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EDITORIAL

This week it is my turn as editor in trouble i.e. the one they can ask minor organisational questions of. It's a learning experience and it has been interesting.

This week we are concentrating on road safety because too many students get injured and killed out on the roads. We also have a small piece on the 'democracy' of New Zealand party politics and an interview with EAO Grant Simpson.

We still have most of our regular features, though our President has decided that he just can't be bothered to make the time to get his piece in before deadline, so we have not received any copy from him (and he has suggested that this will continue).

Well it's starting to get on a bit, the clocks are just striking midnight and I'm beginning to realise why it is not a good idea to go to Classoc Orgy whilst trying to get a paper together. 'bye for now.

Helpers: Miriam O'Connor, Susey, Shelly, Shelagh, Sacha, Miriam de Graaf, Simon, Carl.

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CAKES OR COMPETENCE?

For the sake of apparent 'party unity' the New Zealand political structures are reluctant to challenge incompetence.

New Zealand is supposedly a democracy, but what is the real choice? We are not offered a wide, diverse range of talented potential Prime Ministers. For the Prime Ministership we can choose between two candidates, these being the leader of the Labour party and the leader of the National party. Even for the member of parliament for your local electorate there are seldom more than eight candidates, but the real choice is between only two or one potential winners. Less than twenty of New Zealand's 95 parliamentary seats could be considered marginal, and in these seats it is always a contest between only two potential winning candidates, be it Labour vs National

In New Zealand, the voter who is not a party activist has a very limited choice of who governs.

For National vs Democrat. The majority of seats are safe for either Labour or National. Labour holds the city and Maori seats, while National holds the rich city and rural seats. The marginals are the provincial town and mixed city seats, both of these types having a cross-section of voters, which gives candidates of either major party a reasonable chance of victory. The problem remains that in less than twenty seats do voters have a real contest from which to decide, while in all the others the voter has little impact on what is a certain result. It is the party which holds a safe seat that determines who the MP shall be, not the voters.

It is party candidate selection level that our MPs are chosen. Only party faithful participate in this selection process, and in the vast majority of New Zealand seats (the safe ones), only the party faithful determine the candidates who then become MPs.

The mass control over the choice of Prime Minister is even less. The National conferences of the major parties decide who their party leader will be. Again, these conferences are typically attended by party activists, and when their party is in opposition the question of party leadership is inevitably raised. Occasionally an opposition leader is replaced, and the new leader then faces the voters in six months to two years time, as a possible Prime Minister. The governing party's conferences have not in the history of the NZ Labour and National parties voted out their leader while he was Prime Minister.

Unfortunately for New Zealand, cake donations take precedence over genuine skill and a refreshing approach.

Incumbency counts for too much in New Zealand. A challenge to the sitting member is worthwhile and can only promote competent politicians. If the parliamentarian is capable, s/he will have nothing to fear, and will merely be reminded of his/her accountability and the need to be an effective representative. If the MP is not representing his/her electorate well, and is incompetent as a parliamentarian, there is an obligation on the party to replace him/her with an efficient candidate.

Good candidates do not necessarily make good MPs, so it is especially important that an MP be given a critical review by his/her party after his/her first term of office. This is not so crucial upon completion of second or third terms by an MP, as s/he will have already survived an evaluation of his/her introduction to parliamentary life.

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The blame for the inadequacies of our current representatives rests with the party candidate selection process. Most electorates have a local electoral committee for the electorate. This is sub-divided into local branches by area, there being an average of about ten in an electorate. Each local branch sends a delegate who is a member of the L.E.C. The LEC takes a stronger interest in selection in safe seats or marginals where the party's candidate has a chance of winning.

On the night of the candidate selection meeting, a handful of hopefuls harangue the LEC heavies before a decision is made.

Herein lies the heart of the problem. The candidates who are successful are preferred on the wrong grounds. Outsiders who may have excellent organisational abilities are usually overlooked, in favour of a local who has assisted the party in the past. This assistance may take the form of donations to cake stalls, canvassing, or pamphlet distribution. This local person has slowly worked up through the Local Electoral Committee, and is usually an officer within the electorate's party structure. By natural progression, these locals become candidates who become MPs who become Prime Ministers. Party candidates may have status within that party, but for what?

Unfortunately for New Zealand government, cake donations take precedence over genuine skill and a refreshing approach.

The reason for this conservative approach by our political parties toward candidate selection and MP review is the revered tradition of 'party unity'. For the sake of apparent 'party unity' the New Zealand political structures are reluctant to challenge incompetence, and reluctant to promote diversity.

In New Zealand, the voter who is not a party activist has a very limited choice of who governs.

For MP the usual real choice is one, sometimes two potentially winning candidates. Our list of alternatives for Prime Minister numbers only two.

David Ward



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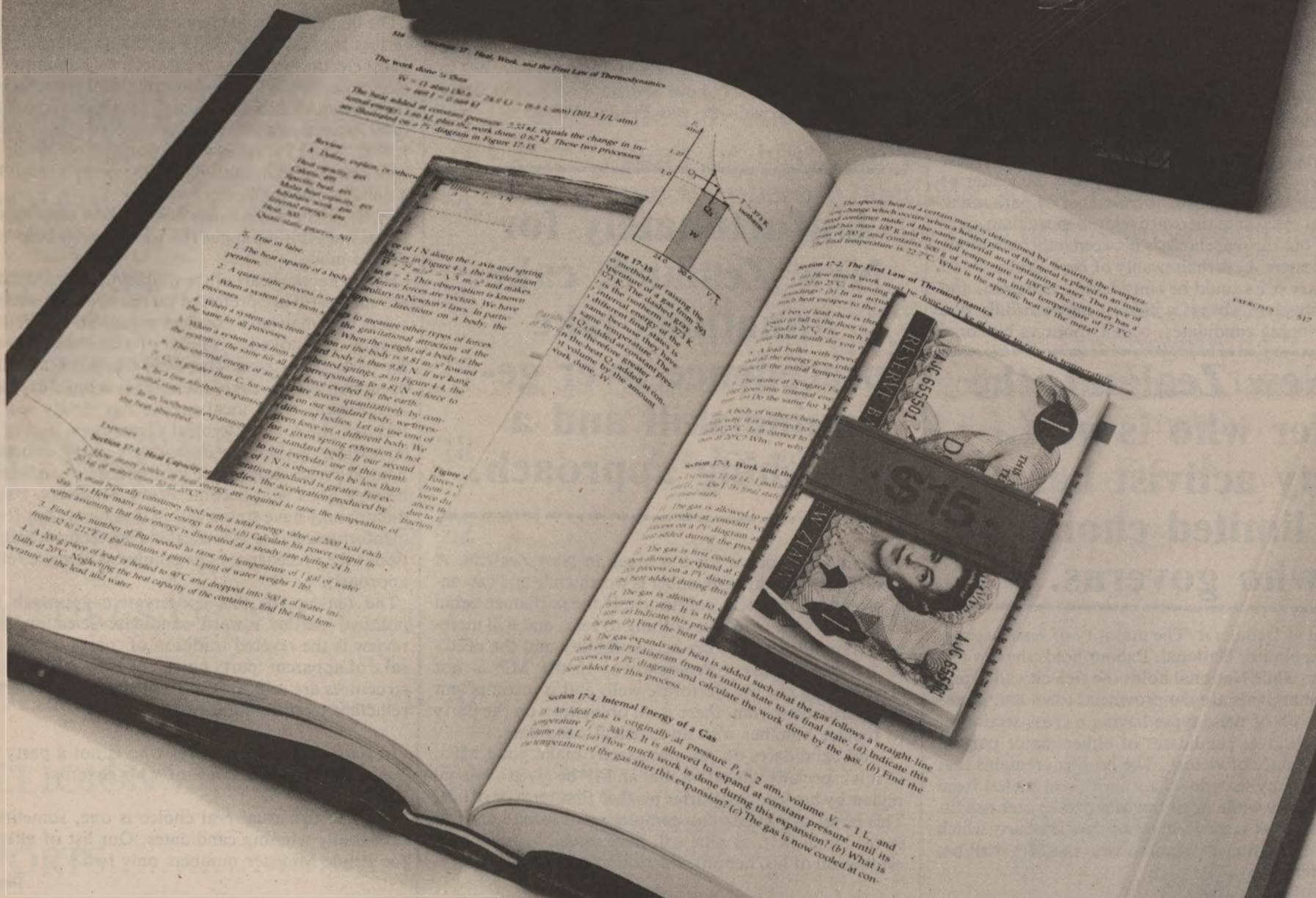
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Contacts: Sandra Ph 872-279
Alastair Ph 607-717

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Date: Saturday 18th April, 2pm to Monday 20th April, 2pm.
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TOUR TO HIMALAYAS

A tour to India in the May vacation, concentrating on the Himalayas and timed to see the spring flowers, will be led by Dr Kapil Tiwari, Senior Lecturer in Religious Studies at Victoria University. The itinerary will include Delhi, Agra, Kashmir, Ladakh, Darjeeling and Sikkim. The all-inclusive cost for the tour, from 8-29 May, will be \$3,395. The full itinerary is available from the Information Office, Room 314, Registry (ext 7698).

ORIENTATION SERVICE

Thursday 12th March, 1pm, in St Andrews Church, (cnr Alten Rd & Symonds St). Free lunch afterward in Maclaurin Chapel Hall. Organised by A.U. Chaplains and Christian Groups.

SIT. VACANT

Womens Resource Network Part-time Co-ordinator. The W.R.N. requires an enthusiastic, self-motivated woman to co-ordinate and set up services according to the needs of women in Devonport. The ability to communicate with a broad cross-section of women is essential. Appointment initially for six months. Phone Linda 453-068 for details.

ORIENTATION SERVICE

Thursday 12th March, 1pm, in St Andrews Church, cnr Alten Rd and Symonds St. This years service has been organised by A.U. Chaplains and Christian groups. Theme: 'Living and Celebrating Christ'. Free lunch afterward in Maclaurin Chapel.

DREAMS, DREADS AND THE DIVINE

On Friday 13th, 1pm in Maclaurin Chapel Hall, a Christian exploration of inner healing. Frank Lawrence, priest, counsellor and psychologist will speak and lead a discussion. Organised by Christian Focus.

EVANGELICAL UNION BBQ

On Wed. 11th March. Just cruise on down to the BBQ area, down from the Rec Centre and behind the noticeboard area, at 5.30pm. If you don't know what I mean, just hang around the E.U. board at 5.30 and someone will show you. After that we'll shoot up to the Lower? Common Room for games (silly) video (funny) and coffee. Bring along \$3.00 to cover costs. Who knows? C'mon down and meet everyone.

WEDNESDAY CONCERTS

Music Theatre, School of Music, 6 Symonds St. Wednesday 11th March, 5.30pm. Admission \$6 and \$3 (concession) For further details Ph 737.707.

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Men against sexism will be holding a Forum for Men on Thursday 12th March at Newman Hall (in Waterloo Quadrant opposite the lawns in front of Old Government House). The forum will start at 7.00pm. For more information please contact:
Shawn Hawthorne 486-695
Stephen Jelinek 567-380
Stephen Brebner 588-366

S.R.C.

Wednesdays, 1pm, in the Quad.

LIBRARY TOURS

Guided tours of the general library for new students will depart from the library foyer at the following times: Monday 9th to Friday 13th March at 11.10am, 12.10pm and 2.10pm.

MONDAY MOVIES

Today: Bladerunner
Next Monday: Richard Pryor Live on Sunset Strip. \$2.00 at the Maidment.

Don't Litter

Please, Don't Litter. When you have finished with this paper, don't throw it on the ground or leave it where it will blow away.
Put it in the Bin.

A.R.A. AGM

Thursday 12th March, 7.00pm
LCR. Elections, Videos, Appointments and Policy. All welcome.

CRACCUM NOTICES

Anyone wishing to submit notices for this page, please hand to the Craccum office (3rd floor, S.U. Building) or the Craccum pigeon hole. Notices must be in by midday on Monday's, for the following week's issues.

Guide to Cheep Eats

Korean Barbeque

Some of you may not believe in time warps but down in High St, is a small piece of Korea which you really should try to experience. The Korean Barbeque has a relaxing atmosphere and in this world of artificiality and chrome, muted greys and coral pinks, it's a pleasure to find a restaurant with interiors of natural wood. The service was uncharacteristically good for a New Zealand restaurant where, as we don't yell like the Yanks or whinge like the English, things are inclined to be a little lax.

The Korean Barbeque is unique in that you cook your own food in a small steamer which has a dome in the middle for frying. The assortment of seafoods, meats, and vegetables served were very fresh and tastily presented. Our host explained the use of our unusual cooking appliance and the adventure began. I had ordered King prawns and Mussels and my friend had opted for the Beef and Chicken; with this we received a plate of vegetables comprising spring onions, bean sprouts, cauliflower, sweetcorn, bamboo shoots, carrots and marrow - all uncooked. The meal was very sustaining, and the generous portions we were served took approximately 2 hours to cook and eat, although your intrepid reviewers may have been a little timid in the amount we were cooking.

The desserts on offer were a variety of liqueurs poured over ice-cream, and also Lychees and ice-cream. These were all very reasonably priced at \$3.00.

