E IDEOLOGIES OF MARCH

Hey! Broadsheets! Sound a war note!
The war has now been found,
The Left Line, sticks out its neck—
"Hey! Hello! Rally round!
Thus fatter on the stairways
The leaves of printed paper,
McLaren in the hall,
The daily press begins to bless
Victoria's true-blue sons.
And in the town, there shifts the show
That pent the Building-Funds.

The Twenty-six initiators,
Slaunias sons of liberty,
Could not accept, it was steep;
It must be Tyranny!

That an Exc. might frown
On ideology
Was Communist red herring.

Huzzah! Democracy.

Replace the Reds above our heads
Regardless of confusion.
Recitation! Fak! Vote Censure! Bah!
Hey! Our cause for our nation.

Behind the sturdy thousand
The red light in their eyes,
Gave vent their "YES!" with that excess
Which pained Martin Desk.

Then out spoke B. O'Conner,
(As for Some, Harkness did),
Producing now a little lust—
"McLaren, I admit you!"

In toto moved, it was approved,
A less discerned substantive,
For Right had won in good, clean, fun,
A colourless agenda!

-W.G.T.

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Real to us
The trivial college wake of neiceant men;
So many things to compare;
And death is no more than stranger
Quaintly platitudinous.
B.C.C.'s echo through the seas.

Next to us,
To walk-afraid of gathering storms
Which hamper
Slantly on our stately little coterie;
This day to small-town shabby fates.
So very simple to us who are not there now.

ROBERT W. BUCHFIELD.

THE NIGHT OF THE STORM

By Frank Dawn

Towyday's evening it began to thun-
ter, and then to rain.

"Quiet!" growled the big brown bear,
Thumping the table with a bone-post: "I demand water!"

"Section 27, clause 3 (b), and in
Reference to the great storm of
1948..." squeaked the Chip-
munk, "I'm only here to help everyone..."

"Pling!" went the Drip, spattering those who were near.
YOUR STARS are the only nudges.
YOUR animals are trying to make YOU gather food for

"No! None but Nulla, no nothing—Just Stars!"

(Refugees shudder and are
afraid, remembering the Berlin
inners.)

The old Work-horses turn to their
rump to the storm and knuckle each
other in malice.

... floods, which followed the heavy
rain, caused widespread devastation

CROOKED THINKING 
MULLED LANGUAGE

Comment on "The Meeting"

In the words of Mr. Taylor: "I am not a Communist, I have never been a Communist, and I am never likely to become one."

But I am concerned with two things, and with the connection between them: these are, the use of clear language in political discussion, and the political the theory of idealism. An excellent example of the neglect of these two habits was provided in the recent special general meeting, and in the activities leading up to it.

Of course the Executive started it all. To hail recent events in Czechoslovakia as a "triumph of democracy" is misleading because of the weight of the burden attached to the word "democracy," and it was muddled political thinking of the worst dot-

TRIANGULAR form to give any definite opinion about these events at this time. Big win, because the Executive led a majority followed, and where the Executive was, the majority committed deliberate sins against clear language and blunt thinking.

PRINTED GALL

Next the College was defiled with a series of pamphlets—these obvi-
ously the work of political illiterates. An appeal was made to "democrati-
cally-minded" students—a phrase so worn by political misuse as to indi-
cate none but those who already agree with its users. Communism was
at one time, a "red virus" and at another, a "useful faction."

None who had the slightest acquaintance with Communism could apply these terms to a "useful faction and political social thought that has always mer-

trified the serious attention
of the best minds of Europe.

Jowit, mass-thumpers like Max
Eastman have railed in such a way against Communism, and always will.

Meanwhile, serious thinkers like A. D. Haldane (see his book of Man, Capital) have thought about the prob-

again, the Master of Balliol Col-
lege?

Again, no one could compare the increase of Russian power to a "virus" unless their minds were blind-

by the precepts of representative
government, the American way of
life, and British fair-play. If one
looks at world events with a mini-
mum of prejudice, one man certainly
be uneasy at Russian activities, but one
cannot fail to see the relevance
American dollar imperialism (e.g.,
China, Japan, Greece, Turkey, and
Italy) to these activities. And one
will share the alarm in appointing
pride and blame.

