, selected individuals were allotted up to 50,000 shares each without so much as a ballot. These shares were all issued at prices lower than the market prices. The selected individuals were approved by the Ministry under Mahathir. The impressive list included the Yang di-Pertuan Agung, a reigning sultan, a government minister and at least seven individuals holding shares in trust for local UMNO branches.

These facts convincingly point to the making of a bureaucrat-capitalist class enriching themselves under the name of the Malay community. The big-time non-Malay capitalists, according to studies made, are not affected by these moves. In fact they too have benefited by working together with the bureaucrat-capitalists. This is where the NEP has succeeded - there is national unity among big time capitalists.

Under this strategy, the government on paper has encouraged Malay entrepreneurship by helping them to develop small-scale industry. To what extent is the government carrying out this policy in earnest is illustrated by the plight of small scale Malay contractors. There are 7,000 small scale Malay contractors in West Malaysia and they are supposed to benefit from the government's assistance under the NEP. But the reverse seems to be the case. With the rising cost and shortage of building materials, these contractors appealed to the government for help but in vain. The SEDC (State Economic Development Corporations) and Pernas are supposed to supply cement to these contractors but often the supply to these small timers are cut off. It is the Class A Malay contractors who are eligible to tender for jobs exceeding \$250,000 that will

have no problem in getting their supply of cement. To overcome their problems, some of these small contractors went into joint ventures with contractors of other nationalities. When they were found out, they became black-listed and subsequently deregistered by the government agencies. Many hundreds of small scale Malay contractors are in troubled water now. Here again, it shows the developing contradictions between the Malay small businesses and the big-time bureaucrat capitalists.

This NEP strategy casts fear and frustration among the smaller businessmen, particularly the non-Malays, who would resent having to share their wealth with others under the Bumiputra 30% share ownership scheme. While there is certainly an element of racial chauvinism present in this instance, these businessmen would in any case resent sharing their profits with anyone regardless of race. These non-Malay businesses also come into contradictions with the government agencies and foreign investors. These contradictions were manifested in the MCA and MIC's move to set up business ventures in order to salvage the situation. The MIC, under pressure from their grassroots, has also submitted a memorandum to Hussein Onn calling for a better deal for the Indian community in the Fourth Malaysia Plan.

The fear of losing out to the bureaucrat-capitalist controlled agencies in the business field resulted in the MCA and the MIC, (although both are still members of the coalition National Front government), to openly criticise the NEP from time to time. The issues the MCA and MIC talk about, however, are not how the NEP did not benefit the working class non-Malays but rather issues such as shares ownership and other commercial interests - matters relevant only to certain section of the middle class.

What the NEP did not seem to be making much headway is the question of foreign ownership and control of the Malaysian economy. To advance the interest of the bureaucrat-capitalists, Mahathir has spared no efforts to woo foreign investors to Malaysia.

CONCLUSION

Given the trend so far, it is doubtful what the NEP can achieve in terms of eradicating poverty. A National Front M.P., Alias Ali, had put it in more accurate terms, that if the NEP "can achieve 100 or 1000 Malay millionaires then it is already a success". However, in as far as race relations is concerned, the NEP is obviously a source of racial disharmony. Although racial disharmony has affected the whole political atmosphere in Malaysia, and the ruling elites are much aware of it, there are no indications of a U-turn on the part of the government. Conversely, in their scramble for wealth, the bureaucrat capitalists are intensifying the economic programmes of the NEP. The recent Bumiputra Economic Conference in their call for a 50% shares in the lucrative industries confirms the view that the ruling elites are not committed to resolving the problems of racial tension and suspicion generated by the NEP. There is grave danger that with the country geared towards the implementation of the disastrous NEP's 1990 goal of so-called 30% bumiputra control, racial disharmony is bound to heighten.

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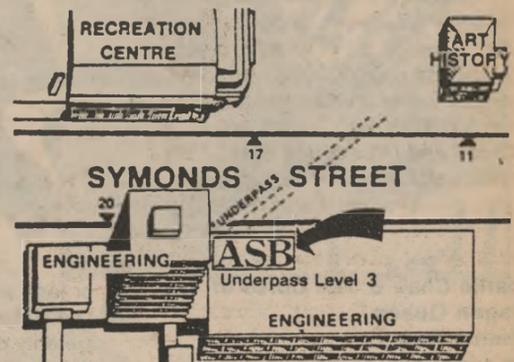
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Charlie Chan & The Curse of The Dragon Queen Cinema One For a while

Looking at the movie industry at the moment, it would be very easy to assume that all people were interested in seeing are remakes of bad old movies. In the last couple of years we have had such delights before our eyes as 'Superman', 'Flash Gordon', 'Superman II', and no doubt before long 'Flash Gordon II'. These have been very popular and the bad taste, slapstick sort of humour looks here to stay.

So comes another from the same sort of stable. Many years ago you could see 'B' grade movies (like the ones with Robert Raygun in them) of Charlie Chan, the ingenious Chinese detective. Well, Charlie Chan has been transported to the 1980's and is alive and well on our cinema screens. Through various (rather cliché-ish) techniques we learn of a family haunted by a murder perpetrated by the Dragon Queen. Now the clichés really come in! Charlie Chan is saved in this instance by 'number one son', who marries the daughter of the family and eventually everything ends up in the present day with a rich family with a stereotype rich scatty widow, stereotype bumbling grandson who wants to be a detective like his grandfather, a neurotic maid, a paraplegic butler who won't do anything, and the dead husband's ashes which are gradually becoming more like Rothman's Low Tar.

Casting in this film shows the fact that bad movies are often given a small chance at the box office by having good casts. Take the various Airport movies as an example. Peter Ustinov is very good as the Chinese detective, but at times doesn't sound

or look anything resembling Chinese. Lee Grant as the grandmother is suitably daffy, but a little overdone at times. One of the best characters however is the paraplegic butler. Roddy McDowall is rather reminiscent of Benson from Soap (shows who the TV addict is eh?) in the fact that any small task is done as a huge big favour and with a very nice sneer accompanying anything.

The plot is simple. Lots of murders, but no clues or red herrings if you're one of those people that go to a detective movie just to solve the mystery before everyone else. If you're that sort of person, tough bikkies, you won't have a chance with this one.

If it was intended as a spoof on the old type detective movies, it's worked. If it was intended as anything else, it's a dismal failure. Some of the gags are good, but the whole thing just isn't good enough overall to make a hit. It is worth seeing, just for a couple of very funny pieces. Other than that you might better forget it. Inflation has taken its toll. This movie will cost you \$3.25, I'm dubious whether it's worth it.

Also interesting is the fact that this movie was picketed in its production stages by the Chinese community of San Francisco (where it was filmed). They complained that it was racist. It does portray a very stereotype Chinese character, and most people in this day and age are beginning to find that sort of stereotyping very un-funny. The 'Confucius say' character does become grating after a while, and I'm not surprised if Chinese people find it offensive.

That's the lecture for the day. Go and see it if you feel like a bit of a laugh, but don't expect any more than that.