The Korean Barbeque is definitely to be tried by those looking for something a little different and very enjoyable. It provides an excellent setting for initial outings with a new friend - if the conversation runs out, there's plenty of cooking to do! It is a B.Y.O. restaurant and averages out in price at \$20 per person. A culinary experience all of its own.

Wendy Lawson, David Ward

Banqueting on a Bursary

This week, I'll feature a non-meat dish for all the veges out there:

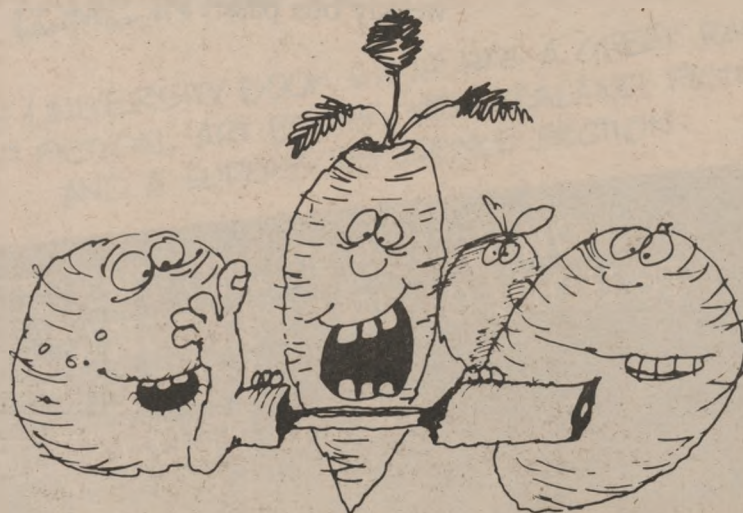
TOMATO AND PASTA BAKE

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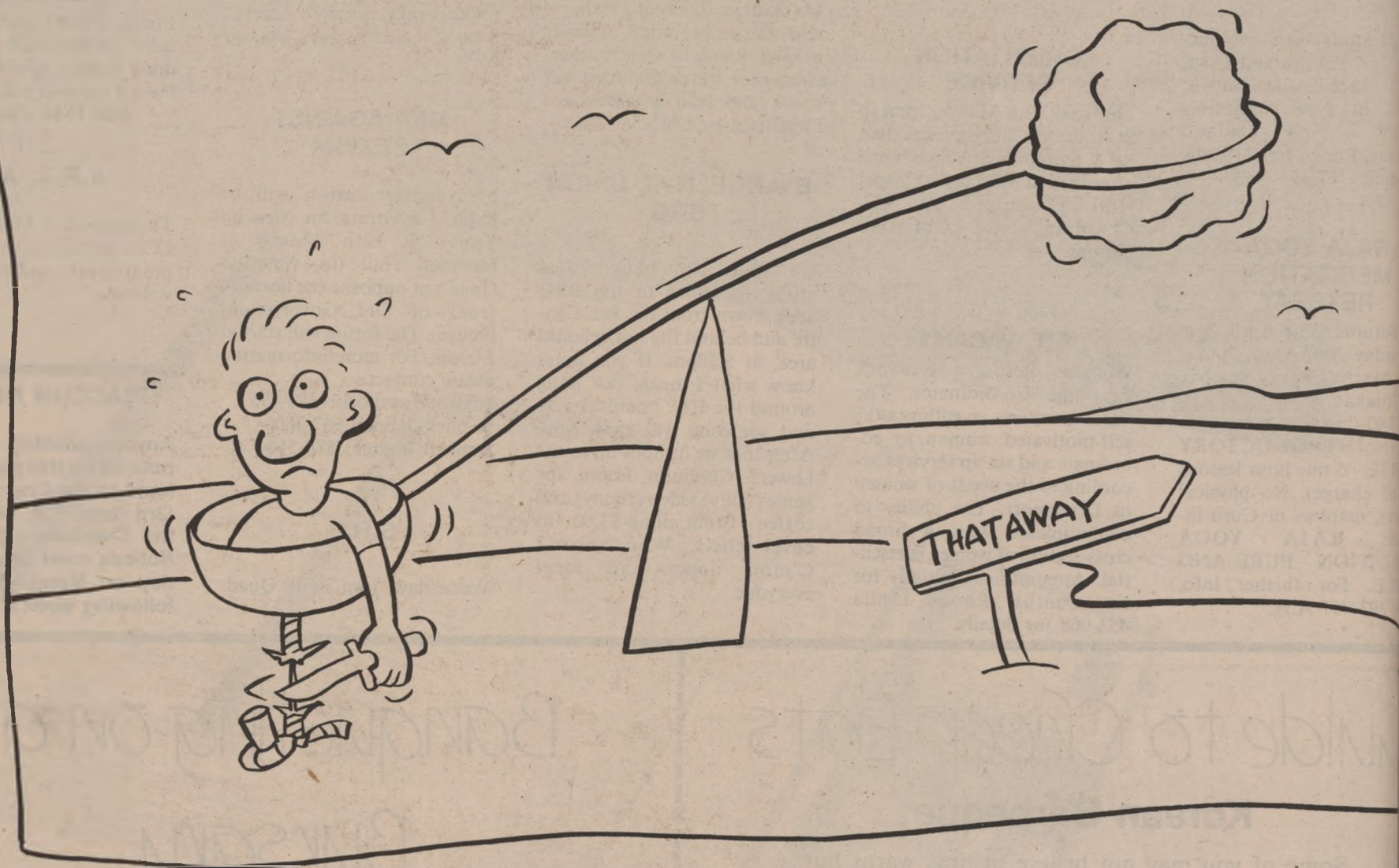
400g can tomatoes
150g macaroni, cooked
oreganum, salt, pepper
2 tomatoes, sliced
2 slices of wholemeal bread
50g grated cheese

Pre-heat the oven to 200C - 400F. Mix the canned tomatoes, macaroni and seasonings together and put in a greased casserole dish. Layer the tomato slices evenly over. Crumble the bread and mix with the cheese. Sprinkle over the tomato slices. Bake for about 25 minutes.

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Drink Driving

You've now been back here for a week. Orientation is finally over. Some of you are just starting to get over your hangovers, others contemplating the Kiwi, the Globe or maybe even Champs for Happy Hour. Then you'll want to go home. How? Often by car. Bad idea.

Now most of you will be aware of the legal limits of 500 micrograms per litre of breath and 80 milligrams per 100 millilitres of blood but how many know what they do when they're caught and the implications.

To start with they take away your licence for a minimum of six months. But that can be coped with, using buses, bicycles or other means of transport.

The second thing that they do is to fine you, up to \$1500. But even that can possibly be paid in instalments which takes some of the sting out.

Thirdly they can send you to prison for up to three months. This is nasty, not only does it keep you otherwise occupied but it also gives you a criminal record. This means that banks, insurance companies and the like tend to take a dim view of you.

Also if you do hit and kill someone they can, and sometimes do bring charges of manslaughter to bear. This can be most unpleasant as it tends to cut short all sorts of promising careers.

Charges can and are pressed for those who cause accidents whilst under the influence of medication even if it is necessary to the user.

When you do go drinking think ahead. Make alternative arrangements to get home be it bus or bicycle. Even get someone to stay sober to drive home. If you do drink and drive remember you could be behind the wheel in a fatal accident.

You could be dead.

STUDENT LEARNING UNIT

FIRST TERM COURSES

Sessions are offered during lunch hour 1.00 - 2.00pm at Room G10 in the Old Choral Hall. The Wednesday and Thursday classes are parallel. So you need to attend only one of them.

NOTETAKING (Wed 11, 18 March / Thur 12, 19 March)

If your notes are an illegible mess under your bed (and even if they are not) you probably can do with some pointers on how to take and organise notes. Get the most out of your lectures: two one hour workshops on notetaking.

TIME MANAGEMENT (Wed 25 March 87 / Thurs 26 March 1987)

This one hour session outlines how you can plan your time well in advance, so all necessary study is done, and last minute panic is avoided. Includes techniques to reduce wasted time and overcome procrastination.

GOAL SETTING AND POSITIVE THINKING (Wed 1 April 1987 / Thur 2 April 1987)

Topics covered will include setting priorities and breaking them down into manageable steps, and viewing ourselves, others and our environment in a positive way.

MOTIVATION AND CONCENTRATION (Wed 8 April 1987 / Thur 9 April 87)

For the first burst of excitement and enthusiasm, motivation often fails: how can this be prevented or come?!! Also: skills in enhancing concentration.

5) MEMORY SKILLS (Wed 15 April 1987 / Thur 16 April 1987)

This session will outline how you can improve your retention of both lecture and reading material.

6) ORGANISING YOUR ESSAY (Wed 22 April 87 / Thur 23 April 87)

What does the question mean? How should I answer it? How do I find the relevant information?

This one hour session will help you get started with your essay.

7) WRITING YOUR ESSAY (Wed 29 April 87 / Thur 30 April 87)

This session will be an introduction to essay writing: eg style, argumentation. In-depth courses will be run during term II.

8) EFFICIENT READING (Wed 6 May 87 / Thur 7 May 87)

Reading heaps of books this year? This course introduces skills that will assist you in reading efficiently and effectively.

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CONTRIBUTE PLEASE
or YOU MAKE ME WANT TO CRY

The longer I wait, the longer this ode
will slither over our cheap paper abode -
once I was Hercules to task your expressions,
now tallen bogeypaper beneath a load. No lesson
could wrap these editorial thoughts again:
O Varsity Arts, where are your writers to lock
these balmy days, these straggling dawns
full of element? Just Who ascends on high the storeys
of your writers' block? Who will feed mana to my flock?

Robert Sullivan

BEAN PREDICTION

Only a stalk on our kitchen sill
gets too much sun for too much water

leaves look weird now
(I checked myself):

- Edges dark green
- Curled round middles
- Heavy with water (mini haiku)

guesses cope better in folded deeps
being u below a sink, hoisted

young phlegm glugging away
tealeaves, hot fats and water

two crinkly faces who ask for a drain -
and a runner bean? Ah, to climb.

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AUCKLAND: HISTORY & ART

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All walks last about two hours and are led by experienced guides, and are scheduled rain or shine. Walkers should come prepared with good walking shoes and clothing appropriate to the days weather.

Art Galleries & Exhibitions

Departs in front of Downtown Coach and Air Terminal, Quay St. Thursdays 10am on these dates; March 12, 19, 26. April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30.

This walk gives a tour of the specialist dealer galleries located in the city centre. The walk ends about noon at the Auckland City Art Gallery, walkers wishing to continue can, after a break in the Gallery's cafe, join a tour of the Art Gallery when schedules allow. Afterwards to the City Library's Rare Book Room.

Auckland Domain History.

Departs front steps of War Memorial Museum, Sundays 1.30pm on these dates; March 15, 22, 29. April 5, 12, 19, 26.

Historic Parnell

Departs Parnell Library, 390 Parnell Rd. Wednesdays 2pm on these dates; March 4, 11, 18, 25. April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29.

This walk has entry charges to two Historic houses, Ewelme Cottage \$1.75, Kinder House \$1. Afternoon tea is an optional extra at Kinder House for \$2.



KATHLEEN TURNER & CATHERINE HICKS IN "PEGGY SUE GOT MARRIED"

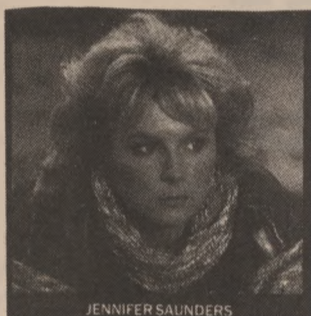
PEGGY SUE GOT MARRIED

Someone, presumably in the film industry, keeps sending me these press kits. So I've decided to start using them. I mean after all they do contain some great photos that it would be a shame to waste. Unfortunately they failed to inform me where the films are playing, or when, but it's soon, I hope.

'Peggy Sue Got Married' is the latest directing effort from Francis Coppola. It stars Kathleen Turner, (Roman Polanski's 'The Stone', 'Prizzi's Honour'), and Nicolas Cage, (Coppola's 'The Cotton Club').

The film opens with Turner as Peggy Sue -- a woman of two and facing divorce -- attending her 25th high school reunion. In the midst of old friends, she has an accident that thrusts her back in time, allowing her to re-live the events that shaped the course of her life and the possibilities in determining one's own fate.

Well that's the synopsis according to the press releases. Unfortunately it leaves me somewhat unenthusiastic with Coppola directing and Turner and Cage it could be worth taking a chance.