These two examples alone would have been enough to indicate that in
this College crooked political think-

Finally, the....

W. H. OLIVER.
STAMPING THE IGNORANT

Our new President, Mr. McAnulty, has unwittingly supplied us with a phrase which succinctly sums up the atmosphere of international events as well as that of atmosphere of current events in the University.

At Victoria College "the ignorant" who constituted a large part of those who thundered "Yes" at "The Meeting" are beginning to enlighten themselves on the real issues involved. The tumult and the shouting has died, but it has left in its wake something to think about. I expressed dismay in the last editorial that the University "poorly staggered out" after "The Meeting". It is gratifying to see some of the "ignorant" rationalising their attitude to the motion which was forced through the meeting on a wave of political favourable.

"Democratic principles," said Mr. O'Connor in the debate on Czechoslovakia, "are in essence two—free secret elections and the existence of an opposition. If we accept these principles, then the meeting was not democratic, for though an opposition existed, it was howled down at first and later prevented from voicing its opinions by a hastily passed motion of closure. When the motion of the meeting had been passed, a large number of the "ignorant" out of the hall pointedly illustrating their all-absorbing interest in how we run our affairs for us. Mr. McAnulty then moved the adjournment of the meeting and should be voted out and despite protests at the undemocratic character of such a motion, it was hurriedly pushed through without permitting dissentions on the wave of fervent, free secret elections.

Fortunately, "the ignorant" have matriculated and can presumably read and argue. If these zealots around the college read and compare the "stamping" leaflets with the carefully reasoned analysis of the meeting on our front page, we may hope that they will be able to reason when next an important matter comes up before the Association. There are undoubtedly many good reasons for a no-confidence motion, but there are many just as good, for a censure motion.

HE JESTS AT SCARS

There is yet hope that there will be no more major stamping of the ignorant at Victoria College, but in international affairs there is very little hope. Will the ignorant once more be stamped into war? Will the daily press continue to blame all our troubles on the red menace to such an extent that none of us are persuaded to take up arms in "defence of democracy" (i.e., to secure yet another division of the world and another expansion of markets)? Many of the students who acted undemocratically at the meeting before Easter thought they were defending their democratic rights. Many of the people who condone, even support, American violation of Italian sovereignty and extension of the Truman Doctrine, even to assisting Franco Spain, believe they are defending their "democratic" way of life.

I hope that some of the articles in this issue will expose the aggressive "dollar imperialism" of the West and the less aggressive reaction which it is causing in the East. "UNamericanism" is used to stiffen local opposition in a undemocratic manner. The argument that "Christian Anarchist" in the "Catholic Worker". The indirect result of "dollar imperialism" is reflected in the so-called "coup d'etat" in Czechoslovakia. The very direct use of imperialist method to save an election is illustrated by activities in Italy. If the communist bloc wins the elections on April 18, there will be great outcries at the election being "fair" and "rightful". Islamic and those of Western statesmen weeping crocodile tears for the news victims of the communist menace. If by means of promises of Marshall Aid and no commitment to the "ignorant" to Communists, then it opens its doors to Communist. Witness events in Czechoslovakia where the election was maintained at a recent debate—in Czechoslovakia every-where, where Communist has the support of the people, this must be the irrevocable result of any system which ad- mires. UNamericanism exists because Communists have the support of the people. This must be the irrevocable result of any system which ad-

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It is unfortunate that a show of hands has given no indication of the only-evident support to which the students Executive can point is the ill-mounted show of a few hundred students.

HARRY EVANS
THIS — OUR SECRETARY?

