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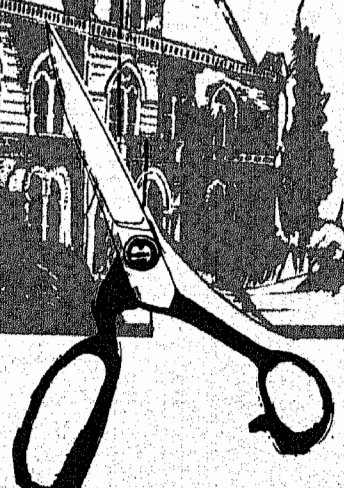
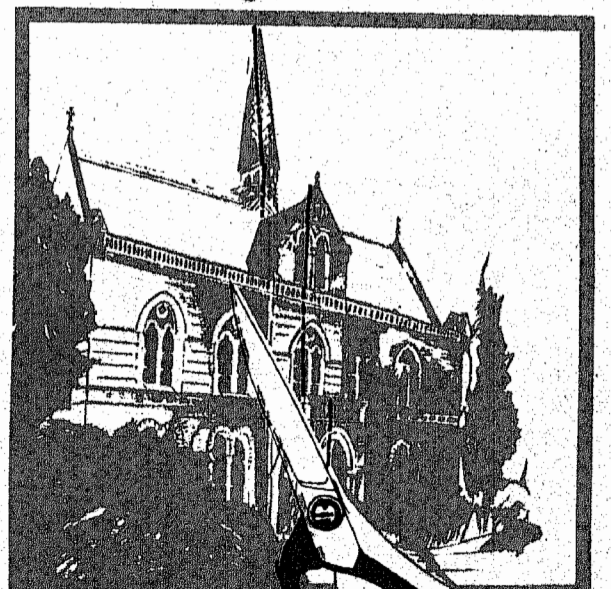
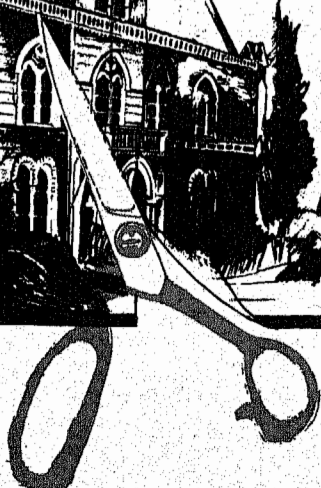
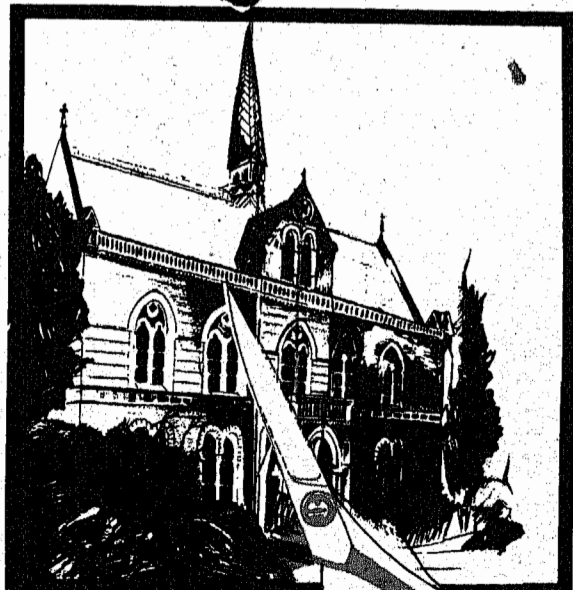
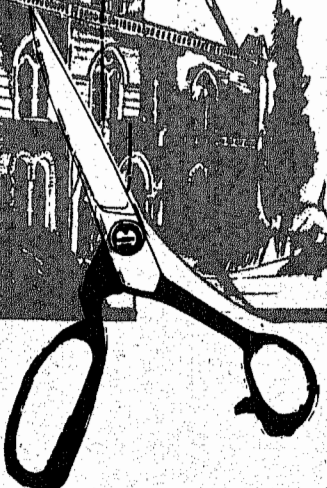
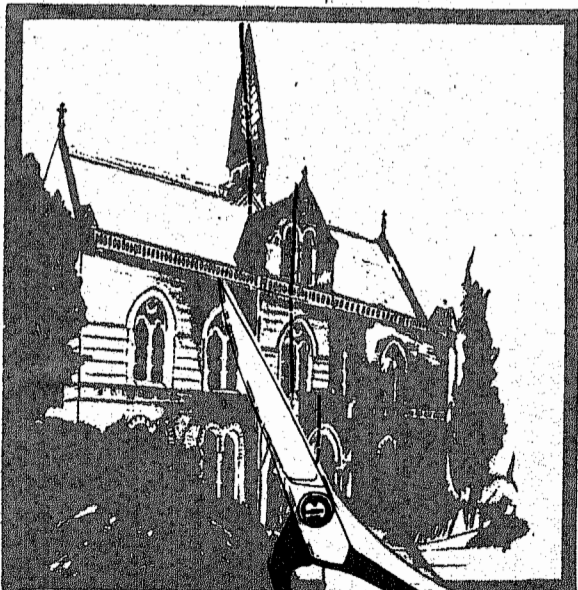
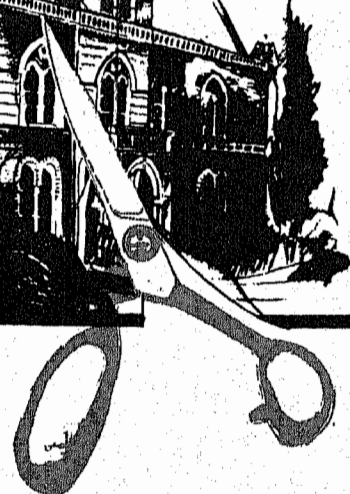
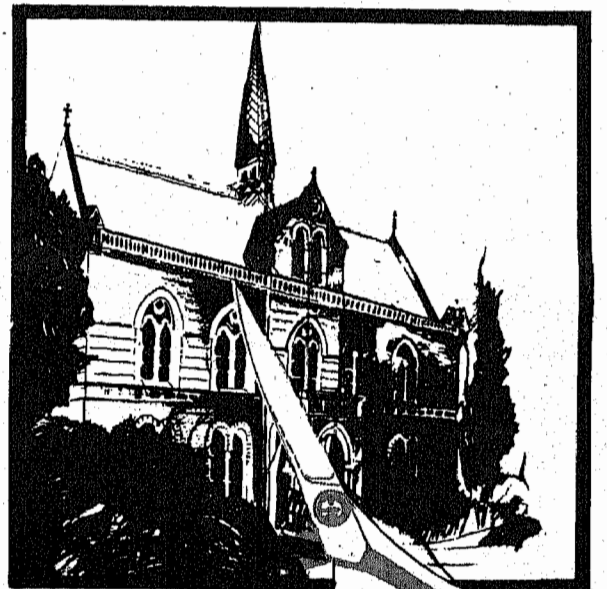
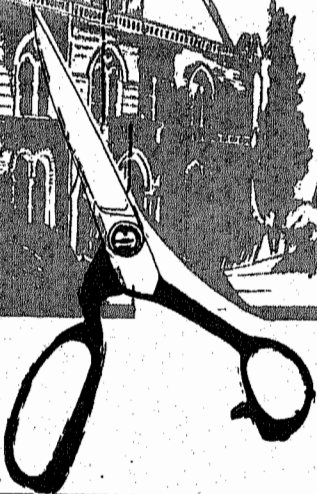
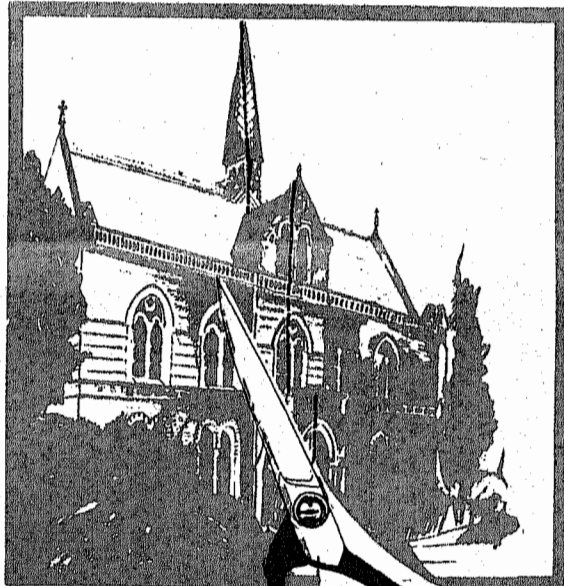
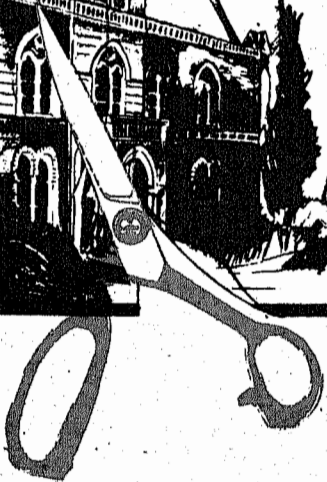
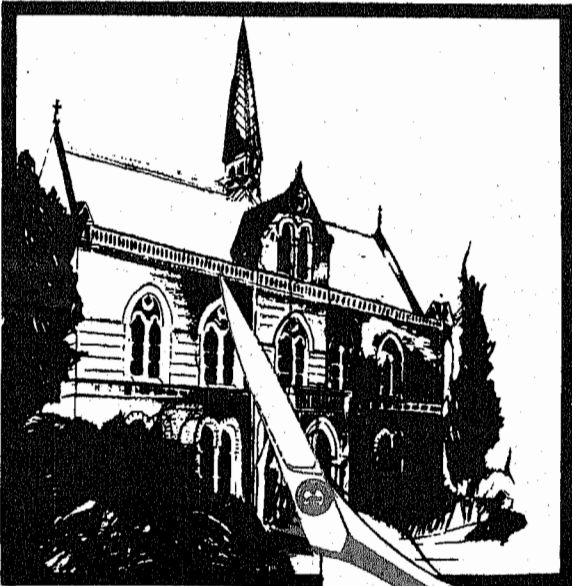
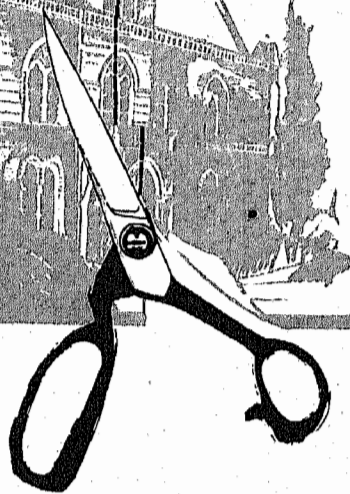
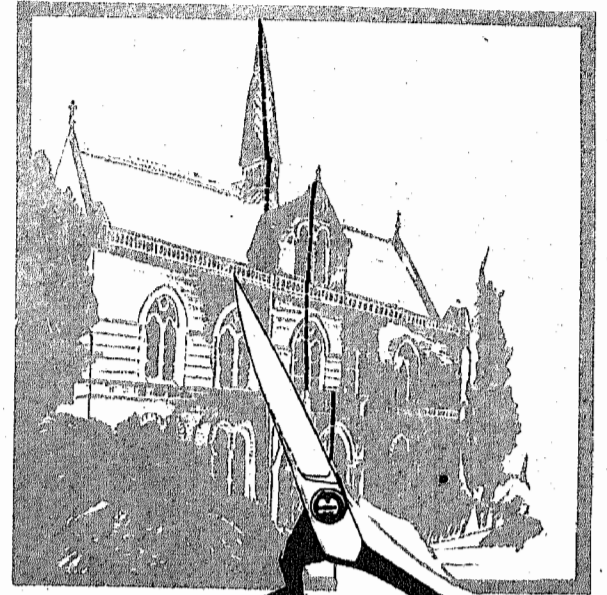
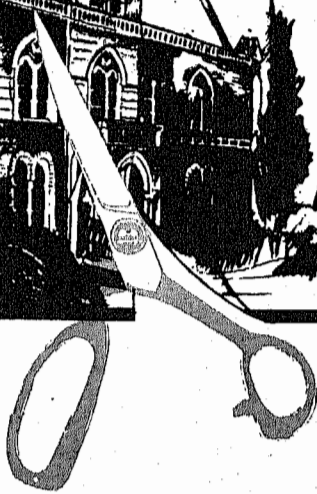
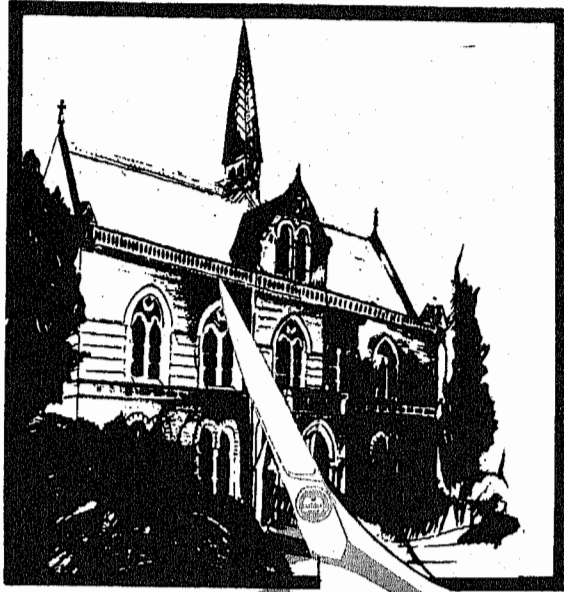
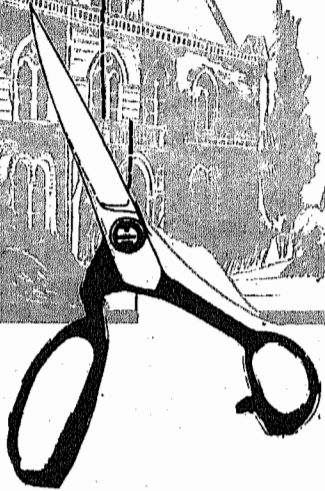
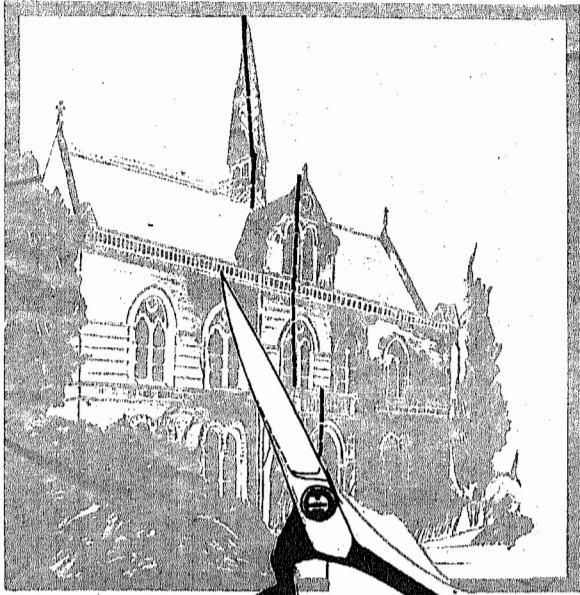
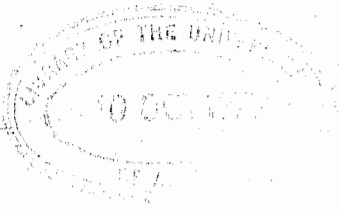
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# On Dit





# Of Publishing, and being praised with faint damns

The question of when to publish and when not to has been a pressing one for On Dit in the last few weeks. Two of our main stories in this issue feature this question - a letter (with our reply) from Al Grassby alleging racism and the scientology writ. We deal with the Grassby letter in general terms in our reply. But simply - we believe discussion of an issue in the pages of On Dit from as many viewpoints as possible, coupled with our readers critical faculties is our guiding principle. But what if an article is harmful to some people and not merely so extreme as to be self defeating? In some cases this year we have decided not to publish and in the process have been accused of being over-fastidious. But the general reader the article we didn't publish is no the one that attracts comment. The mistakes people notice are the ones we make in public by publishing something we shouldn't have.

Some readers might remember our reversal of policy following criticisms of "bitchiness" in first and second terms. (And we got criticized then for being too humble), but we had taken time over our decision. In last weeks issue the Vincent Wong article contained a sneering reference to homosexuals which we deleted. (We did this to indicate our disapproval of it - we used only 2pt tape which meant it could still be read with difficulty - in order that our public could judge the writer for themselves). Some people feel that a complete deletion was appropriate. So be it.

Some people might think this contradicts our policy of allowing full debate - however the remark was not a sincere one we felt and fell outside the full debate rule.

The Scientology article and its history fits more closely the "Woodstein" white knight image of journalism.

Justice Brights summing up we feel was an admirable one - and the points he makes about religion parallel our general editorial policy.

Trial by newspaper is a concept that the last few weeks has forced me to grapple with. There is no doubt that a paper has investigative and prophetic roles. However the pursuit of truth should be earnest, sober and without malice. (Conforming the philosophy that "truth is not to be grasped at"). My reason for repeating what may seem to be commonplaces is simply to refresh my bad memory! Furthermore On Dit is not monolithic - the majority of its articles are contributed and we seek to avoid hegemony in terms of ideology or worldview.

On Dit unlike some other student association's newspapers is not bound to follow the detailed policy of its parent political body. And On Dit aside, we

find generally (but not always) that an "open" paper tends to be more widely read. People don't feel co-erced into following any "line" and thus find pursuing it considerably more relaxing.

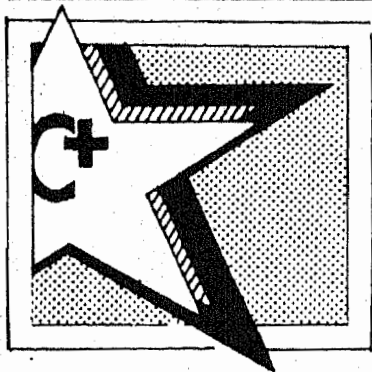
Adelaide University has respected the principle of press freedom - and On Dit tries to give expression to as many divergent opinions as possible. In this weeks issue there are political statements and ideas expressed that will offend some.

However On Dit is always to admit debate. And we expect a few faint damns from these pages (and we'll get a few unexpected ones also!) The lesson of 1978 for me has been one of learning to be cool and let the dust settle - and to reject hot emotion for reasoned thought. (Sorry if it makes the paper boring its just the way I am).

You might ask how I can allow an open press and retain credi-

bility. If one cares about something its natural to do all thats in ones power to accomplish it. And it may seem odd for a christian to print "Shit on God" in the last issue. It wasn't easy, but then the truth is robust enough surely to stand a little competition? Which immediately allows people of differing persuasion to enter into the same sphere of discourse, using On Dit.

Can you imagine running a paper at Adelaide Uni in any other way? Theres not one faction strong enough to dominate. And while that allows my small "I" liberalist attitudes to prevail as a matter of convenience. (If none of the political clubs can knock off On Dit then somebody who will give them all a say will do)....it does reflect the fragmented nature of the Adelaide Uni student community. So perhaps to give everyone a say (however weird-well almost) is more necessity than a virtue.



## Credits

Newspaper of the Students Association of the University of Adelaide. Edited and Published by John Sandeman.

Thanx to Kerry Hinton, Adam Russel, Gordon Laverick, Nonee Walsh, Stephan MacDonald, Greg Ede, Jazz Rock and Blues, Colin Pickering, Jane Mitchell, Karin, AUS Student Travel,



## BILBO

Tuesdays story in the 'tiser about On Dits Scientological troubles mentions that John Sandeman is a student and editor. We'll be gracious about the second one - but the first is scarcely true. (He was a student once).

John Sandeman, 23, student and editor of "On Dit." and Mr. Gordon Laverick, 27, part-time student and freelance journalist, and claims the

Gordon Laverick was described as a part time student (very, very, true) and a free lance journalist. Very, Very Freelance.