JENNIFER SAUNDERS

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SUPERGRASS

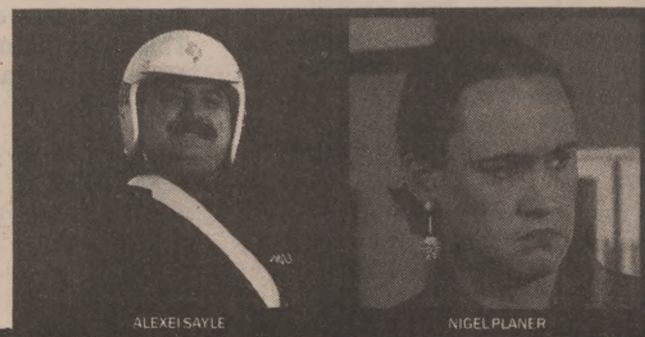
Dennis (Adrian Edmondson) is one of life's innocents. Returning from a west country holiday with his mum, he pretends to be a drugs smuggler in order to impress his would-be girlfriend, and sets off a hopeless chain of circumstances. Melancholy Inspector Robertson prays for a breakthrough in this case before he leaves the force to become a priest. Sgt Duncan longs to be re-united with his girlfriend WPC Reynolds, but instead has to watch while she poses as Dennis's girlfriend on their undercover mission. And Sgt Troy dreams of only one thing - to unleash the instrument he keeps in the viola case under his bed

'Supergrass', the first feature film from 'The Comic Strip' is due for release in Auckland on 20 March, after taking part in a Kerridge Odeon festival of films earlier in the month. 'The Comic Strip', better known for their appearances in the cult TV series 'The Young Ones', and '5 Go Mad...' series are recognized as the UK's most successful alternative comic group.

Starring in 'Supergrass' is Adrian Edmondson, better known for his role as Vivyan in 'The Young Ones', Nigel Planer (Neil in 'The Young Ones') and Alexei Sayle. Edmondson plays the part of Dennis - one of life's innocents - whose attempts to impress a would-be girlfriend backfire when police mistake him for an international drug smuggler. The scene is set for a series of hilarious misunderstandings, half-truths and downright lies.

Playing the part of the female constable is Jennifer Saunders, who in real life is the wife of Adrian Edmondson.

As well as a star cast list, 'Supergrass' contains music from Grace Jones, Frankie Goes To Hollywood and 'Bob Marley'.



ALEXEI SAYLE

NIGEL PLANER

W. REVIEW

UNIVERSITY

BEDFELLOWS is a very adult comedy, in point of fact I've not heard such explicit language used in a mainstream, or even capping, play for a very long time. Bedfordfellows is also one of the funniest plays it has been my good fortune to see for a very long time. It has so many good one-liners and comments that McPhail and Gadsby will be shamed into fleeing to Bolivia if a comparison should occur.

It also had a bite of truth that turned a light comedy into a serious appraisal of the questions that arise from extramarital affairs. The story follows the various infidelities of an English lecturer, Paul Cummins (Roy Billings), his wife Carol, Liddy Holloway, and Paul's best friend and literary protege/rival Bill Butler.

BEDFELLOWS

The university background, though set in Australia, gives a very close to home feeling about the play. The ending is realistic and somewhat subtle in its portrayal and leaves the audience with unanswered questions - the best kind.

The acting is as good as can be expected, i.e. excellent, Roy Billings in particular exhibits superb timing and delivery, but by no means did Liddy Holloway or Stephen Tozer play back seat to anyone.

As a final comment on how impressed I was by the production, unfortunately dearest and myself arrived 10 minutes late, (I blame her, I tell you.) I'm considering going back for those 10 minutes alone.

Bedfellows, by Prospero Productions, will play at the Customhouse Theatre till March 14th, (i.e. this Saturday), students \$15, other \$17.50.

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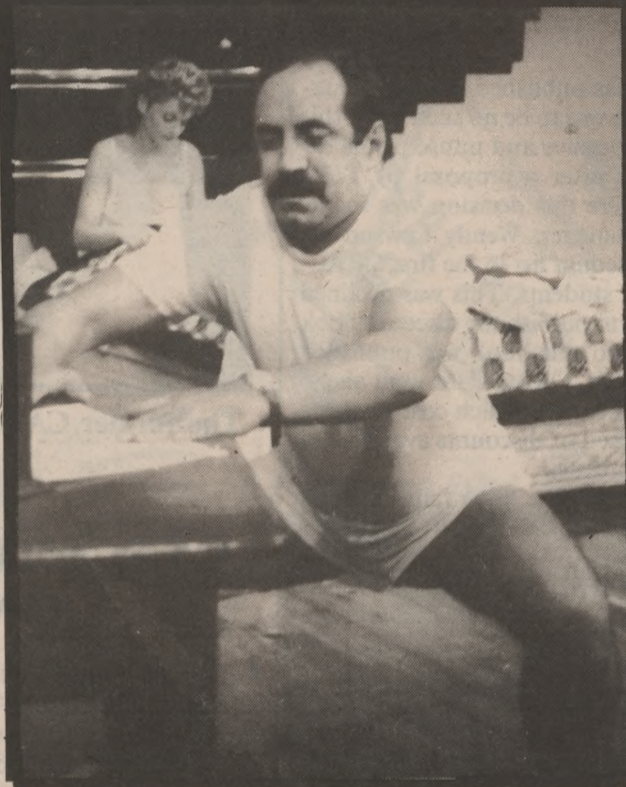
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'BEDFELLOWS'



PUBLIC WORKS ON CAMPUS

PUBLIC WORKS presents PLAY WITHOUT A TITLE by Garcia Lorca and ORIA TURNS IN HER SLEEP by John Davies, with THE HELPTOCRATS at the LITTLE MAIDMENT THEATRE, Tuesday March 10 to Sunday March 15, at 8pm. \$8 unwaged, \$12 waged.

'Play Without A Title' is taken from an unpublished manuscript by Federico Garcia Lorca. Until his death in 1936 at the hands of Francos troops Lorca was the most eminent Spanish poet and playwright of the day.

'PLAY WITHOUT A TITLE' was written during the Spanish revolution, the plays main concern is with the theatre, its role in society, the relationship of the actors and audience and to life outside the doors.

Local combo the HEPTOCRATS play 'punk-jazz' during the interval.

'ORIA TURNS IN HER SLEEP' is a world premiere of John Davies mask dance, having based his work on classical Noh theatre, which he has studied recently in Japan.

RAZOR 4 REVIEW

RAZOR, for those of you who don't know is a magazine produced by Aucklands 'student' underground, it is not commercial nor is it well known outside a select few.

Included in the content are film-shorts and comic reviews, illustrators are interviewed but by far the majority consists of comic strips and serials.

Many of those who follow the local comic scene will find familiar names from Craccum of past years; Tisco by Kupe has a notable presence in Razor, Cornelius Stone and Warwick Gray also feature prominently.

There is no faulting the graphic and layout ability of the strips, - clear, large and well balanced. However the same cannot be said for the articles and reviews. The small type used (60% the size of this type) while allowing a great deal of information to be transmitted, it does so at the risk of discouraging readers. As to the style and content, while humour is certainly present, it's of the sharp satirical style rather than Garfield meets Dog. Instead imagine George Orwell meets Judge Dread. But that suggests that Razor doesn't have its own style - which it most certainly does.

I have no idea of the cost involved in obtaining a copy of Razor 4, but no matter what it is, buy it, it will be value for money.

Razor 4 was edited by Graham Hedgeman and is available from the University Bookshop, Old Book Cellar, Just Desserts, Mark 1 Comics and 'other places'. In July Razor 5 is due out.

As a final note on the nature of Razor's production an excerpt from it's frontispiece:

'RAZOR 4 was hand reared in the garden of Razor House. The neighbours have complained incessantly.'



G. ROMANES, FROM
'RAZOR'.



A riotous farce
by Nikolai Erdman

Maidment Theatre March 12 - 21 : Door sales

POLLY TICKS...



and politicians who call themselves student representatives

GRANT SIMPSON



ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS OFFICER

Craccum talked with Grant Simpson, a member of A.U.S.A.'s 16 member executive.

CRACCUM: Grant, could you please tell us what environmental issues you're working on at the moment?

Grant: One of the biggest ones I'm looking at is 2.4.5-T. I've got a few reports coming in on this, some about the health aspects of 2.4.5-T and some on the alternatives to it.

Later on I'll be looking at doing something with Michael Heriot on Student Union beautification. We'll be having some sort of competition where people, particularly in Town Planning and Architecture, put in proposals. These are judged, and the best one is implemented or at least thought of seriously.

Another big project, continued from last year, is the building for the corner of Alfred and Symonds St.

CRACCUM: This is the Student Union Tower Block proposal?

Grant: Yes, the reason why I'm interested in that as Environmental Affairs Officer, is that if you want to make something nice you've got to do it at the planning stage when it's a lot cheaper, rather than complaining about something once it's done. The current student association building here is in many ways a case of "We've got what we've got" and it's very difficult to do anything with it and that's just tough.

Another thing coming up is the Beech forest issue. I might have been too late for that this year, because I'm not sure whether the conservation bill is going through. I'm having a motion on that at the second S.R.C., so I can write something on this supported by A.U.S.A. policy rather than just a personal opinion. It's really hard for me as Environmental Affairs Officer not having been in touch with that issue over the summer, to really know what to do. I could just jump in and say things on behalf of the association, but really I don't know what I'm talking about. But that's not my priority at the moment, I can't really do much about that. My priority is 2.4.5-T. There's quite a lot I can do about that issue because I've got the resources, the scientific material together.

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DISCOUNT BOOK BLUNDER

In previous years, AUSA has published a book of student discounts. Initially there was to be no such book this year, as it was becoming expensive and unused. The executive changed their mind after a proposal by TISA CARD. At the meeting where this decision was made, CRACCUM Advertising Manager, Wendy Lawson offered to include a student discount list in the first CRACCUM of 1987, at no cost to students. This was declined by the executive, who agreed to publish the discount book collated by TISA CARD, and this book was published with student money. Meanwhile, CRACCUM went ahead with its discount list (see issue one), which cost students nothing and is 100% composed of discounts available to all Auckland University students.

This is where the TISA CARD book falls down. A count of the discounts in this book shows 210 companies offering discounts, yet 73 of these discounts are for TISA CARD holders only. Clause ONE of the agreement between AUSA and TISA CARD states that 'Discounts are available for students enrolled at the University of Auckland'. But just over 30 per cent of discounts in the book are for TISA CARD holders only.

Contrary to popular belief, TISA CARDS are not University enrolment cards. Auckland University students must BUY a TISA CARD, if they want one, for \$20.

The 1987 student discount book is an excellent advertisement for TISA CARD, but it should not be funded with student money.

As a footnote to this, CRACCUM hears that Graham Watson is hosting a private party for TISA CARD holders only. At an undisclosed nightclub on Wednesday 11 March, TISA CARD holders gain free entry and a free drink, but more importantly the pleasure of our President's company. Tough luck, card holders, it looks like Tim Shadbolt couldn't make it

P.S. The nightclub is 'Alfies', which is free for students on Wednesday night anyway! Generosity city...



Isn't it time for some fresh air?

(From PRAVDA)



The former CAO leaves the Council Room

EXECUTIVE GETS PAT ON BACK

Look out kids, there's a new dance craze threatening students' association. The hollowed corridors of the executive are now echoing to the sound of the Pretenders' new 'Let's do the resignation'. Lead Pretenders Steve (the chicken) Barriball and Mike (shake your tailfeather) Heriot have been expounding the virtues of artistic resignation. These daring young lads tempt the finger of executive by offering to resign, but then stay on.

Police are concerned that young people may start imitating this trend. Already, two resignation-crazed individuals have carried the dance too far. CRACCUM spoke to executive member 'X', who said,

'Well, at first you know, I just wanted to try resignation once, I mean all the other kids were doing it, it's just an 'in' thing. Then when I saw what an ego boost it can be to be told not to resign, I was hooked. Now I'm doing it every two weeks.'

So Steve and Mike received a pat on the back, while executive saw the back of Pat Stodart. The CAO is now out to lunch. Long live the new Cultural Affairs Officer! Don't forget to vote in the by-election coming soon to a booth near you. Any student considering the resignation! Just get onto executive, see how it operates, and resign. Simple eh?

