

# OVER 800 FRESHERS

## On Dit

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## WELCOME!

From the Deputy Vice-Chancellor . . .

Most of you will have been told, perhaps in your last year at school, of the change you must expect when you enter the University. You will have heard that the kind of discipline which is appropriate at school is not appropriate here and that the opportunity to learn will be offered to you, but will not be forced upon you. That is true; and to it I add only one word. If you accept the proffered opportunity, you will find that as time gradually goes by, so will the warmth of your welcome to the University grow. The University exists for the sake of knowledge and the more wholeheartedly you embrace its purpose, the more you will become part of it. "Knowledge" means not only the mastering of your courses. It means, as well, the understanding of their relation to human endeavor. Choose some University activities to enter besides the courses you study. Better knowledge of your fellow-men and what they are doing will follow and you will be helped to an understanding, in a wider perspective, of the branch of knowledge which you study.

PROF. SIR MARK MITCHELL.

. . . and the Warden

Welcome, Freshers, to the most exciting, and the most confusing, year of your lives. What a risk your parents are taking! You are being given a measure of personal freedom shared by no other members of your age-group. Some of you won't be able to cope with it, I'm afraid. You'll waste your time and disperse your energies. And nobody will try to stop you. That's the kind of risk your parents take.

But most of you will make mistakes and learn by them. You'll grow into the knowledge of how much work makes Jack a dull boy, and how little makes him a lazy one. But more than that, you'll learn what a precious thing this freedom is.

Each year it delights me to see among the new batch of graduates not a few who have become really mature persons. They're the ones who have grasped the unparalleled opportunities of the University, which present themselves not only in classroom and seminar, but also in camps, conferences, informal discussion groups and a dozen other ways. These are the educated citizens, and there aren't enough of them.

Each year it grieves me to see not a few

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### Tony Adams for first Union Night



Fourth year Medical student Mr. Tony Adams will speak at this year's first Union Night, on April 5.

Mr. Adams recently returned from a National Union delegation to Communist China, where he and seven other Australians were guests of the All China Students' Federation.

Mr. Adams, who is President of the Adelaide branch of the United Nations Youth Fellowship, will give his impressions of life in China.

This promises to be one of the most informative and stimulating Union Nights ever held, and old and new students should make a note of the date, April 5, and watch the next issue of "On Dit" for more information.

### BIG ORIENTATION WEEK PROGRAMME

Over 800 new students have enrolled for courses at the University this year.

To introduce freshers to the University, the S.R.C. has planned a big Orientation Week programme. Orientation Week Director, Miss Bronwen Greet, has been working since last November to ensure that everything runs smoothly.

The special programme is intended to give new students some assistance in developing an active interest in extra-curricular activities, and to give them an idea of University life.

Orientation Week and this special edition of "On Dit" provide freshers with a comprehensive guide to University activities, and all students are urged to make the most of the opportunities before them in the next few weeks to understand how the 'Varsity works.

In a special message to freshers published in this issue, the President of the Students' Representative Council, Mr. Sam Abrahams, says: "You will miss a great deal of what the University can offer if you do not take part in some Union activity or other, be it sporting, cultural, political, or religious."

The first Orientation Week function will be the S.R.C. Official Welcome in the Bonython Hall at 2.30 p.m. on Monday, March 25. Another highlight will be the Commencement Service, also in the Bonython Hall, at 2 p.m. on Thursday, March 28.

For your guide to Orientation Week, turn now to page 3.

### COMMENCEMENT SERVICE

This year's Commencement Service will be held in the Bonython Hall at 2 p.m. on Thursday, March 28. All students are invited to attend the Service, which is undenominational.

It will be conducted by the Warden of the Union (Mr. F. T. Borland), and the Rev. Howell Witt, of St. Peter's College Mission, will give the address.

The President of the S.R.C. (Mr. Sam Abraham) will read the first lesson, and the Secretary (Miss Bronwen Greet) the second lesson.

Mr. J. V. Peters, teacher of organ at the Elder Conservatorium of Music, will play the organ.



Mr. H. Swales Smith (right), new Union Secretary, photographed soon after his arrival in February, with the Warden, Mr. F. T. Borland.—News Photo.

### • Can YOU help? STUDENT NEEDS READERS

How easy it is for most of us to walk into a library, take a book off a shelf, and sit down and read. Not all students, however, are able to do this. . . .

Mr. Malcolm Penn, who is blind, is this year beginning an Arts course by taking History I, Politics I, and Latin I. The text-books he needs are not all available in braille, and so he has to rely on people reading portions of the books to him.

If you are doing the same subjects as Mr. Penn, and/or can spare some time each week to read a few passages from the text-books, please see the Warden, Mr. Borland, who will be happy to give you further information.

Mr. Penn is a former student of Pulteney Grammar School.

## ON DIT

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The Commencement Ball will be held this year on Friday, March 29. There are students who regard it as an event organised primarily for the benefit of the ones who are "something" in "society."

The fact of the matter is that you don't need any special qualifications, other than a ticket, to attend the ball. You don't have to drive a swank car or possess a cheque account with a city bank. Few people care whether you drive a Cadillac or ride a bicycle. The ball is for everyone.

A hard-working committee is doing its best to make the evening enjoyable. Why not get together a party of all your friends and acquaintances, both within and without the University, and help to make it a success?

And remember, those tickets are selling fast!

## Student loans

The University Council has put aside a considerable amount of money for the use of students in financial difficulties.

Any approved student who finds himself financially unable to complete his course may borrow, free of interest, a sufficient sum to cover his

tuition fees until he is able to repay the loan.

The University stipulates that it will not advance money to a student who has not already begun his course.

But anyone now financially embarrassed by the rise in fees may make application to the Registrar, and submit details of his academic and financial situation.

## LIBRARY SURVEY

Many students will remember the small white cards presented to all users of the Barr Smith Library during part of third term last year.

It was announced recently that approximately 13,000 cards were filled in by students in the ten days on which the survey was held, and the co-operation of students in completing the cards was greatly appreciated.

Much valuable information was obtained from these cards, and this will be a help when extensions and alterations to the library are being planned.

**WELCOME FROM THE WARDEN** — Continued from page 1 among the graduating group who are hardly more mature than when they emerged from the high school stage. They still have plenty to say, but nothing worth saying. They have opinions but lack judgment, so people call them opinionated. They're caustic about everything they don't understand, and that means they have plenty to be caustic about. Their superior manner proclaims their inferiority. The parental risk hasn't come off, though doubtless they'll one day get into a high income group.

Welcome, then, to the first heat of the "Maturity Stakes," on which your parents have risked a good many pounds. I hope the pay-off will be in something more valuable than money.

On a more personal note: please look me up some time, and tell me who you are. Don't wait for a reason, or apply for an interview. If I'm visible through the glass panel in my door, drop in. I'm rarely busy—never, I hope, too busy.

FRANK T. BORLAND.

# SPECIAL BOARD TO HELP WITH CAREERS

The attention of all students is drawn to the fact that there is in existence a University Appointments Board. The secretary of the board is Mr. J. King, and his office is located in the main administration building.

The board is in existence to help students in their choice of careers and employment.

Contact is maintained between Commonwealth and State Public Service, public undertakings, the armed services, and industry, and a register of appointments vacant is kept.

An up-to-date information service on careers, salaries, and conditions of employment is maintained, and this information is available to all students. The secretary of the Board will be pleased to discuss with any student prospects in various careers. The Board works in co-operation with heads of departments and all members of the University staff.

During the year it is hoped to arrange a number of talks on careers in various fields, to be given by representatives of the Commonwealth, and the armed services and industry. It is hoped that students will obtain valuable information on possible careers from this series of talks.

A small careers library and information service on firms and industries is being established, to which students have access at any time, and which they are encouraged to use.