Bilbo only realized too late that President Kerry Hinton's article on the students association mix-up over the AUS elections neglected to mention who was responsible - wonder why?

Bilbo thought it would never happen....AUS and left wing members of the Public Affairs Committee are assisting in the visit of Christian Missionary Stephen Lavendor this week on Campus. Mind you, Lavendor who plans a lawns meeting on Friday is no ordinary missionary ....and while the South Korean Government denounced him as a "communist" were sure they haven't taken its word for it.

Readers may have caught up with the new look Bread and Circuses. We think they look fine and the editors tell us that they are going even better. Actually Bilbo doesn't mind this competition one bit - its all part

of On Dit's editor Sandeman to extend architecture students hegemony over student media. And Bilbo can only sit and smile at the poor lads megalomania. All On Dit editors go mad in the end. Look at Nick Xenophou, Look at Peter Duncan..... Look at Max Harris.....

In researching the item above it was discovered that On Dit has had a chequered history as regards political censorship. For reasons including politics On Dit was suppressed for two years - and suffered various restrictive schemes of control by the Union. And at one stage On Dit staff was reprimanded for criticising the ornamental ceiling of the newly opened Barr Smith Library.

Talking about editors Bilbo would like to report his latest uh...err... scoop. After getting served with their writ on Thursday the On Dit staff spent half an hour on the phone talking to the press... ..and then phoned for a lawyer. And they had to appear in court that afternoon!

They say they had to wait for the go ahead from the union - but thats an awfully weak excuse.

When in a subversive mood, Bilbo occasionally talks to the odd communist (well its one way of killing time....). In this way he picked up the following gem. Seems the socialist Part of Australia has a youth division which sends delegates to the May-day committee. Nothing strange about that you say, positively boring. Only thing is though, the respective ages of the delegates is 40 and 50!

Clubs and Societies. After energetically attempting to raise the level of humor (if not debate) during the last CSC exec meeting a certain student newspaper editor was forcibly ejected from the meeting. (they did do it democratically mind).

Following this incident a portion of the Students Association supply of paper was suddenly transferred to a position directly in front of the CSC door. Which made it as difficult for them to get out as it was for some people to stay in.....

# Editorial

## WE SPOKE TOO SOON!

### Student Papers Collect Writs

While this year On Dit can only hang 'it's' head in shame, and admit that we've received only threats student newspapers interstate have raked up an admirable (?) number of real writs. The following papers face legal action:- RABELAIS (La Trobe Uni) re AUS Travel & Jetset; THARUNKA (UNSW) re AUS Travel and Jetset; CATALYST (RMIT) re 3CR, PELICAN (U label of Danby

'On Dit' spoke too soon last week when we featured details of writs served on other campus papers, and boasted that we had escaped that fate. 'On Dit' Editor Sandeman and Reporter Laverick, having worked into the wee hours to get the edition out, returned to their office from the Australian Broadcasting Tribunal at Thursday (September 7) lunchtime, to discover that the cult of Scientology had served a writ against them for last week's cover story.

The 10,000 word article in question which Laverick copy-righted, had been submitted to the cult as a courtesy and for their comment. Gordon spent over six hours interviewing cultists, and cult Spokesman Stewart Payne was told that the draft article would be printed unless new information was supplied that would change 'On Dit's' opinion, or an adverse legal opinion was received. He also told Payne that 'On Dit' was prepared to consider any reply the cult might care to submit.

Both Sandeman and Laverick were surprised that the cult took legal action, since Payne had remarked that 'On Dit was an insignificant little paper, and that Adelaide University was an 'insignificant little institution'.

In his Supreme Court Chambers that afternoon, Mr Justice Bright, describing the report as a matter of public interest dismissed the cult's application for an interlocutory injunction to restrain Gordon and John from publishing the report. Costs of the application were awarded against the cult.

'On Dit' Lawyer Jean Matysek is currently preparing an appearance in the action, which will have been entered by the time this edition goes to press.

While Editor John and Reporter Gordon were elated at being able to publish the report, they are taking the matter seriously, and Gordon spent the weekend researching additional evidence to present when the action goes to trial.

On Sunday, cultist Stewart Payne visited the 'On Dit' office, and was given a copy of the allegedly defamatory article. Gordon Laverick repeated the 'On Dit' offer of consideration of a reply, and Payne is reported to have said that he 'would take Laverick up on that.' Editor Sandeman has written to the cult confirming the offer.

When asked what had prompted an interest in the cult, Gordon said that basically he was reciprocating the cult's interest in 'On Dit'. He said that he recalled that during 1977 that the cult's Public Relations Officer Peter Bowen, had spent some time in the 'On Dit' office.

'I don't know why he was there, we never ran anything on the cult last year,' Gordon said. 'It seemed to me that he was just familiarising himself with the office set-up.'

He said that he had been intrigued by the way Bowen had sounded out his attitude to nazism and fascism, before submitting an article claiming that Interpol was fascist. He said that Bowen had been remarkably circumspect, and that cultists Payne and Audrey Devlin had reinforced this impression of circumspection.

Laverick said that he felt that Mr Justice Bright had to a certain extent vindicated the position taken by himself and John Sandeman, that discussion of the cult was a matter of public interest.

He is also believed to have con-

tacted leading members of the medical profession with a view to having them testify as to their opinions on the content of the report. Laverick is understood to have initiated contact with the interstate print media, in order to more fully research the cult's background.

In refusing to grant the application for an injunction, Mr Justice Bright said that in general it was in the public interest that there be free comment on matters of public concern, and that religious organisations had no special privileges in this respect.

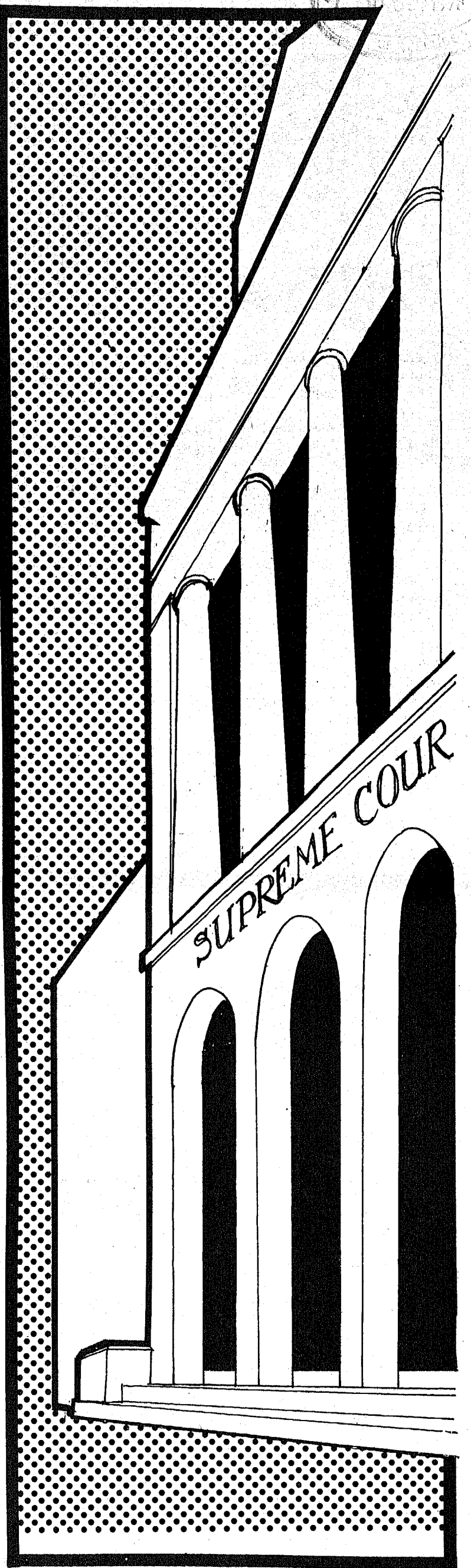
'Religion in general, sections of religion, and denominations within those sections have been the subject of robust adverse comment for centuries and if they have established the injustice of the accusations have often emerged the stronger for withstanding them,' his Honor said.

'In all the circumstances of this case I do not believe that this is a case for an interlocutory injunction. The application is refused. The costs will be the defendants' costs in the cause in any event,' he concluded.

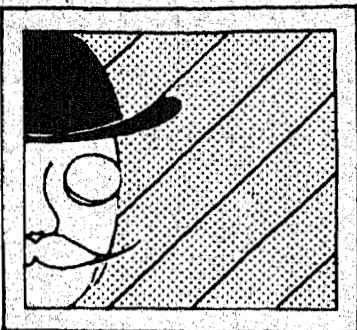
When questioned as to the form any reply submitted by the cult might take, John said that the cult had not been offered free advertising space, and any reply would be limited to a maximum of one page. He said that he would retain editorial discretion as to factual accuracy, grammar, punctuation and spelling, and legal status. He said that clearly, he could not publish anything that was defamatory or sub judice, and that anything published would be edited with proper respect for fact.

Sandeman said that he had been very encouraged by the strong support from students evident when he and Laverick attended Court. He said that he believed that they both had wide student support, evidenced by the

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# Vincent Wong

## NASAL PASSAGES

September 1, the start of the Royal Show and the release of the Adelaide Cult Figure Society's (AFS) Annual top 40 chart of South Australia's Super Heroes, this year featuring Don Dunstan reading poetry.

And yes, yet again 'Georgeous George' Jack Wright, the man widely rumoured to be the next to appear on the PIAF perfumery ads has topped the vote with a stunning, sustained performance of compassion, beauty and irresistibility to women folk. (Bad luck Cherry Hinton). This year's runner-up is Susan Grenfell from the Savings Bank's Woman to Woman Banking Service who polled remarkably well after her late entry onto the ballot slip. J.W. and Ms Grenfell now meet in Monday's caged, no holds barred final at the Thebarton Town Hall.

On campus the Students Association has opened up Student to Student Banking with our own S.G. Stefan Gabrynowicz, the Associations Treasurer. Here are this weeks enquiring letters on their monetary problems from anxious students.

Dear Stefan,

I still hold a senior union position but I keep receiving gifts of pineapples from those people with whom I come into contact. I called in last week but no one could help me. What sort of downpayment on a mortgage is a crate of very prickly tropical fruit? A.C.

Dear A.C.,

Firstly sorry about the lack of services. When you work with people with ages like Don Bradman's batting average and others with I.Q.'s of dead platypuses you can not expect the world and you certainly don't get it. As for your problems I think your best bet is either to send these people punnets of raspberries back or see your plastic surgeon about some alterations. As for the down payment on the mortgage, banks are financial intermediaries (I hope spelt correctly) not central fruit markets twit.

Dear Stefan,

I'm 17 and have been working for a year. Do I qualify for a pension or a prize or maternity leave or a rabbit allowance. B.P.

Dear Bowser,

Your milkman was right. 'Not Negotiable' cheques are difficult to cash. Become a part time student and apply for a Uni Union position and we will probably find one for you. We do for everyone else.

P.S. Did you know I had a telephone now. (Small world. Ed) Skin face Kerry got it for me.

'Student to Student' banking Yet Another Student Association Disadvantage.



## Scientology

# SPOKE TOO SOON

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diversity of those who came up to the Court with them.

In addition to this, John said, he and Gordon had been encouraged by a wide range of students, and he felt that their stand reflected the wishes of the student community.

Laverick said that he was surprised by the largely sympathetic reaction of the mass media and that their interest was on a greater scale than he had anticipated.

'Ron Saw of 'The Bulletin' in particular was very helpful' he said. 'He gave me a series of references to follow up, and was most co-operative.'

(In the current issue of 'The Bulletin', Ron Saw described the cult as...the quasi-religious, quasi-scientific con-trick perpetrated by American Science-fiction L. Ron Hubbard....')

Saw quoted Author Paulette Cooper ('The Scandal of Scientology') as saying'....They threatened me with a gun, lifted files from my psychiatrist and tried to blackmail me, saying I was a sexual deviant with venereal disease.'

He/ also quoted Actress Sarah Miles saying '...Disagree with them once, and you're on their 'enemies' list, which means blackmail of the crudest sort...'

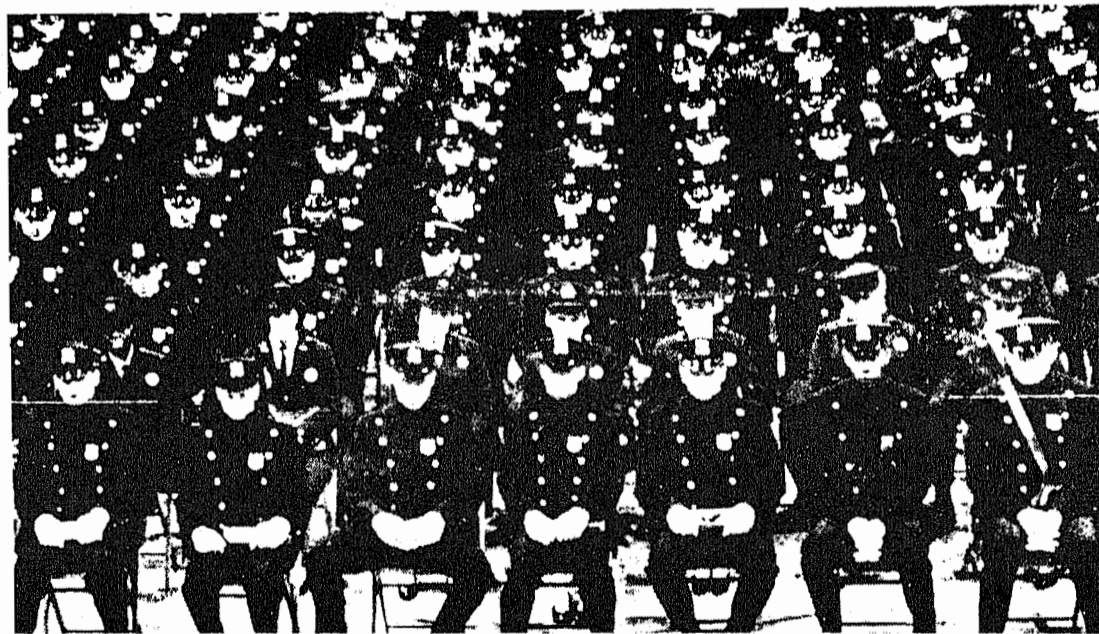
One thing is certain, and that is

that cultist Payne's parting remark to John and Gordon, that they had 'taken on something much bigger than either of them knew', is not very meaningful now.

The Supreme Court of South Australia is extremely unlikely to be very concerned with who has the most resources. Rather, they will be concerned to establish the truth of the matter, and that is th arena where the issue will be decided.

Such discription appears to be a scientological characteristic, - in their reply to the Victorian Governments report - they describe the big V as a 'small state in Australia'.

# BY-ELECTION FOR 6 A.U.S. ANNUAL COUNCIL DELEGATES AND



## REFERENDUM ON GENERAL STUDENT MEETING QUORUMS

This will have the effect of increasing the quorum for all General Student Meetings from 250 to 300

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# WE PROTEST

Dear John

We wish to comment on the 'not-so-well-crossed-out' lines which appeared in the last On Dit, in the article Nasal Passages by Vincent Wong - alias Peter [redacted] the "prominent misogynist".

On what basis does he call the organisers of the Abortion Law Meeting, "prominent Homosexuals?" We find it offensive that those who are not prejudiced against homosexuality in themselves or in others, are immediately given the label "homosexual" in such a derogatory sense. Furthermore, women involved in the Womens Movement know that they receive a lot of support from homosexual men and women in their campaigns for FREE ABORTION ON DEMAND. After all, both groups are fighting for the right to control their own bodies.

Finally, if Vincent/Peter raves his eyebrows at "alleged homosexuals" involving themselves in the issue, on what grounds are his own sexual hackles being raised? Heterosexual men know little enough about their own bodies, without assuming superior knowledge of women's bodies.

Yours in disgust

- SUSAN LEWIS
- MEREDITY ROSE
- NONEE WALSH
- KRISTINE RYAN
- JOHN RUWOLDT
- KATHY BLUFF
- ROB BARTON
- VAIA PROIOS
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# NEWS



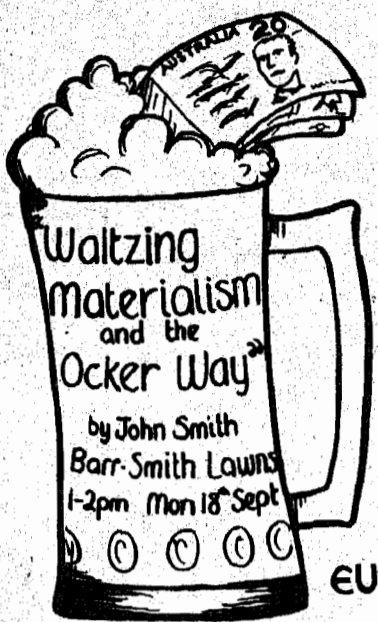
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WALTZING MATERIALISM and the OCKER WAY

We are the children of the Lucky Country, rich, fat and comfortable, resplendant in the excesses of our palatial suburbia as we wallow in the wealth of useless trinkets - which we gobble up with childish glee before racing on to the next special, as the smoke slowly rises from our city scrapyards like incense to the consumer spirit.....

Green with envy our near neighbours across the Timor Sea, clamour for a portion of our abundance.

Homeless and alienated, the mutilated wanderers from the dreamtime who survived the slaughter of our invasion will resent us for ever for our robbery of their land.



Rooted in centuries, the mother country scorns our shallow character disregarding our Kulcha and compares the sweat of our brow, those bastions of civilization in which we live for 5 days in the week to Hollywood filmsets.

Oblivious to all this we roll along eating and drinking and sleeping and eating and drinking and sleeping and.....our minds do occasionally rise beyond our pre-occupation with things to meditate on a value or two, only to see who won the footy.....this and more is the sort of thing John Smith (of C.T.A. ad fame!) will be talking about and discussing on the Barr Smith Lawns on Monday September 18th at 1.00pm. Bring your brains, come and get to know yourselves.

E.U.

# Elvis Presley Aint nothing but a snoop

(ANS/US Guardian) - According to an FBI memo released last week under the Freedom of Information Act, rock star Elvis Presley volunteered to inform for the FBI after visiting the agency's Washington headquarters on 31 December 1970.

M.A. Jones head of the crime records division wrote the memo to then-director J. Edgar Hoover several days after the visit. Jones wrote Hoover that Presley had "advised that he wished the director to be aware that he, Presley, from time to time is approached by individuals and groups in and outside of the entertainment business whose motives and goals he is convinced are not in the best interests of this country and who seek to have him lend his name to their questionable activities." The memo does not specify the nature of the groups or activities.

"In this regard," the FBI memo

continued, "he volunteered to make such information available to the bureau on a confidential basis whenever it came to his attention. He further indicated he wanted the director to know that should the bureau ever have need of his services in any way that he would be delighted to be of assistance."

The FBI file did not indicate whether the bureau ever took Presley up on his informant offer. On 4 Jan. 1971 Hoover sent Presley a letter noting that "you may be sure we will keep in mind your offer to be of assistance."

During his tour of the headquarters, Presley stated that he was a longtime fan of Hoover, had read the director's books Masters of Deceit, A Study of Communism and J. Edgar Hoover on Communism, and considered Hoover "the greatest living American."

## A new Thatcher Liberal Club Election results

The Liberal Club elected a new executive on Tuesday September 12. The new president is Julia Dunstone, who was elected Womens officer at the last Student elections. Kym Bills is immediate Past President, Peter Andersen Treasurer and Greg Ede, Vice President.

## Empire Whines

### Bad taste hits Flinders U



A mysterious publication "Empire Whines" appeared at Flinders University in the first week of term. A duplicated send-up of "Empire Times" the Campus newspaper, 'Whines' takes a swipe at almost everybody. Great disgust appears to be the general reaction. Consider such gems as a list of dead baby jokes.

Q: "What is the definition of abortion?"

A: "Splatter of little feet".