LAWSON

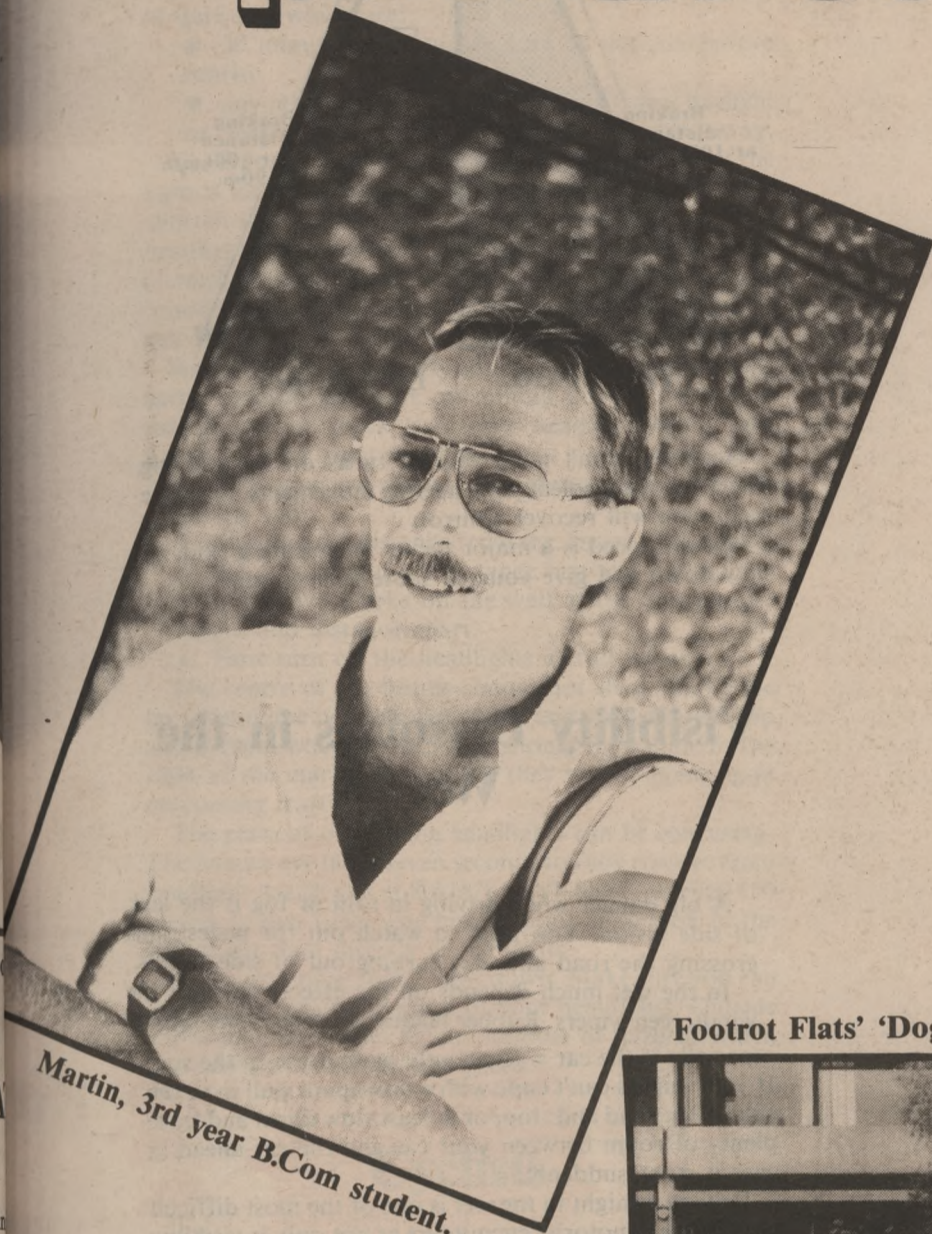


Pat Stodart's last stand at executive

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DAVID WARD



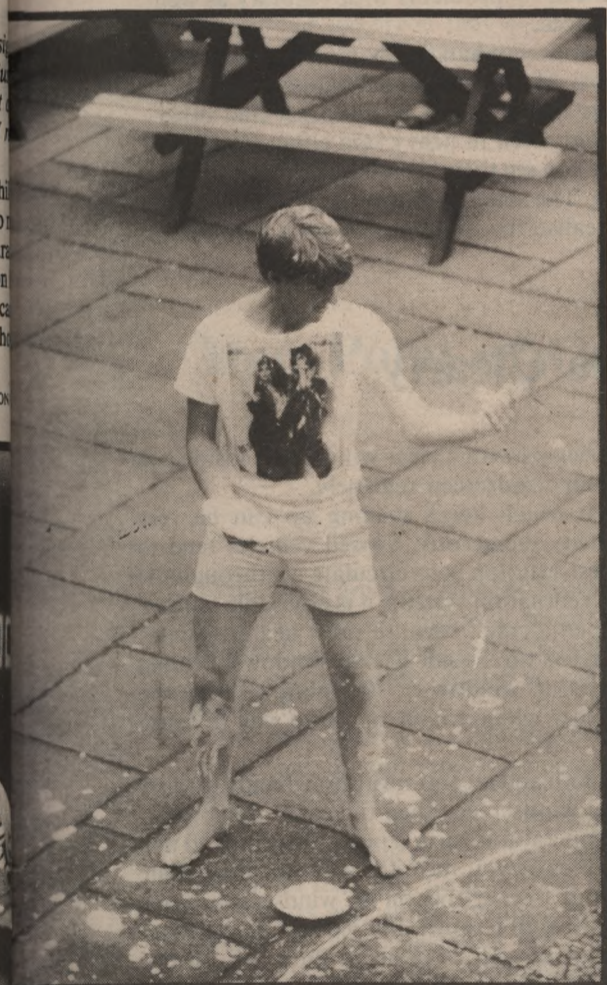
Martin, 3rd year B.Com student.



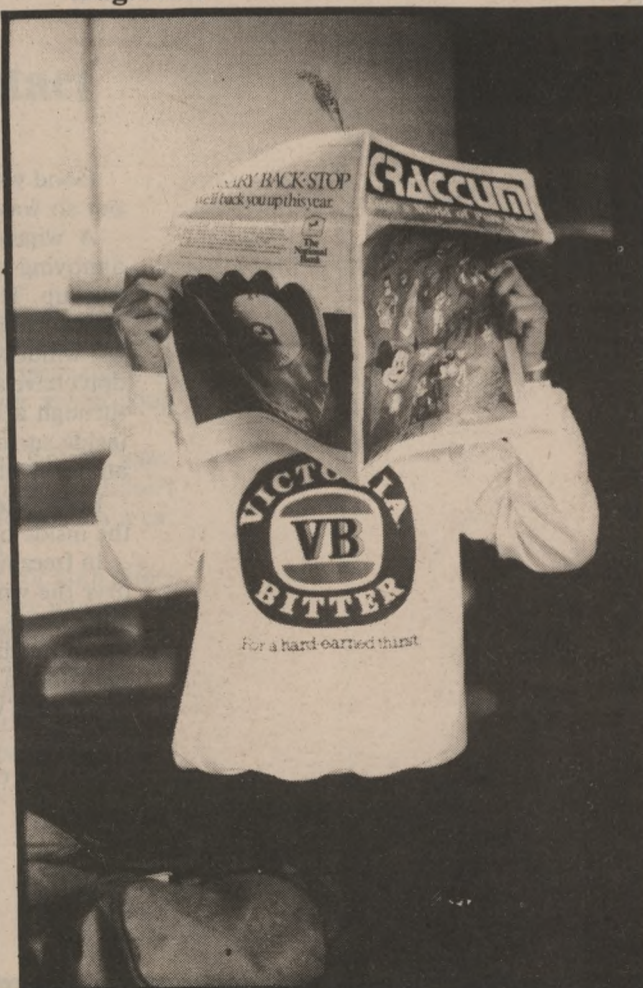
A debate in the Cafe: 'That women would rather be right than reasonable'. Michael (Joshua Peabody) Strevens from Alabama speaks for the affirmative.



A Craccum reader engrossed in his magazine.



Arch pie-fighter Carl 'Mad Jack' Fagan stalks his prey....



..... and receives his just desserts.

VISIBILITY VIBES

There are good reasons for slowing down in the wet. You need the length of a rugby field (100 metres) to stop in the wet if you are travelling at 80km/h. On a dry road it would take about 60 metres.

Road surfaces can become very slippery when they are wet. It is therefore very important that you adjust your speed and following distances to allow for the extra stopping distance needed.

During rain the road accident rate is about four times the fine weather rate. The main types of wet weather accidents due to road conditions are head-on collisions, cornering accidents and losing control on straight roads. And most of these accidents are linked with slippery road surfaces and/or bald tyres.

It's not just at high speeds that rain can seriously affect stopping distances; around town at 50km/h you will have to allow for the rain. Travelling at a speed of 50km/h may not sound very fast, but think of it this way—a car travelling at 50km/h will move 14 metres in just one second. Research has shown that on average it takes three quarters of a second to react to a hazard and get your foot on the brake. That means at 50km/h you will travel 10 metres before you begin to stop. On a dry road with good brakes you will have stopped in 26 metres. But on a wet road you will need about 40 metres to stop. So, in the wet, it takes you nearly twice as long to stop. In other words your braking ability is only half as good as it is on a dry road.

Slowing Down

You can make allowance for this decrease in your braking ability by slowing down. Then, if you have to stop you will need less distance for braking. And it also means you won't have to slam on your brakes, which is just as well because slamming on your brakes on a greasy road is the surest way to get into a skid. The best way to stop is to apply the brakes progressively as this prevents the wheels from locking up.

Because your stopping distance has doubled, you should double the distance between you and the car in front. Don't go into the extra gap left by someone else. The other driver is being sensible in leaving a larger gap to stop in.

The early phase of rain is a dangerous time because it creates a slick film on the road surface, which is very slippery. It takes continuing hard rain to wash it away, so it is important to slow down with the first showers.

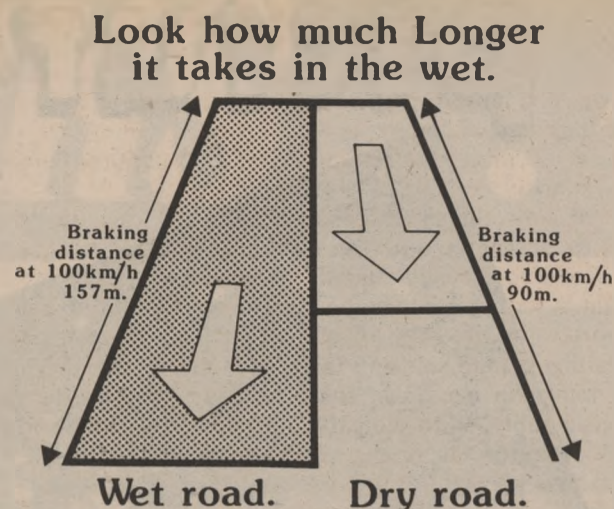
Slowing down helps you in another way too. You will have more time to spot hazards such as water lying on the road. Driving fast through surface water can cause the water to spray the engine and drown it. Water spray can also hinder another driver's vision.

It is always important to slow down to go around a corner but on a wet road it is even more vital. Slow down before the corner, not halfway around it. That could be too far to stop yourself skidding off the road or into an on-coming car.

Dealing with a Skid

The first advice about skids is avoid getting into one in the first place by adjusting your driving to suit the conditions.

However, if you do get into a skid then **DON'T JAM ON THE BRAKES AND DON'T PUSH IN THE CLUTCH.** That will only make it worse. Take your feet off the pedals and turn the wheels to point in the same direction as the car is skidding. As the car straightens out, straighten the wheels.



However, don't make violent turns on the steering wheel. The less violent your steering movements, the more easily you will recover control.

Usually speed is a major factor in causing a skid, so slow down and give yourself more time to react.

Visibility Dissolves in the Wet

A big danger when driving in rain or fog is the lack of side vision. You need to watch out for pedestrians crossing the road and cars turning out of side streets.

In the wet much depends on the effectiveness of the windscreen wipers. Rubber blades can deteriorate rapidly especially if the car is frequently parked out in the sun. If your wipers can't cope with a downpour pull in to the side of the road and stop, or at least slow down and leave plenty of room between your car and the car ahead in case it stops suddenly.

Driving at night in the wet is one of the most difficult conditions a motorist encounters as not only is visibility reduced enormously but there is also usually glare on the windscreen and the road is slippery. Rain on the headlights scatters the beam and makes it less effective. All this adds up to potentially dangerous situations.

Wet weather accidents at night happen at about twice the rate of day time wet weather accidents. The types of accidents which are very bad at night are collisions with objects such as power poles and fences, and collisions with pedestrians crossing the road. Both occur at about three times the day time rate. These accidents are obviously influenced by problems with visibility as well as stopping distances.

There is only one way to handle poor visibility and that is by slowing down. If the unexpected happens you then have time to cope with it. Most of us forget that other drivers can't see very well in heavy rain either. We tend to think that if we can see them then they can see us. This is not always true. The same applies to pedestrians—few people on foot realise the extent to which a motorist's vision is reduced.

See Clearly

Good vision begins with a clear windscreen inside and out so wash your windscreen regularly.

A windscreen which keeps misting up can be very annoying and very dangerous. Closed vehicles tend to mist up. The best solution is to circulate air through the car. With most ventilation systems it is advisable to leave the windows open a crack because most heater systems don't have any effect on the side or rear windows. Peering through a fogged up window or struggling to wipe the inside surface clear while driving is a sure way to cause an accident.

Keep a clean cloth and an anti-mist spray handy to wipe the inside of the windscreen when the car is stationary.

In freezing temperatures carry a piece of sacking to put over the windscreen if you have to park for more than a few hours, or put a newspaper on the windscreen, using the wiper blades to hold it down. For ice on side windows use either a plastic scraper or de-icing fluid and fill the windscreen washer bottles with a fluid that de-ices as well as cleans.

Night in Shining Headlights

Put your headlights on as soon as daylight begins to fade. You must display headlights during the legal hours of darkness which are:

- 30 minutes after sunset until 30 minutes before sunrise.
- any other time when there is not sufficient daylight to clearly see a person or vehicle 100 metres away.

Use dipped headlights rather than parking lights if the light is fading—they cost very little to run and will not shorten the life of your battery. It pays to keep your headlights (and side and tail lights) clean. A spattering of mud will cut down the effectiveness of the beam considerably. With old cars more powerful globes or a new reflector can brighten things up.

Beams should be properly adjusted to give the best light and to reduce glare for on-coming drivers. Here is a simple way to check that your headlight beams are pointing in the right direction:

1. Park your car about three metres back from the garage wall.
2. Measure the distance from the centre of the lights to the ground and the distance between the lights.
3. Make two marks on the wall at the appropriate height and distance apart.
4. Now turn on the headlights at full beam.

The centre of the beams should not shine above the horizontal line between the marks and they should drop about 10cm when dipped. Nor should they shine to the right of the marks. If they do, they will be pointing at on-coming traffic.