## N.U.A.U.S. —briefly

The National Union of Australian University Students is the body which co-ordinates our S.R.C. and its counterpart in every other Australian undergraduate University.

In general, its main objects are to represent the students of Australia nationally and internationally, to maintain contact and co-operation between Universities, and to promote the education, social, and sporting activities of students. It favors no particular religious or political creed.

All Adelaide University students are members of N.U.A.U.S., and are thus entitled to participate in any of its activities; they may also become members of its executive, or officers of the Union, by submitting their nominations to Council.

## Club for modellers

The Adelaide University Modellers' Club exists to give students interested in modelling the opportunity to build and operate models of any kind.

The clubroom is in the George Murray Basement, alongside the Table Tennis room, and students interested are invited to call in during any lunch time.

Over the past twelve months remarkable progress has been made by the aeromodelling section, which has grown from the smallest to the largest section of the club in just over a year. The club is affiliated with the Model Aeronautical Association of Australia, and members are thus able to compete in official competitions.

The model railway attracted much attention last year, and of special interest was the completion of the main line and a junction station. An impromptu visit to the Adelaide railway yards to take photographs, and a visit to Islington workshops, were interesting diversions in the railroaders' activities.

At present club members are interested in model railways, boats, cars, aeroplanes, trams, and radio control. An assortment of basic tools and a work-bench are provided in the clubroom.

## New parking rules

Students are asked to take note of the new parking laws, details of which are given below:

(a) Full-Time Students:

The old yellow stick-on paper type student permit is now invalid, and students must therefore obtain a new transfer-type permit for their cars. Their attention is drawn to the fact that these permits will only be issued to those students who produce registration documents showing that the car is in fact registered in their own name. No other cars will be granted parking permits. Parking by students is allowed only on the lower level.

(b) Part-time Students:

Part-time students will be allowed to park their cars on the lower level whilst they are attending the University on University business only. If they should have a notice placed on their car concerning car parking during such time, they should return this notice, endorsed with their name, course, the reason for being in the University grounds, e.g., attending a lecture, attending the Barr Smith Library, etc. Parking in these circumstances is allowed on the lower level only.

## Ball tickets selling fast!

There has been an early demand for tickets to this year's Commencement Ball, which will be held in the refectory and surrounding buildings on Friday, March 29.

The S.R.C. office received a number of enquiries before tickets were available, and students wishing to attend the ball are advised to make their bookings as soon as possible.

The Ball is being organised by an S.R.C. Ball Committee. A member of the

committee told an "On Dit" reporter that it was believed more older students would attend the Ball than in previous years. Most freshers were showing a keen interest in the committee's efforts to provide a worth-while evening's entertainment.

Special lighting is being planned for the Refectory, and it will be installed if tests at present being conducted prove successful.

The usual refreshments will be available, and the Ball Committee has decided that, even though organising costs increase from year to year, the price of tickets will be the same as in previous years — 12/6 double for freshers, and 15/- double for others.

## 'Fascinating curves' in exhibition

The Lady Symon Library will be adorned with beautiful models and drawings that will take the form of an architectural exhibition during Orientation Week.

The exhibition has been arranged by the students of the Architectural Department to give you an idea of the type of work that is produced by the department. The work exhibited comes from all years.

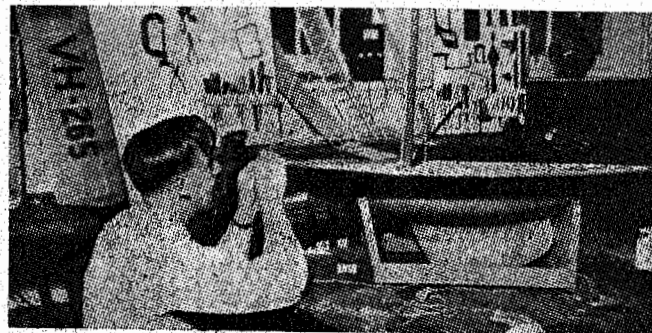
First year contributions include pencil studies and poster work from Free Drawing I. Second years have contributed water colors and measured drawings of Christ Church and St. Peter's College.

Six beautiful models showing fascinating curves will be the highlight of the exhibition.

A redevelopment scheme for Gawler shopping area, showing the way town planning is linked with architecture, is taken from Design 2, a third year subject.

A final year thesis for a Museum of Modern Art has been included. This is an interesting study on the site of the Teachers' College. A model and drawings of a New Museum on North Terrace produce another interesting thesis.

The work on exhibition has been selected so that it will interest all faculties.



• Eminent speakers invited

• Balls arranged

• New facilities provided

# THE SRC AND THE UNION

## Your interests are well looked after

The Adelaide University Union has been described as a kind of club, which provides its members with a common meeting ground and social centre, and promotes all types of extra-curricular activities.

Students who have paid the statutory fees are members of the Union. This fee entitles students to use Union facilities, and includes membership of all University sporting clubs.

The Union is governed by a Council composed of members of all constituent bodies. These are the S.R.C., the Sports Association, the Graduates' Union, and the Staff Association.

The Council, which is responsible to the University Council, allots the statutory fee proportionally between the S.R.C., Sports Association, University Health Service, and Union House Committee, which administers the Refectory and Union Buildings.

Although the Union keeps in contact with all sections of the University, undergraduates have a group of their own to look after their interests.

The Students' Representative Council—widely known as the S.R.C.—is a body of students who are responsible for the administration of affairs pertaining specifically to students.

The 134 members of the Council are elected annually in second term. Each faculty elects its own representatives, and in addition, men students elect eight general representatives, and women students four.

The S.R.C. drafts funds to all clubs and societies which are affiliated to the Union, except the Sports Association.

The S.R.C. claims to represent the ideas and needs of the general student body, and in the past few years has greatly improved Union facilities and activities.

It has been largely as a result of S.R.C. pressure that the new Union Hall and Union extensions, due for completion in January, 1958, have been hastened on.

The financing of "On Dit" is a significant part of S.R.C. activities. It is the S.R.C. which invites important speakers of general interest to the Union, on behalf of students, not only to lunch-hour meetings, but also to Union Nights.

Union Nights, which are held fortnightly, introduce to the Union eminent speakers from interstate and overseas.

Besides several hops dur-

ing the year, the two great Balls, Commencement and Recuperation, are run by an S.R.C. Ball Committee.

The annual Procession, of wide repute, is the biggest event of the year. Proceeds go to charity.

Freshers' Camps are partly run by the S.R.C., and May and August Week Festivals are among other activities during the year.

S.R.C. meetings are held monthly at 7.30 in the Lady Symon Library. Remember the elections—end of second term!

And now, meet this year's S.R.C.:

### Executive:

- President: Sam Abraham.
- Vice-President: Michael Smyth.
- Secretary: Bronwen Greet.
- Treasurer: David Luke.
- Assistant Secretary: Margaret McLachlan.

### Men's General:

- S. C. Abraham, J. F. Bateup, P. G. Boros, D. Cameron, M. Khor, M. E. B. Smyth, K. Viji, D. J. Watson.

### Women's General:

- Miss B. Greet, Miss M. McLachlan, Miss A. Woolcock, Miss R. Zimmet.

### Agricultural Science:

- D. Eddy.

### Architecture:

- M. B. Weir.

### Arts:

- J. Bettison, Miss F. Lokan.

### Dentistry:

- B. J. R. Thomson.

### Economics:

- D. A. T. Luke, R. F. Searcy.

### Engineering:

- R. W. Hercus, F. J. Symons.

### Law:

- W. Rogers.

### Medicine:

- H. Lane, A. S. Luketina.

### Music:

- J. L. Porter.

### Pharmacy:

- P. K. Frost.

### Physiotherapy:

- Miss M. Gillman.