Q: "Whats more fun than nailing a baby to the wall?"

A: "Ripping it back off again". And so on....

Theres a petition to "Save the Pinball Machines, and get rid of the Womens room".

be an account of the last union board meeting, in which we learn that the University Registrar goes to sleep in meetings. The student members of the board get equal servings with stooges and puppets clearly delineated and defined. One candidates speech is described as "prepared" (copyright Sandeman Enterprises Inc. in Universities all over the world)". Well perhaps not quite.

One comment, On Dit understands was deleted (courtesy of the duplicating machine). At the foot of the sheet the inscription "produced by the Flinders University Liberal Club" was to have appeared. As if they hadnt said enough all ready to upset everyone!

The entire back page pruports to



The University of Adelaide

NOTICE TO UNDERGRADUATES

## Elections

### University Council,

ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

Candidates for Elections Nominations for the two vacancies have been received as follows:-

TERRENCE CONNOLLY  
GREGORY R. EDE  
SUZANNE E MCCOY  
VAIA PROIOS  
JOHN SANDEMAN

VOTING

The appointed day for the elections is Wednesday, October 18, 1978. The following will be sent to each member of the undergraduate body on or about Thursday, October 5; a voting paper, background information about each candidate, a description of the voting system to be used and instructions to voters. A voting paper may be lodged at any time between its receipt by the Voter and the appropriate times on October 18, as will be indicated in the instructions to voters.

A.E. SHIELDS  
RETURNING OFFICER

11/9/78

### Education C'tee

ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Candidates for Election Nominations for the six vacancies (4 for a two year term and 2 for a one year term) have been received as follows:-

GRAHAM BRIDESON  
GEOFF HANMER  
GUY J. MADDERN  
VAIA PROIOS  
ADAM C RUSSELL  
JOHN SANDEMAN  
NONEE WALSH

# NEWS



# South Korea

## even Missionaries are "Communists"

STEPHEN LAVEDER HAS BEEN A MISSIONARY FOR THE UNITING CHURCH OF AUSTRALIA. WORKING WITH THE SOUTH KOREAN URBAN INDUSTRIAL MISSION (UIM) FOR OVER TWO YEARS.

HE WAS RECENTLY EXPELLED FROM SOUTH KOREA. NO REASON WAS GIVEN. A PUBLIC MEETING WITH STEVEN LAVEDER WILL BE HELD ON FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 15TH - ON THE BARR SMITH LAWS (or cloisters if wet).

HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE IN SOUTH KOREA HAVE BEEN ARRESTED AND SENTENCED TO LONG TERMS OF IMPRISONMENT OR DEATH FOR MERELY INFORMING WORKERS OF THEIR RIGHTS UNDER THE LAW, OR FOR CRITICIZING PRESIDENT PAK.

SOUTH KOREA IS ONE OF THE WORLD'S ECONOMIC "MIRACLES":

MANY JOBS IN AUSTRALIA HAVE BEEN LOST BECAUSE COMMODITIES ARE MADE MORE CHEAPLY IN KOREA. WE HAVE A HIGHER STANDARD OF LIVING (MATERIALLY) BECAUSE OF CHEAPER CLOTHING AND ELECTRONIC GOODS.

The following account gives the background to Stephen Laveder's expulsion. It is perhaps ironic that the expulsion of an Australian missionary is the occasion for examining the oppression of Korean workers.

### uim in korea

In 1960, 75% of Korea's population was rural. In 1975, the percentage of rural population was only 40. During the intervening years there was a massive migration of people from the countryside to the city. It was in the wake of this migration, and the many human problems it created, that the Urban Industrial Mission started its work in Korea.

Industrial mission is a worldwide activity of the Christian Church. It seeks the self-development of the industrial worker who, while contributing crucially to national economies, is often the victim of gross exploitation.

During the early years of its work in Korea, UIM activities ranged from organising churches with day-care centres and starting medical clinics and credit unions

to getting workers to come together to fight for their rights.

Women make about 34% of the whole workforce in Korea. They form 80% of the labour force in the textile industry. Here, as elsewhere, where workers are denied basic human rights, UIM has been active in recent years.

As part of the church-led section of the movement for justice in Korea, the UIM has come under increasing pressure and has become the subject of more concerted and organized action from the Government and those closely linked to it. Their attempt is to neutralize its work, or even worse, to eliminate the Mission altogether. The mission of UIM is directed towards workers, those who are last on the priority list when "economic development" becomes the goal and those last in the queue of recipients if some "development" is achieved. And yet it is on these people's skill and diligence that a "successful" economy depends.

This mission to the workers places emphasis on awareness-raising: awareness of the reality around them, their rights, and the relationship of the Christian Gospel to this reality and their lives. This process of informing people, particularly those who are poor and is one that is apparently threatening to those in power all over the world, Korea being no exception. Korea has had a considerable history of industrial mission during which time its emphasis has changed to a point where it now stands side by side with the workers in the struggles they want to initiate. In recent years UIM has come under close scrutiny and regular harassment from both management and "official" labour unions as well as from the Government K.C.I.A. and police. In the last 6 months the anti-UIM campaign has become intensified.

The extracts we publish below, all of them taken from statements of church bodies and newspaper reports from the region, give some idea of the risks we face when we try to relate the Gospel to the realities of Asian life.

### dong-II incidents

After suffering a heartless attack on their union, 127 women have been driven from their jobs at the Dong-II Textile Company in Incheon, near Seoul, for staging a two-week hunger strike. The

attack on the Dong-II labour union is part of a systematic campaign to destroy all worker initiative in the labour movement, which has pitted the combined forces of the government in intelligence apparatus, the regime-controlled Federation of Korean Trade Unions (FKTU) and company management against any branch union which achieves bargaining strength and independence from outside manipulation, and against any Christian organization related to workers.

The campaign reached its climax on February 21, 1978, in the attack on the Dong-II Textile Company union office in Incheon by hired thugs who smeared human excrement on women workers attempting to vote in the unions elections and destroyed the unions ballot boxes and equipment, while police and company officials stood by passively. The workers who protested this outrage by a two-week hunger strike, 127 young women, were fired from their jobs on March 28. Their situation is desperate, for the government has now circulated their names, pictures and identification card numbers (all Korean citizens must carry identification cards) to companies throughout Korea in order to prevent their being rehired. Christian ministers and others who have rallied to their support have been harassed or jailed and their offices have been raided and placed under surveillance.

### the cost of a sermon

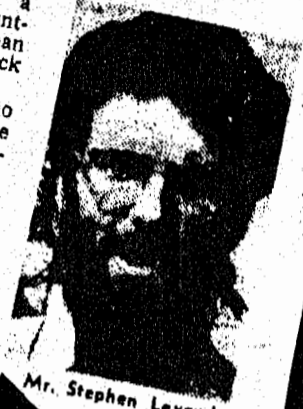
Rev. In Myung Jin is a 32-year old ordained pastor of the Presbyterian Church of Korea. He started urban industrial mission work at the Yong Dong Po UIM in April 1973. His work has included the conducting of weekly meetings with hundreds of young workers to discuss in small groups the position of workers in Korean society and their rights. Because of his deep concern for the workers he has earned their respect and love.

Rev. In was first arrested on January 17, 1974 under Emergency Decree No. 1. He received a ten-year prison sentence and a loss of civil rights for the same period for signing a statement together with several other ministers, criticising Emergency Decree No. 1 states that it shall be prohibited for anyone to "assert, introduce, propose or petition for revision or repeal of the Constitution of the Republic of Korea." ) In was released in February 1975 under a general amnesty of Emergency Decree prisoners.

# Missionary expelled by Koreans

Age 20.6.78  
From JOHN SLEE  
TOKYO, June 18. — A 27-year-old Australian missionary claims he has been expelled from South Korea after being falsely accused of spreading communist ideas among factory workers in Seoul.

The missionary, Mr. Stephen Lavender, is a former Melbourne accountant. He arrived in Japan yesterday on his way back to Australia. He said he was sent to Korea two years ago at the invitation of the Presbyterian Church of Korea. He said a South Korean minister with whom he worked had already been arrested and he feared for the fate of others at Urban Industrial Mission, at Yong Deung Po, a suburb of Seoul.



Mr. Stephen Lavender

His arrest on May 1, 1978 occurred due to charges resulting from a sermon based on Micah chapters 2-6 he preached at a prayer meeting for workers and farmers.

Although we do not know the full significance of his arrest, there is reason to believe this is part of a wider government attempt to harass and intimidate the UIM work in Korea. In himself said, before entering prison, that he had preached much stronger sermons and that he feels the arrest is aimed at the church's mission to workers rather than him personally.

### a book of slanders

A recently published book, widely distributed in the country and even translated into English for wider distribution, brands the UIM workers and the Young Christian Workers - the Roman Catholic Counterpart of the Mission - as communists. Of such government-sponsored slanders Cardinal Kim said:-

The question that must be asked is not "What are the Catholic Young Christian Workers and the Urban-Industrial Mission really aiming at?" but rather "What is the aim of those who charge that Catholic Young Christian Workers and the Urban-Industrial Mission are pro-communist?" If by chance there is power and organization behind such behaviour then we have to ask, what is the true character of that power

and that authority? Wh have to ask what the purpose is in wasting so much money and effort. We have to ask what the resulting damage to the unity of the citizenry is.

I don't know who these people are who circulate this kind of false propaganda and call Young Christian Workers and Urban-Industrial Mission pro-communist, even though they know that they are church organizations. Does not seeing things that way also lead to levelling similar charges against the Catholic Church and the Korean National Council of Churches, in whose bosom these organizations rest? Such charges induce mistrust between society and religion, the result of which can only be mistrust and division in society. Is this not a truly fearful plot to suppress religion?

Up to now I have been unsure about whether or not freedom of religion in the full sense exists in this land, but now I cannot be question my vacillation on this point . . . .

Even if under (our economic) system exports grow and a lot of money is made, and even if the benefits or the riches are evenly distributed to the workers, nevertheless, if that economic structure, function and environment damage human dignity, and if man is made a tool of production or even a slave, that system is inhuman and unjust.....

# NEWS



# The good oil

## Two letters from a bushman

Dear Sir,  
South

Our wonderful resources of crude oil, gas and water, undeveloped in South Australia and the Northern Territory.

I believe in New South Wales that they have about six refineries dealing with the crude oil and employing thousands of workers. Why not South Australia having six or more refineries here, with oil and gas wells to keep them going and providing work for at least another thirty thousand people. Instead things are getting worse every month.

We have a prospector who can pin-point the wild-cat bores and put something concrete in front of investors. We have wealthy companies who, if a number of concrete shows are put before them, will quickly spend not just one million dollars, but more than one hundred million. Both the prospector and the investors are willing to get right on with the job within six weeks from now.

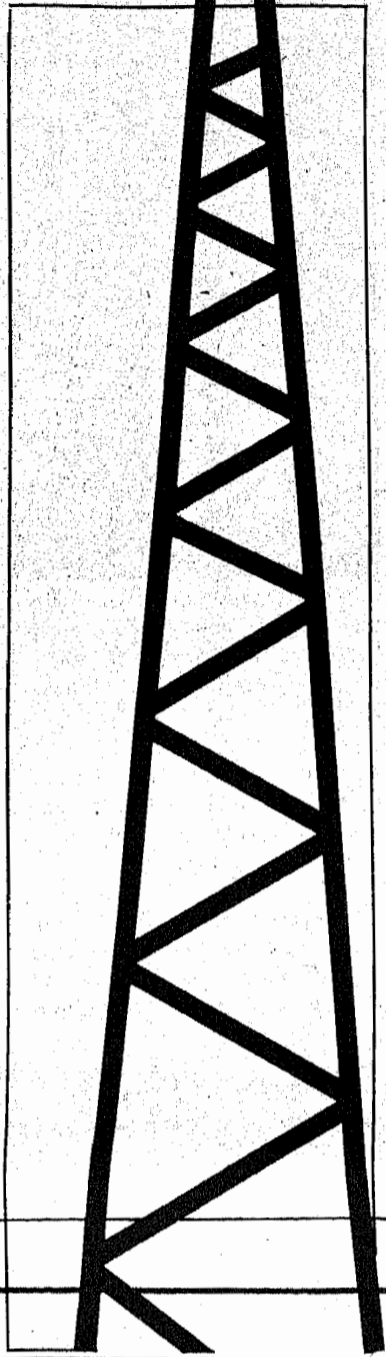
There is one weak link in the chain, and that is our Governments, both State and Federal. They are either not game to dis-

cuss it, or have no desire to discuss it. If what I say here is not true, I will give one thousand dollars to the blind right away.

It would be a wonderful thing to get right on with development as a defence. If any of the war hungry countries start a big war, we would have all our own fuel and what an asset that would be.

If a fascist nation like Indonesia had a hundred spies working in South Australia, they could take tones of explosives in one night to our reservoirs and the Murray River water scheme, then blow the lot up in one night, well before daylight. Hospitals, industries and thousands of people including farmers would be starving for water. With disease spreading quickly it would not be only animals dying. Why not advise every house holder to get tanks, and where a shallow well or bore can be put down, encourage people to equip them. Having money, men and guns is no good if we don't see to our water and fuel as well.

Yours faithfully  
O.V. DARDENELLS  
SOUTH AUSTRALIA



## AUS Travel in decline



P.O. Box 312  
Carlton South 3053  
11 August 1978

Dear Editor,

Major decisions regarding the future of AUS Student Travel (AUSST) are still being made without the slightest intention by the relevant AUS officers of letting students know or decide what is to happen.

For example, how many students would approve or be aware of the fact that the travel company is currently being converted from a student-oriented service into an ordinary travel agency? AUSST was originally a company catering for students only. Marketing is now done through a variety of commercial and other media with the sales approach "You don't have to be a student to use AUS Student Travel". Already the majority of sales at most AUSST offices are not student charters, but ordinary scheduled, advance-purchase, or block bookings available anywhere, and sold to a variety of people who are not students. Moreover, is it a fact that consideration is being given to selling the company in the event that it cannot make its September repayment instalment to the airline companies?

Since the takeover of AUSST by the airline monopolies, prices have jumped dramatically as these airlines seek to make profits, so it is not surprising that AUSST is no longer a non-profit company, and is no longer always favourably competitive with other agencies, except in the case of charter flights to Asia. By the end of the year even these Asia charters will be available cheaply from any other operator, because of the new regulations being introduced by the government. And AUSST is far too inefficient to remain competitive.

By 1979 AUSST will no longer be distinguishable from any other travel agency, except that it will be using AUS's name and issuing Australian Student Cards. It will no longer need AUS as the "affinity group" to give it legitimacy. The fact that a general travel agent, not run by AUS, can use AUS's name and issue AUS membership cards simply for the purpose of selling travel is a gross abuse of the original intention of those students who supported the introduction of the Australian Student Card. This

practice should stop immediately and the issuing of these cards should be under the control of the union.

A motion which is critical of the activities of the travel company and seeks AUS control over the Australian Student Card has been moved by the Monash Association of Students. Unfortunately the AUS President, Peter Noonan, has initiated moves to gag debate on the motion, using bureaucratic arguments and scare tactics to support his case. His main arguments are:-

1. That the union has too many other issues to discuss at the moment. This is nonsense; besides which he is not using this argument in relation to a pro-AUSST motion being voted on at present.
2. That the commercial viability of the travel company will be adversely affected by the motion. This is just scare tactics. In any case it should be up to the students to decide. They are just not as stupid as Noonan thinks are.
3. That the 18 student unions and AUS officers who seconded the motion did not know what they were doing. Once again this is condescending and arrogant. These people are not stupid.
4. That AUS Council should decide the question next year, and not the students. Yet when I brought up the question at the last two Councils, Noonan and his supporters opposed my motions on the grounds that students should decide, not the Council!

This bureaucratic attempt to prevent students from having a say in the future of their union's relations with the travel company is not worthy of any officer of a democratic organisation. Furthermore, the President and the Finance Committee Chairperson have already been caught withholding "confidential" information on travel from the AUS Executive, because they were sworn to secrecy.

Clearly when AUS officers see that their loyalties lie with airline companies rather than their own union, then there are ample grounds for demanding their resignations. However, this course of action would be unwise at the moment since the union needs a leadership, albeit inadequate, in the critical post-Budget period.

FRANS TIMMERMAN

17th July 1978

Outback Australia, where the short never-fail grasses grow, and its wide open spaces and resources.

There are thousands of school leavers wanting work, and over fifty per cent of them really keen to get a job. Is it right to say that we have the resources to develop and give them the jobs? But we have no Statesmen, what are our politicians developing into, second rate politicians?

We have an abundance of oil and gas fields to develop. Are the Americans making people

believe that the Simpson Desert is a white elephant, and why doesn't the public have a show-down over it?

A good prospector can pin-point where gas and oil is showing in abundance. The petrol companies are playing dog in the manger, even where there is no lease on it. The Governments turn a deaf ear and a blind eye to the man who will open it up and get a most valuable industry.

I have spent hundreds of dollars this last few months, trying to get both Federal and State Governments to grant me a permit

similar to a miners right, so that I can peg out a claim. Once I pin-point a show I can then form a Company. Up to date the Governments seem to be playing pass the fool on from one department to another, hoping I will get tired of trying any further.

Let us have a general show-down over this before Federal Parliament. Let us see if it is an American Watergate disease holding us up, and who the controllers of energy really are. The public badly needs an enquiry.

Yours faithfully  
H.K. WOODS

# Letters



# ON DIT 'RACIST'?

## Al Grassby thinks so ....

22nd August, 1978

Dear Mr Sandeman,

I have received a letter from an organisation which is concerned about an article which is published in your paper issue no 8. The article deals with anti-semitic material and is alleged to cause an incitement to racial hatred, against Jews.

My complaint has written as follows:-

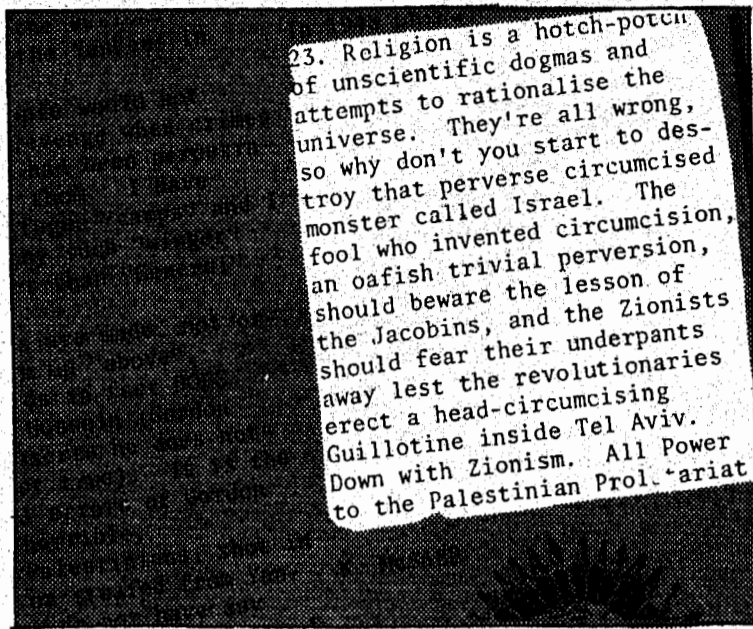
"I am writing to bring to your attention an extremely anti-Semitic article that is an incitement to racial hatred, and which I believe falls within your area of responsibility. The article (which enclosed) appeared in the Flinders University paper, "On Dit" (no. 8).

I am particularly concerned with the last paragraph as this is nothing more than an incitement against Jews. The reference to circumcision is obscene and degrading. It is reminiscent of the worst kind of Nazi Propaganda directed against the Jewish people.

We are concerned that, if no action is taken then this kind of language will be repeated constantly and come to be

considered acceptable in student publications.