The glare of on-coming headlights can be confusing. The human eye takes seven seconds to fully recover from headlight dazzle and at 80km/h you'll have travelled 150 metres in that time. The best solution is to look to the left rather than directly at the lights.

When driving at night, slow down. Make sure you can easily stop within the range of your headlights. Outside the range there could be any number of hazards which you couldn't avoid at high speed.

Cyclists

Cyclists should also take extra care at night. With early night-fall more people will be cycling home in the dark. Too many of them don't use lights. Bicycle lights should be large and bright and clearly visible from 100 metres and this includes the tail lights. You should also have a good quality reflector to the rear, and reflectors on the pedals are a good idea.

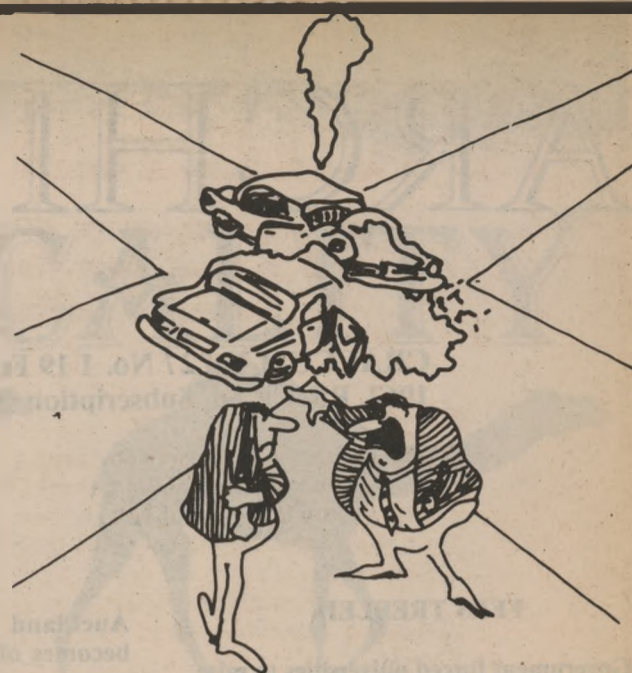
If you are a cyclist or a pedestrian don't assume that drivers can see you. You may be out of the range of their headlights or the driver may be temporarily dazzled by on-coming lights. Approximately 40 percent of accidents on New Zealand roads occur after dark.

Your Point of Contact

Your tyres are your point of contact between you and the road. They are also your means of traction. In wet weather that traction is reduced by the slippery roads so it becomes especially vital that your tyres are in good condition.

The law requires a tread depth of at least 1.5mm. Check that all your tyres have enough tread (and don't forget to check the spare). Just one bald tyre on a car can get you into all sorts of difficulties.

Correct inflation of tyres is important, for both safety and life of the tyres. Over inflated tyres are more prone to skid. As well as that incorrectly inflated tyres (over inflated or under inflated) don't last as long. Under inflated tyres can affect fuel consumption as well. Check tyre inflation as part of your regular routine of checking oil and water levels. Do you know what the recommended pressures for the tyres on your car are?



Car Check Up

Your car should be in good order to cope with wet or cold weather. Use this checklist and tick off each box as you examine your car.

- ☐ Tyres—Check for 1.5mm tread depth. Check there are no cracks or bulges in the walls. Check the spare as well.
- ☐ Brakes—Check for wear. Is the master cylinder topped up?
- ☐ Exhaust system—Make sure there are no holes.
- ☐ Battery—Clean the terminals, tighten the leads. Check the water levels.
- ☐ Fanbelt—Check for wear.
- ☐ Radiator—If you live in an area where water freezing in the radiator is a possibility, use an anti-freeze in the cooling system in winter.
- ☐ Carburettor—Check for leaks.
- ☐ Lights—Check all the lights work. Clean the lenses.
- ☐ Windscreen wipers—Check the wiper blades. If worn, replace. Fill the windscreen washer bottle.
- ☐ Heater/Demisters—Check they are working properly.
- ☐ Body work—Check rust spots, clean them. Plug leaks in window surrounds.
- ☐ Miscellaneous—Check the jack works. Put a torch in the car. A small shovel might get you out of trouble. Carry a first aid kit. Consider a tow-rope and battery jumper leads.

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When you want to do it



Alcoholic Liquor Advisory Council



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FEES TREBLED

Government forced universities to raise fees by reducing grants by the same amount the new fees will raise.

* tuition fees were trebled.

* students with only U.E. got their fees paid for the first year. A first year bursary was worth 40.00 pounds, 60.00 pounds for the second and third years, and 100.00 for the fourth. Masters bursary was 100.00 pounds.

* Accommodation Grant was 80.00 pounds

(These are all per year. eds.)

A student taking science without a bursary had a cost jump from 33 pounds 12/- to 100 pounds 16/-

Auckland University coat-of-arms becomes official.



The badge designed by Prof. P.J. Beadle of the School of Fine Arts, and was submitted to the College of Arms and approved by the Kings of Arms in a letter from Chester Herald of Arms, London on December 20 1961.

NO MORE GAMBLING CARD PLAY BAN

9/10/1961, Exec banned all card playing in the student block except when under the auspices of an affiliated club.

This was done because of the mess left behind by the cardplayers.

Secondly that the card players were disturbing students trying to relax.

And finally that the banning of play was a positive step against gambling.

PROPHETIC WORDS

Asian Secretary of the World Assembly of youth warned New Zealanders that their insular attitude was not a healthy one in a shrinking world

'New Zealand, whether it likes it or not, is going to be affected by what happens in Asia.'

HORRORSCOPE

LEO

The Lion's a great proud rearing creature, immensely strong, occasionally dangerous, but always terribly terribly tacky.

Your karmic mission (you usually decide not to accept it) is to realise that success is an illusion and security a vain ambition.

You have an ego as big as a basketball, and you bounce it around without worrying whose face gets in the way.

Leo's often enjoy cheerful explosions of brainless rage. It clears the air.

Anyone who needs as much affection as you do is romantically active, though few signs are so active with so many.

In the course of your romances your credit cards take a frightful beating.

You are a pushy employee, who believes he can do anything, solving problems by taking them aside and kicking them till they die.

VIRGO

No sign is more bound to the Wheel of Life than Virgo.

You have chosen this incarnation to learn that the material world is not worth the idolatry you lavish on it.

You are astrologically associated with fussiness, cleanliness, and unsparing personal criticism.

Virgoans are unable to enjoy themselves, even on drugs.

You Virgoans are ruthless self-improvers, but your bowels are subject to blockage.

As a material idolator you have no faith in anything you can't feel, or can't predict. For this reason you can be profoundly stupid. Your sharp intellect deceives you.

Your major talent is queueing and you often join the longest in the Post Office arguing that there must be some good reason for the other queues being shorter. The truth is that you just find safety in numbers, and initiative makes you anxious.

Being in love is not a natural state for you, and frequently leads to your brain bursting like a water-filled condom-bomb. After the first rush of love and sex and horror you fall away appalled at the mess. You go home for a few days to collect yourself - your lover feels abandoned and betrayed and never forgives you. But you had to catch up on correspondence which is important to you.

LIBRA

Libra is Greek for weight, and Libran women worry about this and with cause.

Your soul is now grown up enough to recognise the eternal polarities of the universe, your yin and yang, your masculine and feminine, your cheque stubs and your bank statements.

Of course it can't be done not in this country but you are ambitious. Frighteningly ambitious.

It is true that Librans seek calm, peace and harmony, but only as a method of getting everything your own way.

You join arguments on the losing side. You are always in the minority where you are most visible.

You are sensitive to the needs and fears of other people, and this helps productivity. Much as you hate any kind of emotional disturbance you have found over the years that people behave significantly better if you shout at them.

They may not like you immediately, but they will immediately respect you.

You are the most talented flirt in the Zodiac. Generous minded friends say that you confuse love and friendship but the truth is you're a slut.

CHAPLAIN'S CHAT CHRISTIANITY AND THE UNIVERSITY

What's Christianity doing in modern secular Auckland University? Isn't it desperately old-fashioned to be a Christian? And, anyway, hasn't science disproved all that sort of stuff?

No, science hasn't 'disproved' Christianity. It can't. The important statements of Christianity are not of the sort of statement which science can handle. Suppose, for instance, that you were to produce a scientific proof that there is no God. That means you must successfully perform some experiment which could only succeed if there were no God. Can you think of any such experiment?

What about the 'old-fashioned' argument? Well, if it's an argument at all, it's an extraordinarily weak one. What is Christianity? It's old-fashioned, but it's better and no worse than it ever was. If you want to Charleston, why should you?

Christianity fits well in a university perhaps because the ideals of a university are old-fashioned too! Perhaps nowadays affect cynicism about searching for truth and the integrity of scholarship, but I suspect that around the university still honour its principles; and that's a thoroughly Christian attitude. It's no accident that the early European universities grew out of a large part from Christian foundations.

So, in modern secular Auckland University, Christianity is alive and well. You can find out about it if you want to. If the Christian claims are valid, it's a subject of surpassing importance. Millions of people believe that the claims are valid, and find in Christianity a life that is deeply rewarding. As such people will offer thoughts in a column week by week. We could, of course, be wrong - but then, so could you.

Contributed for the A.U. Chaplaincy G.A.C.

* (Historical note: The Charleston was a dance popular in the 1920's, which I did before my time too.)

You make talented paranoids.
You join arguments on the losing side.
Virgoans are unable to enjoy themselves even on Drugs.

SCORPIO

The sign is represented by the incompetent claw and ferocious stare of a malevolent arachnid.

In your search for power, for that one frightening over-whelming second you are the fastest in the Zodiac to see that the maps that you make of the heavens or of the sub-atomic world are all maps of your own internal structure. All knowledge you perceive is knowledge of self. If you know everything about yourself you can deduce everything else.

This is why you go down into the maze of yourself - you are looking for the Minotaur.

You make talented paranoids, you feel 'something' is going on (and it is) but what it is you don't yet know (you never will).

The fact is that Scorpios are the least generally liked sign of the Zodiac. Your deep feelings are painful to those around you, but it doesn't stop you sharing them.

You have a way with the opposite sex, and it is generally your own. Love is the most profoundly political event in your experience. Your seductions are powerplays, there is rarely a great sense of common interest and shared enjoyment, except when you are young and don't know any better.



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CAMEL COMICALITY



QUEENSLAND: TEN YEARS AND ONE HOUR BEHIND ...

As the interstate bus crossed the border into Queensland we adjusted our watches. "So Queensland's an hour behind the rest of Australia?" I enquired. An anonymous voice in the seat behind me answered with, "Queensland's ten years behind the rest of Australia!"

Yes, I'd have to agree with that, and I live in Brisbane!

The first sight in this great state of conservatism was a surprisingly large town of Toowoomba. Locals were on the ground, even sparser in the sky, but they did not have an excuse. It was only half past four in the morning.

Unusually for our time on the sunburnt continent, it was cold here. This remained an unimportant mystery until we departed Toowoomba, when our Queensland guide informed us "now we go down the mountains".

Mountains? What mountains?

Yes, you're on top of the great Dividing Range" we were told, and sure enough we descended (both topographically and politically) into the state capital. Brisbane is a great city. It was so exciting we could cope with four Brisbane hours (twelve minutes earth time) before heading for the semi-legendary Gold Coast.

To the untrained observer this tourist mecca ought to be positively drowning in job opportunities. The trained observer very quickly learns that jobs DO exist here in abundance, but only if you happen to be a French-trained chef.

Here's a quick look at the jobs advertised in the Commonwealth Employment Service job finding centre:

FRANCIS CHIEF WANTED

QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED: Must have been trained in France by a Frenchman within the last six months. AGE: 28-29.

WAITER

QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED: Must have seven years' experience in an international hotel. Must have a name beginning with "M". Age 16-17.

COMPUTER PROGRAMMER

QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED: Must have a nobel prize in programming and coffee making. Must speak fluent BASIC, PASCAL, Japanese and Rogernomics.



Unfortunately you don't appear to have done any previous bottle labelling.

SUPERMARKET SHELF-FILLER

QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED: Must have fifty-two years' experience filling shelves. Must live within thirty-two metres of this supermarket. Must have references from at least four heads of state, and have been photographed with either Mickey Mouse or Ronald Reagan.

Armed with only two thirds of a BA, I obviously stood no chance in this asphalt jungle. Fortunately this was not a battle of wits, for then I would have been totally defenceless.

I made my retreat to the relative safety of the creaking, steamy, and authoritarian mini-regime that was known in the local parlance as Coolangatta youth hostel. But as the clock bleeped nine pm, Coolangatta's lights went out. Arch-dictator and self proclaimed nice-guy Premier Job had flicked the master switch, sending his oppressed South Queenslanders and hapless Kiwi visitor to an early sleep.

The only alternative to this doubtful awakening was to escape, so I quietly crept along the back streets to the New South Wales border one massive kilometre away. The NSW lights shone brightly, dazzling our nervous escapee.

I disguised myself as a pineapple and rolled over the border, thus avoiding being strip-searched by Queensland border guards.

Morning saw me in freedom, a solitary Kiwi pineapple hitch hiking to Sydney, and the promise of a job as a can of juice.