Fiona Cameron.



Grace Jones Nightclubbing Island

From one-time disco queen comes the follow-up to 'Warm Leatherette', 'Nightclubbing', another album of New Wave/Rock cover versions channeled through Sly Dunbar and Robbie Shakespeare's reggae-disco treatments. As always, the rhythm duo are on top form with their sensitive direction of a handful of Grace's favourite tunes.

Iggy Pop would turn in his grave if he heard the off-beat rendition of his and Bowie's 'Nightclubbing'. The albums gems though are the Parisienne 'I've Seen That Face Before' and the catchy disco of 'Pull Up To The Bumper'. Grace Jones has a style accentuated by her stunning, black looks and on this record emits a startling panache that is paradoxically sustained by her feel for the sleazy night scene. Sounds complicated but the slick negress carries it all off with ease. The excellent instrumentation makes a crisp high fidelity sound through which the vocals secrete like thick treacle. 'Nightclubbing' brings the rain of the boulevards and the dirt of New York into your lounge. Revel in it.

Siouxsie and the Banshees Juju Polydor

The fourth album from the masters of the macabre surfaces quickly without the usual delay into a record world swamped by the homogenous, post-Joy Division market. For those who bought 'Kaleidoscope', 'Juju' will be a shock to the senses. From the beginning of 'Spellbound' to the end of 'Voodoo Dolly', the Banshees perform a host of frenetic songs that dispose of the stilted nature of the studio. While 'Kaleidoscope' marked the careful stabilization of a band that almost dispersed, 'Juju' defies the critical observation of the British music journalists to reinstate the Banshees as a band here to stay.

The cover of the new record depicts a montage of musical notes amidst which stands a primitive, native sculpture. So follows the music, a montage of frantic voices, guitars, drums and beguiling percussives meshed with a solid density out of which exudes the disturbing atmosphere of the macabre. Through the distorted lens of Ms Siouxsie and company come the distasteful aspects of existence with music to match. John McGeogh fulfills himself as a guitarist using numerous overdubs for acoustic and electric guitars. 'Juju' is spliced with devastating percussives including shakers, smashed bottles, handclaps and rattles as well as voice, keyboard and guitar treatments.

On 'Juju', Siouxsie and the Banshees use the studio to the fullest yet go beyond to ignore its limitations to display a raw inventiveness. It creates an atmosphere parallel to the motion picture 'Halloween', with each time change of tribal drumming a trick and a treat. Poisoned candy from frightening children.

Stephen McGlashan



'This Is Elvis'. This may be a tribute. This isn't totally lauding and all praising. This is the best Elvis film so far. There have been 34 of them. Those with Elvis in were the same story in different scenarios. Parts of these are used in this film with the clip of 'Jailhouse Rock' being the highlight of the film. This was choreographed by Presley using stark lively lines and would hold its own against any music video that is happening today.

The film 'Elvis' made immediately after his death starring Kurt Russell was the fanzine tribute, 'This Is Elvis' is a documentary. This is surprisingly unbiased with little narration and no interpretation.

Col. Tom Parker who created Kentucky Fried Media pushed Elvis's hips forward into the public's eye. Much of the film has been seen before and the rest hasn't. From the beginning to the end a flow of a man's life passes us in the way in which Col. Tom Parker presented him. There are moments however when the cosmetic world disappears and the real Mr Presley drifts through.

All the implications are there of his heavy drug use and his slow decline into a fat figure corseted in sequins for his final concert. The film of Elvis singing 'My Way' taken from this concert demonstrated the immense strength of his voice.

Many will be scared to be seen at this film, others will rehearse emotional outbursts but for what ever reason the film is worth a glance. This is the rock'n'roll version of Walt Disney's educational nature films of bears, only better.

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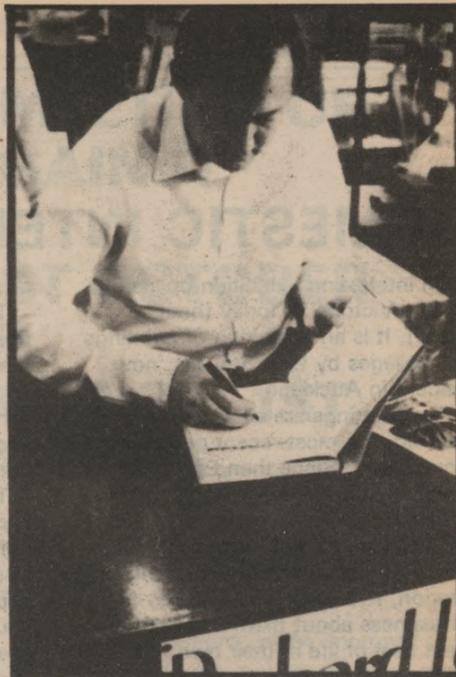
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CAMPUS NEWS

An increase in Spring blossoms in the Quad.



But there is hope; a decrease in the price of chips.



DOMESTIC INTERIORS

An interesting exhibition opens at RKS in Victoria St today (hours below). It is an exhibition of paintings and collages by Eion Stevens, now resident in Auckland.

The paintings are all less than a year old, the most recent done some months ago. Since then Eion has been working on collage only, a trend apparent from these paintings. Eion's paintings owe much to the Anglo-American artist, resident in London, R.B.Kitaj, and yet they have a freshness about them that shows a great deal of life in their own right.

Eion is constantly searching for images and most of the central figures in his paintings started life in photos in magazines, newspapers or other art works. The way they change as they are painted, to fit the painting as it develops is perhaps best illustrated by the central figure in THE MAGISTRATE, one of my favourites. The magistrate began as a London landlady, obese and treble chinned. Her jacket gradually became the legal robes and the final image of the disinterested magistrate gazing from the canvas seemingly oblivious to the violent scene behind him is quite