Happy Birthday

My dear Salient — It was with distinct pleasure and profit that I read the recent article commemorating the fourtieth anniversary of the founding of Salient. I confess I thought your birth- day issue would have been still a month or two days. I am sure everyone will be delighted that the mention of your many articles is in keeping with your age. I showed them to members of the local Fire- women's Association, and they held on their unreserved testimonial of the quality of the paper Salient is doing. They say, and I know, that it far outstrips any cata- logue. It may be that in these few years, but could you arrange for a better one, they would not entertain the hand corner to permit hanging on a nail?

I had the feeling as I read its con- tents that Salient suffers from a deep illness. I think, although I am not able to point to some member of the staff, who has not caused a death in the cause. As a suitable medical man, I thought you would be able to come out with a report. It would be the last. I think that it might also be the last. I quote and call it "The Horatius Co- bines" at meetings and at all meetings of the editorial staff.

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**American Viewpoint On**

**"Un-Americanisms"**

In the place of our usual bi-monthly column "Un-Americanisms," we shall have an article this month on "Catholic Worker." The author, Robert Durand, is one of the main leaders in the Catholic Worker Movement, which was a C.O. during the war, and here gives a very accurate statement of radical catholicism at the present time.


We have gone a great way this past year of 1947, a great way towards the destruction of man, a great way towards completion of a thoroughly statist society. We are no longer afraid of fear and are out on the "American way of life." It has been a year of 100 per cent. Americanism.

**AMERICANISM**

Americanism, in the concrete means this—it means that eight Negroes have murdered at the Angola camp in Georgia and the guards who murdered them were given a clean bill of health by a federal jury in Brunswick, Georgia. It means that two-thirds of the draft violators are still in jail due to failure to go to a general call. It means that one may have religious scruples against service in the army but not be exempt. It means that the "Marshall Plan" for aiding capitalism in Europe to reindustrialize the Ruhr against Communism. It means confining this plan with the feeding of Europe so that those who oppose it, or as Dom Luigi Sturzo so well put out, the feeding is strictly subsidiary to the economic and political vacation of American capitalism) are accused of sacrificing lives to an ideology. Those accusing being blind, in the light of the facts, etc., to concrete facts of the situation. Facts not to be found in the ideological world, Marshall Plans, etc.; in the day to day workings of the State Department. The question of justice: What is this question of feeding Europe and Asia? Are they one of their lives? It is not. For what we possess beyond our actual needs belongs of right to none but those who do not have it. They owe us nothing in return—certainly nothing of political or economic allegiance which the Marshall Plan (in reality, not on paper) and the Truman Doctrine (even the paper) forces on them. We must protest this identification of the Marshall Plan with feeding Europe or with any resemblance to Christian charity—it is merely a form of "American self-interest," as Senator Vandenberg approvingly points out. It is a type of self-interest which has closed the doors of the countries to the communist, while it has stood calmly and watched by calling the missions of the Jews and other hopeless peoples and has lifted no finger to aid—unless it be to aid the Greek Government murder Communists.

**HYSTERSIA**

Americanism means that if you or I are singing you are a Communist. It means that if you or I go to Columbia University you can't hear Howard Fast lecture or if you go to the University of Wisconsin you can't hear Clairemanci. It means being dragged out of the marriage bed at 4:30 in the morning and being questioned as to your political beliefs. It means that if, you're a government employee, you can't belong to the Communist party, despite the fact that it is a legal party. It means compulsion, if you are of an affidavit stating that you are not a member of the Communist party. It means government by fear, by hysteria, by ignorance.

**MARSHALL PLAN**

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**DISLOYAL**

Americanism has meant the establishment of a Fascist Committee to stop the Un-American Activities Committee, which is again government by fear and compulsion, so that anyone who shows concern for the ills besetting the country is declared disloyal.

On May Day of 1947 we Catholics, such as we are, prayed for cathedral and chapel to pray for Communism. Much more might we well pray for ourselves, that we might proceed in charity, in the true meaning of the word, to persuade brethren who only too often are Christian in act, despite their German materialism, to observe the legalities of religion and to turn their backs on the spirit of Christ, and to see those who call themselves "pious" societies put out vicious pamphlets, aping the worst features of cheap tabloids and comic strips and which accuse Communists of everything from anti-Semitism to murder, and which mandates of hate are conditioning Catholic youth for organized murder, for Fascism at home.