D(G)W

THE KELLOGGS SERIAL

SUMMER OF '69 - FIVE MINUTES LATER

(from last week)

I said 'yes, that's me, how have you been, Bat me old mate?'

'Holy Cow, it's been a long time, Holy. I see you've got three more holes now', was his reply. Before the conversation extended any further I felt it necessary to assert my authority. I flashed my sheriff's badge at him, proudly watching the engraved H.C. initials glinting in the sun.

Batman's nervousness increased as he realised that I was now working the Department of Multi-polygonal Investigation. As a fully trained sheriff (having previously worked on the Northerner express) I missed nothing, and I soon noticed that Batman was concealing the true identity of his electric jug. After the jug had emitted 'Beep beep beep beep' three times, I knew I was dealing with an alien appliance.



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Under intense interrogation Batman cracked. His confession of 'Kapow, Bang, Wop', exposed the truly sinister existence of his kitchen. All of the appliances appeared to be doing 'The Time Warp'. All, that is, except for the toaster. While the jug expertly diverted my attention by producing a roulette wheel from its interior, the toaster was already transforming itself into a proton trans-dimensional inducer. Not only was the inducer appearing, but it's operator also materialised in the form of a well-fed cardboard cut-out of a television talk show host.

continued next week

D(G)W

STAGE ONE ABOLISHED

Continual and unrelenting annual influxes of stage one students have led to dramatic remedies. The University announced this week that all students would now begin their courses with stage two. Pesky little stage one students have been an annoying irritant for the first few weeks of every year, as they innocently get lost while they parade their uncorrupted faces.

All degrees will now contain stage two, three, and four, with a prize of 200 moohahs to anyone who can spot the magic in this article.

D(G)W

LIFE AT BULLSHIT CASTLE



BRAD'S BARYSPHERE



Photos: Keri Hoole

Having a Brew with Billy.

Orientation's main act this year was undoubtedly Billy Bragg, so when Craccum was asked to send someone along to his press conference, Brad jumped at the chance.

'Any dogma that makes Ideology more important than People,, whether Left or Right, I'm afraid I completely disagree' with.

It soon became apparent in the press conference that Billy Bragg was not simply a pop star, a fact that those of his followers that actually listen to what he has to say in song, would already know. Billy, during the ninety minute conference, covered a large range of topics through Politics and Music, but what impressed me the most was his knowledge of British Politics. Though he's a strong believer in socialism, he has very strong views on how a socialist state should and should not be achieved. 'Any dogma that makes Ideology more important than People, whether Left or Right, I'm afraid I completely disagree' with.

Billy is part of Red Wedge, a collection of musical performers, which includes the Style Council, Junior and The Communards. Red Wedge are backing the Labour Party in England in a desperate attempt to stop the Thatcher Administration getting in for a third term. His reasons for wanting the Thatcher Government out, include his certainty that under a third term they will completely demolish the welfare state. Yet in that desperation there still remains an incredible sanity in Billy and he thinks extremist action can sometimes do more damage, as with the Brighton Bombing. 'If Margaret Thatcher and the Cabinet had been killed at Brighton.... the best thing that would have happened would have been a state of emergency, ... the army would have had a free hand in Ireland, ... that's the best thing that could have happened..'

'I used to hate Smoky Robinson because he used to know so much about my life and it used to really annoy me'.

As for his music well, Billy 'Tries to reflect what he sees around him, and in Great Britain at the moment that's quite a political context', but this also includes human relationships, as can be seen in his love songs. He aims for 'that common touch' remembering how he 'used to hate Smoky Robinson because he used to know so much about my life and it used to really annoy me'.

Bragg himself enjoys Motown music and had a 'religious experience' when he got the chance to visit their studios in Detroit, while touring with The Smiths. Other music he's into includes The Clash, The Jam and Elvis Costello. And he doesn't mind sharing the music, in the form of people doing covers of his songs. He finds 'it's always interesting, for two reasons, you hope that they are to take the song and change it in some way ... and secondly I made more money out of Kirsty's song (Kirsty McCole's version of New England) than all my songs put together.

And the future? Well Billy wouldn't object to making those pop star millions for his idea of socialism is that everyone should have 'the opportunity of getting two cars and go on their holidays to Miami or Japan or Australia. Well, must dash.

Yours putting the cat out
BRAD M

Above: Having a Brew with Billy.

Right: Billy Playing at the Workers Festival at Victoria Park.

Below: Billy wandering through the Victoria Park Crowd, Unnoticed?



Campus Radio Alternati Top Thirteen 1/3/87

1. Billy Bragg; Greetings to the new brunette.
2. Sneaky Feelings; Coming true.
3. Beastie Boys; No sleep till Brooklyn.
4. Martonix; Listen to the bass.
5. It's Immaterial; Eds funky diner.
6. The Bats; Made up in blue.
7. Empty Quarter; Crucial lover.
8. B.A.D.; V13.
9. Chris and Cosey; Relay.
10. The the; Heartland.
11. The Woodentops; Travelling man.
12. The Fall; US. 80's 90's.
13. Hunters and Collectors; Is there any body in there.

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INTERNATIONAL
FILM FESTIVAL

MERCURY 1

'The gods' (Mercury 2)
Woman

Various Events

FESTIA

8.15pm - The Suicide
\$7

6.00pm - Play without a title
\$8 \$12 and Aorio turns in
her Sleep

2.20pm & 6.00pm - Diva
8.20pm - Repo Man

1.00pm - Funny Business
Gallery Auditorium

7.00pm - Blood Wedding
9.00pm - Le Voyage en Douce

Fringe Festival
Party Night

8.30pm - Extensions

8.15pm - Romeo & Juliet
\$8 student standby

6.00am - Kiss of the Spider
Woman

5.30pm - School of Music
Concert, Music Theatre

1.00pm - The Music School
LRT-Lunchtime concert
8.15pm - The Suicide
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2.20pm & 6.00pm - Diva
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12.00pm - David Legerton
Galleries Auditorium

7.00pm - Le Voyage en Douce
9.00pm - Brazil

When the Cats Away

8.30pm - Extensions

11.00am & 5.30pm & 8.15pm
The Girl in the
Picture
11.00pm - The Supergrass

8.15pm - Romeo & Juliet
\$8 student standby

6.00am - Kiss of the Spider
Woman

12.00pm - Festa Kicks off at
Farmers

9.00am to 3.15pm -
ARA & NZR St
Bus Fares

8.15pm - The Suicide
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6.00pm - Play without a title
\$8 \$12 and Aorio turns in
her Sleep

6.00pm - Blues Brothers
8.20pm - The Magic Christian

3.00pm - La Boheme
6.30pm - The Grey Fox
9.00pm - Le Voyage en Douce

When the Cats Away

6.30pm - Extensions

5.00pm & 8.15pm - What ever
Happened to Baby Jane.

8.15pm - Romeo & Juliet
\$8 student standby

6.00am - Kiss of the Spider
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7.00pm - Prussian Blue
Lecture-Symposium

2.00pm - Kiss of the Spider
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ON The Plot



In the beginning

The earliest evidence of our plants being used was 6,500 years ago. The Yang-Sao used the plant for fishing implements such as rope. Recordings of the plant have been found from the beginning of man. It was important for fibres which eventually were made into clothes which were worn only by the elite of the classes. Also the seeds were used as a major food source before cereal grains were discovered.

When the 1st medical concepts were being formed it was recorded that if the fruit of the plant was taken in excess it would cause hallucinations (literally seeing devils) it was also recording that if taken over a long term one would be able to communicate with spirits. The root also was used in early medical practices, it was ground into a paste and then used as a pain killer for broken bones and surgery.



Around 100BC the Chinese invented paper made from the fibre of the plant. This paper is known for its durability and its resistance from tearing. Amazingly enough this paper has been used very recently (ie in the last few years and still maybe presently) as money in Canada. Perhaps high quality bibles have been produced from the plant paper.

The British parliaments encouraged the plant product to supply ropes for the British fleet. The American government also encouraged this production of the plant, and eventually imposed penalties on those that didn't grow this plant. By the year 1860 the production of the plant became a mass industry, second only to cotton in the south. The production of the plant was disrupted by the American Civil War, never to return in this capacity. Attempts were made by the United States Dept of Agriculture to cultivate hemp by importing Chinese and Italian seeds. But by the early 1900's production stopped due to Labour and lack of modern machinery for the industry.

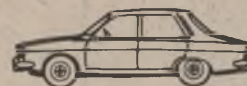
In the USA, the illegalisation of the use of the plant eventuated because of who was using it - Mexican labourers and Southern blacks. Politicians and high non-white populations created myths of insanity, violence, lust and crime and also that it lead to harder drugs cocaine and heroine.

Inexperienced politicians and journalists caused the anti-plant hysteria by the next generation. This hysteria has now lead to the private cultivation or illegal production of the plant.

Till next time

I.M. Hye

CLASSIC CARS



This weeks Classic Car is another English model - it is a Morris 1100. The 'Morri' has always been a favourite amongst students.

This Morri is something special. Unlike most Morris 1100s, this little beauty is fitted with twin-carbs which gives it a pretty gutsy performance both in its corner-handling and making-it-up-hills ability when compared to the standard model. The great thing about the twin-carbs is that an 'MG' badge gets affixed to the front grill, hub-caps and the back. This enables the owner to proudly talk of her/his MG which is parked in the student carpark.

A 1964 model, this MG (see, sounds better than Morri), was imported from England. The original owner was an elderly couple who kept it in excellent condition for 17 years. The present owner, a student, is the second owner. Over the past five years the car has required:

- treatment for rust, which came through as a result of a leaky window seal.
- replacement of the wheel-bearings.
- new tyres; retreads.
- frequent mending of the muffler and exhaust; due to three years of driving over pot-hole farm roads.

Mileage is extremely low - only 75,000 miles in 22 years. An additional joy of the MG is the real leather upholstery in-



side. It's a yummy smell, as long as you haven't left your Uncles wrappers in it the night before.

A problem is the ease at which it can be broken into. The MG has been stolen twice in two years since it has been in Auckland. Luckily the police are suspicious of groups of young people driving recklessly, late on a Saturday night, so it has been recovered both times.

A really reliable place to buy spare parts is Strong Bros in New North Road (Symonds Street end). They are wreckers

for Minis, 1100's and 1300's. If you can buy the parts and fit them yourself it's heaps cheaper.



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The Case of Harry's Easy Lay Poultry Kitchen

Harry was a happy-go-lucky kind of chap. People had even called him lazy. But he reckoned he had things sorted.

He'd clamber out of his rickety bed in the morning, when his big brother Fred, with whom he shared a house, would place a greasy big breakfast before him of fried eggs, bacon, baked beans, sausages and fried bread; which he'd sluice down with a big big cup of splosh then whistle into his overalls, and zoom off to his job in his orange V8.

A few jars with his mates afterwards, and he'd be back for dinner and a well-earned rest in front of the telly.

There was only one small dark cloud on Harry's otherwise peaceful horizon, and that was the early morning stagger through the rain and weeds in his overgrown garden - to brave the chicken coop to retrieve 2 eggs every morning for his breakfast.

Some wintry days he'd wake up to the sounds of slashing rain and wonder if it was all worth it. Wouldn't muesli do instead?

It was just such a day, when Harry awoke to the dreaded sound of rain pelting down on the iron roof.

"Enough is enough" he said. "I'm gonna solve this problem once and for all." So out he strode barefooted, and grabbed the chooks, and with much squawking and flapping, brought the entire chook family into the kitchen.

In walked unsuspecting Fred, blurry-eyed and ready for breakfast duty.

"What's with the livestock?" he grumbled. "And what's this mess? Whadd'ya think you're doing to the kitchen cupboards?"

"I'm building us a chookery. Now shuddup and pass the chicken wire" answered Harry.

Nonplussed Fred, as usual, did as he was told.

"I'm sick of going out in the rain to get the eggs" explained Harry. "Reckon if we stick the chooks in here under the sink all we have to do is lift the wire and grab us some breakfast. Beauty, eh?"

"Whadd'ya gonna do with the doors then?" Fred wanted to know.

Harry had considered that and thought he'd killed two birds with one

stone. Now not only would egg collecting be more convenient, they'd also have a roaring fire for days, with no wet wood chopping.

But Fred sensed a problem. "Well hang on, whadd' about our bond? Whadd' about the landlord?"

Adopting his cavalier attitude, Harry twirled his axe and bravely replied "Whadd' about him? We've paid the rent, haven't we?"

Unfortunately for Harry he'd counted his chickens too soon. When the landlord saw the new set-up, he wasn't impressed. In fact he ordered Harry and Fred out.

"No way" said Harry.

So the landlord got in touch with the Tenancy Bond Division of the Housing Corporation - the people who by law hold all bond money in case of disagreements such as these.

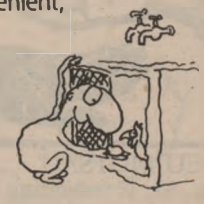
And sadly for Harry it was agreed that he had a bigger problem than just getting breakfast to contend with.

And the moral of the story is:

Whether you're a landlord or a tenant you'll be pleased your bond money is held by the Tenancy Bond Division of the Housing Corporation. Because if there are any disagreements, the Tenancy Bond people will offer a free mediation service to help both sides decide what's fair.