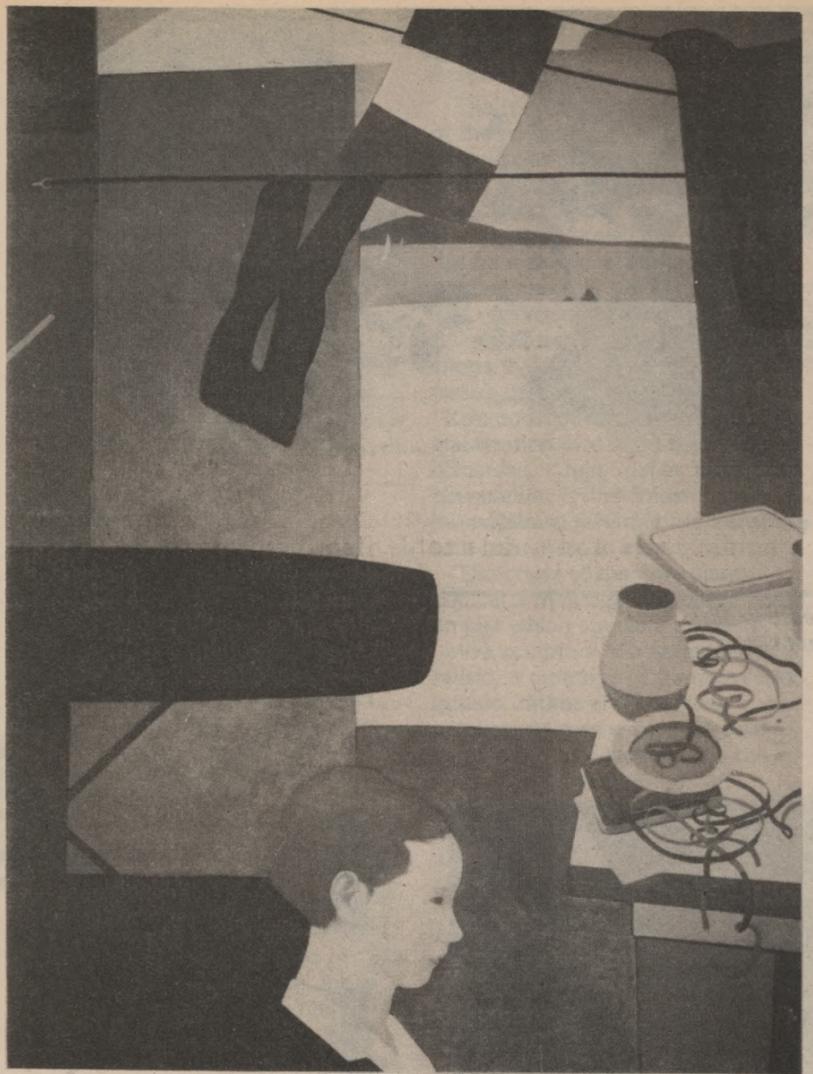
disquieting.

This theme is common to most of the paintings, and also the collages, the counterpoint of foreground and two-dimensional background being very effective in THE MAGISTRATE and in a series involving a common portrait (one of which, DOMESTIC INTERIOR, is reproduced here). The impression of limited or non-involvement between major elements in the one painting is an impression that sort of slides up on you, a subliminal urge, as is the ever-present beach in the background, a hangover from happy childhood memories at the beach.

The paintings are ridiculously cheap, if you aren't on a bursary you could almost afford one. Eion says this is because he doesn't sell well, but if this is the stuff that people DON'T want to buy then something is wrong somewhere. Even if you don't have the readies this is one show you really should catch.

The hours are Tues-Thurs 10-5.30, Fri 10-9, Sat 10-1. Closes Sat 10th Oct 1pm.

Sean Tuohy



SWINGERS PRACTICAL JOKERS

Three experienced Auckland musicians left for the New Zealand pub scene in Sydney. For a laugh no For a Tickle yes. Now they have had a record breaking record that rocketed to platinum record status.

Just for the record, the second single didn't break but the album might. In fact the word is that it will be a smash. "One Good Reason" was a top 20 record in N.Z. but for some good reasons was only B-side in Oz.

It should be noted that a two track (one per side) single record is to hit us very soon called "One Track Mind" b/w "Distortion". The album that is called Practical Jokers, from the forthcoming tour of the same name, will be released soon, too, as well, also. Practical jokers was recorded at M.M.F (Mullumbimby Music Farm) and mixed at the Studio 54 of the recording world E.L.S. (Electric Ladyland Studios).

There are even more reasons why The Swingers are now BIG enough to not have to play at the Rumba Bar. One of these is an Oz rock movie called "Starstruck". Phil or Bud



Judd wrote three songs including the title track which will appear on a record of the soundtrack.

With all this recording behind them and hopefully a big platinum sun on the horizon The Swingers are returning to New Zealand. This is to be their first visit since their departure. The tour is called Practical Jokers, from the forthcoming album of the same name. With The Cure we got thrashed with publicity hype about a multi-projection, multi-screen system and the same or similar is being done for the Swingers. The concerts are meant to be both theatrical and musical with "many technical lighting and sound innovations". There is even images projected onto a white syke backdrop that encloses the band.

For all those adults who remember The Swingers at the Gluepot this concert could hold lots of surprises but for the fans it should be fantastic. On October 13 and 14 Mainstreet is the venue and if you are between 15 and 20 there is an underage matinee at Hamilton the following Saturday.

J.A.G. MARK 4

Jazz has found a new and another home. J.A.G now occupies Your Fathers Moustache on Sunday, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday nights. The surroundings are open and comfortable enough to make the jazz enjoyable.

The Sunday I visited Phase Five began the evening. A traditional jazz combo with shirts that would put Farmers Bargain Basement out of business. These shirts aside the music was good but it was Hattie and the Havana Hotshots that injected the life into the night.

Hattie with her enthusiasm for her music danced her way over the floor when not singing. They started with an up-tempo In The Mood sliding into a reggae influenced Alka-Seltza. The whole spectrum of blues to jazz with the energy that seems lacking in a lot of bands.

Mollie Bradfield finished the evening with what must be one of the strongest voices in the country belonging to a very beautiful lady. Almost embarrassingly she responded to the shouts for more and did an encore.

Bar prices are in line with Lounge Bar prices and, with perhaps the most heavily promoted toasted sandwiches in Auckland, the chef with the golden hands has promised a wider selection of tit-bits in the near future.

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President

In a rare departure from my usual policy, I will, because of many queries, answer albeit briefly a criticism published in last weeks Craccum about my involvement with the anti-tour activities. It is true that I have not diligently donned my shield and padded clothing at every reasonable opportunity as have many Executive members. However I do not consider that to be an essential part of my job as President nor would I wish it to be so.

To Angus G. I can only request that they come and see me and more clearly state their case. It is important for me as President to concentrate on what I can do best and most effectively when actioning student policy. I attempt to use this column to inform students of what I have been doing on their behalf and what my views are on particular topics.

Now is not the time to start bickering about what individuals did or did not do. Such a course of action is petty in the extreme and I would hope that students are concerned with more important things than the sentiments expressed in last weeks letter.

CRACCUM 1982

On a brighter note I am happy to inform you that the Editor for next year has been selected. His name is David Faulls, this year's Technical Editor. While his successor as Technical Editor is no stranger to Craccum, William McIlhagga will have David's help next year. Jason Kemp was reappointed Advertising Manager for 1982. So Craccum will probably develop into a stronger more professionally produced paper with all this retained experience and I wish David and his staff the very best for next year.

S.C.S.P.

Yes the season will begin on Monday November 30th. Once forms are available early in October you can apply to the Labour Department and may even be referred to a job a week to 10 days before you can start. While the late start is still one of the difficulties faced by students I have been assured by Maurice Cervin of the Department of Labour in Auckland that liaison between our

two organisations will be improved on last year.

ELECTION

Congratulations again to Sue Wynd, our 1981 Womens Rights Officer. Sue was elected Welfare Officer for 1982 and there only remains the Overseas Students position to fill. Perhaps the difficulty in doing this reflects the cutbacks in Overseas Students brought about by the current government's policies.

ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW

The administrative review has been finalised and I will incorporate the revised organisational chart in my annual report which I hope to publish in the last issue of Craccum this year.

COUNCIL DINNER

Last Monday evening the University Council wined and dined the Executive in a relaxed atmosphere which made the evening very pleasant. It is important that informal meetings such as these continue as they improve our relations with the University and are of value to the Executive for getting to know the University administration. Many thanks to the Vice Chancellor Dr. Maiden and the Pro-Chancellor Dr. Martyn Finlay for acting as such warm hosts and to the Registrar Warwick Nicoll for organising the function.

THIS WEEK

The Student Union Management Committee meets on Tuesday to discuss the Union and its facilities. Currently there are positions on this and the University Senate Committee. If you are interested please see the Secretary at Studass as soon as possible.

I will be meeting Brett Buckmaster with members of the Executive to discuss what has happened this year with a view to coming to a common understanding. The Association, led by the Executive, should be open to discuss student opinion even if that view is against our current policy.

Finally I hope that you have settled into your Exam preparation and are getting prepared....at last....for the forthcoming Examinations.

**Wayne McIntosh
PRESIDENT**

Chances are, if I were elected there'd be a few changes around this place. I'd improve the cafe menu by providing a delicious range of hamburgers and a delectable fish dish, maybe even steak, pasta and salads. Then I'd get a full liquor license and organise a whole menu of cocktails. Appreciating, as I do, the financial strain of managing a meagre bursary, prices would be very affordable. Well unfortunately, the elections are long gone and I wasn't even a candidate, so if my proposals have sounded worthwhile, I'd recommend that you try my favourite restaurant...



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Dear David,

I was mildly annoyed, nay, utterly outraged, today, on perusing the correspondence pages of your publication.

The particular letters to which I refer are those "composed", if I may use the word in its widest sense, by one malicious quasi - Matthew Eugene Connor. I say "quasi" because this pitiful excuse for a cretinous nematode merely purports to be me.

I can only assume that this individual (the term "person" seems somewhat inappropriate in these circumstances) has sought to discredit myself as a person, along with my worthy cause. I trust that the vast majority of perspicacious students will have seen through the many holes in this pathetic travesty.

Some of you, I suppose, may well question the tardiness of my reply on this matter; in my infrequent reading of Craccum, I found a similar effort, most aptly entitled "Hysterical Matthew", in the correspondence section of the September 8 issue. Initially, it seemed to me that it was a momentary aberration on the part of this pseudo-Connor. However, as he has not yet discontinued his maniacal drive-mongering, let alone made public a formal apology, I felt compelled to put quill to papyrus.

To continue, I further hope that my innumerable friends and followers (yourself included, David - in the former category of course) will not fall into the same trap as "young Graham" (p.20, Sept. 22). That is to say, faults in the presentation of a case do not necessarily imply that the aims themselves (political or otherwise) are also at fault. Due to limited time and space, for the present, I cannot inform you, in the necessary detail, of my political beliefs.

Finally "Hysterical Matthew", or pseudo-Connor, uttered a threat of taking certain persons to court, for "High Treason". I, personally, would not be averse to a duel of words on a different subject: defamation of character or, at least, misrepresentation. I fear though, that he possesses no intestinal fortitude and I would win, at best, a hollow victory. As far as misrepresentation is concerned, pseudo-Connor, I can only say "If you hold yourself out any further in public, someone may just cut it off."

One final matter. Another point about that letter by "young Graham": after some research, I discovered that the Vonnegut book which he mentions is also known as "slapstick" and it would be litotes indeed to say that the suggestion, made in this quotation is slightly alarming.

In conclusion, I can only reiterate my abhorrence of the underhand methods employed by this quasi-Matthew creature - it is common knowledge that I attach a great pride to my command of the English language.

Yours articulately and most sincerely,
Matthew Eugene Connor (the real one)

By the way, I hope that you will not take this to be a smear on your abilities as an editor. I realise that even ridiculous "pseudo-Connor" letters can, on occasion, penetrate the fine sieve of censorship.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH

Dear Editor,

Congratulations on this week's edition, which approaches (equals) the Muccrac edition on Hamilton for content. I was amazed and pleased that our beloved President got down from the fence with such a bang (a small bang, but still audible), John Bates summary put together the escalation from Hamilton very well, and the editorial was beautifully to the point.

My personal anger at the daily media bias was given some positive direction by the information and ideas in this issue. Perhaps we could have some more photos and personal accounts.

Thanks,

George Thomson

CHOCOLATE FISH to the wittiest interpretation of last week's calendar-poster. Drop them into Craccum before Thursday 5pm.



BULLET FOR BB

Dear (Confused) Editor,

I was puzzled by the letter signed "Brett Buckmaster Thinking Logically". It seemed to be a letter from one person because of the frequent use of the word "I" but the signature suggested two authors; after all BB and logical thought are mutually exclusive.

I'm glad he isn't trying "to win a popularity contest with the politicians" because, as anyone who's ever met him will tell you, he couldn't win a popularity contest against a piece of dogshit.

This doesn't mean I dislike the boy. Au contraire, he has converted numerous pro-tour supporters. An hour with B.B. can turn your average thugby lover into a HART demonstrator. The lad's on the path to success (Ces Blazey - that is). But enough of the pleasantries.

Much as I think that B.B.'s crusade for conservatism is more of a joke than anything else, there is still the question of the Private Members Bill. I would never let BB near my private members but obviously some MP likes that - just who is this MP? And if BB's campaign is a one-man (or one-boy) crusade why does he talk about "we"?

BB has some credibility (but not much) when he started. Since the spurious - or is that spurious - petition, and the referendum which showed an equal split, there are not grounds for his assertions that a small cabal of communists (my words - he wouldn't know what it meant) are running AUSA.

If there is a clique it is hiding behind BB. And if BB was interested in student democracy why is he threatening legislation? At least AUSA's policy can be changed by students. It would seem that BB's lonely braincell has finally realised that he doesn't have a majority - silent or otherwise - and so he is resorting to the very tactics that he was (falsely) blaming on the student politicians.

Yours bemusedly,
N.T. Buckmaster (no relation)

P.S. I'm glad BB wasn't hit on the head by a flour-bomb at the test - it would have been a waste of flour.

P.P.S. Rugby supporters should be worn inside rugby shorts.

STUDENTS HAVE RIGHTS TOO

Dear Dak,

In last week's Craccum I read that Brett Buckmaster is getting a Private Member's Bill introduced to parliament to stop Students' Associations funding political activities.

Mr Buckmaster, if students (who you claim to represent) really wanted to stop funding of political activities by AUSA and NZUSA they would have voted for a candidate for 1982 Presidency who has this as his/her policy, or they would call for a referendum to change the constitution (at an SGM).

In this way Auckland students would be exercising their right to control their own money; and they would be respecting the right of other NZ students to control their own money.

Legislation to remove yet another right of NZ'ers is not the answer - it is FASCISM.