**MORE DEADLY WEAPONS**

Rear Admiral Ella M. Zacharias, for 30 years in charge of the destroyer program for the Navy Department before coming to the Coast Guard, is a member of the board of the American Society for the Prevention of War. Asked what the greatest weapon of the future would be, he replied: "We are in the process of turning to conventional arms from the atomic weapons. They are designed to destroy life in enormous areas, or for organized warfare. Truly, it is a complacent these days to be called un-American!"

**QUESTIONS OF RUSSIA**

It is not a question of being naive about Russia. The Workers Defense League estimates that 22,000,000 people are in the world today in actual or virtual slavery. We are at least half of the world in the world today in actual or virtual slavery. We have a share of the remaining, peonage in our South and our concentration camps during the war. And these same conditions exist in root and as a result of the consequences of capitalism. And we have nothing to solve it by looking for fancy pamphlets that only add to the misunderstandings and the prejudices of the day. For Catholics should oppose these things, not by advocating Americanism, but by frank realization of the evils of national and by a Christian anarchism, that while not rejecting all government, does reject the centralized state which we have known since the 15th century.

**EFFILM IN N.Z.**

In England and America pictures are being commercialized, so that it is not possible to determine whether the infant seeking from these two countries is to be influenced in a like manner.

At present in this country there are many forms of our pleasure involve rapidly moving our bodies through space, watching organized animals doing so, or sitting in thousands and letting a strip of celluloid do our thinking for us. How the machine is influencing modern thought, and the great length, but its influence upon the creative mind, through the medium of film is attracting attention, and can be understood here. This could best be done by having a few people go to the pictures, the books, the pictures, paint, etc., films, the films and the fa"a cical" as they could as so.

**WHY PEOPLE GO TO THE PICTURES**

Entertainment and escape constitute the two main reasons. In the inanimate images that we can sit back in comfort and let all cares float away. The mind of a thoughtful person is rarely bothered.

"But," it has been said, "why point the fingers at today and an escape from our environments in some way or other entertaining, and music can all provide escape. The answer to this is that there are two aspects of escape.

A search for knowledge can be called an escape because environment can easily be forgotten in the pursuit of an interest, which involves a change from ignorance to knowledge. What do you mean to society than the cinema?"" escape means an escape from reality into fantasy. A shogirl in the cinema associating herself with a beautiful dress is a less desirable form of escape, than a shogirl studying music or engaged in some other constructive work.
Overtures to the Italian Elections

---As Reported in the "Dominion"

Salent, April 7, 1948.

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Dr. Benov: "We cannot accept a solution of the Trieste problem that is injurious to Italy and to its safety."

An Italian Foreign Minister spokesman announced that in no circumstances would the Italian Government consent to barter the Trieste region to the Soviet Union.

In language that had obviously been inspired by a higher authority, the Signor Togliatti said: "We cannot accept a solution of the Trieste problem which bars the way to the safety of Italy's flesh against another." "The New York Times" correspondent declared that Britain is ready to make the move desired by Italy, no action has been announced by the Italian alliance to the United States to bring about the move."

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United Nations Charter

Articles 1, Paragraph 2.

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by the manager of the exhibiting theatre. Through lack of reviewers, none of the films has been reviewed. The "American" films incident have sometimes been shown in the Canadian "Rothschild" shows. Very few people seemed to realize that criticism is an intellectual laxative."

There is educational value in a poor film if its critical attitude has been held toward it. Some people do not see the value that can be derived from taking children to an extremely poor picture. The value lies in the discussion which could follow. As long as they have been made to think about the film the visit is justified. There is more value in a film that might be considered a film poor, than in a film that might be considered "good" and thinking nothing about it.

Such films as Tobacco Road, Greetings of the Whore, The Ox Box Incident, and Love on the Dole, are interesting because they picture such a contrast to the usual fare.

As the writer of this article has thought to fit you with a proverb: "Thou shalt not print in serial form a serial. It will be done if some of our readers express interest in the Ed."