### Science:

- P. Burke, G. Crawford.

- Social Science: D. G. Tyson.
- Sports Association: K. Texler.
- Editor "On Dit": C. S. Ames.
- Teachers' College: Miss J. Roberts.
- Immediate Past-President: M. P. Schneider.

## Our new typist



The S.R.C. has a new secretary-typist. She is Miss Elaine Page, pictured above.

Elaine has worked as a secretary before, but this is her first experience of University life.

## There will be a MEETING

for all interested in joining the staff of "ON DIT" as reporters, photographers, etc., on the first floor of the George Murray Building, in the Publications Room, at 1.30 p.m., on Tuesday, April 2.

## ORIENTATION WEEK PROGRAMME

MONDAY, MARCH 25:

- 2.30 p.m.—S.R.C. Official Welcome, Bonython Hall. Afternoon Tea (Refectory).
- 7.30 p.m.—L.S.F. Welcome, George Murray Library.
- 7.30 p.m.—International Club, Lady Symon Hall.

TUESDAY, MARCH 26:

- 9 a.m. to 12 noon—Library Tours.
- 1.20 p.m.—Union Meeting, Lady Symon Hall.
- 5.00 p.m.—Aquinas Society Mass, Lady Symon Hall.
- 7.30 p.m.—Aquinas Society Welcome, Lady Symon Hall.
- 7.30 p.m.—S.C.M. Freshers' Welcome, Elder Hall.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27:

- 3.00 p.m.—Commemoration, Bonython Hall.
- 7.30 p.m.—Science Association Welcome, Lady Symon Hall.
- 7.30 p.m.—Arts Society Welcome, Refectory.
- 7.30 p.m.—Engineering Society Welcome, Chapman Lecture Theatre.

THURSDAY, MARCH 28:

- 2.00 p.m.—Commencement Service, Bonython Hall.
- 7.30 p.m.—E.U. Welcome, George Murray Landing.
- 7.30 p.m.—Liberal Club Welcome, Lady Symon Hall.
- 7.30 p.m.—Labor Club Welcome, George Murray Library.

FRIDAY, MARCH 29:

- 1.20 p.m.—"How to Study," Lady Symon Hall.
- 8.00 p.m.—Commencement Ball.

MONDAY, APRIL 1:

- 7.30 p.m.—Debating Club Welcome, Lady Symon Hall.

TUESDAY, APRIL 2:

- 7.30 p.m.—Jazz Club Concert, Refectory.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3:

- 7.30 p.m.—Film Society Welcome, Lady Symon Hall.
- 7.30 p.m.—Anglican Society Welcome, Refectory.

THURSDAY, MARCH 4:

- 7.30 p.m.—Carnegie Society Welcome, Lady Symon Hall.

FRIDAY, APRIL 5:

- 5.00 p.m.—Aquinas Society Mass, Lady Symon Hall.
- 8.00 p.m.—Union Night, Lady Symon Hall.

ALL DURING FIRST WEEK ORIENTATION:

Architectural Exhibition, Lady Symon Library.

ALL DURING BOTH WEEKS ORIENTATION:

Art Group (Aboriginal Exhibition), George Murray Library, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

## WHO'S WHO ON S.R.C. EXECUTIVE



Meet this year's S.R.C. executive: From left to right—Sam Abraham, President; smiling Vice-President Michael Smyth; Secretary Bronwen Greet; and Assistant Secretary Margaret McLachlan. Marg. is also local secretary-treasurer for N.U.A.U.S. Treasurer David Luke was travelling incognito "somewhere in the eastern States" when this issue went to press, and we were unable to bring you his photograph.

## SRC President Sam Abraham says . . .

On behalf of the students of the University of Adelaide, I have been asked to welcome those of you called "freshers." Soon you will spend your first day at the University, and before long you will witness a transformation into just another University student. One of the essential differences is the contrasting change from the highly organised mechanism at school to a less organised mechanism at the University. By this I mean there is more freedom at the University. Many have misused this freedom, and have failed to realise it until too late. Let this not happen to you. The University student is no more than a trained mechanic who is specialising in his own field, except that the University student has the added privilege of making use of the knowledge and studying facilities that are provided for him, or her, outside the curriculum. You will miss a great deal of what the University can offer if you do not take part in some Union activity or other, be it sporting, cultural, political, or religious. I trust you will find through your interest that the University is not just "an institution for the purpose of study, having power to confer degrees." If so, you are wrong. It would be fair to say that the University is more concerned in preparing you to lead your professional lives ten years hence, and it is hoped that you will search and find the truth material, and inspiration for a way of life that would benefit the country and world we live in.

Allow me also to stress the fact that you must realise that you are not just students of a University in Australia, but that you belong to a world organisation of students. To appreciate this you must "RE-ORIENTATE" yourselves, for just like you, there are freshers all over the world clamoring for a University education. Some of these freshers are not as privileged as you are. You will find at the University students from Europe and Asia, and here is your chance to go up to these people, give them your fresher's handshake, meet them, say HELLO, say MERDEKA, say anything, but make yourself known, and seek their friendship. Students, whether we are New Australians, Australians, or Asians, we have a common purpose—to study; and we have a duty to the community in which we live. We should be fully aware of the problems affecting students, and the part played by students all over the student world, and bring them before the eyes of our community.

Finally, let us be tolerant towards our fellow students, be it in religion or politics, and let us be prepared to hear another man put his point of view.

SAM ABRAHAM,  
President, S.R.C.

## SOCIAL SCIENCE

A morning tea party will be held in the Social Science Department during the Wednesday of Orientation Week, at which Mrs. Wheaton, Lecturer in Charge of the Social Science Department, will make the acquaintance of all freshers.

We will also take the opportunity to welcome the new Casework lecturer. A programme is being arranged for the students' activities throughout the year, and we hope for much support and enthusiasm.

You must have a University

PENNANT

Only 10/6 at S.R.C. Office

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## Economic Students' Association

Membership of the Economic Students' Association is open to undergraduates in Economics, and persons doing a subject in the Faculty of Economics.

The activities of the Association are mainly of a social nature, e.g., dances, socials, annual dinner, though at times we do dabble in the more serious side, with speeches and visits to places of interest.

It was formed last year to fill the gap which existed between lectures and the Refectory, and its activities proved very popular and successful. You should take an active interest in your Association—there's lots of fun to be had by all.

See the notice board in the Economics Department for further information.

## • Review

### 'A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM'

To miss "A Midsummer Night's Dream," as presented by the University Theatre Guild in the Refectory cloisters, was to lose an experience in comedy seldom presented in Adelaide.

Shakespeare, played in its intended setting, particularly when accompanied by music so brilliantly conceived as by David Dallwitz and his Nonesuch Quartet, certainly presents a feast of enjoyment.

Alexander Hay performed his dual function with distinction. His forceful portrayal of the Duke's character infected the audience with his spirit. Especially must he be commended for the power of his voice, which filled the cloisters.

Elsbeth Ballantyne presented a Puck who literally directed one's gaze where he willed.

The fairies gave a light, imaginative touch to the play, contrasting well with the "play" within the play. This provided plenty of amusement, and was handled cleverly by the cast. The principals of the company over-shadowed the lesser players in parts, but the whole cast performed adequately.

So cleverly did Robert Beeby and his associates execute the lighting that they produced an ethereal effect in many different scenes.

The production of "Midsummer Night's Dream" presented an opportunity of enjoying comedy at its pinnacle JULIE DOUGLASS.

## Literary Society

The Adelaide University Literary Society is now well into its second year of existence. Formed late in 1955 to fill a long-felt need for a society where many aspects of literature could be discussed, an even more active year is anticipated in 1957.