The complaint does not come within the scope of the Racial Discrimination Act 1975 since the article complained about does not involve an unlawful act of racial discrimination. When Australia ratified the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination it did not declare as an offence punishable by law the dissemination of ideas based upon racial superiority or racial hatred and therefore such disseminations do not come within the scope of the Racial Discrimination Act 1975. Nevertheless, the publication of such articles as that which appeared in issue 8 of On Dit is in direct conflict with the principles underlying both the International Convention on the Elimination of all Forms of Racial Discrimination and the Racial Discrimination Act both of which hold the equality of all men regardless of their racial or ethnic origins. I enclose for your information a copy of the Racial Discrimination Act 1975 which incorporates the International Convention as a schedule. The International Convention is an outstanding document and I recommend it to you and to your readers it enshrines an age old principle



that all men are equal. We have a right to the equality of opportunity in the exercise of fundamental freedoms and human rights.

Australia ratified the Convention in September 1975 and has undertaken the obligations which it propagates.

I appreciate the need to protect the freedoms including the freedom of the press and of the expression of opinions

but I wonder where these freedoms are truly served when they enable the propagation of ideas based upon racial superiority and racial hatred. These divide our community on racial grounds and cause envy and at times violence. Australia is a multicultural society and enjoys a high degree of harmony and tolerance amongst its various racial and ethnic communities. Articles such as that complained about tend to offend members of ethnic communities and to divide

ide one community against another. I would like to think that Editors and the media generally would heed the needs which Australia has as a multicultural society to create tolerance, understanding and friendship amongst various racial and ethnic groups, and avoid the publication of articles which would give offence to any of these ethnic groups and which would divide one community against another.

Kind regards,  
Yours sincerely  
(THE HON) A.J. GRASSBY  
Commissioner for Community Relations

## Serious Students Unite

Dear John,

It seems that serious students must become more assertive. In parts of the B.S.L. there is such chatter that it is impossible to concentrate. It is unfortunate for those students who like natural light and windows which can be opened that the noisiest areas are the two floors of the multiple copies section in the Undergraduates wing. What is more disconcerting still is that most of the conversations themselves are mindless - reflecting clearly the insecurities of these anonymized individuals. But then, it is to be expected that it is the less serious students who regard other students as equally unmotivated.

Individual attempts at stopping the noise are ineffective. At the very best, the offenders leave after being told to shut up. Usually, however, they just continue to chatter. Library staff are unable to stop the noise, as they are ignored too. Every student who wants to work must tell these people to be quiet. If the offenders look hurt, too bad. If they mutter about their freedom, just point out that this sort of freedom is the ability to deprive other people of freedom. Remember that they would probably be happier studying, too, and that often they talk just because they do not wish to offend their friends. Another argument which should be convincing in that the Union Buildings are only a minute away. Adelaide University students are very lucky in this respect. Students should use the facilities for which they pay so much, and should learn to respect those who get satisfaction from learning and thinking.

Yours,  
LINCOLN SILIATEUS

## On Dit Replies

Dear Mr Grassby,

It should be made clear perhaps that that article "Palestine Revisited" (On Dit 9) of which you complain, was one of a series in which "Pro Israel" and "Pro Palestinian" groups conducted a debate. Indeed the form of the article makes this clear.

The editorial policy of On Dit has been to encourage debate and diversity of viewpoint. This is because we believe that truth is sufficiently robust to survive a little argument - and that it is important for people to test their ideas, to know why not only what, we believe. Also the ability to be open to express our views (however unfashionable they might be) is a useful precondition to recognizing that we may well be wrong.

Thus On Dit acts as a forum where ideas may be put to the test. We believe that our readership is intelligent enough to distinguish dress from solid argument. In some cases, and the article you cite may well be one - a piece of writing may speak eloquently but in the opposite direction that its author intended.

The argument of "positive harm" that you adduce must carry some weight and where convinced an article carries the threat of positive harm in the absence of a counter vailing public need of sufficient weight we have not published. We wouldn't claim to have got the answer right in every case.....

However, with regard to this instance the local president of the Australian Union of Jewish Students informs us that he is more than happy with the way On Dit has treated them and covered the middle East.

A further point about your letter disturbs me for it seems that to avoid debate (i.e. to delete all statements offensive to some) is to undermine the basis of what you would wish upheld in society. The best way to defeat the arguments of an Eysenck is simply to prove that they are false, (which can then be affirmed in the community). Without such argument there is no real basis for community opinion.

We would appreciate your comments on this letter - which with yours has been published in On Dit.

Yours faithfully  
JOHN SANDEMAN

## Pen Friends

### APPLICATION FOR PEN FRIENDS

Dear Sir,

I am a second year student of the University of Cape Coast, Ghana, and would like to have both males and female pen friends, from your institution. I would be very grateful if you could help me by sending my name and other details shown below to any of the institution's publication issues for publication or by placing them on the various notice boards for students to know. The details are as follows:-

NAME: Asamoah Ambrose  
YEAR & SUBJECTS: Second Year, Botany & Zoology  
WANTED: Males & Females  
AGE: 23  
HOBBIES: Reading, Singing, Playing Football etc.  
ADDRESS: 100 Casely Hayford Hall, University of Cape Coast; Cape Coast, GHANA

I hope my application would be given serious attention.

Thank you Sir,

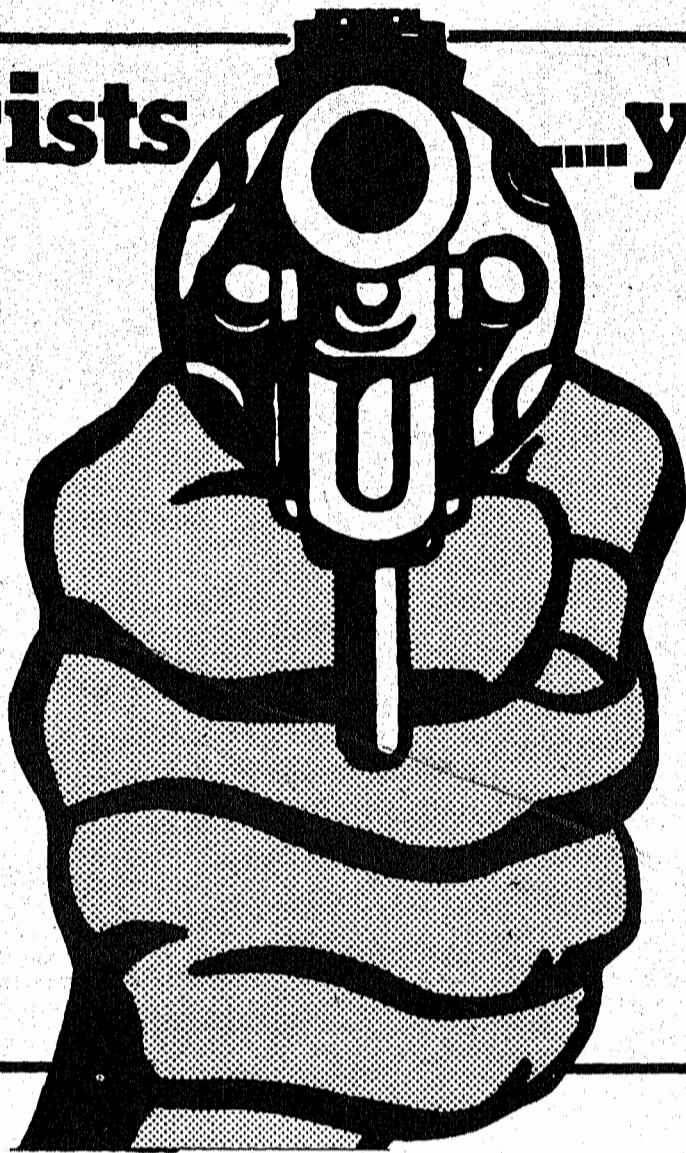
Yours faithfully

ASAMOAH AMBROSE

# Letters



# No terrorists ...yet



Geoffrey Fairbairn, a reader in Insurgency and Revolts at the A.N.U. opened a one-day Seminar on "Terrorism - the Implications for Australia"

The one-day conference at Melbourne University was sponsored by the Australian Institute of Political Science. Addressing himself to the Nature of Political Violence, Fairbairn agreed with the sentiments expressed at a seminar in Beer-sheeba that "if the sanctity of life meant surrender to terrorism that was the road back to Auschwitz".

Identifying terrorist categories as anti-imperial struggles, sectionist irredentist terrorism and the new transnational terrorism, Fairbairn said the first two terrorist types have been historically successful when they engendered popular support. Transnational terrorism exemplified the West German Red Army faction, (the Baader Meinhof Gang), the Italian Brigadi Rossi and the Dutch Help was based on Marxist-Leninist dogma so vacuous that it was more nihilism than "scientific socialism" that was the basis and progenitor of such groups.

Behind every one of these new terrorist factions "stood some professor, some book, some Marxist-Leninist ideal" although Marxist intellectuals like Adono or Marcuse were astonished that their students ultimately decided that they must fuse ideas with action ("praxis").

Marxist-Leninists justified terror against the hated liberal capitalist state because capitalism, which the terrorist sought to destroy, was the cause of war, economic deprivation, deeds 'far worse' than those necessary to end a system "that institutionalises violence". ("state terror"). It was pernicious nonsense within the constitutional democracies to say "that one man's freedom fighter was another man's terrorist". More worrying than the qualified support and apologia for the transnational terrorists offered by newspapers (such as the West German "Konkret" and local

Australian supporters like Joan Coxedge) was what Conor Cruise O'Brien described as unilateral liberalism. Exclusively worried about threats to civil liberties, such thinking failed in its concern for threats against the very system that guarantees such liberty.

Contrary to mythology surrounding terrorism Dr Frank Nopfelmacher explained that the acts of modern terrorists were not the acts of random aimless madmen. Cool rational acts designed to weaken and destroy the state apparatus of the democratic west were executed by such terrorists. What shocked public opinion was the choice of unconventional targets by the gangs such as Baader Meinhof or Brigadi Rossi. "Marcuse's children" had absorbed a brand of Marxism-Leninism that regarded capitalism and democracy as so evil, so pervasive, so entrenched that inevitably only armed violence against the state would ultimately benefit the proletariat. The Leninist/terrorist theory of imperialism logically resulted in political violence against the state. They did not recognize as innocent any beneficiary of the imperialist system because every individual in Western capitalist society prole or aristo was literally battering on the very life blood of the exploited pauperised Third world colonials. Society through the media projected fantasies onto the terrorist. Fantasies of the warrior and the priest were transposed on the these secular revolutionaries. "Armed proletarian revolution" was mainly the work of middle and upper class youth with a university student background. They hated the working class "onedimensional man" especially when he appeared in the uniform of the police or army". Industrial workers were not potential terrorists, "La Trobe University was potentially far more dangerous than the Latrobe Valley". There was an identifiable group of "pre-terrorists" operating within the sanctuary of Australian Universities. In Australia these people

had accepted all the Marxist-Leninist secular theology and were committed by all means, save (for the moment) terrorism, to carrying out their ends. Principally centred around the A.U.S. such people had access to finances, meeting places, travel and a wide infrastructure of supporters. There was a danger that like the West European transnational terrorists they might lock in to the Palestinian terrorist organisations, with their geographical sanctuaries, training bases and unlimited access to sophisticated arms and equipment. Such pre-terrorists were an educational problem which empirically was more likely to be solved in Anglo-Saxon countries like Australia. Dr Knopfelmacher concluded that the death penalty ought to be reintroduced for terrorism, not for the irrelevant and offensive motive of revenge, but because such people had complete faith in the overthrow of the state and all its institutions, including jails, and any imprisonment was considered by the modern terrorist as merely an annoying interlude before rejoining his comrades in revolution. Jails did not deter Ranato, Curcio or Andreas Baader.

Ray Whitrod, a research fellow at Australian National University and former Queensland Commissioner of Police, felt that the reputation of police in Anglo-Saxon countries was better than elsewhere. In this context, however, the image of Australian police was not as good as, say, police in the United Kingdom. In the United Kingdom police had been marginally more successful in operating against terrorists and had eliminated the IRA terror bombing in England. Special branches, responsible for counter-terrorist work, lacked both prestige and education relative to other police within the Australian police network. Military aid to the civil power ought to be as restricted as possible and should never be used in political or industrial matters. Whitrod suggested that capital punishment, access of police to telephone

intercepts and detention of terrorist suspects for up to 36 hours were all measures that must be considered in the new situation. Emphasising higher education standards for all police, especially anti-terrorists units, Whitrod concluded that it was essential that those dealing with terrorists should be upgraded in all areas including pay, conditions, prestige and training.

An international U.N.-supervised gaol for terrorists was dismissed as the U.N. "had not had much success in dealing with these problems" as witness by the invitation to the U. N. Assembly of the P.L.O.

Tony Blackshield dealt with the legal aspects of action against terrorism. In an extraordinary sermon-like gloom, Blackshield summarised the legal arguments he originally made in a post-Bowral article in the Pacific Defence Reporter. Australia, in common with the rest of the West, faced social disintegration. Mass communication led to mass indoctrination. Terrorism was a symptom of our age. The central task in fighting terrorism was not to become like the terrorists. An over-reaction in administrative excess like state sanctioned police violence or legal degeneration like the reintroduction of barbaric capital punishment was precisely the effect terrorists wanted. Capital punishment, even for terrorists, was subject to the same pitfalls of inappropriate and even unjust and irreversible blanket sentences caused by the imposition of capital punishment for civil crime. Australia in the wake of the Hilton bombing had to urgently reconsider legal and constitutional bases for the use of the Army in place of the police.

Dick Hall, a former Whitlam staffer, gave a fascinating insight into the specific intelligence situation in Australia. Dividing potential Australian terrorists into organizational terrorists like the P.L.O. and individual terrorists like A.A. Calwall's potential

assassin, Hall hit upon a major point of agreement amongst all the speakers. He pointed out that despite all the press hysteria terrorism was essentially extra-Australian and there was no evidence of any existing terrorist network within Australia. Hall lampooned the Inspector Clouseau nature of much ASIO and Special Branch surveillance in Australia, pointing out that there had been an over-concentration of alleged left-wing subversives, some kind of police anti-terrorist surveillance organization ought to be maintained perhaps replacing existing ones, as Mr Justice Hope suggested, by an Australian F.B.I. - type organisation. Surveillance ought not be made of alleged subversives but restricted entirely to people who were proven "violent actors".

Terroristic type actions had taken place in Australia initiated by the Croation H.R.B. and various P.L.O. supporters or agents. Such activities had not resulted in the loss of life and were basically symbolic and marginal to the operation of Australian society. According to Hall, Australia had been targeted for a P.L.O. hijack some years ago but this had fallen through. Lebanese, Chileans and Irishmen might conceivably have brought their fratricidal struggles to Australia, but all groups had never become involved in anything prejudicial to Australian domestic harmony.

The major extra A.L.P. "lefts" like the Communist Party (C.P.A.) or the Moscow line Socialist Party and most of the Trotskyist sects and grouplets were patently not violent. The Socialist Labor League, a venomous Trotskyite splinter, and more seriously the Maoist (C.P.A.-M.L.) had on occasions used political violence. Hall concluded that press sensationalism in Australia about terrorism might have the effect of attracting individual psychotics to commit terrorist acts.



# Framed for life

In March 1977, Rita Nightingale, then 23, was about to board an Air France jet out of Bangkok, Thailand, when Customs officials acting on information received from Hong Kong, detained her. A search of her luggage revealed 3.5 kilogrammes of heroin. At her trial, Rita was subsequently sentenced to 20 years imprisonment.

Rita, an English Nurse, came to Australia on a working holiday after she and an older sister nursed their father to his death. Rita spent 10 months working at Darwin Hospital in 1976, and then worked her way to Hong Kong via Indonesia, Singapore and Thailand. In Hong Kong she spent three months working as a receptionist, trying to save enough money for her widowed mother to join her for a holiday.

A Chinese man known to her as Louis Chungfang, took an interest in Rita, representing himself as a wealthy businessman, complete with fast Ferrari, etc. He completely deceived her, eventually proposing marriage to her. Chungfang invited Rita to join him on a business trip to Europe, ostensibly so that she could visit her mother.

When she accepted, Chungfang bought Rita a new set of luggage as a present for herself, and a radio as a present for her mother. At the last minute, however, Chungfang withdrew from the trip, pleading an urgent business appointment as his excuse, and promised to meet Rita in Paris, at an address which he gave her. He explained that the concession price at which he had obtained the airplane tickets necessitated a two day stopover in Bangkok, and sent as an escort - cum - guide his friend, Mr Yim Kha Kiang, to accompany Rita as far as Bangkok.

In Bangkok, Rita and Yim checked into separate rooms at the Asia Hotel. On the day she was due to depart for Paris, Yim told her to check out of her room before midday, to save a day's tariff, and leave her luggage in his room, which she did, and spent the afternoon swimming in the hotel pool, and having her hair done. A hotel bellboy saw Yim give Rita 500 baht (about \$16) to go to the hairdressers.

During the afternoon, in Rita's absence, a strange Thai man was seen by hotel staff to enter Yim's room, and remain there for several hours. This was apparently when the narcotics were hidden in Rita's luggage.

When Rita arrived at the airport, Thai officials detained her, and conducted a search of her luggage. During the search, Rita sat absolutely calmly, while a Chinese man unknown to her, sat next to her uneasily fidgeting. When the heroin was discovered, Rita guessed what

had happened to her, and told the Thai authorities everything she knew.

The police subsequently arrested Yim and the uneasy Chinese man, a Mr Chan Ming Fai, who was mentioned by the Hong Kong authorities as being the person who was supervising the smuggling operation. Despite evidence that Yim had paid Rita's hotel bill, he denied any acquaintanceship with her.

Strangely, both Yim and Chan were shortly released by the Thai authorities, for 'lack of evidence', against the recommendation of the public prosecutor! Their release was also despite known criminal records in Hong Kong, despite the fact that both were known to drug enforcement officials throughout the Far East, despite the fact that Chan was named in the Hong Kong tipoff to the Thai authorities, despite the fact that Yim was known to have paid Rita's hotel bill, and despite the fact that both were claimed by Rita's attorneys to be material witnesses to her defense!

Consequently, when she came to trial, Rita stood alone, and the

whole burden of guilt swung onto her. At the trial, two important pieces of evidence, corroborating Rita's testimony were suppressed by the police. These were the film of her reaction to having her luggage searched, which showed her sitting totally calmly, and the piece of paper with the address she was to meet Chungfang in Paris at. Rita could not remember the address, and consequently the prosecution used this to discredit her testimony!

At the start of the trial, the Judge offered to plea-bargain with her, telling her if she pleaded guilty her sentence would be halved. Rita steadfastly maintained her innocence, naively trusting to Thai justice, and was subsequently convicted and sentenced to twenty years. She has lost one appeal, and has been forced to appeal again, since the prosecution have appealed against the 'leniency' of the sentence.

An Adelaide Lawyer (who for ethical reasons cannot be named) who has taken an interest in Rita's case, recently wrote,

"On the evidence available to me, I cannot see how any Court

applying the reasonable doubt test could possibly have found Miss Nightingale guilty."

An amazing number of people have taken up Rita's case; her M.P. in England, the famous Mrs Barbara Castel, a charitable foundation called the Portia Trust, the Sydney Diocese of the Church of England, Amnesty International, and now even On Dit! As the Adelaide Lawyer said,

"... we are helping Miss Nightingale out of admiration for her courage in the face of an alien, unbelievably experience."

Rita's courage is incredible, under the circumstances. In a letter dated February 26, 1978, she wrote;

"Although I am taking a lesson in life's classroom, rather harsh though it may be, we all learn by our experiences, and now that I've got over my 'hate everyone' stage, which wasn't easy, but bitterness can only hurt myself...Do you know, I've had some of the most moving letters, that anyone could ask for...My faith in human nature has been completely restored....."