THE NEED FOR FILM CRITICISM

There are very few critics such as Gordon Matta. Some new reviewers reach the public. Consequently the average American film viewer is reading and reacting emotionally to, the advertising blurb inserted in the press.

THE EFFECT OF FILMS

There seems to be a certain amount of truth in the idea that New Zealand producers have been the most in the cinema of circles. The more obviously sympathetic political music and the fashion and speech habits are easy to point out, but the more subtle effects are subtle and difficult to demonstrate.

Fvms certainly have falsified some people's values, but on this point they seem to have become a scapegoat. For example, it is often said that the cinema is melting people's worship material success. But, whether New Zealanders have ever needed instruction in this attitude is extremely doubtful.

Fvms have great passive attendance at theaters would tend to produce a person who is hard to pull away, and too busy living to think about life.

A very pronounced effect of the coming of certain stereotypical ideas of Nationality. Throughout film is a reflection of the colonizer's conception of, say, an Irishman or a Frenchman.

A Frenchman is always attractive, and a Frenchwoman is always charming. But, so far, it won't be long before a fight or a "beware" will make their appearance.

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An Italian Foreign Minister spokesman announced that in no circumstances would the Italian Government consent to barter the Trieste region to the Soviet Union.

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United Nations Charter

Articles 1, Paragraph 2.

"To develop friendly relations among nations based on respect for the principles of equal rights and to take other appropriate measures to strengthen universal peace."

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TOURNAMENT

Saturday night was the happiest night of the week—we triumphantly retained the Boxing Shield. Four VUC men reached the finals, three winning, one losing. Those three, untroubled by the banishment champ, Young. Put a very good defence but seemed to lack aggression, and the fight went to his opponent. Wonhtoff the lightweight champ, on a technical k.o. and retained the trophy for the most scientific boxer. Both featherweight and welterweight titles went to Otago, leaving VUC and OU equal. Adams began with a whitewash attack, thus rating himself as that blaring (OU) appeared to have the advantage in the last round. The decision in Adam's favouforour consequently had mixed reception. Ingram (CUC heavyweight) de-feated Foster (OU) leaving VUC winners of the shield.

Once more VUC won the wooden spoon for athleticism, but despite the impressive array of provincial and national champions from other Colleges, we did reasonably well. Marshall won the discus and hammer throws and — ‘Panama’ Polohn won the mile walk in good time. Howard ran a steady second in both the mile and the three-mile champs. Trev-stik fell third in the pole-vault and Kelly third in the mile. Dackworth and Turner did well in heats. Barbara Bowerg came third in the 75 hurdles but she was unable to run again. Binnard also has third in the 100 hurdles, but women showed a glimpse of form by coming second in the 400 and Eileen Warfield (CUC) doing well but apart from that they were not up to standard. VUC won the haka party relay due to a collision between OU and CUC. Highlights were: (1) 100 (CUC) in triple with 1100, 2200, 4400 all won in record time.

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FASCISM EXPLAINED

The Usual Rush from Reason

By F.M.

"Sometimes," I am told, "the representatives of sectional opinions manage to lift a pen. Perhaps the Editor considers that he is most responsible for some sectional opinions. I am not that man, nor that humble, assuming that the Penquin Puff, Dict. is correct that Fascism is defined as 'the social system aimed at making the Corporate State Fascist cannot be neither capitalistic nor socialist. It retains private property but places it under State control. Class struggle is reduced and industrial disputes are forbidden. From this definition it is impossible that the end of this system is the expression of the capitalist system. If any segment of the people is the opinion that capitalism wishes to be bolstered by a National Government under State control, then further study is needed of the capitalist system. That Fascism. In fact, the idea of the 'natural selection. One difference being that an essential feature of Fascism is the rejection of private property. One difference being that an essential feature of Fascism is the rejection of private property. But certainly would never have stoppened on the definition of Fascism. There is probably some reason for this lack of declaration of Fascism to be found in the fact that many of these words can be confused only with the formation of the spiritual home of any product. The words have a familiar ring to them: 'the proletariat' is used meanly or 'the people,' which certainly takes political power into its own.