Meetings are held several times a term in the George Murray Library. A paper is prepared and presented by an undergraduate or a member of staff, or a visiting speaker, on any literary topic on which they are especially interested.

The standard has been very high, and the discussion, in which the audience participates after each paper, has been animated and valuable. Topics have ranged from Dickens to the Space novels of C. S. Lewis, from T. S. Eliot to Evelyn Waugh.

Membership (which costs 3/-) is open to everyone, staff members and students, who is interested in literature, not only members of the Arts faculty.

The first meeting will be held early in the first term, so watch for notices in the Refectory and around the place. If you know something about the subject, come along and perhaps tell us

## INTERNATIONAL CLUB

The International Club gives all freshers, along with those "old hands" interested, a cordial invitation to its freshers' welcome, to be held on Monday, March 25, at 7.30 p.m.

A good time is guaranteed, with a programme including concert items, supper, and dancing, along with plenty of time to get to know members of the club.

The aims of the club can be summed up as follows:

1.—To promote friendship and understanding between students of different nationalities.

2.—To promote international goodwill and fellowship by acting as a liaison between the University and the public.

The club is neither representative of any political ideals, nor of any one creed or ideology.

Last year we held our first variety concert. It was a great success, the Hut being jammed to the doors on both nights. We hope to run another in 1957 (at the end of Term 2), and would appreciate any ideas for items.

Other proposed activities include a ball, to be held at the end of the first term, "My Country" evenings, and a series of lunch-time talks to be given by distinguished guest speakers.

To give the fresher an idea of what to expect by "My Country" evenings, here is a list of those held over the last year or two: Indonesia, Italy, U.S.A., Pakistan, Ukraine, and Malaya. During the coming year we intend to continue the policy of holding these meetings on the third Tuesday of each month, so long as this does not clash with vacations. Tentative dates will be found in the 1957 Union Diary. The talks are usually accompanied by films and supper, the latter being served in

the style of the country concerned.

Here is the 1957 committee, which would be pleased to have your name if you're interested in the club: President, Henry Chan. Vice-President, Don Tyson. Secretary, Andrew Jeffery. Treasurer, Miss Tan Sock Kia. Committee members, Misses Margaret Blackett, Ruby Majeed, and Messrs. Steve Chan, Michael Khor, Sasti, and Sunarjana.

## Orchestral concerts

The Youth Orchestral Concerts, under the direction of the A.B.C., are presented once a month throughout the academic year. The series of concerts are organised mainly for young people. Oversea and interstate conductors and soloists are invited to appear in most of the concerts.

Subscribers also enjoy the many functions organised by the Youth Orchestral Committee. Last year the committee organised welcomes for celebrities, talks on music in general, music overseas, recorded evenings, and a ball. Subscribers also receive free copies of "Youth and Music," and Australia-wide publication. This year the committee hopes to extend its activities.

The price is fixed for seats anywhere in the hall. Details and application forms are obtainable from the S.R.C. office. Bookings open at Allan's on April 13. Be early and get a good seat.

## • Dramatic Society 'Our Town' first AUDS production for 1957

In case this most important event in University life has not yet come to your notice, it is the Adelaide University Dramatic Society's pleasure to announce that it will be taking its first bow for 1957 with "Our Town," an unusual play by American author Thornton Wilder.

It is confidently predicted that in 1957 the Dramatic Society, which has for a number of years lacked both public support and sufficient talent, will gain greater prestige and popularity with the programme planned for the year.

The aim of the Society is to further the interests of dramatic art in the University. Four major productions will be presented during the year. "Our Town," to be produced in the Hut early in April, will be the first of these.

The producer of "Our Town" is Vivienne Oldfield, who has had much experience with the Adelaide Repertory Society. Freshers

are invited to attend this year's first production, which promises to be really worth while. There will be supper afterwards each night for freshers who are present.

Regular classes in speech, mime, make-up, and movement will be held during the year, to which all members will be very welcome. Play readings will also be held for those who do not have time for a full-scale play, but would like to do some acting.

Membership tickets (5/- each) will be available from the S.R.C. office, or from committee members. Freshers and others interested in acting, scene painting, lighting, etc., should make sure that the Society has their names.

Committee, 1957: President, Greg Branson. Secretaries, Pat Green, Geraldine O'Connell. Treasurer, David Goldsworthy. Committee, Pat Le Messurier, Jennifer Thomas, Juris Reinfelds, Michael Bayly. Past President, Warren Rogers. Senior Treasurer, Dr. D. Van Abbe.

what you know; if you don't know much about it, come and listen; you won't be bored!

Meetings finish, by the way, in time to adjourn to the George Murray Lounge for coffee—or even to do a spot of work in the Barr, but we don't recommend this!

● Here's a convenient guide to the . . .

# BARR SMITH LIBRARY

**KEEP THIS SPECIAL  
ARTICLE FOR  
FUTURE REFERENCE**

The University Library consists of the Barr Smith Library and three Departmental Libraries (Medical, Music and Law). The main building, which was opened in 1932, was the gift of Mr. T. E. Barr Smith in memory of his father, Mr. Robert Barr Smith, who had been a generous benefactor of the Library.

**Hours of Opening.** Generally, the Library is open as follows:

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## CATALOGUES

All volumes in the Library are arranged according to the Dewey Decimal Classification. An hour spent now in examining the printed Classification (you will find a copy on top of the catalogue) will save your hours of searching later.

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there to help you in your use of the Library. Any member of the Library staff will be glad to help you if you cannot find the information you want.

Except for anonymous works and journals, few books are listed under their titles. There are printed indexes in the Library which contain title-entries, and from these it is easy to find the names of authors.

**Stacks.** All bound journals and older and more specialised books are kept in the Stacks. Honor students and all students enrolled for third year and later courses in all Faculties have free access to the Stacks.

**Library Tours.** Arrangements are made each year with each Professor to have his third and fourth year students taken around the Library in small groups, so that they may examine the bibliographies, reference books, indexes, and journals that are of most importance in each subject. Although a tour of this kind is brief, lasting only an hour, you can gather a lot of information that will help you to explore for yourself.

If you would like to have this introduction in your first year, you have only to make up a group of six to ten students of the same subject, and arrange with the Librarian for a member of

the staff to show your group around.

You are urged to make full use of the Library and its facilities. Members of the Library staff will be glad to help you, and you are invited to seek their help.

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If, however, you prefer to leave your bag in the vestibule at your own risk, will you place it neatly on the racks that are provided, rather than on the floor?

Secondly, in the Reading Room itself there is inevitably some noise caused by the amount of traffic. You can do a lot to reduce the noise by not talking.

There are rules for the enforcement of discipline, but the Library Committee prefers to trust that you yourself, by showing your natural courtesy, will create in the Library the conditions most favorable for study. It asks you to be considerate—considerate in your treatment of the books, and considerate of the needs of your fellow students.

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Each group is to wait at the placard outside the Library until met by the person in charge.

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## Clubs and Societies

# JAZZ CLUB

Perhaps the most misused term in music to-day is the word "Jazz." It is erroneously affixed to such idioms as Rock 'n' Roll, Hit Parades, Johnny Ray, Hill Billy, Adelaide College of Music (piano accordions, banjos, etc.), Continental music, and Strauss waltzes—in fact, to any music not taught at the Conservatorium.

So what is Jazz? Jazz is a unique type of music derived from the folk music of the American Negro. Its two great fundamentals are rhythm and improvisation. By improvisation we mean that the music is essentially composed spontaneously during the actual playing. Hence musicians and the bands which they constitute create their own music, and so express their own feelings, not someone else's.

The Uni Jazz Club, like similar University Jazz Clubs throughout the world, realising the importance and value of all this, tries to bring Jazz and its meaning to the University through its concerts, jam sessions, record and discussion sessions. We also try to promote and assist potential jazz musicians.