Even so, Rita is often close to despair, and again, her own words are far more eloquent than anything we at On Dit could write. In another letter, dated July 7, 1978, she wrote;

"A Dutch girl, the same age as me, came back from Court completely broken, she had been told that if she pleaded guilty she would get between ten and fifteen years. Her case is almost exactly like mine. The court gave her a life sentence (which is one hundred years here!) but reduced it to thirty years - because of their kind hearts, no doubt!...my other friend, a German girl who's already been here 4 1/2 years, she'd been waiting for the Supreme Court verdict (see what I mean about the time it takes here). In the two previous Courts her and her husband got 6 years....I waited by the gate expecting laughter.... They gave them both execution and reduced it to life imprisonment!...can you understand why I've not written to anyone, why my faith was so shaken? I know now that it must grow stronger, not weaker, but God it's hard.... I want the whole world to see what happens here, they can't ignore us, they must see....Will they also give me life imprisonment in this hell!...I want to cry and never stop. I keep telling myself they can't do that, but they can do anything here, and have just proved it."

Obviously, Rita is not unique, but at least we know about her, and in her case, there is abundant evidence of her innocence. Her courage and inner strength are inspiring, and we in On Dit want to help her in any way we can.

That is not to suggest that we in any way condone the vile traffic in narcotics, out of which so much abject misery emerges, or the degraded monsters who thrive upon it, like Messers Chungfang, Yim and Chan. Quite the reverse. Rita is in fact another victim of this traffic, and not even being a user of drugs, is probably the most innocent victim we have ever come across.

Neither can we condemn the Thai authorities for doing their utmost to stamp out the narcotics traffic. However, it does seem to us, that there has been a terrible miscarriage of justice in Rita's case, by any yardstick. At the worst, she has been foolish and naive - but who of us at 22 years of age is not to some extent foolish and naive? And is twenty years in a tropical gaol a fit punishment for naivete? We think not.

We will be organising a dance here at Adelaide University, to raise money for Rita; it currently costs her about \$30 a week to buy food, for if she had to live on prison food, she would surely die. At present this money is not in any way guaranteed, for Rita's

# Framed for life

family (her mother is a widow) be unable to write to her family. We will know who has written ing people, with no independent income of any kind.

Local band CUNNING STUNT have offered to play at this show for free, and we will let you know more about this in due course. We are very grateful to CUNNING The Ambassador, Royal Thai

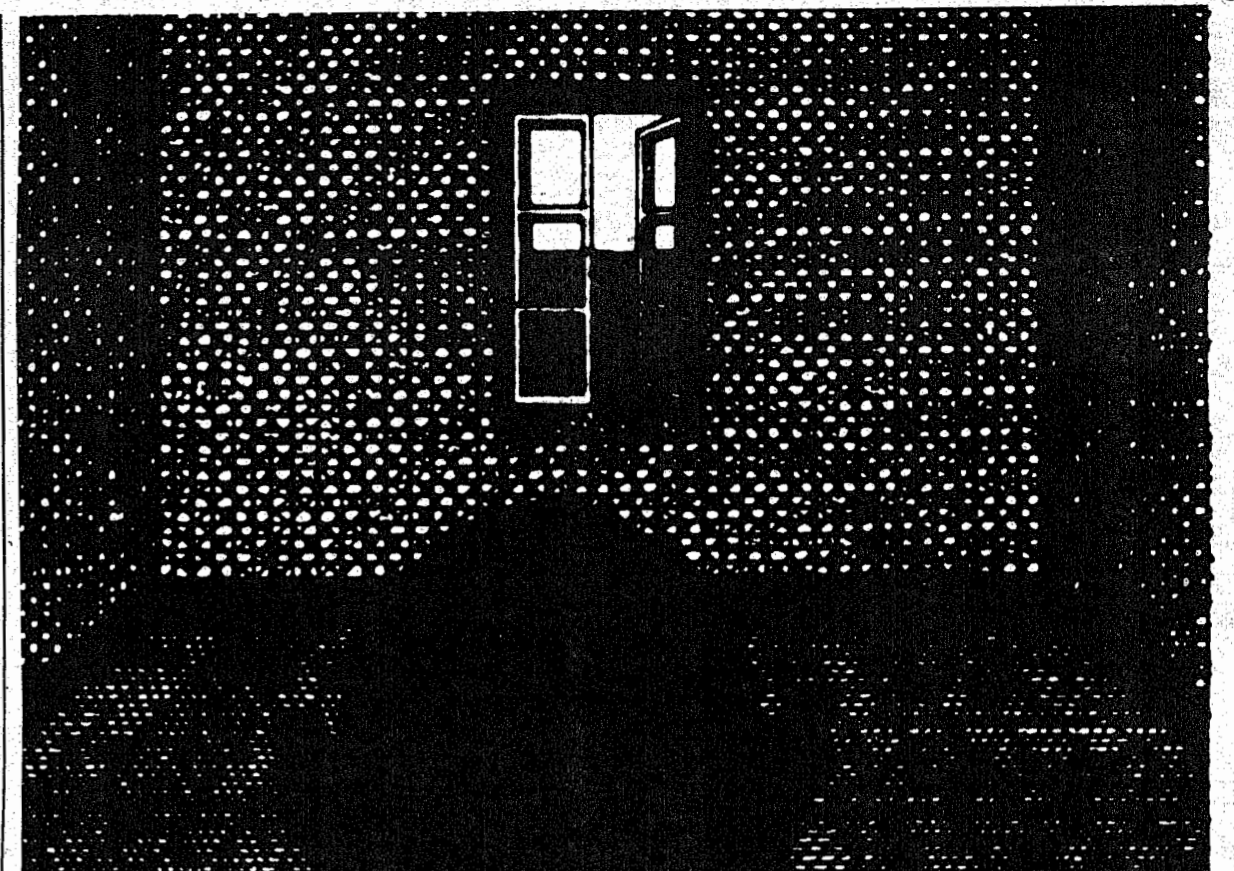
Embassy in Australia, 111 Empire band, in great demand around Yarralumla, ACT, expressing your Adelaide, and are soon off to concern for Rita, and asking Melbourne for a couple of gigs. about the progress of her appeal. We are also grateful to their and inquiring after her welfare. Manager, Geoff Skewes, and to Cass, from Lonestar Roadshow. In a letter to one of her supporters who have helped us organise this event, Rita said,



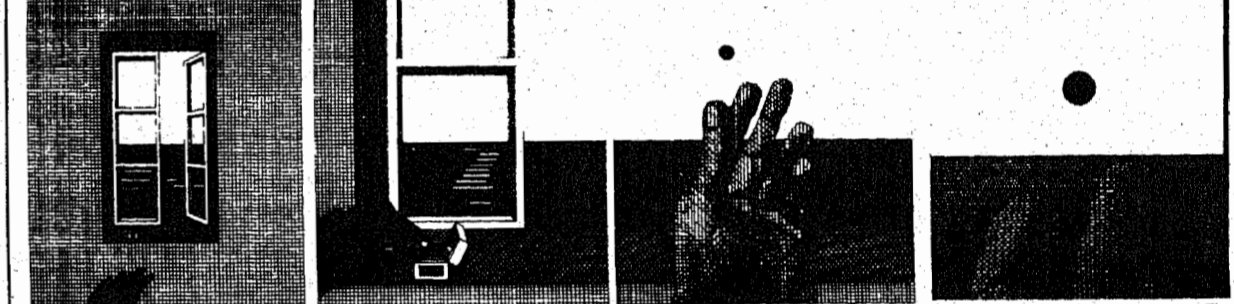
"It was a terrible realisation that .....because I didn't have a lot of Rita by writing to her at 33/3 money then I would have to Ngam Wong Wan Road, Lardylao, spend years of my young life in Bangkok 9, Thailand. Please a foreign prison". do not put a return address on your letter, because Rita tries Rita has been in prison for eight- to answer all letters, and is per- een months now, for a crime she mitted to write only three letters didn't commit. Please support per week. If she replies to every- On Dit, and help her in any way one who writes to her, she will you can.

Amongst the subjects of Clements the god of birds, was a certain crow called Jacqueline. Jacqueline was flying one sunny day and descended to perch in the boughs of a shady tree. As she settled she noticed, resting in the shade of the tree, a great magician, Szekeres. Szekeres had been watching the crow fly, and when she landed he asked her to tell him the secret of flight. Jacqueline at first refused but when Szekeres offered to turn her into a woman she revealed the secret to him.

G.P. LAVERICK



# Why the speed of light is constant in all inertial reference frames



(AN ALTERNATIVE CONSISTENT THEORY OF SPECIAL RELATIVITY).

In the beginning, when only the gods and the animals inhabited the earth, the universe was a flat euclidean manifold, and time marched inexorably forward at a constant rate.

When the other birds discovered her betrayal of their secret they took the secret of flight from her, and thence forth she was bound to walk wherever she wished to go.

A snake called Roman had witnessed all this, and reported it all to his master, Cosimo, the god of snakes. Cosimo, on hearing of Jacqueline's great beauty, asked Clements for her hand in marriage. Clements turned him away, and in a rage Cosimo ordered Roman to attack him. The venom was powerful and Clements was weakening rapidly. He begged for the antidote but Cosimo withheld it, until he would agree to offer Jacqueline's hand, however Clements refused to betray one of his subjects to the evil god of snakes. Finally Cosimo supplied

the antidote after Clements agreed to let him have Jacqueline's hand if he won a certain race. It was common practice for the various gods to stage races between their respective champions, and Clements assumed that Cosimo meant a race between a snake and a bird, and he was confident that one of his eagles would easily beat any snake in a race. However after he had given his solemn word Cosimo told him the race was to be between moon-beams, guided over a set course by mirrors. Now Clements was not concerned at this surprise since he thought the race would be a draw, and so Jacqueline would still remain safely under his custody.

At dawn on the following day Jacqueline leapt from her bed and demanded to know how Cosimo would win the race. Cosimo was planning to mount his mirrors on the backs of his

snakes so that the velocity of the moving snake would be added to the natural velocity of the moon-beam, and he would be certain of winning. After telling her this Roman added with a sly grin that it was too late for her to do anything about it as everyone had already set off for the race. Indeed the only person who had not gone was Szekeres, who was not interested in such sport. She went to him with her tale of woe and he comforted her and told her he would help her. He consulted all his magic, and called on all his skill as a magician to work out a spell to save her. Finally as evening drew close, he completed a spell which made the speed of light constant in all inertial reference frames. To do this required such powerful magic that it had many side effects, on the rates of moving clocks and the length of moving measuring rods, throughout the universe.

The race was to be held at the next full moon. Roman the snake had also been enchanted by Jacqueline's beauty and so on the eve of the race he approached her as she walked in some orchards. Roman had, through long association with his master, learnt his treacherous habits. He told Jacqueline that his master would win the race. She scoffed at first but Romans earnestness convinced her that he was telling the truth. He said he would tell her how if she would let him spend the night curled up at the foot of her bed.

Since the alternative was an eternity with Cosimo she accepted.

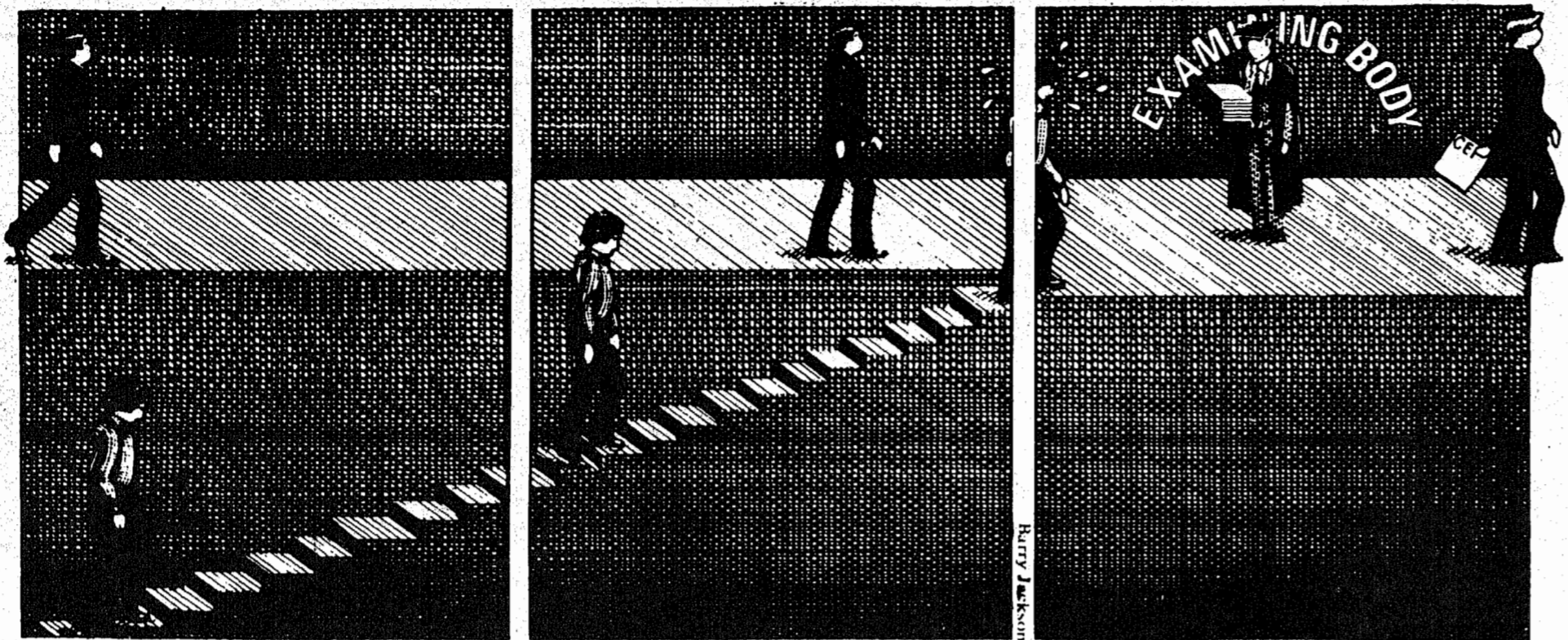
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The combined venom left him lifeless in seconds.

Jacqueline was saved but since only Szekeres could have withdrawn his own spell, it was left perpetually, and to this day it has not weakened.

STEPHEN BOURN





## Adelaide University Cuts back

ADELAIDE UNIVERSITY AND GOVERNMENT POLICY ON EDUCATION

In general terms I as an "aware" student have always been opposed to Government cuts to Education. I have seen this as detrimental to access to education and the need for expansion and growth causing more rigid job orientated elitist forms of tertiary education. However since becoming the Education Officer I have become more closely aware of what is actually happening to Adelaide University - it is something which should begin to concern all students.

Most people are aware that Government funding for education has been drastically cut. However most people seem to assume that it wont hurt them - it will and does - Adelaide University is being badly affected by such policies.

### STAFFING CUTS AFFECT YOU

The Vice-Chancellor stated in last weeks Sunday Mail that so far Adelaide University has lost 30 staff positions. Some departments affected by this include History, which has lost an average of one tenured staff member per year in recent years, Geography where positions have been temporarily or permanently frozen and classics and law who are worried that present staff levels wont be maintained when retirements occur.

A direct effect of this is the raising of staff/student ratios, (the Law Department being at present the worst off with a ratio of 1:21) which must inevitably lead to a decline in staff student contact and teaching quality. Tutorial sizes inevitably increase and some departments consider that it may be necessary to reduce frequency of tutorials if present trends continue. The music department may also consider putting a quota on student intake if the staff situation doesn't improve. As the number of full time staff are reduced and funding for part-time tutoring is restricted, departments are being directed to look at "efficiency" and possible re-structuring of courses - that is a reduction of the number of options available. Full time staff are under pressure to take more teaching hours and are hence unable to plan and

run other year courses - such a situation lead to the History department in 1979 offering two less subjects for second and third year. In Geography the second year course will be offering four subjects in 1979 instead of five and a half. Courses which had planned expansion - such as Architecture which wanted to begin offering options, or Music which wished to begin giving tutorials to other than first years have had to realise that staff and funds will not be available to do so.

### POST GRADUATE WORK/STUDY LEAVE/RESEARCH

The economic climate is making valuable post graduate work less and less attractive to students. With taxation of awards, part-time teaching become less valuable to supplement income laboratory programmes, as well as the research activities, is very heavily dependent on the dedicated effort of excellent secretarial and workshop/laboratory staff.

There are also major problems involved in grants for equipment renewal and purchase.

The cuts to study leave can also mean that restricted opportunities for staff to go overseas, will cause a decline in the standards of research possible. If technical studies cannot keep up with overseas trends then their research in isolation can become totally unworkable. It is vital in these fields that research stays up with international standards. Adelaide University has the reputation of being a first rate research University it is going to prove most difficult to maintain standards under these circumstances.

Capital works money cuts also means that the work on the medical school must be curtailed - the sixth floor will remain as it is - in shell. There is also no money to connect the two buildings with walkways as had been hoped. Only a quarter of building repairs costs can be met this year, so university buildings will begin to be allowed to decay. Ultimately the University is facing funding cuts all round. It can only choose the degree of loss between staffing, building decay and building development - over the whole University suffers.

NONEE WALSH

## Part -

### ITS NO FUN NIGHT OUT PART-TIMERS AND PRESENT DEVELOPMENTS IN EDUCATION

The life of a part-time student has been described this way.

"It means looking at lecture times before course titles, it means library fines or massive photocopying, it means non-stop clock-watching, late night studying, fragmenting yourself between work-situation, be it home or industry and the student situation. In other words you have to be either mad or brave to do it". (Jane Power, Lotts Wife 14.3.77).

With four years in a row of cuts to education funding, life on campus for part-timers certainly hasn't improved. Despite this the relative number of part-time students is increasing - they now constitute about 40% of the total student numbers at CAE's and Universities. The problems of part-timers are definitely worth considering. Lets look at them in the light of the recent Budget cuts.

You can't find the time: People who work and study are going to find things difficult. There's the problem of when to study. Day release schemes for people to take time off during the working day are inadequate almost to the point of being non-existent. Only the Public Service offers its employees much time to study. It is unlikely however that there will be any improvement in the meagre situation that exists now. With a staff freeze and the Treasurer's threats of layoffs in the public service, what we will be seeing is the same number of workers doing more work under pressurised conditions. There will

be no time for study here. Already there are murmurings of cuts to study-time available for public servants in S.A. For people working in private business things could hardly be worse. Only a few benevolent employers allow day release time.