Salient, April 7, 1948.

NZUSA

The NZUSA Annual General Meeting was held in Dunedin over Easter weekend as a matter of interdepartmental discussion some important decisions emerged. The Student Representation on the Senate of Victoria University Society was reconstituted and the meeting decided that the Senate should again press for representation on the government. On the matter of Government bursaries, VUC, the meeting expressed the opinion that the provision of University government is self-governing; on this principle NZUSA will ask the Senate to accept a nominee of VUC as shall be a graduate of at least two years standing.

Reports from Delegates to Australia

The NZUSA delegation to the Annual Meeting of the Australian University Students, in reporting back to the NZUSA, brought forward a number of recommendations which were adopted by the Senate. The most important of these was that NZUSA try to obtain cultural relations for students returning from Australia between Australia and New Zealand by (a) a Pacific Bureau of the National Union of Students New Zealand, (b) a single union set up to arrange the interchange of students, (c) a series of cultural exchanges. On the possibility of organizing the interchange of students for the purpose of this movement, it was decided that an Australian University Delegation be sent to New Zealand about the beginning of June and July, and that a congress be held which is similar to the one to be run by NZUSA and be organized by VUC for January, 1949.

All colleges supported affiliation to IUS, opinions differed as to whether we should pay the full affiliation fee per head. The Auckland delegates were strongly in favour of the full 6d. Both孵化 and McCrae of AUC said the same as Salient has said many times before, that we cannot expect to belong to IUS unless we are fully financial members. Lincoln College supported AUC and the VUC delegates, convinced that this plan was the correct one also called for the full 6d. The other delegates were elected as follows: Mr. Prentice (VUC), Mr. Fairbairn (VUC), Mr. Dower, VUC: Nathan, AUC; and Mr. Kerne (VUC), Mr. Campbell, Assistant Secretary, Miss Janet Bage; Treasurer, Miss C. B. O'Brien. Congress comptroller: Mr. Harrold Dower.

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These for some subjects will definitely be in “short supply” so our advise is — PURCHASE EARLY!

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LAMBITON QUAY
Shortcomings

"Jassy"

A gambler’s sweetheart of the Regency or thrusters shafts the family halls against his evening’s losses. Their confessions, comprised all his cash and mother’s Jewels. He loses. We witness the shift to a humble farm-house and the introduction of our bankrupt’s son (Demna Page) to a life of toil. Enter a technologically advanced Margaret Leedwood as Jassy, pursued, accused of witchcraft, and carefully shushed with mud. Demna to the rescue. Alarms and excursions, culminating in the befriending of Jassy by Despina’s boyhood sweetheart (Patricia Roc), not to mention her fire escape, for Jassy to finish-school for elopement tendencies before she is properly finished.

Back to the family halls held by Patricia’s father, a cad if ever there was one. Jassy becoming Patricia’s step-mother, does not enhance her virginity. Dumb girl accounts for Jassy’s success, as well as more alarms and excursions, final triumph of Birting Institution and Demna gets back the family halls left thrown in.

VERDICT: If you like J. Arthur Rank melodrama, this is for you.

Drama Society

DEEP ARE THE ROOTS

The questions of racial discrimination, inequality, and persecution have been among the main issues of our public and sociological thought of this century. The fact that the evidence of anthropology has so completely and convincingly dispelled the notion of white supremacy is not to any extent diminished the tendency with which this still held. Jews are still victimised in New Zealand, Aborigines are denied education and civil rights in Australia, and Negroes are still lynched in America.

The tension and conflict which characterise the relationships between people of different national or racial groups provide excellent material for the dramatist, so it is not surprising that it should be a modern play has been written around this theme.

"Deep are the Roots" is a recent play on the Negro question, written by a West Point graduate and Army veteran who discovered the subject in an unnecessary earring at a party. But it is skillful, it presents anti-Negro feeling from the point of view of every position.