See you at the Jazz Club's Freshers' Welcome!

## Engineers are active

The Engineering Society is the faculty society for engineering undergraduates. It is willing to promote almost any sort of activity, but in particular its objects are to encourage a broad interest in engineering and foster social intercourse among students.

Activities for the year include the fabulous Ball, cocktail party on Saturday, April 27, the dinner, lunch hour talks and films, a tug-o-war, and a debate against the Meds., trips to plants during first term holidays—in fact, as many things as there is time and finance for.

Of more particular interest to freshers is the staff-student tutorial scheme. First year students, doing mainly preliminary subjects, tend to have no contact with the faculty. Under this arrangement students in groups have informal discussions with lecturers within the faculty, thereby learning something of what is to come.

Remember the Engineering Freshers' Welcome on Wednesday, March 27, at 7.30 p.m., in the Chapman Lecture Theatre. There will be some patter, films, and supper, and an informative and enjoyable time is guaranteed.

The 1957 executive is: President, John Kelly. Vice-President, Peter Boros. Secretary, Fred Symons. Assistant Secretary, Bob Hercus. Treasurer, Mark Symons. N.U.A.U.S. F.B. Director, Sam Weller.

# Debating popular with students

The Debating Club, one of the most popular societies in the University, extends a hearty welcome to all freshers for 1957.

As a means of developing confidence, poise, and proficiency in the art of public speaking, debating ranks as second to none, and all freshers, even those who have never debated before, will find plenty of scope for their services and talents among the activities of the Club.

Perhaps the best introduction to University Debating, apart from the Freshers' Welcome, is to attend a lunch-time debate. These are held weekly, on Mondays, and subjects are deliberately chosen to provide scope for wit and ingenuity, as well as debating prowess.

The first of these is on April 8, when the thought-provoking subject, "That segregation in the Barr Smith Library is desirable," will be ably contested by four of our prominent younger debaters, two of whom were freshers last year. Freshers are urgently needed to take part in these debates, and anyone who is interested is urged to contact one of the committee members mentioned below as soon as possible.

Of a more serious nature are the night debates, usually held monthly, and it is from these that the Inter-Varsity team is chosen each year.

The Freshers' Welcome this year will be held on April 1, at 7.30 p.m. Two of our well known younger Parliamentarians, Messrs. R. Millhouse and D. Dunstan, both past members of the Club, will be opposing each other in a very controversial subject.

They will each be ably supported by two past Inter-Varsity debaters, who are present members of the Club. An enjoyable (and free) supper will be provided.

Here is the committee for 1957: President, Prof. R. A. Blackburn. Vice-President, Mr. L. C. L. Blair. Chairman, Malcolm Bennet. Secretary, Anthony Hearn.

Treasurer, Andrew Jeffery. Committee Members, Miss Margaret McLachlan, Andrew Wilson, Laurence Schneider.

## CARNEGIE SOCIETY

The Carnegie Gramophone Society will hold a Freshers' Welcome on Thursday, April 4, at 7.30 p.m., in the Graduates' Room.

There will be a symposium on music conducted by a panel of experts. All freshers, as well as other students interested in classical and modern music, are cordially invited to attend.

## Conservatorium students

The aim of the Elder Conservatorium Students' Association is to foster social and cultural life between both full and part-time students, and bring them in closer contact with students in other faculties of the University.

To this end, membership of as many students as possible is encouraged.

An annual subscription of 4/- is payable to any committee member, the executive being:

President: John Chapman. Vice-President: Shelley Gunning. Secretary: Elizabeth Symon. Treasurer: John Perry. S.R.C.: Brian Porter.

The chief activities of the year are the Freshers' Welcome in March, the Music Ball in May, and a picnic held after the exams. Conservatorium students regularly take part in the Procession, and join in with other University activities, such as the Revue.

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## LABOR GROUP

The Labor Group is a body of students whose purpose is to promote a popular understanding of democratic socialism within the University.

It believes that society should be reorganised so that the community's resources may be used for the benefit of all, rather than for private profit.

Throughout 1957 meetings will be held, to which will be invited Parliamentarians, members of the academic staff, and probably some interstate visitors. Last year's speakers included such diverse figures as former Indian High Commissioner Gen. Cariappa, poet Max Harris, and Prof. Fitzgerald, of Canberra.

It is also hoped to have some meetings of special interest to our Asian friends, most of whom come from countries with democratic socialist Governments.

Our clubroom is on the first floor of the Lady Symon Building, directly opposite the Liberal Union room. The Group subscribes to all the research pamphlets of the world-famous Fabian Society, as well as to the British Labor weekly, "The Tribune." These may be read or borrowed at will by members.

This year's Freshers' Welcome will take the form of a film evening in the George Murray Library on Thursday, March 28, at 7.30 p.m.

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## MORE CLUBS AND SOCIETIES

### AQUINAS SOCIETY

The Aquinas Society has two aims: 1.—To care for the spiritual and social needs of Roman Catholic graduates and undergraduates. 2.—To present the Roman Catholic viewpoint within the University on moral, philosophical, and social problems.

Thus, in addition to spiritual activities, including First Friday Mass and daily Rosary, the Society provides for other occasions when the Catholic graduates and undergraduates may gather together and enjoy themselves socially. Such occasions are the summer camp (this year at Victor Harbour), to which freshers are especially invited, the Freshers' Welcome, annual ball, informal dances and hikes.

Daily Rosary is recited at 1.5 p.m. in the Aquinas Society room, and discussions are held weekly amongst the various faculty groups.

Officers of the Aquinas Society for 1956-57 are:

President: Chris von der Borch.

Vice - President: Ritchie Gun.

Treasurer: Konrad Muller.

Secretary: Phil Bourke.

Committee Members: Anne Scantlebury, Anne Dwyer, Jenny Elliott.

Spiritual Director: Rev. Father P. Green, S.J. (Aquinas).

### S.C.M. is for all

A living fellowship of worship and study is the movement's main characteristic. Within the fellowship is a membership undertaking to carry out the work of the Church in the University, contacting those who do not accept the Christian faith, and deepening the faith of those who believe.

The work is interdenominational, supported by the Churches, and contributes to the understanding between them.

The programme of the S.C.M. includes morning and evening prayers, lunch time study circles and conferences which are held during each University vacation, and at which we study some aspect as joining together in work of Christian living, as well worship and recreation.

Through its activities the S.C.M. also aims to give students an opportunity to discuss any problems they may have, such as "Is religion really necessary?" or "Does it matter what you believe?" or problems similar to these, which crops up in the minds of most students at the University.

The Australian Student Christian Movement is part of the World Student Christian Federation, which has over a million members throughout the world.

### U.E. is world-wide

The Adelaide University Evangelical Union is one of many such unions in Universities around the world.

They are co-ordinated by the International Fellowship of Evangelical Students, a body which owes its origin to a group of men and women who lived for Christ at the University of Cambridge in the 1870s.

Members have a personal knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ, and are constantly experiencing God's power to meet every situation and need of everyday living through the message contained in His Book—the Bible.

This is the reason for the E.U.'s distinctive purpose in the University—to stimulate faith in Christ as Saviour, Lord, and God, and to uphold the great fundamental truths of Christianity, as contained in the Word of God.

All the activities of the E.U., daily prayer meetings, regular Wednesday Bible studies, public meetings, house parties and squashes, are simply to enable students to come to grips not with religion, but with a Person—the Lord Jesus Christ.

To freshers we extend a warm Christian welcome, trusting that each of you will find the E.U. helpful in some way.

## LIBERAL UNION

This club is a union of students who believe in Liberalism. Its objects are to provide Liberal-thinking students with a meeting place, to bring to them Liberalism, and an understanding of politics, and to educate them in public government and international affairs.