### ITS GOING TO BE HARDER AT NIGHT:

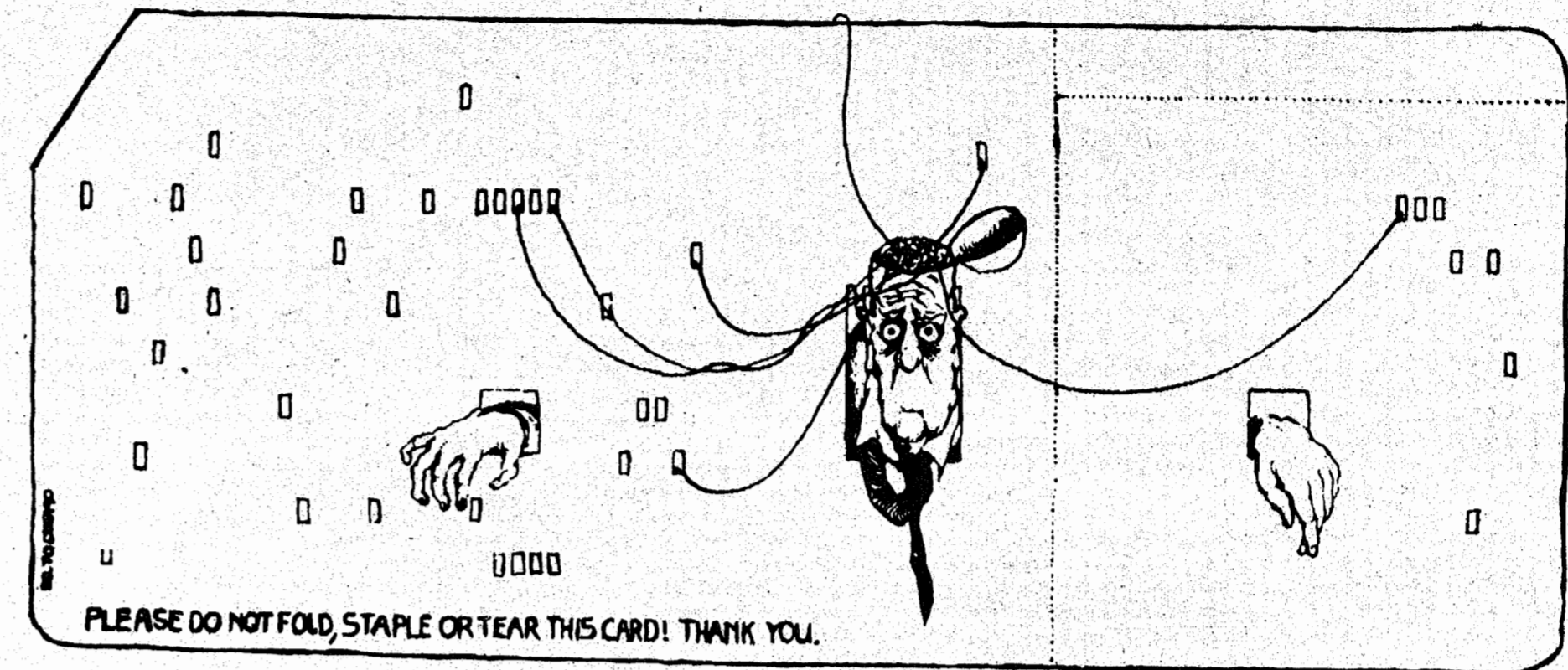
If you can't get time in the day, and lets face it most part-timers can't, you're got to study at night. Here's where education cuts come in. Nearly every department has had to or will cut staff, mainly tutors and junior lecturers. There just won't be as many people around to teach after 5.00pm. Classes will be larger, the conditions you study under more crowded. Certainly its the case that when cutbacks are made, administrations look for easy, less organised and less prestigious targets to hit. Part-time students are easy game.

### THE COURSE YOU WANT MIGHT NOT BE AVAILABLE ANYWAY:

With academic places being cut, whole courses might face the chop too. Certainly, there will be no new courses offered. We'll be restricted to studying established courses in the old role-learning fashion. Its hardly an education is it?

### THERE WILL BE LESS TO READ IN THE LIBRARY AND LESS TIME TO DO IT IN:

Recurrent funding for CAE's and Universities was effectively cut by about 2.3%. This is the funding which is used for day to day running costs, staff (both academic and non-academic) salaries and wages, maintenance and library costs.



## POST-Graduate awards shrink

### Timers

Most libraries have not got the details of the exact funding they will get for 1978-79. We are however able to draw conclusions from past experiences. (1) The last couple of years have seen cuts to library services. This has included things like a cut in the number of periodicals available and reduction in the number of new books bought and old ones replaced. We must all, part-time and full-time have had the experience of needing to use a text book but finding them all taken out. This will be happening more from now on.

For part-timers library opening hours will be a problem. Once again most libraries have cut the hours they open already. My own experience at Flinders University had this happen two years ago. Its likely to happen again, yet facilities for borrowing won't be improving to help students cope with their reading load. The librarian at Adelaide University sounded cautious warning shots on the matter of library facilities:

### QUOTE FROM LIBRARIAN'S LETTER

"I can only say in general terms that if the Library has to take a cut in its allocation there will necessarily be some reduction in the number of books and periodicals it acquires and some further reduction in the level of reader service for which it is responsible. It is impossible as yet for me to say how much reduction"

Once again the Budget cuts will be effective in reducing access and education standards for part-timers. Its doubtful that any spare cash will be found by administrators amongst the amount given by government.

### WHAT ABOUT CHILDREN?

Without decent, cheap facilities for childcare many people are excluded from studying at the post secondary level. This is particularly the case for women, who usually have to cope with the problem of looking after children.

Most campuses still have either no facilities or very inadequate ones, Childcare is seldom provided by the campus administration. They approach childcare as though its a privilege they may hand out or a service that student unions should provide. Its not either of these. The administration puts on the show (i.e. education), they should allow all people to attend and remove these obstacles that stop them.

### MAYBE YOU COULD GO FULL-TIME?

In fact more and more people are being forced into part-time study because of insufficient TEAS allowances. Increasingly people have to take the option of overwork, ratshit classes and poor facilities that goes with part-time study because they can't cope with the poverty and overwork of full time study on low (or non-existent) allowances.

Increasingly, part time students and full time students are being drawn closer together by the reality of declining standards in the provision of educational resources and facilities. Perhaps you'd better go and sit down in the refectory have a cup of coffee and think about all this. Perhaps we'd better organise against the cutbacks. By the way, if its evening you'd better drink your coffee quickly, the refectory might be closed soon. Administrations aren't the only ones hit by inflation and spending cuts.

### THE UNIVERSITY OF ADELAIDE POSTGRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION

The University of Adelaide Post Graduate Students Association has been a campaign to increase the value of post graduate awards.

In January 1978 the Federal Government recognized that \$4000 was insufficient to provide a living. As an immediate step the value of these awards was increased to \$4,200; yet in the 1978/79 Budget the Treasurer made these awards taxable and their value was thus reduced to less than \$4000. As these awards have never before been taxable, and in fact have never been incremented with consumer price index rises, this retrogressive move denies the initial aims of postgraduate Commonwealth awards, which was to provide a viable alternative to part-time research.

It is firmly believed that the latest budget measure will severely endanger future research in Australia, due to the fact that it will discourage graduates from undertaking further studies.

This situation, taken in conjunction with the overall reduction of government-conducted research and the general cuts in government spending on education, will serve to weaken yet again Australia's research and development potential.

On Dit Prints below highlights from a submission sent to the Australian Government by the PGSA.

### VALUE FOR WORK

We believe that postgraduate students fulfil a vital role in society with the valuable research work

that they perform. The value of this research is undoubtedly difficult to calculate in fiscal terms. However it may be considered that the contribution a post-graduate student makes to society is approximately equivalent to the contribution to society of a good honours graduate in full time employment. A first class honours graduate this year (1978) commenced on an after-tax salary of \$8142 in the public service; however commonwealth postgraduate living allowances only amount to \$4200 p.a. (i.e. 51.6% of the full time employment wage after-tax). Stated differently, postgraduate students are only being paid approximately 51.6% of their true worth to society. This can only be described as gross exploitation.

It is not solely the underpayment of postgraduates that is worrying. The real value of postgraduate awards has been greatly eroded due to inflation.

To merely achieve parity with the value of the award as of June 1967 the living allowance would need to have been increased to \$5846 as of June this year.

The position of postgraduate students is exacerbated when their specific expenditure patterns are taken into account. For many, the largest proportion of the living allowance is spent of board and accommodation. As an example, current fees at Kathleen Lumley College, the postgraduate college associated with the University of Adelaide, are \$184.50 per month (as compared with \$43.33 per month in 1967). Payment of this does not include electricity used, lunches, and meals on Sundays. Even so, this accounts for 53% of the CPRA living allowance. This ratio has been steadily increasing, e.g. from 22% in 1967 and 1968 to 33% in 1972.

### EROSION OF RESEARCH POTENTIAL IN AUSTRALIA

During the past few years there has been what we see as a detrimental attack on both quality and quantity of postgraduate research in Australia. There has been a steady decline in the number of awards offered since the peak year of 1975 (see Table 4). The rate of increase of students in receipt of CPR Awards has almost ceased (Table 5). Given the decrease in the number of awards in 1977, 1978 and 1979, it is reasonable to expect that there will be an actual decrease in government funded postgraduate funded research over the next few years. Considering the importance of postgraduate researchers in the structure of Australian Universities, this appears to be a deplorable tendency. It seems highly probable that research in important areas for some years to come will be severely retarded as a direct result of this eroding of financial assistance to postgraduate researchers. If this projected decrease occurs it will seriously impeded the research potential on which Australia can draw.

### Year Research Course CAE Total

Year	Research	Course	CAE	Total
1967	500	-	-	500
1968	500	-	-	500
1969	640	-	-	640
1970	646	-	-	646
1971	696	98	-	794
1972	696	99	-	795
1973	700	100	-	800
1974	725	150	20	895
1975	725	150	25	900
1976	725	150	25	900
1977	635	145	20	800
1978	555	125	20	700
1979	555	125	20	700

The association believes that post-graduate students are underpaid relative to the work they perform. Inflation, increased costs, and now taxation cause many to suffer financial hardship. We believe that as an immediate measure CPRA allowances should be increased to an after tax income of \$5850 p.a. and indexed to the C.P.I.; this would bring them into parity with the value of the award in 1967.



# EDUCATION

## CARRICK interviewed

Carrick interviewed: "As we reduce inflation so we in fact obviate the need to increase allowances"

Federal Education Minister Senator J.L. Carrick visited Mitchell College at Bathurst, NSW on Saturday, July 15 this year. While he was there he was interviewed by Ian Cole, Secretary of the Mitchell SRC. Here is a transcript of the interview sent to AUS.

Let's start off with a bit of talk about the proposed Loans Schemes that you have been talking about over the last few years. Could you tell us whether the Government is presently considering the introduction of a students' loans scheme, and if so will this scheme supplement or replace the existing TEAS scheme?

CARRICK: Well, the Government's policy as stated is that it will investigate students' loans schemes as a supplement to and not a replacement of existing schemes. So in the course of that we set up an inquiry, which I think reported last year. That inquiry in fact reached two conclusions: one level of loans to be the emergency kind of loans and another, a more widened one. The emergency loans had been in any case implemented in a number of institutions, we call it "maundy money". As a matter of fact, that is the availability of small loans to Principals of Colleges or of Universities to help people in a crisis and there is in the system at this moment a considerable amount of money in that, and one option for the future might be to widen it. The other was that we might investigate procedures through commercial lending institutions whereby the institutions might provide loans which have been approved by the academic institutions and guaranteed by the Government. Now, we have not proceeded beyond that at this moment, but I stress to you that there is no intention that the TEAS concept should be threatened.

What if a loans scheme was to be introduced? Would that mean that the TEAS payments would stay at the present levels?

CARRICK: Look, that, I think, is not a necessary conclusion at all. The TEAS scheme is regarded as a scheme which is the broad method of helping people. About 100,000 students are under TEAS at this moment and I would imagine that they would be helped; any loans would be a supplement, but of course so far we haven't made any commitments to any loans schemes so the TEAS scheme remains the basis.

If there is need for a supplement, don't you see that could mean that the TEAS levels are too low and they should be raised?

CARRICK: Oh, look, the question of the size of the TEAS allowance is one that has two levels to it. TEAS, both in the concept of Labor and Liberal Governments and in the terms of the Williams Inquiry on TEAS, is not meant to be a full support for a student, it's meant to be a supplement, and in the case of students - whether at home or forced to live away from home - it's a supplement to the family. You have got to remember that Williams' Committee said that nothing can replace the concept that the family should, if it can, help to maintain the students. So that you must not look at this as some kind of an unemployment benefit or something like that. It's a supplement; one hopes that in ordinary times the students might be able to get a little part-time work.

What about independent students? They are not dependent on their parents. Don't you think the TEAS payments should be at least at the level of unemployment benefits for the independent students?

CARRICK: Well, let me make it clear to you. I wouldn't relate it to an unemployment benefit or anything of that nature. I'd relate it to the concept of a student benefit. You as a student might find some kind of supplement now. That might be difficult in a pastoral area such as this.

"One hopes that in ordinary times the students might be able to get a little part-time work."

Is the level of TEAS to be raised in the coming Budget?

CARRICK: I can't answer you on any question on any subject with regard to the coming Budget. The Budget itself is put out in one context in mid August.

Can we expect tertiary allowances to be indexed along with other Commonwealth Assistance Schemes in the future so that TEAS can be kept up with the rising cost of living?

CARRICK: Well, consistent with what I have said to you, I can't comment. I say this to you, that when we took over government TEAS had not been altered from the June 1974 price levels and we in fact brought them up and

beyond the rate of inflation so that we had, in the adjustments we had made, taken into account inflation and a little better. We had not acknowledged indexation and we had not established it as a fixed principle, but we had in fact acknowledged inflation and its difficulties, and we had made such adjustments, specifically to married students.

The last adjustment of \$2.15 to independent allowances wasn't exactly keeping up with the cost of living increases.

CARRICK: Well, I think you will find that you took the whole situation from 1974 onwards to date that you will find that it has. But I've got to say this to you, that TEAS now is involving something like in excess of \$230 to \$250 million a year. Now it's an enormous cost and it's a cost to the taxpayers and one has to get some kind of perspective on this. How much can the taxpayer bear? Every taxpayer has said: "For Lord's sake, index our taxes and reduce them," and indeed we reduced taxes by something like \$1,200 million. Now you can't on the one hand reduce taxes and on the other hand increase expenditure. The fundamental thing that you're talking about is inflation. When we came to office inflation was running on its way to 20% and rising, and interest rates were going through the ceiling. We have more than halved it.

It's 8% and falling now. We hope that it will be well down to 6 or 5% in the year ahead. It ought to be by the end of this year below the American and European rate. Now the one thing that we ought to do for you is not be talking about increasing allowances but reducing inflation, because they are the same thing. As we reduce inflation so we in fact obviate the need to increase allowances.



Will the Government consider dropping the means test on tertiary allowances so that students can be independent of their parents if they wish to be? After all, the Liberal Party does espouse a philosophy of maximum freedom and independence for each individual, and each student is a mature individual.

CARRICK: Well, let me make this clear to you. The Williams Committee said a fundamental thing, and that is that it is the responsibility of the parents to maintain their student children. Those same parents, you know, will be receiving family allowances for student children up to 25 years of age and acknowledge that they have such a responsibility. There is no way in which a community could, through its tax system, fully accept the responsibility of parents. I'm afraid there just isn't that kind of money. Let me put it to you this way. On the one hand you are saying to me that the allowances themselves are not totally adequate: those allowances apply to 100,000 of the 250,000 to 260,000 students; they apply to 40% and they cost about \$250 million. To apply to all you would have to double it at least and to put it up more in terms of money allowances. That kind of money isn't on.

But there are priorities in Government expenditure. For example, the Government just abandoned the resources tax on oil and minerals. If that had been taken up that would have been of great use to the Government as far as capital goes. As well, large tax subsidies are given to large corporations. Surely it's a matter of priority where you spend money; whether you spend it in public areas of education, health and welfare, which affects people, or whether you give subsidies to large corporations.

CARRICK: Let's get the situation straight. The great bulk of the Budget goes to these things. Now before we look at companies, let's wait for the Budget and see what the general pattern of taxation is; then you can judge fully. But I just want to say to you that if you look at companies... let's take this concept of a company, you take BHP, for example. It's in everybody's interest that BHP should make a profit and healthy profits. BHP gets 46% of their profits taxed in company tax. The rest of their profit goes to capital to re-employ people; the rest of it goes to dividends. I wonder if you know that a basic number of people who are shareholders in these companies represent the superannuation and retirement funds of millions of Australians, and that the profit of BHP is the retirement allowance of millions of Australians. Those few dividend holders who get it by way of their individual incomes, we then tax 60 cents in the dollar. Every dollar of profit that BHP or Esso or somebody like that makes probably carries 85% back into education or welfare and health. So don't let's think that profit is a dirty word. Unless there is profit there is no tax. The only way the Government can put people to work is for people first of all to go to work in corporations. Those corporations pay them salaries which we tax.

Can we get on to the possibility of the reintroduction of tuition fees for universities and colleges? Is it likely that your Government will reintroduce tuition fees for tertiary education in the future?

CARRICK: Well, I said to you earlier that nothing on any subject can be answered affirmatively or negatively regarding the Budget. But let me say this to you: we have been in government now for three years. Before each of the last two budgets all sorts of rumours were raised about tuition fees and things of that nature. They didn't occur and I ask you to keep that in your mind. Secondly, we did make a statement in our policy speech last year against tuition fees. I simply ask you to judge our performance on that.

Now can we move on quickly to another area. You announced on June 1st that you will abolish compulsory student associations in the ACT. Your Government also wants this to apply on all Australian campuses and the Prime Minister has written to all the Premiers asking them to do this. This will mean the end of SRCs and student unions as we know them at the moment. They will be harder to administer if they are voluntary, I'm sure you will agree. Don't you see this as a Commonwealth interference in student and university autonomy?

CARRICK: No I don't, for this reason. First of all, I want to say to you that I am utterly convinced that the great bulk of students and the great bulk of their families believe in an essential principle that nobody should be forced to join an association against their will. Now that's the principle.

No-one should be forced to join an organisation against their will, that's written into the Declaration of Human Rights in the United Nations Charter. Now let's look at it, what have we done? It's no good accusing me of intervening on campuses, I've appealed to the institutions concerned to set their internal rules in order so as to do a number of things which I don't think you would find objectionable in the least. That there should be the maintenance of the rule of law on the campus so that there shouldn't be threats or intimidation, and they are happily doing that. That there should be democratic structures with regard to students and that a student in conscience holding a view that a particular organisation or its functions were anathema to him or her should not be forced to do it.

The Mitchell College Students' Representative Council is not critical of conscientious objection to belonging to an organisation but we believe that provisions for conscientious objection are pretty adequate at Mitchell College. In fact, there has never been an appeal. But the provision does exist. It does exist at most, if not all, Australian universities...

# EDUCATION

## funds shrink

WHAT DOES AUS THINK ABOUT ALL THIS?

In July this year Peter Noonan President of the Australian Union of Students and Paul Canaghan, Education Vice-President of the Union presented the latest AUS submission on education funding and student financing to the Prime Minister, Malcolm Fraser and the Federal Minister for Education, Senator John Carrick. This submission is worth looking at, particularly in the light of the recent Budget decisions. It provides a critical analysis of the Federal Liberal Government's economic strategy and offers an alternative.

In summary, the position of the national union is one which emphasises the needs of Australian people as opposed to the profit demands of the large transnational and local corporations which dominate our failing economy. It is one which makes the slogan "social Needs, Not Private Profit" a sensible one, and one which summarises the alternative strategy we must put forward.

The submission begins by pointing out the scepticism with which students submit to this government, noting the attacks that it has made on the rights of students to organise autonomously with proposals to legislate on student unions in the ACT and requests to all State Premiers to do likewise. "Nonetheless", the submission goes on, "we put forward this document to you in the light of the pressing needs of our members and the need for

adequate higher education provision for all people in this country who want it."

THE GOVERNMENT'S STRATEGY

The Government is following a clear strategy of reducing expenditure in areas like education, health, welfare, black affairs, urban development and public transport while directing public revenue to the private sector in the form of tax concessions and allowances, the submission shows. Last year's concessions amounted to over \$2,200 million by the figures given. This strategy, which the Government hopes will stimulate an investment led recovery has clearly failed. Unemployment, running at over 330,000 in June, and stagnated production testifies to this. Only a section of the business community making higher profits from lower sales is benefitting.

The strategy of the Government is clearly wrong. It is based on the false premises that spending in the public sector is necessarily inflationary, (disproved by figures which show that of 24 OECD countries surveyed these with lower inflation all had a higher expenditure in the public arena), and that 'recovery' will be led by investment. Its effects have been disastrous for the vast bulk of the population, including most students and potential students.