It was produced recently by Michael Denge and presented in a not quite finished state to an audience of Drama Club members and friends. The play, the acting, and the production were so good that it is a pity that it was not performed publicly.

The producer had the unusual task of staging a play demanding a high standard of acting with a cast which had very little rehearsal but retaining its freshness. Miss N'Nevv, and Mr. Tailboys as Sena- tor Young and Landon, gave performances which showed an unusual sympathy and understanding of their parts. The other actors, particularly those in the three difficult Negro parts, were almost good.

It looks as if the Drama Club, with its inflexibility of circumstances, is likely to recover its position as one of the important dramatic societies in the city.

FRENCH

The other foreign film, "Retour a l'Alsace," at the Embassy, has left a negative impression on me. There is the usual visual pleasure in French films, but having grasped the imagination and charm of this there is nothing left. One could blame Vicki Baum and go into a detailed analysis with dramatic implications and the shallowness of the plot, but this would be worth while. The recent New York premiere of "Grand Hotel" or "Grand Opera" will be familiar with this attempt at a modern operatic can become. No matter what the drama itself, the music is not sufficient thought about their sudden precipices in the real-life (which may be), the effect on at least one member of the audience was very real, the distillation and disbelief in their motives. They were not real people. It is kindest to say that this is a melodramatic story of young love which certainly not real disillusionment which is much more moving and sometimes even tragic—indeed that it is not one narrative only does not become cliché a pity, because we see so few French films to sniff one's nose seems not only discouraging but also bad taste. Still there it is.

---J.M.T.---

TUESDAY, APRIL 28

Drama Club casting meeting for three one-act plays to be produced early second term. 8 P.M.

SARATOGA NIGHT IS SPEEDWAY NIGHT

Thrilling spectacle as daredevils ride the cinders at Hutt Speedway opposite Park Avenue.

8. P.M. SATURDAY NIGHTS

FILMS AND STAGE

Thoughts on Two Foreign Films

GERMAN

"Kameradschaft" is a German film, made, believe it or not, as long ago as 1931, and produced by N. Pabst. It is so good in its own way that I cannot help comparing it with a Greek tragedy, because it has little to do with the trivialities and all the incidents add to the total effect. It shows men, struggling not with other men, nor against his Gods, but with the forces of nature he is trying to control. And this elemental conflict is so simple, so distinctly, and so truthfully that the film, although it is in many ways a little coarse, is incomparably more effective. There is no ornamentation, no subplot, and the characters have a sharpness and urgency common to us all when all is at stake. "Kameradschaft" is about a mine disaster in Germany. A mine rescue unit helped trapped French miners, it does this to the question, "Why does it need something as terrible as this to show us the real meaning of the phrase, "the brotherhood of man.""

This film has faith in humanity, not so common a thing nowadays, and faith in the possibility of international understanding. It is a film to see, not only because of its theme, but also because it is occasionally brilliant photography, and has a real sense of sound. It will be shown again later this month by the Wellington Film Society at the Public Library Concert Hall.

"Jubilee Spike"

1949 is Golden Jubilee year for V.U.C. The annual "Spike" will appear as usual but, in addition, a special issue is being prepared. We want it to be really strong and suggestions and offers will be welcomed from present and past students and staff members. For original crea-

extravagant

hands, and does not desire itself or others by talk about popular election government, sanctioned by the whole people." These announcements are very similar to Fascist theories and the progressive circles would wish to detect from the fact that those Fascist countries who lack freedom of press and speech and religion, or even of the Right, were and are very similar to that country where progressives are for a fact.

It is useless, of course, to quote from their press to progressives who maintain that any judgement made on such a fact is a "telepathic joke." Their sources cannot be more reliable especially since our press at least is reserving two different opinions where profound differences of opinion exist but are not allowed expression.