And if you want hassle free breakfast in bed, book into a hotel.

You can pick up your free leaflet explaining your rights as a tenant or landlord, from any Real Estate Office, Citizens Advice Bureau or Housing Corporation Office now.



We take action not sides

Housing Corporation  Tenancy Bond Division

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NTSOPA MOTSAU

Ntsopu perhaps epitomises the struggle of black university students

Ntsopa Motsau is the Southern African Scholar for the 1986/87/88 period, and is studying nursing at Massey University.

Previously studying at the University of South Africa in 1981 she could not complete her Nursing degree because of lack of funds, and workload. She was forced to work while studying.

Ntsopa perhaps epitomises the struggle of black university students in South Africa. She was brought up by her grandmother, and later sent to boarding school for secondary education. Unable to make ends meet, she was unable to continue on with her education and had to seek employment.

She later decided to take nursing because it was a skill to help the community and received enough money to help her struggling family.

Ntsopa has worked for 3 years as a district nurse (Clinic Sister) in one of the Bantustan's and was a member of the People's Common Pool of Resources Union in the homeland - Basotho Qwaqua.

In 1981 she was elected president of that Union. As a member of the Black Consciousness Movement of Azania, Ntsopa is a committed follower of the theology of liberation and intends using her Nursing Skills gained in New Zealand in training nurses in the frontline states, Botswana and Zimbabwe.



NKUTSOEU' MOTSAU

Nkutsoe, 33, is travelling throughout the country on a 6 week trip to New Zealand. He presently resides in Harare, Zimbabwe and is currently the Deputy Secretary for Foreign Affairs for the Central Committee of the Black Consciousness Movement of Azania.

As Deputy Secretary he is chiefly responsible for liaison with foreign government and political organisations. Nkutsoeu has been involved with black political organisations since leaving school in 1971.

In 1972 he became the Organising Secretary for the Sharpville Youth Club and helped with the organisation of the Black People's Convention. He became heavily involved with the Black Consciousness Movement and in October 1973 was arrested and charged under the Suppression of terrorism and Suppression of Communism Acts.

He was found guilty and was imprisoned for 5 years in the same institution as Nelson Mandela, Robben Island. Released in 1979, Nkutsuoe became a banned person, and was restricted from being allowed to speak to more than one person. He was also restricted from any political activity and entering any school or factory.

In addition, he was banished for 5 years to a Bantustan homeland near Losotho, Qwa Qwa, where he met Ntsopa.

While still a banned person Nkutoeue still engaged in political activity and 1983 left in exile to Botswana and later Zimbabwe to continue work for the Black Consciousness Movement of Azania.

Nkutsou will be staying at Palmerston North with Ntsopa until he leaves for London and the United States to meet other anti-apartheid activists.

Ntsopa B 28 1pm Tuesday 10th.



THE SCHOLARSHIP

EDUCATION, along with everything else in South Africa, is affected by Apartheid. The basis of the system was created with the Bantu Education Act which was designed to ensure African students had an education inferior to that provided for whites.

Even so, education is a valuable weapon for many black leaders. Steve Biko developed his political outlook while part of the student movement. Again, as with anything else, Apartheid South Africa tries to prevent this by denying an education to politically active blacks.

In response to this, the New Zealand University Students' Association established the Southern Africa Scholarship to provide educational opportunities for students from Southern Africa, who because of their political beliefs or activities are not able to continue their education at a tertiary level.

The Southern Africa Scholarship is a source of funds to enable the recipient to live and study in New Zealand, and all scholars are selected by the Scholarship Trust Board on the basis of their educational standards, but also the Board takes into consideration their active opposition to apartheid which results in their persecution by the South African authorities.

The present Scholarship trustees are Ms Fran Wilde, Member of Parliament for Wellington Central; Professor Whatarangi Winiata, Professor of Accountancy at Victoria University; Rev. John Murry of Wellington; Mr David Morgan from the Federation of Labour; Ms Bidge Smith, the President of the New Zealand University Students' Association (NZUSA) and Ms Sandy Smith, Administrative Secretary of NZUSA.



Friend: 'But I thought Jack was pleased that you were learning to cook for the wounded soldiers?'

She: 'So he was; but last night at dinner he said he hoped—I'd cook—for the w-wounded G-G-Germans.'

From *The Girl's Own Paper* and *Woman's Magazine*, August 1915

WORKING

WHAT YOUR MOTHER NEVER TOLD YOU

Yes it's useful facts time girls/women/people this week a quick guide to all that's useful to a woman on campus.

The Milk Bar (of all places) sells tampons and sanitary pads. Womenspace toilets have a dispensing machine of sanitary napkins.

Womenspace is a place solely for women where you can sit and be quiet or social depending on ones mood. There is a sickbay off the toilets where you can lie down if you're feeling off colour. You can also make yourself a cup of tea or coffee.

The Womens Rights Officer is Sue Adams. To find her if you have any troubles, go to Room 136 next door to Womenspace.

Smoking is bad for you but more young women than men smoke so if you want to buy filthy cancer causing cigarettes the only place on campus that sells cigarettes is the University Bookshop.

Good places to buy second hand clothes are to be found mostly in the city in or off Queen St. Don't try looking in the Salvation Army or Auckland City Mission shops, if you do look, don't blame me.

If you want to listen to music by The Auckland
own sex B.F.M. has a womens show as organised at
Tuesday nights from 6.30 to 8.30 hear.

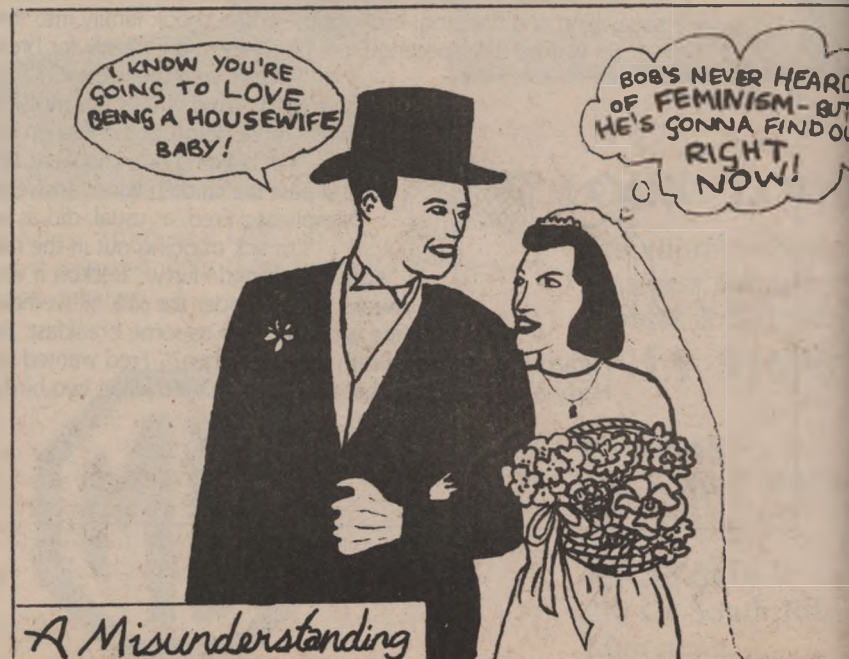
by Volcanic Production. Starting on the
There are tons of womens toiletpost \$150.00, inc

over campus just go into any department store, professional and ask. Also a useful trick if you're in a crowded place like the city or suburbs just go into any department store, professional rise building and walk up the stairs. If you're in a crowded place sooner or later you're guaranteed to find a public restroom by Dive Sh into a toilet. Full Certification

Shadow's I'm sure everyone must have achieved it heard of by now. But what you may not know of the county should know is that we can only drink half as much as 63-381. because a) they've got less body weight. Or come to club and b) they have more body fat. The Rec Centre two factors mean women have less blood to dilute the alcohol.

So the liver is dealing with a higher concentration of alcohol in the system. A woman takes an hour and a half to absorb a small glass of wine or a 10 oz. glass of beer or a nip of spirits. The club aims

A safe level of drinking for women is one to two drinks a day, or two to three drinks two to three times a week, with two to three days in between. If you drink more than that then you're drinking too much. Also if you're planning to conceive, most fetal damage is done in the first three months so stop drinking before conception.



SPORTS

A.U. SWORDS CLUB FENCING 87

For people new to the sport we are offering an introductory course in the first term. The ten week course will cost \$20.00. The club will provide all weapons and protective clothing on fencing nights, as well as expert coaching.

We offer coaching in womens foil and epee as well as mens foil, Epee and sabre.

Introduction to all these will be included in the 10 week course.

The club meets on Monday 6-8pm (and possibly Wednesday 6-8pm) in the Main hall. As well as beginners we also urge people who have tried before, perhaps at school, to come along and have a go. Experienced fencers are of course also welcome.

A fee for the entire year is yet to be set but it will be about \$35-40.00 in total.

People paying the \$20.00 introductory fee and deciding to remain in the club will pay only the remaining \$15.00 - \$20.00.

New people should wear;

Long-sleeved shirt

Tracksuit pants

Gym shoes

Glove-something to protect the back of the hand.

Any questions, please ring
NIGEL 468-545

DIVE LESSONS

The Auckland University Dive Club has organised another dive course this year from 10 to 8.30 hours.

Starting on the 12th of March, it will cost \$150.00, including G.S.T., and will be professionally run by Panmure Dive Shop. The Dive Club programme is intended to provide an alternative to the expensive courses run by Dive Shops in Auckland.

Full Certification to the Ocean Dives is achieved upon successful completion of the course.

For further details contact **STEVE** on 63-381.

Or come to club meetings on Tuesday's at the Rec Centre Club rooms.

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BICYCLE CLUB

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Strange sights have been reported all over Auckland. Clumps of people have been seen standing around, arms folded, staring into oblivion.

These groups have been noticed not only congregating around little metal and plastic objects on tables, but also around little metal and plastic objects at bus stops, bars and even beside big metal and plastic objects (cars).

Yes, if you hadn't already guessed, the cricket season is upon us. Now you should also recognise the distressed looks that have been emanating from these followers of the game which have been directed at the little metal and plastic objects. This is a sign that all is not well. Mutterings of 'First order collapse' (something around 8 on the Richter scale I believe), and "Mutter mutter, another century, mutter mutter" (usually not referring to our own) give the distinct impression that the opposition are not your ordinary cricketing persons.

You would have had to have been asleep for a long time not to recognise the description as belonging to the West Indies.

The trouble with the Windies is that they often don't know when to say die. At Auckland for the second test it seemed that after the Master Bluster Viv Richards & Co had succumbed so easily things were looking up.

But Gordon Greenidge then began smacking balls all around the park with unrestrained gusto to completely turn the game on its head. Not to mention

notching up a magnificent double century (that's over 200 runs).

But for all that my money lies in one day cricket. Mainly because for my limited overdraft only having to pay once or five times is a bit easier on the bank managers nerves. (For the amount you have to pay at the gate nowadays you'd expect padded seats and free drinks!). Though after seeing the Windies fire balls all over the pitch and lob a few into the grandstand I might have to review my claim that test matches are sedate affairs.

Now to something a bit closer to home. The Auckland University Soccer Club is fighting to remain in the Swiss Maid League this season. A ninth placing in the National League last year did not seem to be enough to earn a berth in the new 14 team league. But then it was told it couldn't even join the Swiss Maid league as the Northern Provincial Council was unhappy with the lack of the progress being made to fenced in the teams field at the Merton Rd University Sports Ground.

The club disheartened at finishing mid table in the national league and are now finding themselves two divisions down.

The Northern Provincial Council has not allowed University to join as an agreement signed by all sixteen clubs including University in the Swiss Maid league stated that their grounds would be ready by February 13. But University also had a reprieve in that no work could be done on ground used for cricket, but

N.P.C. have had no proof of any other work being done. NPC also states that invitations to its league are subject to all criteria being met - all other clubs have complied.

Now even closer to home - you should be looking to our own gym for sporting action. This week sees most clubs swinging into full gear. Whether you only want to hit a social game of badminton or play interclub competition. Now is the time to come down to the gym and check out the noticeboards in the foyer. Most of the clubs are cheap to join and offer excellent fun be it serious or social. This could be your opportunity to meet students outside the usual labs and public bars.

BADMINTON CLUB

Join the 'Racket'
PLAY BADMINTON!

First nite Wednesday 11th March
7.30pm, also on Sundays at 1.00pm.

Other activities include: ski trip, Hot-pool trip, car rally, video nites and BBQ's.

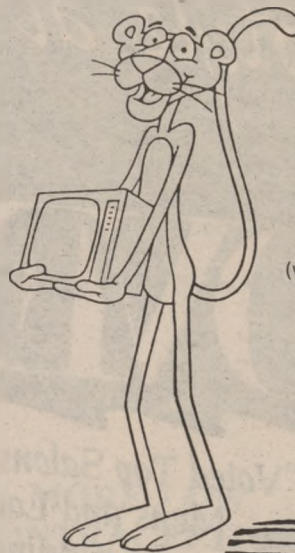
AUCKLAND UNIVERSITY WOMENS' HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

If you are into sticky situations we want you to play hockey for us! We will be holding our trials on Sunday March 8th at 9.30am at Windmill Rd Park, Windmill Rd, just off Mt Eden Rd. Further trials will be held on the following Sunday March 15, same place and time. On the 8th, and after the trials we are holding a **BARBECUE** at **HOBSON PARK** so come along with your \$2 and some drink and we will provide the food and the fun, the University Mens' players will also be involved.