Yours in moderation,
Geoffrey Platt

POLICE POEM

Samuel Stoolface suffered a lot:
What career chances had a real bastard got?
A mean lonely bully who all tried to avoid.
His natural vocation? Ah.... the police force

His nasty ambitions were not fulfilled still
By the occasional beating with no chance of a kill.
But then came the notice in the
Policemans gazette. "WANTED" Sadistic
bullies with baseballing bent. The red squad for
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truncheons to smash with all ones might on
the head of any civilian who came within sight.

Sergeant Stoolface wore himself out with
the tingling rush and the sickening clout. No
demonic gang member even felt such elation.
And what happened to Stoolface? He got a
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John Burr

TOUR LETTER

Dear Sir,
I would like to make a few points in regard to the tour. Firstly I would like to object to the labelling which occurs immediately a person takes a stance on this issue. Whilst it is clear that some anti-tourists are communist (or whatever) it is ridiculous to automatically assume that protesters as a whole are. Likewise it is equally ridiculous to suggest that anyone who is pro-tour (as I am) is automatically a racist, although it is clear that some are.

During the third test individuals on both sides were guilty of extreme violence. And I say to both sides - You cannot claim that your side's violence was the result of individuals and disassociate yourself from same, and yet say that the other side as a whole is violent. You must go either one way or the other.

Policemen were battered to the ground and kicked, Protesters also were battered to the ground and kicked. Both sights were sickening and I only hope it never happens again.

As regards my position on the tour. Time has shown that if there is any race in the world that would not give up a position because of threats and boycotts, that race is the Afrikaan. Ask yourself this. Have all or any of your actions in any way materially affected the cause of the oppressed people in South Africa? To change South Africa much greater subtlety is needed. I would recommend the reading of "Deathworld 3" by Harry Harrison if anyone wants details of the necessary methods.

Another point (much flogged but as yet not satisfactorily answered) is that I cannot see why South Africa should be singled out for attention. If I had any reason for believing that other, equally bad countries, were going to get the treatment I would whole heartedly agree with taking action against South Africa. I have been told that South Africa is the only regime in the world in which racism is written into the laws of the land. But why does this make South Africa the very worst regime in the world? Surely pass laws, segregation, the franchise and the other evils in South Africa pale into total insignificance when compared to the fact that a thousand, I repeat a thousand people have been executed in Iran. Not since the Shah was overthrown, not this year, but just since July. Yet I hear a lot about how one man, one man died in South Africa police custody, even though the exact circumstances have not been established. The Iranians need meat a sight more than the South Africans need rugby yet we export millions of tonnes of meat to this regime, indeed we do as much as possible to facilitate this trade, even to the extent of putting NZers out of work. I have never heard any calls to boycott the Iranians. Which is worse - racism or genocide?

Erik Andersen
53 Kensington Ave
Balmoral

P.S. I am always open to discussion, either through these columns or by letter.

I FINALLY FOUND THE LETTERS YOU WERE TALKING ABOUT, BRETT, AND HERE IT IS.

Sir,
I know you're all pissed off with hearing the name Buckmaster but, as an opposer of the tour, and one who has demonstrated this opposition in marching, I'm pissed off with the one-eyed view of my 'associates'. B.B. has an interesting point - we could "put our money where our mouth is" if we had the money to spare, but we don't - we are not a wealthy union. You can't ask a subsistence farmer to make a donation to stop famine. And if anyone gives me any more of that shit about it costing us three cents each I'll bloody scream. That's just the sort of economic gymnastics we get from Muldoon, and Blakeman and his mates know full well that factual faeces of this sort do not contribute constructively to the debate.

There was a sum of money spent, therefore there was an opportunity cost to the students of this university. A cost that some say was unjustified. Money could easily have been raised for the Gisborne trip.

In my opinion a pro-tour stance is due to either ignorance or selfishness, but I must defend the right of pro-tour people to deny support for the protesters (with apologies to Voltaire).

The most hypocritical thing about this whole affair is the reception that B.B. has received from protesters. It is not so much his argument as he himself that has come under fire. The slur campaign that's been going on is real gutter stuff - the sort of thing that we complain about in national politics. Take a look at yourselves and wake up, the results of the referendum cannot alter the way Buckmaster has been abused.

John Burr

KILLED, MAIMED, OR PARALYSED

Dear Dak,
Anti-tour protesters must undoubtedly be the most naive people in this country. Either that or they are Communist agitators, (though most of them claim to fall into the naive category).

How else could they single out South Africa as being representative of oppression, discrimination and so both in this oppressive discriminatory world. Poor old scapegoat South Africa is saintly compared to Argentina, Chile, Russia or even Australia. On last night's news I hear of 149 people massacred in Iran. If you marched for all these people like you have for Steve Biko you would be very busy indeed. Yet all these "naughty" nations, like Iran, are accepted with welcoming arms into the sporting world. South Africa, however, owing to its unfortunately strategic location is subjected to discrimination far worse than exists inside South Africa. When most of our naive protesters are presented with such perspective they mumble about "legal racial discrimination". Thus a country is only "bad" if the ruling body discriminates "legally" and "racially". Such "consistency" amazes me. I am also amazed and deeply moved to hear of the police "brutality" exhibited during the tour. John Bates tells how police, "batoned them to the ground, and continued to hit people as they lay with blood pouring from their bodies". Similar accounts are frequent in the last Craccum, yet no figures are given, as to the protesters actually killed, maimed or paralysed. This is further evidence of the complete naivety of the anti-tour movement. People who have travelled are uniformly amazed at the restraint and delicacy with which our police handled very difficult situations. European protesters in the same situation would call our police "pansies".

Much of the blame for the sheer ignorance and outright stupidity of the anti-tour movement must be placed at the feet of the media. It is with the aid of the media that the communist agitators at the head of the anti-tour movement have been able to con New Zealanders like sheep, into believing they are fighting for a cause.

I believe discrimination of any kind abominable, whether against race, colour, religion or social class. But to single out South Africa and the game of rugby for special attention is criminal. People who have met the South African rugby players think very highly of them. It is a great shame that our hospitality was marred by dissident elements of our society.

I look forward to many more epic rugby encounters between two great rugby nations, like the 3rd test this year and the 4th test of 1965.

Yours,
A rugby supporter with open eyes

HASN'T READ ARISTOTLE

Dear Craccum,
I wish anti tour people would stop equating being pro-tour with being pro-apartheid. I was pro-tour and I don't support apartheid. I was pro-tour because I don't think there should be political interference in sport. Just because other countries do it, doesn't mean that it is right and doesn't mean we have to do it too. I don't know whether or not there is full integration in South African sport but I got the impression from Hiwi Tauroa that to a large extent there was.

Black African nations do a lot more to support the racist South African government by trading with them than we do by playing sport with them.

Anyone who thinks the South African government is going to give the blacks equal rights because no one will play sport with them must be soft in the head. On issues that are of real importance to governments sport has no influence either way. e.g. Afganistan the Olympic boycott achieved nothing.

When politics interferes with sport no one wins and the sportsmen and women lose.