We aim to spread constructive Liberal thinking, and a critical approach to all political problems. The club is not affiliated to any political party, although in general it supports the principles of the Liberal Party of Australia.

In the Lady Symon Building (upstairs) we have a room which serves as a committee room and library. Current political pamphlets, books, and State and Federal Hansard are kept there, and it is open to every member of the club. The librarian is Gay Millhouse, so see her if you have any complaints or recommendations.

Meetings, held throughout the year, take the form of addresses by prominent political figures, and discussions. The first activity is the Freshers' Welcome on Thursday, March 28. All freshers and old members will be welcome. The speaker will be Mr. Peter Howson, M.H.R., from Victoria.

The Liberal Union is a member of the Australian Universities' Liberal Federation (A.U.L.F.), which meets once a year. A week-end conference is held, and is followed by a council meet-

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# Anglican Society

The Society is the official Church of England body within the University, and has a large undergraduate membership.

Its aims are to promote fellowship amongst Anglican students, and to provide opportunities for corporate worship, study, and discussion. The Society also endeavors to co-operate closely with the Student Christian Movement.

The president of the Society is the Lord Bishop of Adelaide, who holds office ex officio, and the chaplain is the Rev. N. C. Paynter, who is both chaplain to the University and resident chaplain of St. Mark's College.

The committee of nine members for this year is as follows:

Chairman, John Warner. Immediate Past Chairman, Michael Pennington. Secretary, Andrew Cheesman. Treasurer, Janet Robertson. Helen Cross, Di Lucas, Doug Stott, John Lane, Lyndon Murray.

Any member of the committee will be glad to provide prospective members with a membership card on payment of a two shilling membership fee.

Miss Helen Cross is the Society's official representative within the Teachers' Training College.

During 1956 the Society held regular lunch-hour meetings on a wide selection of interesting topics, ranging from, for example, "Are you saved?" to "Life in prisons," by a prison chaplain.

Opportunities for regular worship were provided in the three corporate Communion services held each term, and the services of Evensong and Matins, which were said every evening at 5 p.m., and every Tuesday morning at 8.45 a.m., respectively, in the Society's room in the Lady Symon Building.

A similar programme is envisaged for the coming year. The Society's Freshers' Welcome is to be held on Wednesday, April 3, and more information will be given then, so watch the notice boards for details!

## L.S.F. in fourth year

The Lutheran Student Fellowship is beginning its fourth year of activity at the University. The Fellowship's main aim is to meet the needs of Lutheran students at the University and Teachers' College, but it encourages and welcomes the attendance of all other students interested in its programme.

All Lutheran students and graduates of the University and Teachers' College are eligible for membership.

A full programme of activities has already been planned for this year. Of chief interest to freshers is the Freshers' Welcome, to be held on the night of Monday, March 25, during Orientation Week, and the Freshers' Camp, at Mylor, from March 29 to 31. The first camp last year was voted a "colossal" success, so don't miss this year's.

The L.S.F. will again be holding morning devotions on Mondays and Fridays, and Bible studies and discussion groups during the lunch hour on Thursdays and Fridays. One lunch-hour

# ON DIT SPORT

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## GYMNASTICS IS EASY TO LEARN

Have you ever envied those chaps who do tricks on the horizontal or parallel bars? If so, why not take up gymnasium?

Gym is a very pleasant way of keeping fit. It is an easy sport to learn—a few hours a week is all you need.

There are regular competitions, and last year the Gymnasium Club was moderately successful, gaining several awards in the State championships.

The team gained the championship award in the C Grade, and Mervyn Steicke and Andrew Sag gained third place in the parallel bars and pommel horse sections. Tony Kimber scooped the pool by winning the horizontal bar championship, being runner-up in parallels

and pummels, and third place in the vaulting.

If you have done any gymnasium at all, or if you are interested in this kind of thing, please watch the Refectory notice boards. We would especially like to see old scholars of Immanuel, Adelaide High, and Rostrevor.



public meeting has been set for each term, with topics of general interest to all students. Six night meetings have also been planned. The committee for 1957 is:

President: John Grosse.  
Vice-President: Alister Lieschke.  
Past President: John Sabel.  
Secretary: Vic Pfitzner.  
Treasurer: John Hanckel.  
Publicity Officer: Carl Dohler.  
Grads' Representative, Keith Grote.  
Additional Members: Joy Altus, Margaret Obst, John Zweck.

## LABOR GROUP (Cont. from page 7)

The following items will be featured: 1.—"The Mille Miglia," describing the gruelling 1,000-mile motor race in Italy. 2.—"Beethoven or Boogie." 3.—"Men of Rochdale," depicting the rise of the co-operatives in England. 4.—"How Britain Votes." 5.—"The Nose Has It," a humorous lecture by Arthur Askey.

Here is the 1957 committee: Patron, D. A. Dunstan, LL.B., M.P. President, Ian John (Psychology). Vice-Presidents, Dr. Derek van Abbe and Dr. Ken Inglis. Secretary, John Playford (Economics). Publicity Officer, Bob Fowler (Economics). Committee, Miss Anne Levy, Bill Ewers, B. Gnanashamugan.

## LIBERAL CLUB (Cont. from page 7)

ing of the delegates from all clubs.

The office-bearers for 1956-57 are: President, Andrew Wilson. Vice - President, Jenny Downing. Secretary, Dean Terrell. Treasurer, Jim Young. Publicity Officer, Ian Haig. Committee, Gay Millhouse, Margaret McLachlan, Paul Stewart, Malcolm Bennett.

# Are you a man?

Are you a man? The University Rugby Union Football Club offers you every opportunity of proving that you are.

Practice begins early in the year, and you will find that, through the medium of this rugged (yet polished) game you will be mixing with old hands at the University and at the game.

Every faculty is represented in the sport, so come and join us, and broaden your education.

We have plenty of teams,

so even if you don't know much about it, you'll get a game.

What is better than pushing in a scrum, running down the sideline to the try-line, or flying through the air and felling someone with a brilliant tackle?

Don't forget it is a club, and apart from rugby, there are numerous social activities.

## JUDO



For those interested in learning a useful sport which will not interfere with other sporting activities the Judo Club has a lot to offer the fresher.

Judo was founded in Japan during the 19th century by Professor Kano. It is not to be confused with ju-jitsu, which is purely self-defence. In Judo the main idea is to develop the sporting way of throwing others around.

The first meeting of the club will be in the Hut on Thursday, March 28, at 1 p.m.

This year the main function of the club will be the Intersports competition to be held in Adelaide at the end of first term. There will be five Universities competing. Those joining the club now will have a good chance of competing in the Inter-

## Table tennis is fast, skilful

Freshers! If you are interested in playing a fast, skilful game this year, then join the Table Tennis Club. The club has entered several teams in the winter pennant competitions, so there are opportunities for all players to get a place in one of the teams.

The highlights of the 1957 season will be:

● The Adelaide University Singles and Doubles Championships, for both men and women.

● The Intersports matches, which will be held in Brisbane this year.

In last year's Intersports in Melbourne, Stephen Cho, from Adelaide, won the Australian Universities' Singles Championship. This year we hope to win the teams championship as well.

It is vitally important that we get new players each season to replace those who have left the University. We hope there will be sufficient girls interested in playing to enter a team in the women's pennant. It may also arouse more enthusiasm from the men.

The practices are held on Thursday nights and Saturday.

The club practices once a week for an hour during lunch time. Extra practices can be arranged in your spare time.

Contact R. Palmer or R. Ishanto (Electrical Eng.), B. K. Ng (Medical), or T. Edge (Physical Education) for further details.

day mornings in the University boatshed. All students are welcome to come out and practice. Further details of the A.G.M. and the first practices will be posted on the Refectory notice boards.