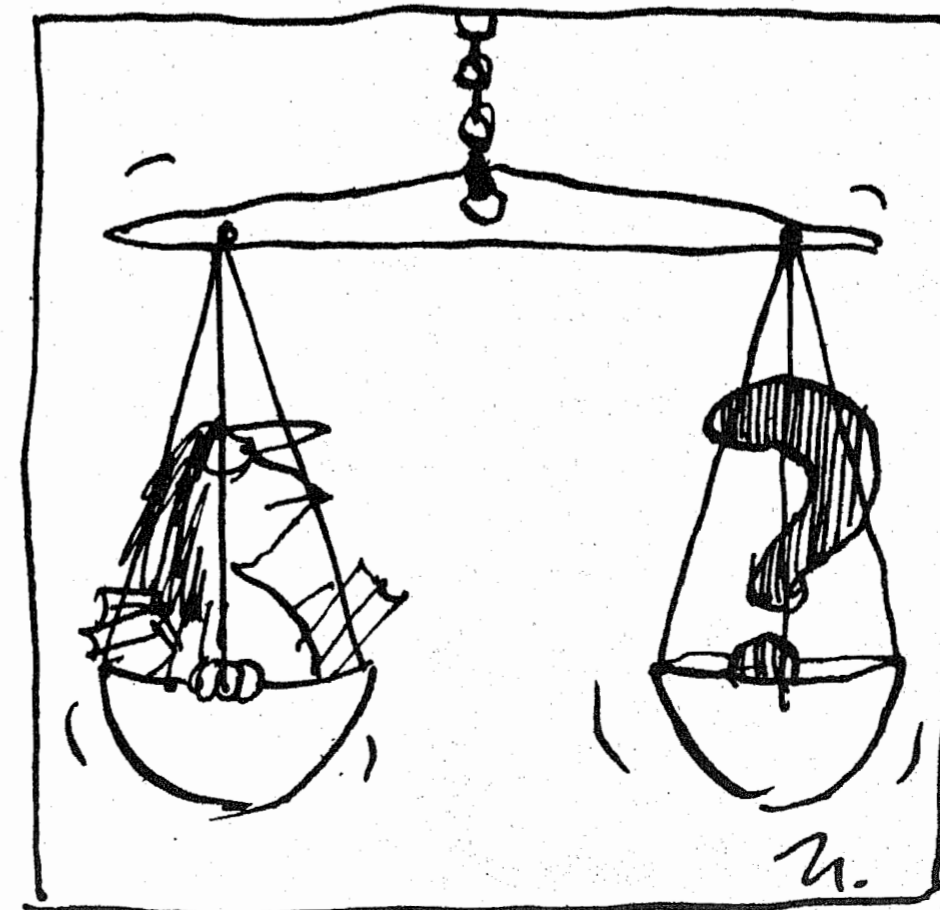
AUS puts forward proposals for an immediate rise in public sector provision for three reasons: (1) to alleviate some of the

social effects of the economic crisis (2) because the areas of health, education, welfare, urban development etc all provide facilities which are a right of all people (3) such expenditure would create jobs in direct and indirect ways.



EDUCATION SPENDING

The June 9 guidelines on education funding (ratified in the August Budget) continued the trend of four years of education cuts. The cuts of 39.3% in capital funds and only a 0.7% increase in recurrent funds (to cover



running costs) make the Government's promise of 2% real growth look very hollow indeed. When these cuts are added to the decision not to fully cost supplement for inflation the position is looking very serious indeed. These proposals, AUS maintains, can only serve to perpetuate the freeze on student intakes which further restricts access to post-secondary education. An important part of the solution, the submission says, is to inject funds into the education area.

STUDENT ALLOWANCES

"The introduction of the Tertiary Education Assistance Scheme (TEAS) in 1974 was an important breakthrough because it established financial need as a primary criteria for student financing.

Since that breakthrough students' financial needs have been ignored to the point where in 1978 the maximum possible TEAS allowance is \$17.35 below the poverty line. Only 13.5% of students receive this and only 40% get anything at all. TEAS has become nothing more than "pocket money", the submission claims.

On behalf of students, AUS calls for these changes to be made to TEAS, and against any proposals for a bonus scheme which would threaten the potentially viable and more equitable grants scheme of TEAS:-

(1) The maximum TEAS payment should be immediately raised to \$75 per week, which is 120 per cent of the Henderson Poverty Line and is classified as 'poor'.

(2) TEAS should be immediately indexed to the CPI so its value isn't allowed to deteriorate.

(3) Income to a student's dependent sexual partner should be \$62.50 (the Henderson Poverty Line) and income to dependent child should be half of that. Both payments should be indexed to the CPI.

(4) All students should be classified as 'independent' for TEAS purposes so the TEAS means test is applied to the student's own income, not parental incomes.

(5) TEAS should not be restricted if the student fails or changes courses. It should be granted irrespective of academic record, enrolment status or marital status.

(6) The TEAS incidentals allowance should be increased to \$200 per annum to cover the costs of student union fees, textbooks and other educational expenses.

(7) No student loans scheme should be introduced, other than an emergency loans scheme. Any other scheme could be used by the Government as an excuse not to adequately fund TEAS. Loans throw the greatest financial burden on poor students, and would be difficult to repay if the graduate has no job.

(8) Tuition fees should not be reintroduced, as education should be free and as accessible as possible.

WHAT'S THE GOVERNMENT DONE ABOUT IT?

Since this submission was made the August Budget has been handed down.

Obviously the Government rejected the demands made by our national union along with numerous other education and welfare bodies in favour of pursuing its failing investment led recovery.

The details of the Budget have been explained elsewhere. It's been correctly described as a "horror show". Our job is to respond, along with the thousands of others who have done so already. Our union has put forward an alternative, as outlined in its submission. It's an alternative which fits in with the demands of the unemployed, with teachers, public servants, welfare workers, workers organisations, womans groups and others. We should raise this alternative, support the Union and work with others.



# Duncan Stories

Yes, Veronica, there is an editor and just to prove we're unbiased, or some such flimsy excuse - here are some "Duncan stories" to balance the Whitehouse ones of last week. After Mr Duncan's "notorious Pom" comment On Dit understands that Neale Blewitt the federal labor member for Bonython was inundated with irate telephone calls. This is hardly surprising as Bonython Stretches north to Elizabeth which is Mr Duncan's state electorate. The last politician to make a similar gaffe was Mr Sinclair of the NCP when talking about shop stewards.

Another interesting facet of Mr Duncan's battle with the caped crusader was the fact that on the Tuesday following his original statement condemning Whitehouse as an agent of darkness, anti FOL groups received urgent request for information concerning the lady to be sent to Duncans office. That was the day of the FOL picket outside the Attorney Generals office.

Everything was not all it seemed to be in the students association either during the Whitehouse visit either. The SAUA womens officer - to the surprise of some students present - took a prominent part in the Sunday Afternoon Festival of Light Rally. Julia Dunstone presented FOL charter to a group of parliamentarians and gave a short speech.....

# Uni fun run

Friday September 29th

Starts from the Centre of Physical Health at 1.10pm. Entries are being taken now - ring 2150 or call in at the centre.

Participation is what this is all about. Enter yourself or with a group of friends, as a department or faculty - but enter!

A Diploma in Fun Running is awarded to all those who participate.

There will be a special General Meeting of the Sports Association immediately before the Council meeting on Thursday 21st September at 1.00 pm in the Sports Association meeting room.

**AGENDA**  
Sports Association Constitution amendments.

# TV Crime\$ or Six Million

MONDIT SEPTEMBER 18

10.00 am 7  
AFFAIRS OF CELLINI - Excellent, a gem from 1934.  
7.30 pm 7  
YEAR OF THE WILDEBEESTE - Rec., for conservationists.  
7.35 pm 10  
M\*A\*S\*H\* - Excellent American comedy.  
8.00 pm 2  
LIFE IN THE DARK FOREST - Rec. nature documentary.  
8.31 pm 9  
PAPER MOON - Re., mostly for curiosity value.  
9.30 pm 2  
MONDAY CONFERENCE - Rec., this week's guest: Bill Hayden.  
10.25 pm 2  
ROCK FOLLIES - Rec. if you like Julie Covington.  
10.30 pm 7  
THRILLER - Rec. British drama series.  
10.45 pm 9  
WORLD MASTERS SNOOKER - Rec. for connoisseurs.  
11.20 pm 2  
THIS DAY TONIGHT - 11.20? They must be joking! Recommended.

TUESDIT SEPTEMBER 19

1.30 pm 10  
WRONG MAN - Rec., a good Hitchcock from 1957 with a strong cast (Henry Fonda, Vera Miles, Anthony Quayle).  
7.30 pm 7  
AGAINST THE WIND (Part 2) Rec., Australian History.  
8.30 pm 2  
PORRIDGE - Rec., very funny comedy.  
10.05 pm 2  
ARTS IN PERSPECTIVE - With Bruce Petty on Karl Marx, how can you miss it?  
11.05 pm 2  
TDT - Rec., but who's going to watch it at that bloody stupid hour?

WEDNESDIT SEPTEMBER 20

12 noon 7  
WRITTEN ON THE WIND - Rec., a good movie  
8.30 pm 2  
DAVE ALLEN SPECIAL - Should be really excellent, this was a prize winning effort.  
10.00 pm 2  
WORLD OF MUSIC - Rec., this week, Rachmaninov.  
10.35 pm 2  
TDT - Rec., but someone should speak to ABS 2.  
11.00 pm 9  
LAST OF THE AUSTRALIANS - Rec., (well, I like it, anyway).

THURSDIT SEPTEMBER 21

1.30 pm 10  
THE MACOMBER AFFAIR - Fair entertainment with a good cast (Gregory Peck).  
7.30 pm 2  
HARRY BUTLER - Very good if you're dumb like me, (hear hear), and better for kids.  
9.00 pm 2  
STUART WAGSTAFF PLAYHOUSE - Rec., usually very good drama indeed.  
9.30 pm 10  
SOFTLY SOFTLY/TASK FORCE - Excellent British crime series, almost nonviolent. Channel 10 are to be congratulated for replacing one excellent series (Poldark) with another.  
9.50 pm 2  
NANA MOUSKOURI - Excellent.  
10.40 pm 2  
TDT - This gives me the shits, but recommended anyway.  
11.00 pm 9  
SPYFORCE - It might be super-macho crap, but it IS Australian.

FRIDIT SEPTEMBER 22

12 noon 7  
LONELY HEARTS - Excellent, watch it. Bullstrode Whitelocke says it rates 20 stars, and he knows his movies.  
7.30 pm 2  
THE FOUR FEATHERS - This old classic was remade as Blood on the Nile. Bullstrode Whitelocke says it is imperialist glorification, Gordon Laverick says it will be good entertainment (it has a fine cast).

7.30 pm 7  
LAWRENCE OF ARABIA - Excellent, although the Arab characters are condensed. A remarkable cast: O'Toole, Sharif, Guinness, Quinn, Ferrer, Quayle, Jack Hawkins, Claude Rains, and Arthur Kennedy playing a caricature of Lowell Thomas.  
7.35 pm 10  
IN SEARCH OF NOAH'S ARK - Rec., if the subject interests you.  
9.20 pm 2  
DAVE ALLEN - rec., very funny comedy without commercials.  
9.35 pm 10  
WHEN DINOSAURS RULED THE EARTH - Bullstrode Whitelocke always wanted to see this, out of curiosity.  
10.20 pm 2  
SOAP - Rec. comedy (by J. Sandeman).  
10.45 pm 2  
TDT - This is a farce. Channel 2 should know better than to program a good current affairs show so late. Write Channel 2 and tell them just how pissed off you are.  
11.10 pm 7  
THE GAY FALCOM - I don't think it meant what it does now back in 1941, but a good old movie nonetheless.  
11.55 pm 9  
THE MISFITS - Excellent, excellent, excellent, Bullstrode strikes a gain. A pity it's on so late, but you can watch it after TDT.

Well, as we predicted, the stations are gearing up for the relicensing hearings, and the programming is improving. We can probably look forward to another couple of months of a few decent programs, and then it'll be back to the same old crap again. This week's star performer is, would you believe, ABS 2, 22.9% of whose programs might be worth watching. But screening TDT at that time of night? Close behind comes ADS7, with 21.6% with SAS 10 falling badly back with 10.2% and NSW 9 trailing the field, as usual, with 8.8% (which is more than we expected). We should print some of the stuff they have put in their submission to the Broadcasting Tribunal - you'd weep. Part of the improvement is a couple of children's shows, which we don't normally recommend (after all, you aren't children, although Prosh makes that statement a bit dubious). However, out of fairness to student-parents, we thought we ought to. The quality is concentrated in movies, which is what we should have expected. With movies it's pot luck from week to week, and as soon as the pressure's off the stations, we can expect to go back to the same old shit. At least, SAS 10 have replaced the excellent POLDARK with the equally excellent SOFTLY SOFTLY/TAST FORCE. That 9.30 spot on Thursday nights will continue to be worth watching for some time.

We would be flattering ourselves if we thought that our meager efforts were responsible. Clearly, the stations are cynically lifting their game as the hearings approach. Aware that an increase in public awareness could easily be reflected in an increase in public criticism, this is their attempt to dull it's edge, or at least provide an escape hatch. ADS 7 are even screening ads asking for viewer comment!

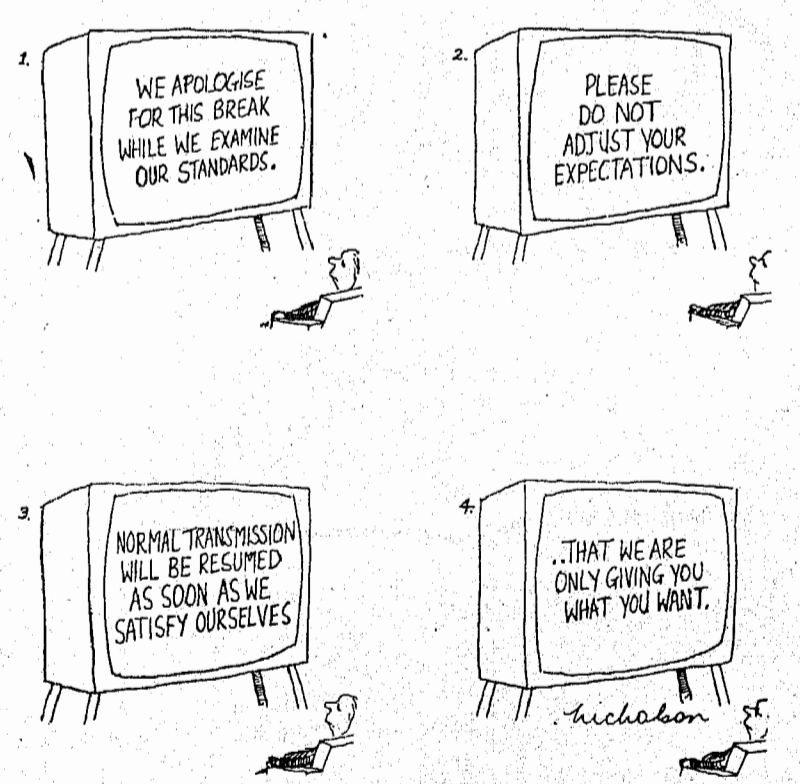
A disturbing event occurred on August 22 last. The Federation of Australian Commercial TV Stations (FACTS - what a cynical euphemism) had a closed conference with two members of the Tribunal at the Institute of Management down on Greenhill Road. What went on in there we don't know; we rang one station, which refused to give us any information at all. We were told it was closed conference, and that was that.

What is disturbing about this is firstly the explicit exclusion of the public form a conference of considerable public interest. In fact the ABC didn't even-know about it, and it was 'On Dit' who told them about it (yes, that is a fact). Secondly, will the various interested bodies, such as ourselves, the SA Council for Childrens Film and TV etc., be given equal access to the Tribunal? At this stage, there is no indication that this is likely. It is incumbent on the Tribunal to be, and be seen to be, totally impartial. Even though there are some good programs on the teevee, a look at when they're on is instructive. Looking at the 6.00 - 9.00 pm bracket, when it's most convenient to watch the idiot box, what do we find? Garbage, mostly. Take the week ended September 8. On Saturday night, there were only three shows worth watching, all on at the same time (they started at 8.00pm, 8.25pm and 8.30pm respectively), meaning only one show. Sunday night is the same story, with all the movies clashing. So, to watch the decent stuff, you either have to be unemployed, employed to watch TV, or work a morning shift. Charming, isn't it?

We watched SAS 10's 'The Six Million Dollar Man' on August 27, and prepared an analysis of it for you. Bear in mind that this program is very highly rated (i.e. lotsa people watch it), and it is immensely pop-

# Dollar Bash

ular amongst children(as evidenced by the plethora of expensive toys available, modelled on characters from the show). The plot - if you could call it that - had the hero. Col. Austin (the reconstructed astronaut with superhuman strength) carting a dangerous explosive device to a nuclear power plant, beset by people whose genesis was a little unclear; they were terrorists, or gangsters, or something nasty like that. To do this our hero was assigned a glamorous lady spy, with the rather implausible 'cover' of being honeymooners on a camping trip (being shadowed by a helicopter?). During the program there were six commercial breaks (not counting the ones at either end of the program), and we saw nineteen commercials. The show was preceded by two violent trailers, one for a movie and the other for Kojak. We listed some 47 incidents which some people would find offensive or objectionable, using only two criteria: sexism and violence. Twenty of these were explicitly sexist, involving a woman in a subordinate commend situation, having to justify a nontypical role, performing menial tasks at the behest of the hero, etc. etc. The balance was made up of twenty odd examples of overt, explicit, other-directed aggression and threats of aggressive, many of which were totally gratuitous, and several instances of non-demeaning sexism (e.g. the 'hero' showing what a 'man' he was by various acts of macho strength and courage). One example of the totally gratuitous violence: at the beginning of the program, where the 'hero' met the 'heroine', there was a sequence showing some sort of gymnasium (although we found it just a little implausible that one such establishment should cater for unarmed combat, knife throwing and pistol shooting, all in the same room). In the space of about one minute we saw a group of men rapid-firing pistols at an unseen target(s), the heroine flattening her opponent on a judo mat, the heroine throwing a knife, and the heroine firing a pistol. The cap the whole asinine load of bullshit off, this aggro lady spy waited in the campervan for the hero at the end of the show, because she knew He Would Be Back For His Apple Pie! The point about that particular program is this: It is shown as early in the evening as is possible, notwithstanding its' classification. It is explicitly designed for children and if SAS 10 who have advertised the expensive toys that are a spinoff from the show, are unaware of this, then their licence should be revoked. The problem presents violence as an explicitly efficacious problem - solving most of behaviour, in a format that can only have been designed to appeal to children. It presents overt patronising sexism as a proper mode of behaviour worthy of emulation. It is, in short, a complete disgrace that it is shown at all, much less at 7.30 pm on a Sunday evening (although at the moment, it has been replaced by Showcase '78). And that, people, is what you are being fed on the box. Yet the stations seriously talk about self regulation. What do you think?



# A Union gallery scoop! Twiss sculpture

The only showing in Australia of five pieces by New Zealand sculptor Greer Twiss.

SIGHT WORK SITE  
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Greer Twiss, one of New Zealand's foremost artists, is establishing a world-wide reputation as a sculptor. His work is represented in collections in Australia, U.S.A., Great Britain and Canada and he is the most sought after sculptor in New Zealand for commissions for public works.

In addition to numerous exhibitions at home he has often exhibited in Australia including a tour of Australia's state galleries, the Milceva sculpture Triennial and the Sydney Sculpture Biennial. Hi-international shows include the Paris Biennale.

The Union Gallery exhibition comprises five pieces in steel, bronze, aluminium and canvas. The large open floor area and side lighting of the gallery is ideally suited to these starkly skeletal pieces.

This will be the only showing in Australia of these pieces which are being flown to Adelaide from Auckland for the exhibition.

In second term representation was made to the Union's Activities Committee regarding the policies and administration of the Gallery.

Amongst points raised were:-  
- The relative proportions of space given to exhibitions and to student lounge areas.  
- The types of activities which take place in the gallery.  
- Problems of staffing, storage space, dissemination of information and music listening facilities.