Love from
Eric

THE TREASURER DENIES BEING COURAGEOUS

Dear DAK,
Angus G made two errors in his letter in the last issue of Craccum. Firstly I am not an "alleged" right-winger. Secondly I was wearing neither a helmet nor a shield. Those objects tend to impede one's running ability, something I treasure greatly when the batons start flying.

Yours mumblefuck
Chickenshit Blakeman

P.S. He's right about Wayne

PHAB? YOU BETCHAI

Giddy out there,
Are you looking for a PHAB thing to do during the holidays?

Wel if ya free during the 6th - 13th December I thoroughly recommend spending the week with the PHAB club down in Ngaruawahia.

Before I progress any further I must defend my spelling - PHAB IS spelt correctly and it stands for "Physically Handicapped and Able Bodied". Its members are a bunch of very active and fun-loving young people who do everything they can think of together.

Now if you are not too clogged up with useless information (i.e. exam preparation) the reader will see instantly that this club is made up of two groups - the PH (who is supposed to have something wrong with him or her) and the AB (who is not supposed to have anything wrong with him or her). However towards the end of the week everyone realises that even they are not perfect and so they set about enjoying themselves. Side-stepping wheelchairs and avoiding walking aids becomes an every day occurrence.

Of course there's plenty of action right through the week covering a wide range of interest such as music, drama, sports, horse-riding, arts, crafts, swimming, socials, visiting maraes and such like, not forgetting the over-riding factor of getting to know new people.

Maybe the only criteria is that you like meeting and helping people, who will very likely help you in some way.

A strange characteristic of the PHAB camp is that it attracts both the extrovert and the shy. The extrovert is always looking for a new experience (and believe me this is definitely a new experience). The shy person is probably looking for confidence, and this again they are bound to receive during the week.

So if you consider yourselves in either of these two categories or somewhere in between, how about giving us a go. Even if you cannot make it to camp, there is a holiday programme for the Disabled (which largely involves PHAB) on the drawing board which you might like to participate in.

So if ya interested in knowing more; stop and have a chat with me. I'm very easy to spot; a cannibal would define a person like myself as "Meals on Wheels" as I commute from A to B in a wheelchair, a well-trimmed mouse and a hell of a lot of hair which is going a mature grey.

If that's not an accurate description maybe you would like to pop in and have a chat to the Disabled Students Resource Officer, Heather McKenzie, who will give ya the low down. Her office is in the Students Union Building opposite the main cafeteria.

Hear from ya soon, eh!
Ross Flood

A PLEA FOR TOLERANCE

Craccum,
I am just writing a short note to register my disgust at the incredible lack of tolerance in this university. Varsities are supposed to be open-minded, forward-thinking bastions of free speech and the sharing of ideas. Our present executive should therefore reflect these ideals but I find instead that puerile and pusillanimous attacks on one person's ideas are common practice. Mature, level-headed arguments do not seem to be Heather Worth's et al forte. I merely feel sorry for them.

Smears and insults may be effective propaganda but usually fail to promote any constructive outcomes. It is also somehow ironic that people professing to fight for the rights of others should attempt to deny or discredit a similar right of one of their own.

Brett Clark Buckmaster. A name that, like Wayne McIntosh, seemed to unite many hundreds of we apathetic students in a reactionary fight to allow us the decision on where our money goes. The same name has also united much of the executive and many of the 'socially-conscious' students in this Varsity to oppose him. Not content with this, some of the more panicky members choose to decry his politics, his beliefs, his mind and his body in vitriolic personal attacks, whilst remaining somewhat dumb about the many hundreds of his supporters.

It should be remembered that the Springbok tour was a very contentious issue that tended to polarise opinions on both sides, but surely it is better to discuss this maturely and rationally than to mark an impenetrable boundary between the two factions. There was much middle ground in the issue and this should have been enlarged by open-minded discussion, rather than destroyed in a manner similar to the implementation of apartheid.

Many people are asking how the divisions in society, as a result of the Tour, can be mended. This is my attempt. A plea for tolerance and a return to the values I believe a tertiary institution stands for.

Grant Buckmaster

WHAT BRETT SAW AT EDEN PARK MKII

Subhumans, not Heroes.

Saturday. Third Test. Eden Park. Animals have tried to justify and excuse their servile, sycophantic, and slimy quibbles to the great 'Joy through strength' contests between our marvellous nations by saying that they were a group of "people" "morally" opposed to these contests! What the hell did a contest between true humans have to do with a black, butchered slug? These magnificent examples of powerful human flesh were as much responsible for their comrades' "Slaughter Subhumans" policies as New Zealand's annual Parliamentarians' Cricket Match is for Muldoon's Don't-Think-At-All policies.

One thing these sewer-smells seem to have forgotten was that those great nation's sportsmen were real people.

On Saturday I saw it all. What I never will forget is that savage and murderous bomb that felled my long-revered fantasy hero Gary Knight. That criminal assortment of butchers will always be remembered for that. What they did to our Special Squads (S.S.) is now part of our re-written history. Do those curses of humanity now exult in their apoplexy of violence? The joyous event was nearly over - surely they realised their insidious pursuits were almost conquered, and yet they were intent on bloodying the blush of the rose that could not be bloodied.

In a brilliant, exciting game where these true exemplars of humanity glistened with muscles that were bathed in sweat, the All Men beat the No Blacks. Who will ever forget that orgasm as the All Men drove home into the No Blacks with repeated victory. Our game, despite the perverse attempts of these twisted queers, emerged as an explosive win. But our game wasn't the only winner. More importantly freedom and democracy for all real men prevailed over blackmail and the ruthless crime of terrorism.

The Special Squad bill is high. Hopefully the animals who were detained will pay this bill with the sternest and strongest penalties that our glorious laws have to offer. Let them be purged and make expiation with their own blood. After all, the S.S. had to control these lice. Our brothers remained imperturbable despite the burrowing of this excrescent filth.

In the next few years we will receive a number of teams from all over the truly human world. Probably a lot of them, we will disagree with their governments, for not making all subhumans' lives unlivable. And probably the Anti-Human movement will remobilise, put on their thick 'Stop Humans' badges and arm themselves with the weapons and obsequious covetousness of criminals...

Signed: Great Bestmaster
Double thinking logically

P.S. Erbarme dich, mein Gott.

THE EDITOR IS BOTH AMERICAN AND PATRIOTIC

Dear Craccum,
Just what were you trying to put across on us students when you printed that 1984 calender on a green and yellow New Zealand flag with the American flag in the corner, and with flies on it? This is an insult to the Americans on campus who have just as much right to be here as everyone else. Would you prefer your flag with the Russian hammer and sickle in the corner? If you're not a bunch of commies, you sure don't show it. Sure, capitalism isn't perfect, but it is by far the lesser of two evils that exist today. I think that Matthew Connor has a good point against Communism. I may not be a Kiwi, but both America and New Zealand have a lot in common, and that is by choice and not military force c.f. Russia. A lot of us students actually agree with the points that you raised, Matthew - that the Communist subjugation of Afganistan, and the horrors behind the Iron Curtain are a disgusting violation of human rights by the USSR. And some black African countries e.g. Uganda have reverted to savagery. While apartheid is rather sick, the most logical solution would be to gradually teach the blacks about the world, and politics, and move towards fair representation over say 20 years; rather than throwing the blacks at the mercy of Soviet expansionism. In fact I doubt if Matthew Connor, or Brett Buckmaster, or even Agent Grapefruit actually are racist as some or you "craccum commies" imply. They just seem to want a little of the common sense out there that is in such short supply these days. In fact, Agent Grapefruit's recent letters e.g. on nuclear power have been quite interesting. So why don't you think before you put these people down.