## Badminton keeps you fit

The Badminton Club has a membership of about 80 (both sexes) playing both social and inter-club badminton.

The season begins in April and ends in August. Practices are held on Thursday nights at the Congregational Church Hall, Brougham Place, North Adelaide. There is an Intersports tournament during the year.

All those who are interested can enrol to play for this year's season. Further information with regard to enrolment for the whole year's activities will soon be put up on the notice board, Badminton section.



# CHESS MAKES YOU THINK

The Chess Club was re-formed in 1954 and in 1955 entered one team in the senior inter-club competition. Last year three teams competed, one in each grade, and two of them reached the finals.

This participation in the Inter-club Competition has been almost the sole activity of the club in recent years, since tournaments have proved very difficult to run because of clashing timetables and insufficient interest.

Nevertheless, this year, if sufficient entries are received from freshers, there will be a tournament in the first

## BOXING

Freshers interested in boxing are reminded that instruction will be starting very soon.

Johnny Dillon, ex-Australian champion, and leading instructor in S.A., will once again be on hand.

The Intervarsity is this year being held in Sydney. As the standard is not very high, anyone can win a title, with a bit of luck.

No previous knowledge is required.

term. So be in it, and watch the Refectory notice board for details!

The Inter-club Competition is played on every second Wednesday night in the G.P.O. dining hall, the competing teams representing districts, nationalities, or commercial houses. As team nominations must be made immediately, it is important that every player, whether fresher or not, who is desirous of taking part should inform the club in a note placed in the "C" pigeonhole (outside the S.R.C. office) of his name, address, 'phone number, previous experience, etc.

Only by this means may adequate provision be made. Intending members should watch the notice board at the rear of the Refectory for details of the first meeting of the club on Thursday, March 28.

G. B. GIBBS, President.  
P. R. L. GODDARD,  
Secty.-Treas.

# • Two playing fields this year Hockey is popular

The University Men's Hockey Club is one of the largest sporting bodies in the University. It is also the largest club in the S.A.H.A.

This year the club hopes to increase its activities as it now has two playing fields. Freshers are particularly welcome to join, whether they have played before or not, and are guaranteed a game every week.

Last season St. Mark's entered a team, and swept all before them, giving us one of the two premierships we won last year. This season we hope to see Aquinas and Lincoln enter teams also.

Many goal-keeping vacancies exist, and we would appreciate new goalies. If you have never played hockey or goalie before, we ensure to train you thoroughly. Remember, this position is one of the most important in the team.

The club is privileged to have among its members Malayan players. Malayans are among the finest hockey players in the world. Our club captain, Narinder Singh, is one of the best full backs in Australia, and also one of the best tacticians; consequently, on joining the club, you can be assured of the best coaching in Australia. Also at our disposal is a fine changing pavilion, lockers, and hot showers.

Watch the notice board in the Refectory for details of the Annual General Meeting.

## Women's basketball

The Women's Basketball Club will hold its Annual General Meeting at lunchtime on Tuesday, April 2, in the Lady Symon Lounge. All interested in the club are invited to attend.

Practices are held on Wednesday afternoons at 4 o'clock. This season there were four teams in the S.A.W.B.B.A., and the first team expects to go up into A Grade. The other teams were in C2, E1, and LC Grades.

Each year the first team participates in the annual Intervarsity Carnival. Last year, in Melbourne, the Adelaide team was victorious.

With the Carnival being held in Adelaide, this year promises to be a big one.

## AN EASY GUIDE

New students are always puzzled at first by the great number of clubs and societies in the 'Varsity. They are often unable to decide which clubs to join.

Even if you are only interested in one club, it is possible to join that club and still keep in touch with what your fellow-students are doing in other parts of the University.

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## GO MAN, GO!

Freshers! If you want to play a sport that is fast, vigorous, and exciting, a sport that calls for skill, stamina, determination, and team spirit, here is one that is being hailed as the most popular in the world.

Basketball is now becoming increasingly popular, not only in this University, but also in other Universities throughout Australia. In Sydney, in 1947, the first Intervarsity competition was held. Adelaide competed then, and has been in it every year since.

However, so far we have only won the competition once—in Brisbane in 1954, when five of our players were chosen in the All-Australian Universities team. This year the carnival will be held in Perth, and as it will be the tenth anniversary of Intervarsity men's basketball, we in Adelaide hope to make this year an outstanding success.

To do this we need all the interest and talent we can muster from the freshers in the University. Even if you haven't played before, perhaps never even heard of the game before, don't let that worry you. You may have real ability, great hidden talent for the game. You never know what you can do until you try, so come and find out all about it.

One of the features of the game which makes it such a favorite with students is the fact that a game only lasts for about an hour, and if you're one of those characters who feel that playing sport for the University will take up too much time, have no fear, for there's one game that doesn't.

Matches are held one night a week at the very well-equipped Forestville Stadium and as a game only lasts for an hour, it doesn't interfere with a night's work—in fact, the break in the middle of the week really does you the world of good.

### Teams and Practice

In past seasons we have had three teams competing during the winter months, and one team during the summer. However, don't be afraid that there won't be room in a team for you. The more players we have, the more teams we can field. It's as simple as that.

In the past, practices have been held on the two courts in front of the Geology Building on Saturday afternoons, but balls are available for practice at any time at all, so that if you play Saturday sport there's really nothing to stop you playing basketball as well.

There are a number of experienced club members who will be only too willing and keen to help you, so come on, freshers, be in it! It's a

golden opportunity to make firm friends in other faculties, and to meet and play alongside students of other nationalities. As well as this, you'll keep really fit, and have a wonderful time while you're at the University.

Don't miss it; you can't really afford to!

(For further details, watch the Basketball notice board, or contact the secretary, V. Reintals (Engineering)).

## Rifle Club

The Rifle Club holds shoots every Saturday during the University year at the Dean Range.

The rifles used are Army pattern, .303, with an aperture backsight. Ranges fired are 800-1000 yards, with an appropriately "large" target.

There is generally a handicap trophy shoot each Saturday—a teaspoon for the winner. The club pays all expenses, and no previous experience is needed.

There are matches with other city clubs, and inter-arsity matches. The 1957 Intervarsity is in Perth. The club captain is Bill Robertson, 176 Goodwood Road, Cumberland ('Phone U3284). Anyone wanting further information or transport to the range should contact him, or Robin Wood or Brenton Mollison at the Med. buildings.

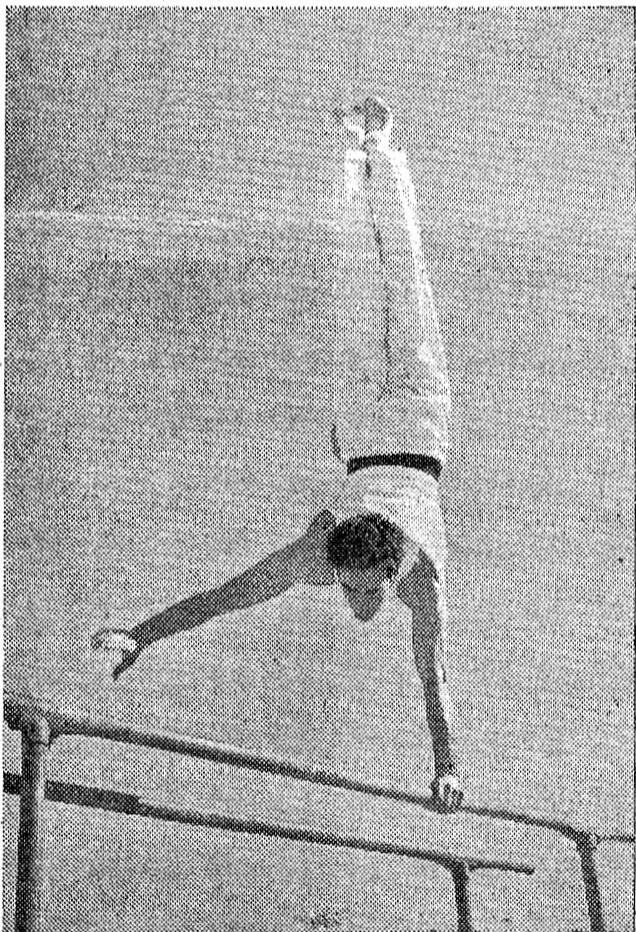
Apart from weekly trophies, there is usually a yearly trophy match.