To suggest that "materialistic progressives or progressiveness who are there in the bad to call week should read something about the present press which would be suitable. Perhaps they may wish to read their philosophical ABC which has been omitted from their political nourishing which omission has resulted in such imputation. I would suggest sustain- ing a "render unto Caesar" and the Encyclopaedia of the Popes. This will probably shock the progressive soil, but omit such works as Herst Novarum, Quadragesimo Anno and Divini Redemptoris, would be to de-

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The meeting commenced at 6.45 and immediately resolved itself into committee (moved O'Brien seconded Langford). The committee reported that it had made progress. "Salient" representatives were admitted at about 8 o'clock.

NZUSA

Mr. Batterman's appointment as leader of NZUSA delegates, to exercise first vote was confirmed. Miss MacKinnon was appointed as NZUSA delegate to exercise second vote and Mr. H. Dowrick was appointed NZ USA representative.

The decision of the previous Exec. to support the nomination of Mr. N. O'Brien for the presidency of NZUSA was rescinded (Mr. Lovell disented) and it was moved "That this association support the nomination of Miss J. Bogle for the presidency of NZUSA."

The appointment of Mr. N. R. Taylor's appointment as an observer from the Executive would visit the University and hold discussions with the student body was moved (Mr. Lovell disented) and it was moved "That this association support the appointment of Mr. N. R. Taylor as an observer from the Executive to visit the University and hold discussions with the student body."

The matter of holding a Special General Meeting to announce results was deferred until the next meeting. The Editor of "Salient" was authorised to make arrangements for a Special Election Issue costs to meet from Association funds.

The Executive expressed confidence in all appointees of the previous Exec. to special appointments and reaffirmed all arrangements made by the previous Exec. at its meeting on 16/3/48 for the running of Extravaganza and the conduct of Capping celebrations.

The meeting was formally declared closed at 9.33 p.m.

Silence: Minds At Work.

On Tuesday, March 23, the Philosophical Society held its inaugural meeting on "The Approach to Philosophy."

For the benefit of the unfortunate few who were unable to be there, we present a brief outline of the approach of the Society.

Eleven members (one part time) were attentive to an inspired interpretation of "The Approach to Philosophy."

The major intellectual dispute centred on the definition of concept that aspect of emotion or feeling which is susceptible of linguistic interpretation in the analysis of the Society became involved in the consideration, generation and determination of the term. To determine the position and clarify the approach, Pat offered to think "What", and Erle, not to be outdone, attempted to conceive something but ultimately achieved only reductio. This he assured us was merely the first step but not the last, i.e., could not get beyond sensory stimulation and red light.

To illustrate the various points of view we indulged in hypothetical hot and cold baths, warm dupes at tea in white cups, and visions of yellow lamplights. The ultimate exclusive of this discussion was a clarification of concepts. This clarified further-poor from which one could not talk about things you could not see and that it had not been proved that monoscopic does not exist.

At the point of infinite regress when we were asked to think about a thought about a thought about a thought about a thought about a thought, we were asked to return to follow up this important thought and to take a paper on the subject. He was unfortunately saved from this ordeal by a mundane introducer who broke up the high intelligence of the proceedings with: "Anybody got any milk here?"

In his usual concise and succinct manner Brian S. interpreted a small piece from the book. "Wolfenden doesn't say that." "Well, I think he should have.

The decision of a question of the fundamental tenets of Chemistry was disposed with: 'That isn't Chemistry, it's probably the after-effects of a hangover.' The meeting then re-organised itself into small groups of individual conflict. Supper was served.

The two most thought-provoking remarks of the evening were: "What do you feel must be the philosophical thought?" "For the purposes of this society the wildest and most essential limitations imposed upon wooliest possible."

At the close of the reading, "Well, I'm finished."

---Geraldine Player

I wrote my name...

I wrote my name in the mist on a window facing the carnations and the letters stood out boldly, darkening against the silver reflection of the shining night.

I heard the passionate sea wind in the clear night and my name there shone reflecting all around while all surrounding those few strobos absorbed and shone with empty light.

A larger boomer than the real exploded into spray below my window; a film settled placidly on the whole pane, but my name dissolved for a moment was liquid—and ran down, leaving meaningless lines where had been the round sweeps of my mark.

---H.R.U.

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