In short, why don't you stop putting down America until you have a look at the much worse things that the USSR does.

Yours patriotically,
Stars & Stripes Forever

letters

... I'M ON THE PAVEMENT, THINKIN' 'BOUT THE GOVERNMENT...

Dear Sir,

Jane Hart is answered by Dylan himself. Dylan once wrote:
'Yes 'n' how many years can some people exist
Before they're allowed to be free?
Yes, 'n' how many times can a man turn his head,
Pretending he just doesn't see?
The answer, my friend, is blowing in the wind,
The answer is blowing in the wind
Many say Dylan's writings saved a second Vietnam. They are right. You think we would learn. Rather ashamedly, the Rugby Supporters turned their heads
'Yes 'n' how many ears must one man have
Before he can hear people cry?
Yes 'n' how many deaths will it take till he knows
That too many people have died?
But Steve Biko's death meant nothing. 346 discriminating laws probably meant less. To commemorate Biko's murder they staged a game of rugby. They called it 'building bridges'. They talked about their rights, none of them talked about their responsibilities, they were too selfish. Some of the more honest said the blacks in S.A. wanted to play soccer anyway. Those who said they were against apartheid but pro-tour simply contradicted themselves. All of them were armchair critics.

To aid their ebbing consciences they chose to make an issue of law breaking. In a democracy (not that I believe in it) there is a concept of law that is higher than the laws of the ruling party. That is inherent in a democracy. The alternative is totalitarian rule. It was too late though they had already 'turned their heads'.
The National Party let them watch the game. After all, the Gleneagles Agreement didn't expressly say... Pro-tour people were only a pawn in their game, and a vote in November.
Dylan foresaw it all
"You fasten the triggers for the others to fire
Then you sit back and watch while the death count gets higher
You hide in your mansion as young peoples blood
Flows out of their bodies
And is buried in the mud.
But I see thru your eyes like I see thru your brain
Like I see thru the water
That runs down my drain".
And now the tour is over. 'Yes' Buckmaster I am proud of what I did. I am proud and happy for all those who had the courage and conviction to stand up and fight with me. Remember Vietnam and how Sadbolt was meant to be wrong?
To you though Buckmaster and all your friends - all is not lost. Dylan once wrote -
"When the 2nd World War
Came to an end
We forgave the Germans
And we were friends
Though they murdered 6 million
In the ovens they fried
The Germans now too
Have God on their side."
So now I am leaving, I'm weary as hell, the confusion I'm feeling, ain't no tongue can tell, the words fill my head and fall to the floor - Gods on our side, He'll Stop the next war.
Yes Jane 'when will they wake up and strengthen the things that remain'?

Yours sincerely
D.J. Sayes

P.S. I suggest that anyone wanting to attack this letter on the basis of 'whats the tour got to do with Racism in S.A.' should contact one of the 30 eleven and twelve year olds who invaded Parliament to explain it to them, if you can't find them ask their little brothers and sisters.

TO ALL THE STUDENTS WHO INHABIT THE BIG I
Thank you for all the insanity and smiles during my few months of working there.
Your jokes and laughter really helped me to get into those sometimes shitty Fridays and break those dull boring Mondays but all in all it made every day that little bit easier to get out of bed in the mornings and face another sunny day locked indoors.
Only once did I feel like throwing a jug of beer over someone and only twice really let fire and do my nana which is pretty good considering the latter used to be quite a habit.
But anyway thanks again for some lovely memories.

"Lukhimemen" (To life) You mad bastards
Luv Janena

POLITICS DOES STRANGE BEDFELLOWS MAKE

Dearest Editor,

I would like to address this letter principally to Mr Matthew Connor, who wrote an excellent letter in the Sept. 8th issue of your illustrious rag.
Dear Mr. Connor,
I would like to thank you first for writing that letter. Your cause is truly a just one. As an average student I have seen the very same communist subversion in our own executive, the same perpetual students again and again, the same ungrateful whinging about the bursary, the same financing of distasteful political movements and the same bad public image being propagated. It disturbs me, because (as you say) it is only a handful that are to blame. They are, however, the handful who have the influential positions. The parallel with the trade union movement is remarkable - but there is one big difference: the silent majority here have the sense and motivation to use the rules of our constitution against the subversive minority. Because we are the majority we can win, the constitution is still democratically based.

There are not just a few of us who have seen through the sham. There are many, Matthew, who would willingly support any plan to restore some respectability to the student union; and we need someone like you to do something positive. I know that you do not intend speaking in the quad any more, you were given a hard time by many bored onlookers; but like you said, you are not the same Matthew Connor you were a year ago. Do you not think that it was the subject matter of the speeches that caused that reaction? If you came and spoke now, about the way in which we could overthrow the communists in the executive, you would be welcomed. You would not be treated like you were before. A man with your public speaking attributes cannot refuse to use them for a good cause like this.

Believe me - there are more students than you imagine who would support you and me in this cause. So how about it, Matthew? Let's hear you in the quad again. Let's kick the bastards where it hurts (in the ballot box).

Yours in fervent anti-communism and renewed respect,
Agent Grapefruit
True Blue Kiwi Student

P.S. I shall be watching Craccum for your reply

OLD TV SHOWS NEVER DIE, THEY JUST TURN INTO PUN AMMUNITION

My Dearest Daktri,

May 20 million hyenas fall upon Bucky's head. Or maybe you could cut him up into little weeny pieces and feed him to Cheetah.

Forever yours against tooth decay,
Sally Fluoride
xxx

(Yes, Mrs Marsh is my Auntie)
P.S. She says to electrocute the Androids.

DON'T FLY SOUTH

The trouble with Fluoride is that it does geddeen - if it toughens teef just imagine what it does to Albatross eggs! The poor little buggers will need aluminium beaks.

Nose Melter

RICHARD DENIES IT ALL

Dear Dak,

ANGUS G, NOT QUITE RIGHT
In your letter last week you implied I was a "right winger". I was also wearing a helmet and shield.

Well, I am not a "right winger" in the political sense of the phrase - all I am is very much right of certain ultra "left wingers" who seem destined to infiltrate the workings of AUSA and use it as a platform to launch their scarlet policies yuk yuk horrible blurg!!!
As for wearing a helmet and shield - I only wear such protective gear when fighting for Alfs Imperial Army or when dungeoneering on Waiheke Island. If I were to take on the Red Squad then it would be with a lasergun or a 5.5" howitzer.