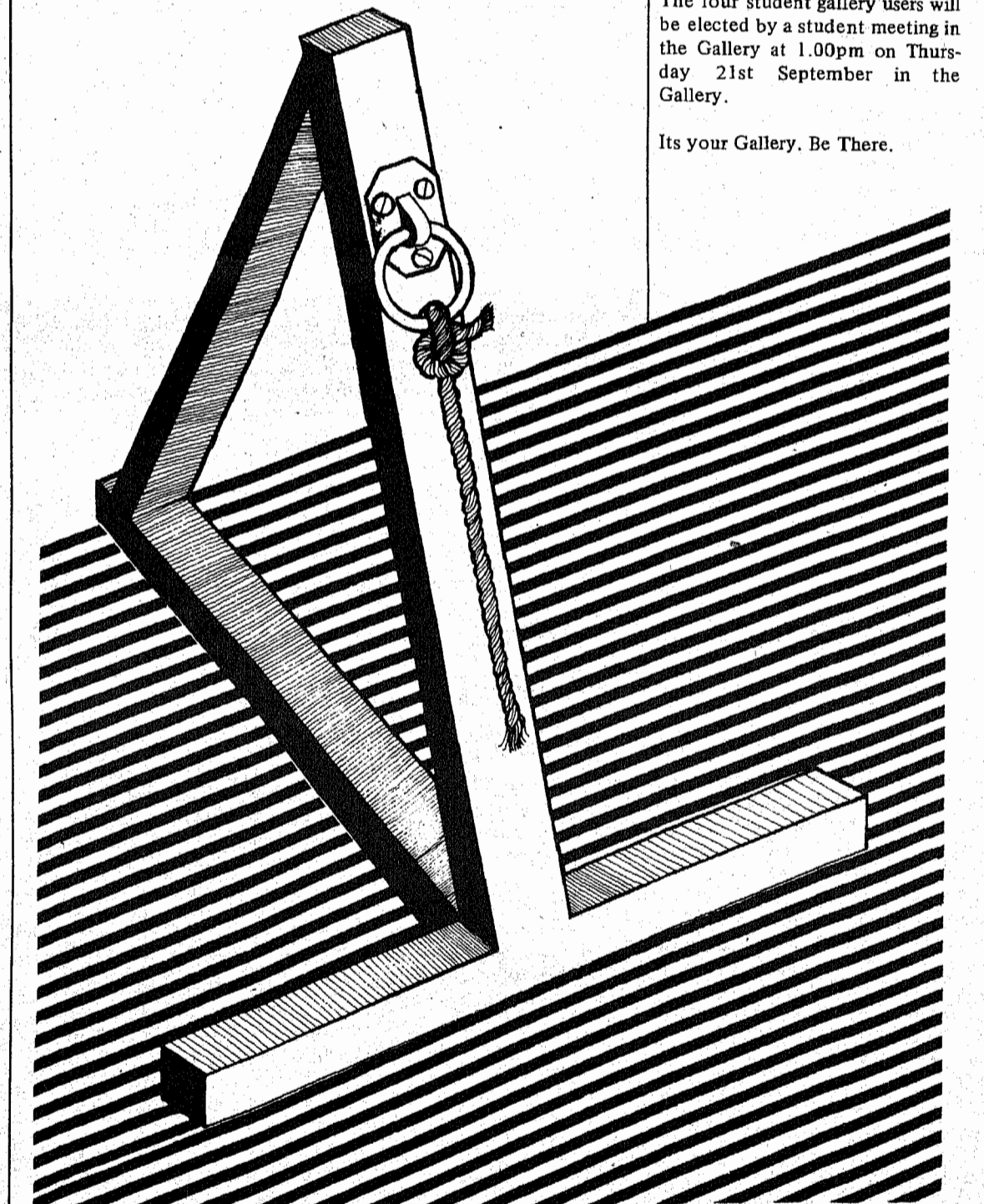
Activities Committee formed a working party to examine these matters. The working party recommended that a Gallery Users' Management Committee be formed. This committee is to advise Activities Committee on Gallery policy and practice.

G.U.M.C. is to have six members:-

- (1) Chair of Activities Committee as its chairperson.
- (2) The Gallery Officer.
- (3) Four student gallery users.

The four student gallery users will be elected by a student meeting in the Gallery at 1.00pm on Thursday 21st September in the Gallery.

Its your Gallery. Be There.



# Media

# Media



A Martin Scorsese Film

# THE LAST WALTZ



"The Last Waltz" is billed as the greatest rock movie ever made; it lives up to its billing. The movie's formula for success is quite simple. Take five musicians, who have been playing together for 16 years, add a string of friends of the calibre of Bob Dylan, Eric Clapton, Neil Young, Paul Butterfield and a short balding Irishman named Van Morrison. Place them individually and collectively, on a stage before 5,000 fans and let them play up a storm.

The Band - Robbie Robertson, Levon Helm, Rick Danko, Richard Manuel and Garth Hudson - came on stage at the Winterland and played an hour long show. They did their classic repertoire, from "Up on Cripple Creek" through "The Weight" to "The Night They Drove Old Dixie Down" then they brought out their friends. The film does not follow the concert or the

soundtrack exactly. The numbers by the Band alone are interspersed with songs by The Band and friends. This improves "The Last Waltz" as a film.

The Last Waltz is more than just a film of a concert, it encapsulates a phenomenon called rock music and the history of the best rock band ever to come out of Canada in 117 minutes of total entertainment. Although the movie focuses on The Band's last concert at the Winterland on Thanksgiving 1976 it also includes some segments filmed in The Band's studio, (a converted brothel) and off stage glimpses of The Band's members.

The climax of the concert and the movie is a 35 minute set by Bob Dylan. This set began with "Forever Young" and closed with Dylan, The Band and everyone else on stage for "I shall Be Released".

Robbie Robertson, guitarist, leader of The Band and producer of "The Last Waltz", explained the importance of "The Last Waltz". The Band had been on the road for 16 years, initially playing bars and dance halls, as the Hawks, then after backing Dylan at Woodstock as The Band. Its first appearance as a rock music force was at the Winterland in 1969, its last appearance on the road was at the same place. "The Last Waltz" marked "the end of the beginning of the end of the beginning - or something like that". The Band still records together but 20 years on the road was just too much to think about.

If you want to see a concert go to a concert. If you want to experience 16 years of rock music, recorded on film under the direction of Martin Scorsese, "The Last Waltz" a landmark motion picture.



## OPERA

by Bulstrode Whiteloase

On Tuesday 19th at 7.45 on 5CL you can hear the D'OYLY CARTE in Gilbert and Sullivan's PATIENCE' By far Gilbert's strongest libretto it is his masterpiece of social satire.

Maskerade by Dane Carl Nielsen is FM's opera for 7.30pm Thursday 21st. It resembles Rossini's Barber of Seville and Cinderella. Henrik the servant, the only shrewd character, is another Figaro or Dandini. There is much confusion at a masked ball and the ultra reactionary father is the butt throughout. Henrik sings an aria satirizing his employers and their type bringing down the house.

The opera is tuneful but inaccessible as it is in Danish. Hence Nielsens neglect.

It is the only opera I know which has a university tutor as a character - abuffo part of course.

The unimaginative rigid military caste and the young ladies of their class who go off to follow aesthetic poets are ridiculed. The poets of the Pre Raphaelite movement, Swinburne and Whistler, are satirized Oscar Wilde is not. He was however sent as a sandwich man to popularize the show in America. He refused to perform in Griggsville on aesthetic grounds. Lets' hope the S & S Society of S.A. can do this subtle work justice when they perform it this month. With Richard Trevaskis they may have a chance. Get the libretto and read it.

## Fever

Dear Editor

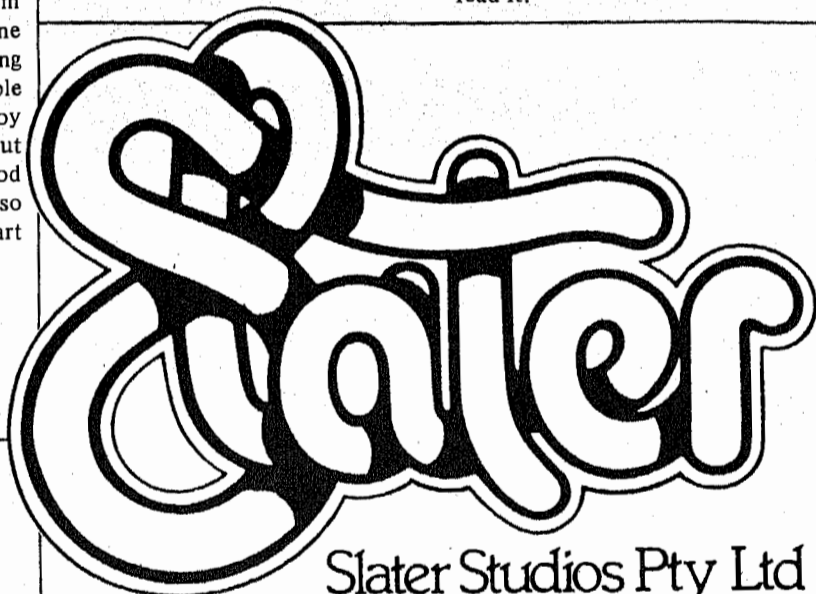
Your music "reviewer" D. Stretton just does not understand. If he wants to lock himself away from the rest of the world and listen to his jaded, "meaningful" music, hungover from the sixties, then he should not attempt to criticize music of now. He sums up the entire university and many of its students. They are the first to criticize the academic approach to life fostered by this place and yet they are always applying it to music - all music has to be meaningful - blak, blak - it has to be as dull and pretentious as they are. Jules, a symbol of life and vitality is always coming under attack (Twice in last week's On

Dit for a start). Why can't Mr Stretton discard his pompous approach and just enjoy music that makes one dance and feel happy. NO - disco music isn't sterile enough for his posturings and ever serious declamations. And why do these people hate Jules so? Is it because everyone there dresses with a bit of flair, likes style, vitality and sophistication? Most students in this place, or disco-haters like S. Stretton are dull and boring - stuck in an existence that only realizes this institutions boundaries. Dull hairstyles - shocking taste in clothes - God, this campus is a mire of bad taste, of distily self-conscious people. They have no pride in their appearance and their bodies. They are arrogantly

proud of their boorishness, lack of spontaneity, their revolting Prosh Breakfasts and Farking contests. They adore what is disgusting and crude, they hate and despise sexiness, chic attitudes, good dress and everything "Disco" stands for. What a joke to see them snobbishly heaping scorn on one of Adelaides most interesting places - where people are sensible enough to enjoy music, to enjoy bodies and to enjoy life without having to make what is base, good and strangely perverting music so it must mean something apart from enjoyment.

Yours faithfully

M ANDRIGHETTI (ARTS)  
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## John Martyn

THE TUMBLER

A wholly acoustic album by John Martyn. There is none of the armageddon like feedback distortion that has marked his previous work. He sounds now a lot more like the Stephen Crossman/Rick Baker technical/bland style. The album features the second guitar of Paul Wheeler and the flute of Harold McNair. This allied with the fact that there is a lot more vocals, means that we don't hear much actual lead playing by John. Perhaps a disappointing album for those who lived for the limits he took the electric guitar to.

SIMON STRETTON

## The electric Chairs

THE ELECTRIC CHAIRS

At first glance, just another o/s punk band being released in Australia two years too late. The electric chairs, however, do have some claim to fame in that Wayne County is lead singer. Wayne used to be a six foot blonde, wigged Monroe Transvestite who used to hang around Max' Kansas City and other hip 1976 places in New York City. The songs are mostly 12 bar discussions of Monosyllabic sexuality: but cleaned up. It is a bit dry on a record, although one could term this an "affectionate" album.

## Kiss

KISS PLATINUM  
KISS

Well here it is, all you wanted to hear from Kiss, all on the one double album: Kiss's greatest hits for the last 4 years or so. They're all been "remixed" to sound "great" the album cover tells us. If you hated the band to start with, you'll still hate them; screeching lyrics set in screeching arrangements. If you're into chick.....'screeching this album should give you a real hit. If your loins quiver at the sound of Gene Agmons blood capsules frothing p" over the state; and/or you are in a REAL white trash, this record is for you. Laugh now, but people will be writing texture of decadence book about this stuff in ten years time.

# MUSIC



It's enough to drive a man to drink



**PLEASE NOTE !!**  
 Could the person who stole a white PORSCHE (ladies frame) 5-speed racing bike from out outside the ON DIT office on Thursday afternoon (14th Sept) please return it to same place intact. No questions asked & etc

This is my only form of transport, I can't afford to replace it AND IT'S NOT INSURED! Thanking you (what the fuck for I don't know)  
 Juliet Davies  
 ON DIT staff

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The ADELAIDE PRIVATE TRADER is a fortnightly publication of classified ads only - by private individuals. It has a section on "Students Needs" as well as 37 other categories. The refectories have made it available to students at the cash registers from Tuesday 5th September (i.e. it is available TODAY!), so if you want them to keep supplying it, pay 20cents for your copy today.

The publisher we spoke to (Len Ravestegn) has been slaving for 6 months now to keep circulation increasing. The circulation at last count was about 3000, going up.

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 Departs December 27th, 1978 ex Melbourne & Sydney.

This group of about 30 passengers (limited vacancies, so contact your AUS Student Travel office if you are interested) will travel as a self-contained unit by specially equipped coach to remote areas of Queensland and the Northern Territory to observe and study various aspects of the folklore and life of the Australian aborigine, both today and in the past. We are seeking the cooperation of the Department of Aboriginal Affairs to gain access to many of the areas and reserves which require the Department's authorisation to enter. It is felt that this type of tour is best planned in conjunction with the participants, so that special interests and projects may be catered for. With this in mind, meetings will be held in October to coordinate the planning of the tour. If you are interested in joining this study group, leave your name and contact address with your AUS Student Travel office so we can contact you when meetings are arranged. Remember \*\* seats are strictly limited so contact your AUS travel office now!

The cost will include all transportation in modern luxury coach specially equipped for outback expeditions. Both the driver and cook scheduled for this trip are Central Australian experts. All accommodation will be in modern 2 and 3 person pyramid tents, and all non-personal camping equipment will be supplied. Where available, campsites with modern facilities will be used, but because of the 'off the beaten track' nature of this tour, several bush camps will be experienced. Full details of exactly what to bring etc will be given out at the meetings in October.

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# Notes





## Hoof In Mouth

VINCENT WONG

saw the triumphs of Taj Rossi, and outstanding Australian breeding success story, in the Cox Plate and the Victorian Derby and the monumental and moving spectacle of Frank Reys delivering the winning Melbourne Cup jockey's acceptance speech having collected the ultimate prize on Gala Supreme after being the subject of numerous horrific injuries during his most recent years of racing.

In 1974 the spring was dominated almost wholly by one horse and one sire; Leilani and her sire Oncidium. Without doubt one of the greatest crowd devotees in the last 10 years this little daughter of Lei, part owned by Andrew Peacock scored heart after heart on her way through the Turnbull Stakes, the Toorak Handicap and the Caulfield and Queens Cups. However she did fail her well wishers in not capturing the Melbourne Cup due to a dazzling sprint by Think Big the subsequent dual winner, but her gallantry in defeat more than outweighed the disappointment of the loss. Fro the now defunct N.Z. Oncidium the season was his prdgeny's most successful with numerous top races being secured. His most victorious off spring of that year being Leilani, Arama Turf-cutter and Taras Bulba.

The New Zealanders all but completely dominated the 1976 Spring with Battle Sign, Holiday Waggon, fury's Order, Kiwi Can, Analight and Suleiman inning most of the major events including the Caulfield Cup, AJC Derby, Cox Plate, and Moonee Valley -up before Melbourne Cup day. Fortunately for the Australian stables our status was maintained by the victory of the Bart Cummings trained Think Big in the Cup.

The Year of the Mare was the calling 1976 after the Colin Hayes Calliin How Now made it 4 in a row for mares in win-

ning the Caulfield Cup, she was supported in the claim by the outstanding star of the Spring Surround, who apare from blitzing her 3yo contemporaries in the semi classics also stung her older rivals with a win in the Cox Plate. The feats for her sex were further entrenched by her stablemate Savoir, the Cummings trained Maybe Mahal, and Denise's Joy. Respectably for the colts and geldings was maintained only by Blazing Saddles as a 2yo and Van Der Hum in the Cup.

However the tide turned 12 months ago with Stormy Rex, Gold and Black, Family of Man, Raffindale, Galway Bay and Ming Dynasty claiming the spoils of the spring. However, none of these managed to match the sparkle and splendour of the mares Leilani and Surround of earlier years.

This 1978 season's stars still look concealed and to cast a view even at this forward stage on the field would be most unwise. However, let there be no doubt the stories, the tales of hard luck, the bad runs, the heavy tracks as well as the success stories will be as prevalent at the end of this season as at the end of any other.

## Lacrosse

In only the first year of University Women's 'A' Grade Lacrosse, both the A1 and A11 teams look set to break the Seacombe monopoly on the finals the first hurdle was overcome on Saturday when both teams won their first semi-final round.

The A1 (Uni blacks) who finished fourth in the A1 competition below three Seacombe teams, had a convincing win on Saturday against Seacombe Black.

UNI BLACK 5  
(V)  
SEACOMBE BLACK 2

GOAL SCORERS  
UNI F.ADLINGTON (3)  
J. BATCHELOR (1)  
S. PLOOG (1)  
SEACOMBE P. HEREDITH (1)  
J. WILLIAM (1)

The uni side looked unbeatable in the second half, as the attack began to work together and co-ordinate their play.

All A11 (uni whites) who also came fourth in their competi-

tion, were home and dry on Saturday after a 6-2 win against Woodville.

Uni made an immediate attack within the first few minutes of the game with G. Parish scoring. Her goal was soon followed by one from K. Duthy, to make the score 2-0 at the half time whistle the score was 2-1 after an unfortunate knocked-in goal.

In the second half A. Risbeth (2) L. Bowhan (1) and G. Parish (1) brought the score to 6-1. Close to the end of the game Woodville scored their only goal, bringing the final score to 6-2.

It is a fitting tribute to a lot of hard work that university who have only had Women's Lacrosse teams for two seasons, and competed in 'A' Grade for only one of those, is developing into such a strong sporting force on the Lacrosse field. It is hoped that Uni will break the Seacombe hold on the Women's Lacrosse Association. Seacombe has won every 'A' grade final except one. That year it was taken by a Plympton side which was coached by P. Koshnitsky - the now Uni Coach.

Lacrosse is also played as a summer sport and there will be both mens and womens competitions this summer.

- Newcomers are always welcome - most of our players have only been playing for one or two seasons, subs are only \$6.00 and you'll be provided with sticks etc.

Anyone interested leave name and address in Pigeon Hole in Sports Association or contact JudithStanley 269 2167.

## Gliding

Adelaide University Gliding Club over the holiday: The club was very active, particularly during the last 2 weeks:

19th, 20th and 21st August: Our single seater Arrow was at Waikerie for the orange week competitions, as were club associated, privately owned, kab and Boomerang. The Monday was the only soarable day and The Arrow (Graham Parker) and the

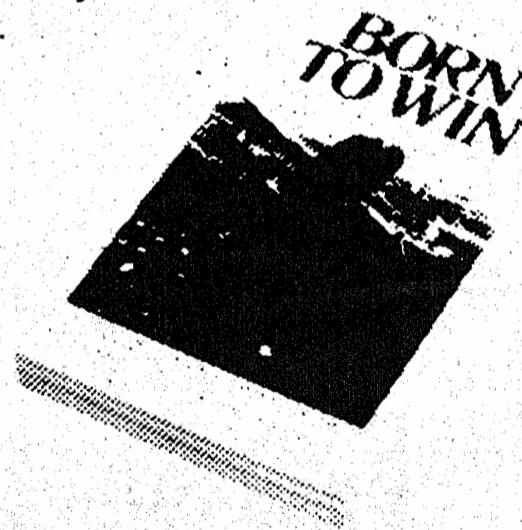
Boomerang (E.P.) got a few miles down the road to come 2nd and 3rd in Sports class.

22nd to 24th: Non-competition flying. The Boomerang was flown well in informal tasks against higher performance aircraft. Graeme Newcombe flew his first x-country flight (32 km) in the Arrow. David Biggs also had a couple of good flights in between exams.

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