We are having an S.G.M. after trials on the 15th, if you are concerned about issues such as practice venues, recreation centre costs and the use we are not allowed to make of Hobson Park. Come along and be heard, we will also be discussing the prospect of affiliating to the Mens' Association.

Try as you might, if you cannot make any of the above or you have heaps of questions/queries? Phone the Club Captain **Lorraine 818-6300** or Secretary **Sharon 788-738**, watch our notice board in the Rec Centre and our stall in the Quad, Sports Day March 6th, 1-2pm.

STUDENT SPECIAL

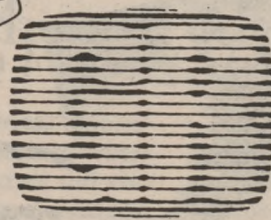


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What did you think of the first issue of Craccum?



Clare
1st Yr B.A.
It was very informative. Super.



Martin
3rd Yr B.Com
A refreshing taste of crisp invigorating journalism.



Shelley
1st Yr BSc
It was quite good, better format, better information for students, let's them know what's going on.



Bart
2nd Yr B.Com
Not that much in it, no articles in it that stuck out.

MONDAY MOVIES

Believe it or not the Maidment Arts Centre is again showing the Monday lunchtime movies, for only \$2 a time, or cheaper with a term concession card.

MARCH 9th BLADERUNNER

MARCH 16th Richard Pryor - LIVE ON SUNSET STRIP.

MARCH 23rd BONNIE AND CLYDE, Warren Beatty, Faye Dunaway.

MARCH 30th THE BIG CHILL

APRIL 6th POLICE ACADEMY 3

APRIL 13th EXCALIBUR

APRIL 27th GREMLINS

MAY 4th BODYHEAT.

EGYPTIAN QUOTE OF THE WEEK

Terrorism in perspective

Do not inspire terror in humans, for the gods are also repelled. A person expects to live by terror, and consequently is lacking bread to eat. A person expects to become wealthy through terrorising, and says, 'I will acquire for myself what I perceive;' another person says, 'I will plunder someone else', and he ends by giving it to someone he does not know. No terrorising of people has ever been effective; it is only the ordinances of the gods that are effective. Plan to live in peace, and what people give will come of its own accord.

-- The Maxims of Ptah-hotep, 6,6.
(Egypt, 2350 B.C.)

A.M.E.R.I.C.A. - Roleplaying

The Academy of Middle Earth, Roleplaying and Individual Character Assimilation invites you to their Annual General.

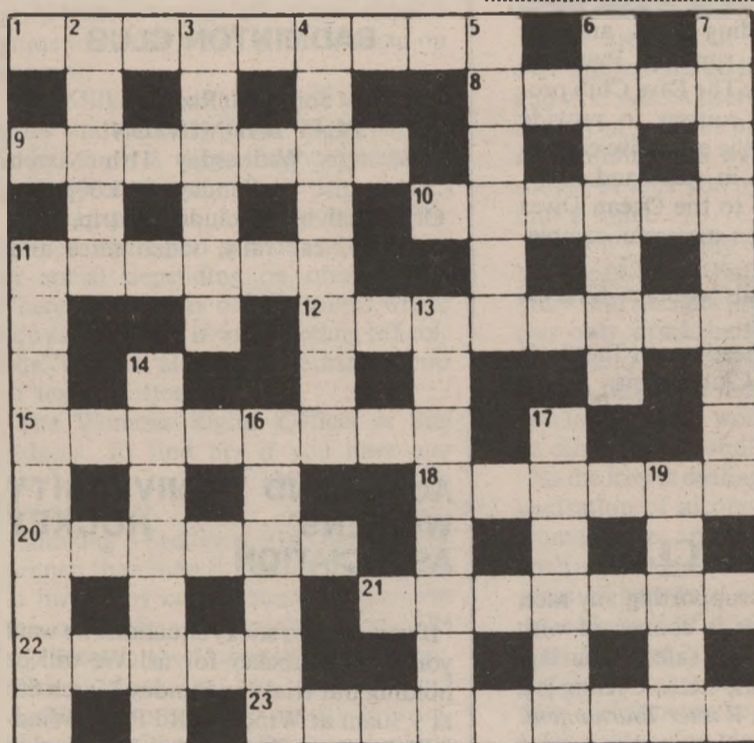
Venue: Lower Common Room, Student Union (above the bookshop)

Time: Bar opens 6.30pm Meeting starts 7.00pm.

Date: Wednesday 11th March

If you're interested in Roleplaying come to the meeting or drop a note in our pigeonhole at AUSA Reception. For more information contact :-

Mark Harrison
Ph 893-414 after 6pm



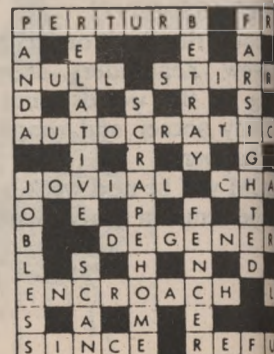
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1. Changes over (9)
8. Commonplace (5).
9. Out of the ordinary (7)
10. Absorb (4,2)
11. Grown-ups (6)
12. Lengthen (8)
15. Distinction (8)
18. Dejected (6)
20. Safe (6)
21. Majestic (7)
22. Awaken (5)
23. Inequality (9)

DOWN

2. Swift (5)
3. Pleasantly(6)
4. Panic (4,4)
5. Narrow (6)
6. Generous (7)
7. Incessant (9)
11. Opponent (9)
13. Exceed (8)
14. Sticky (7)
16. Merited (6)
17. Annoy persistently (6)
19. Dark (5)

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Common FROM AN EX-EDITOR
Union (above)

Best wishes for a successful year of publishing Craccum in 1987. May your hours be short for your hard efforts - and may they be appreciated. Watch out for those dastardly politicians lurking in the Quad. Cheers,
Peter Boys

Thank you Peter for your letter. Could you please send us your address so that we can get in contact with you. Ed.

JAPANESE CONNECTION



he Principal,
Auckland University,
Auckland,
New Zealand.

Dear Sir,
I am a Japanese girl who study English. I travelled New Zealand last year, and I don't like there. I think it is a beautiful country. And I visited your university. I thought it is very big and green. I would like to correspond with a student in your university. Could you introduce me a student who wants to have friend in Japan?

I am,
Name: Miss Yoshiko Kosaka
Age: 22
Sex: Female
Address: Z-3, Ao 5-chome
Matsubara-shi, OSAKA
580 JAPAN.

Hobbies: Skiing, Tennis, Reading and listening.
I am looking forward to getting your answer.

Sincerely yours,
Yoshiko Kosaka

SEPARATED BRETHREN

Dear Sir,

As I was enrolling at Auckland University last week, I was staggered to find no less than 12 different Christian groups on campus. I am transferring from another university where there was nothing like this mess. Perhaps you could make some weird allusion to the 12 tribes of Israel or the 12 apostles, but for the 1st year, Christian student, this must be a bizarre situation. What the blazes do those outside the faith make of it? On the other hand, maybe we've all got too used to the stupidities of christendom to notice.

One can, no doubt advance excuses for the separate existence of each. After all Catholics and Protestants just never do anything together, dear me no. And everyone knows that students from Kenya and Malaysia have one heck of a lot in common. Of course we need an overseas Christian Fellowship.

My experience is though that the Christian community on campus would have been far more enriched by doing far more together, no matter who people were. Sure, one can understand different theological interests and emphases separating us. But I would have thought biblically there was far more to unite us. I thought that was what the bible was on about. Really, I did.

Each group could however, deny the other 11 were christian. That's got a certain appeal. It's simple, clear and each group stands a good chance of being right.

Nah, maybe it's better to call the others 'separated bretheren' and ignore them. (There's ecclesiastical precedent for this). Simple. Doesn't hurt anyone's feelings. Except maybe the one who bound us together in the 1st place.

For a brief second of ecumenical and pentecostal fervour, I wondered whether they could unite under one name, eg the Federation of Christian Students. (Can anyone think of a more boring name?). I remembered Newbigin's words 'What is the proper form of the church's unity? It must first be such that all who are in Christ in any place are, in that place, visibly one fellowship.'

However, reality ascended in me. No one really wants unity on the terms God has already set out. We all want to define who we are to be unified with. It's threatening let God have it his own way, we insist on the power of control.

Unity is now more difficult to find than when the Ecumenical Movement began. (oops - 4 letter words in some circles) at least then the agenda was based on the various denominations creeds histories traditions and affirmations. There was something concret and substantial to discuss.

Now christian unity depends entirely on the same 'spiritual experience', whether gained through ones understanding of (bits of) the bible, the moving of the spirit, tradition or social perspective. How on earth or heaven can you get any unity out of that? But unless our unity is such that everyone else can say 'how these christians love each other', then we will simply remain 12 or more rather silly irrelevant little groups.

A word for the confused christian. Avoid any group that talks *only* of a personal relationship with God or *only* of social action. They're not serious about understanding Jesus. Look for a group that is.

You may be going to a dead dull boring church somewhere. Some times the exciting thing about such churches is that they know that that is *exactly* what they are. The church can begin when the nauseating triumphalism of much modern christianity is seen for what it is.

I dream that all will unite, possibly around a revamped Tertiary Students Christian Fellowship, as the oldest broadest and largest Christian Student Group (SCM may be older, but it seems to disappear periodically). But the name Evangelical has got to go. No one knows what it means, and grappling with the great Evangelical themes in NZ is about as common as the South Island Kokako. Evangelicalism hasn't been either a NZ or an entirely laudable phenomenon anyway.

I dream, but remain anonymous so that when I visit these groups, I won't be the object of fervent prayers for deliverance.

MOTHER OF SIX WRITES

Dear Editor,

I am pleased to report that as a Woman I have encountered absolutely no discrimination in my attempts to purchase condoms from the U.B.S.

Furthermore, I am told that the pharmacy at the Hyatt Kingsgate is just as eager to sell these devices to men as they are to women.

I have never had the patience to wait for an appointment with the Student Health Centre for contraceptives but it is unlikely that they would discriminate on the basis of gender.

Yours sincerely,

Mother of six from Glenfield

MORE - ON CONTRACEPTION

Dear Craccum,

Your article 'How to Prevent Babies' does well at informing students of where they can obtain contraceptives and also the pro's and cons of different methods, but I must disagree on a couple of points.

Calling women who have had accidental pregnancies 'Morons' is completely unacceptable. No matter which course of action a woman in that situation chooses, it is certain that she will have had enough to endure without senseless name-calling.

It seems ironical that having made this unfortunate statement, the writer then recommends only the diaphragm and the condom. While these two methods undoubtedly have a number of advantages (especially in the protection they give against S.T.D.) the fact remains that they are not the safest methods of birth control available.

Yours sincerely,
Sandra Hawkins

PARKING PANIC

Dear Editors,

Is it true that the Ministry of Works intend to kick us out of the student car park (behind the Engineering School)?

This really is bad, but when you consider that the Auckland City Council Traffic Dept has put quite a bit of pressure on both the M.O.W. and the car park admin., then it begins to sound like there is more to the story than possible highway construction.

The meter maids and City Council traffic officers make heaps of money out of student cars.

Consider an extra 300 cars searching for parking space. How many of these are going to find 'legal' places in an overcrowded city? The traffic cowboys will have most successful hunting!

Cars parked on grass verges or overtime are placed there because there is nowhere else to go. This is the fault of the A.C.C. traffic planning and for them to exploit it is dishonest.

One could surmise that they need the money for \$25,000 microwave and camera toys to generate yet more revenue; speaking of which, when has one of these tax gathering devices ever saved a life or prevented a crash? Never, that's when.

And don't believe the cops when they tell you that they don't do parking tickets: they're lying - around the university they do little else.

Let's stop these sanctionomious rip-off merchants.

Yours faithfully,
The Sov

NUCLEONIX

Dear Craccum,

Mr Simpson's letter (Craccum, 2 March) mentions the *either/or* bidding for votes by the two big parties. As he so clearly points out, both Labour and National are dubious at best, and utter self-seeking wankers at worst. So what options do we have?

Clearly the elected delegates in the parliament have failed miserably in their attempts to govern Aotearoa according to their platforms. 'GST' could have been introduced easily by National; the 'Labour' party even ignored the mass petition pleading for all books to be exempted from GST! And Labour is clearly keen to drag out the Nuke issue and keep it going as a 'slow-boiler' - by keeping on the tightrope, they motivate concerned people to continue lobbying - yet by going too far, they risk provoking America to 'Grenada-ise' our happy islands.

It should be clear by their actions that the so-called 'Labour' party is not Labour. They are all lawyers, car-salespersons, chemists, & accountants, same as National (though the latter has a bit more Big Business, KZ-7 fans, and Dairy Farmpersons in it's ranks).

So how do you handle this General Election? Don't waste your vote on National or Labour. You would do better to start a party of your own. Several years ago, a local Government Election featured the Mickey Mouse Party. My recommendation is LSD: vote for Liberal Social Democrats (again)!

Yours etc
PATRIOTIC SOUTHERNER

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