One must also remember that Wayne does have important ski trips and he can't always attend protest actions.

Leeds forastriker
RAF

WHO'S IN CHARGE?

Dear Craccum,

I am an "anti-tourist" (on moral grounds) but I would like to dissociate myself from the way the majority of protests have been conducted (especially the one on the day of the Third Test). I have come to wonder at the attitude of the leaders of the protest movement, they have stated that they would participate only in non-violent protests; but from what I have seen and heard, a fair percentage of the protesters have gone out with the aim of provoking the police who do have the job to protect property (ie the blue Holden that was demolished on Saturday) and the rights to protect themselves (crank-handles). The ordinary NZ'er has every ground to be concerned at the actions of the radical elements in these protests (ie. Communists, Polynesians, activists, Feminist and Gays (especially lesbians) and those out to get the 'pigs' - gang members whose only aim is to commit violence - not to stop the tour). These groups should perhaps learn a lesson from history: change by violent means has never benefited the general population. What happens is that they usually end up in a worse position (ie the Russian Revolution and the Iranian situation).

The NZRU has been very selfish (an attitude much prevalent in NZ society - my body, my enjoyment etc) in its sponsoring of the tour and I hope by now they have realised their tragic mistake (if they haven't they never will). This tour has been a major propaganda success for the S.African Govt. but violence against the NZ'ers persons and property was not the way to stop the tour, after all violence breeds violence and hate breeds hate.

One point I am very concerned about is the influence of Moscow orientated people in this protest movement and the outcry about the S.African presence in Angola. The attitude of many 'Christian' leaders has surprised me tremendously, one would have thought the S.African system would have been the "lesser of 2 evils" compared to the avowed expansionist policies of the imperialistic and ardently atheistic Soviets. I am not a 'red under the bed' person but I am a Christian and believe that change in S.A. will best be achieved by trade and sporting boycotts; exerting pressure on the S.African Govt. rather than by violent overthrow of the present system which could only lead to effective Soviet control of the horn of Africa.

I disagree with Brett Buckmaster to a certain extent but can't help feeling a little concerned that AUSA funds can be spent to promote policies that I abhor (ie an atheistic communist system, Gay rights and abortion on demand). I am in full support of the equality of races and sexes but there are limits to how far we go before breaking the 'guidelines' the Creator has set down for our lives. The Bible can be interpreted in many ways (ie the KKK use of the scriptures to back up their racist ideas) but a lot of these are just Man's twistings. We need to carefully consider everything we read and hear; not go rushing off willy nilly like a lot of unthinking sheep.

Love Peace

A WITNESS FOR SOMEONE

Dear Dak,

Like the many at the "kiss-a-cop" rally on Biko Memorial Day, September 12, I noted the grin on the face of one such admirable Constable in this week's Craccum. Well, I'd just like to say that if the guy who was in the line along the kerb at Sandringham Road early in the afternoon, and was punched in the face for no reason whatsoever by "the smiling copper" (page 11), is in fact a student and intent on making a complaint, then he can ring me at 760-739 if he requires a witness. I am,

Yours in hope,
Hugh

Thank you very much for the offer - mutual support is the only way we can beat the cops.

BRING BACK THE BERK

Dear Craccum,

Has Matthew lost his voice or has he lost his alleged rhetorical skills? I say 'alleged' because I have never heard him speak, and if his rambling epistles to this journal are anything to go by, he couldn't talk his way out of a paper bag.

Put your money where your mouth is Matthew. Either come here and dazzle us with the brilliance of your oratory or cease your inane jottings forthwith. If you do not, the students of this fair university will have no option but to conclude you are an over-blown, over-the-hill fraud.

Yours unimpressed,
Concerned student

POLICE FOUND OUT

Dear Craccum,

In March 1981 it was reported in a New Zealand newspaper that 500 long batons were expected from the United States, increasing the number of such batons to 1100, more than the number of policemen normally on duty at any one time.

"Operation Rugby" was a pre-concieved political manoeuvre at the expense of the New Zealand public.

Clinically yours,
Mafeking

Readers may refer to an article printed on March 7 of this year by the Herald, a copy of which is here at Craccum.

SOME IDEAS FOR NZ

Dear Mr Ed.

As one of no doubt many apathetic (I am a NZ'er) readers I have wasted many an hour wandering aimlessly through this rag.

You may well ask "Why?". Was it the wit, the humour, the ability it gave me to participate in purely intellectual arguments over coffee, or merely because I had nothing else to do?

Well, I think each of these played some part, though I must admit the real reason behind it all was my firm belief that one day these columns would offer something more....

....a revelation, a sense of purpose for my life, maybe even enlightenment! How glad I was to find that my faith was not misplaced (it's been almost three years now!)

This very evening as I turned the dull and gloomy pages of last week's craccum I found my "ray of light".

It came in the form of an article by one Brett Buckmaster, and his "insights" firmly convinced me that what NZ needs is martial law - a strictly controlled police state.

I mean "who needs protesters?" - of any kind. Godzone would be a far better place if all these "subversive elements" were removed from society, then we could go on to selective breeding (to produce the ideal NZ'er), and then....

...I propose "Muldoon for Fuhrer!", and lets have Mr Buckmaster for head of the S.I.S.

Well, why not? He's one of us - an academic (pointedly used in place of intellectual). He must be, he's obviously got his head buried in his books (present day equivalent of sand?)

It just seems a pity that he can't apply any of the learning he's theoretically doing to thinking!

I would like to suggest Mr Duck-Master (and Ron Don's probably not the only one chasing rabbits) that as Brain-enlargement is medically implausible, you try something along the lines of mind-expansion.

(Yeah Brett, take a trip - if you're not up to "acid", try South Africa!
signed A Clearer Thinker

P.S. In case you question my impartiality - I voted National last election, and I watched all three tests on TV (Shame - hence the nom de plume).

FINANCING IS THE ISSUE. NOTHING ELSE

In response to Miss Austin's letter claiming that she condemns my "whole move as obviously pro-tour and therefore pro-apartheid". That is utter nonsense. Although the referendum was won it was never claimed as a victory for the pro-tour victory or ever claimed that it was the biggest setback to the anti-tour movement in the country.

The issue was financing. Not whether you were pro-tour or anti-tour. Therefore my own view of the tour was irrelevant at the time of my campaign.

As further proof of this Miss Austin - you still see me campaigning for student representation. I still want a referendum on the future financing of all controversial political issues. If the tour issue was the only reason for my campaigning why in fact am I still campaigning?

The tour issue if you like, Miss Austin, was merely an example of this where after three years in this place I, and many others have had a gutsful of the politicos spending our money on financing their own political games.

Yours sincerely,
Brett Buckmaster

P.S. Equating pro-tour with pro-apartheid is a very wrong generalisation. In fact of the 60,000 odd rugby fans at Eden Park, I would suggest 95% of them were against apartheid.

(Why, then, have certain people repeatedly overheard you trying to convince people of how badly off Ugandans were after the Whites lost power - the old "ends justify the means" trick?)