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TOP: Gymnastics—it's easy when you know how! ABOVE: Scene from last year's tug-o-war between the Meds and the Engineers

# CRICKET CLUB FIELDS THREE TEAMS

The Cricket Club has three teams, all of which play in the District Competitions. Practice is held at the main oval on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons under the direction of the Club Coach, Mr. Reg Craig.

A University student may not play with another District club unless he has first submitted himself for selection in the University A, B, or C teams, and failed to gain selection. This rule applies to every match, and it is therefore necessary for students to attend University Club practice.

The teams are selected on the Tuesday prior to the commencement of each match, and published in the "Advertiser" on Wednesday mornings. Players not selected may then practise with their District club on the Thursday prior to the commencement of a match, with a view to selection by that club.

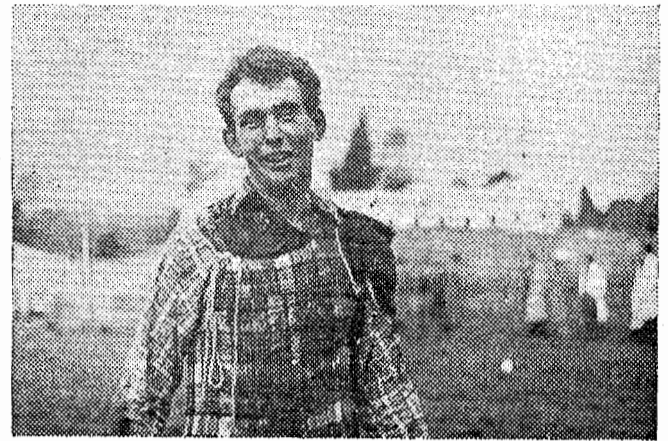
A fresher may join the Cricket Club from January 1, provided he has entered for his subjects and paid the statutory fee.

Each year there is an Intersarsity cricket match played against Melbourne University on a home-and-home basis. (1957 venue is Adelaide.)

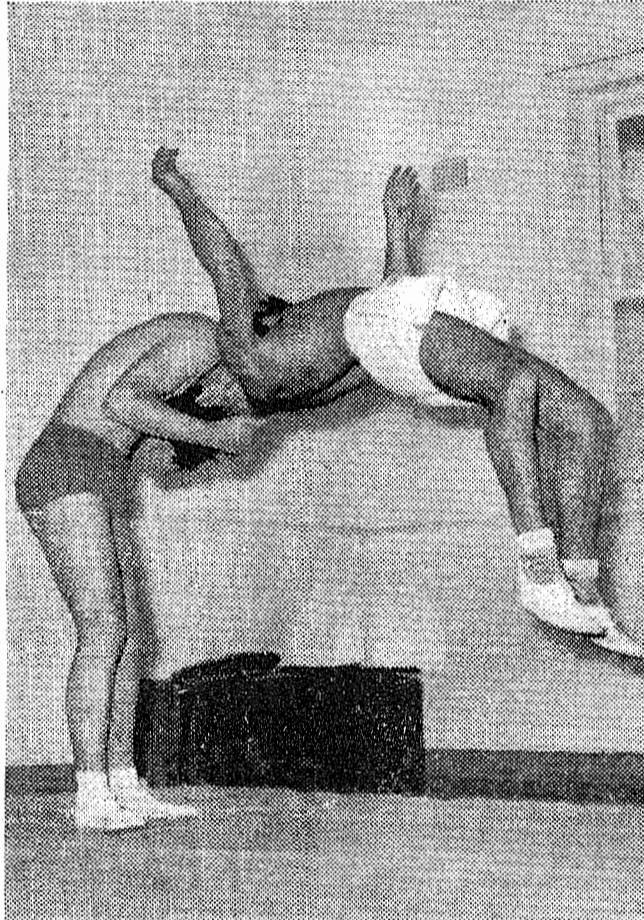
The office-bearers for 1956-57 are as follows:

President, Dr. L. J. T. Pellew.  
Club Captain, John Lill (W8211).

Secretary, Gordon Haynes (LA8791).  
Coach, Reg Craig (MF 2154).



Scene from the Men v. Women Rugby Match on Procession Day last year.



Members of the Boxing and Wrestling Club photographed during a training bout for Intersarsity.

## IN YOUR NEXT "ON DIT" . . .

- A report on the National Union Council meeting, held in Sydney during the vacation.
- A dramatic account of grim University conditions in South America.
- Student news from overseas centres.
- Sport fans will enjoy reading a brief account of the history of men's basketball, written specially for "On Dit" by a member of the Men's Basketball Club.

There's something for everyone in "On Dit"!

## FRESHERS!!

Watch the notice board in the refectory for a meeting of the Soccer Club Be there!

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## ATHS. CLUB NEEDS MORE SPRINTERS

One sporting club which offers an opportunity to all freshers is the University Athletics Club.

The club, with many of the old faithfuls retired, needs fresher support badly.

Intending runners need not have been school champions—there is plenty of room in the club for athletes who want to compete in a first-class sport on a Saturday afternoon.

The University athletics season does not begin in earnest until first term, and is climaxed by an Intersarsity meeting, which will be held in Sydney this year.

This meeting is of a high standard, and several of last year's winners were members of the Olympic athletics team.

The club is particularly in need of sprinters, but all athletes will be welcomed, and can be promised a run as soon as they appear.

The first event in the immediate future which will be of interest to all freshers, whether athletes or not, is the Handicap Meeting. This meeting will give everyone

an equal opportunity, and entries are now invited.

The handicap meeting will be followed by the University Championships, for which excellent trophies are offered, and which is the basis of selection for the Intersarsity trip in the first term vacation.

Any fresher who is at all interested in running should attend the University Oval on one of the club's training nights. These training nights are listed on the notice board at the back of the Refectory.

Freshers who wish to train can also leave their names on the list on the club notice board.

The club has excellent facilities—no other South Australian club can boast equal training facilities—and these are available for the use of all freshers who have paid their statutory fee.

Watch the notice board for further information on the Varsity's up and coming sport—athletics.

## Baseball

The Varsity Baseball Club is the only non-district club in the S.A. Baseball League. It has won one State title during its two years of existence and is consistently in the first five, having just missed the four by percentage on the last two occasions.

This club, with Goodwood Baseball Club, forms the famous "Indians" of night baseball fame—the only club to win two night premier-ships in the four years of night 'ball.

The 1957 Intersarsity Carnival is due to be played in Brisbane during the second term vacation.

The club fields five teams—in Major A and B, and Minor B, D, and E Grades. Previous experience is not essential.

## SUMMER TENNIS

This year there are both men's and women's tennis clubs. The men's tennis club fields four teams, all of which are on lawn courts.

We have a District team, headed by Robin Scheid and Andrew Zeltius, a Pennant team, and two teams in the Metropolitan Grass Court Association.

There are opportunities for all to play in one of these teams, and there is an Intersarsity match every year. All notices appear on the tennis notice board, and intending players should see the secretary, Andrew Wilson.

The girls field two teams in the Metropolitan Association, and as yet have no District team. Here is a chance for all interested to play for a University team.



Girl Basketball players vie for possession during practice.