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test. He had referred the article back to the author because he thought the author might wish to make alterations. When this was not so, he published it; and he cited by his original view that the article came at the bounds of fair comment. Dr. Binglehole, in his book, had taken up a very fair attitude towards “Salient” and to the expression of views by students.

Should an editor have to dig in his heels before he published a paper he could afford to comment? He noted a facet of college history in passing, “During the war, the one case of freedom of speech was curtailed so much that the debating club was not even allowed, in 1940, to take the view that the war was an imperialist ramp,” and the Principal had suggested the substitution of one the “commercialisation of sport”.

“Induce or postpone.” He reiterated his view that this article was between the bounds of fair comment, and that it was in the spirit of the tradition of necessary decency. The motion was an effective protest; the amendment was going back on the spirit which had been established by past issues of “Salient” and by past students of the college.

“Flamboyant, Emotional?”

No, said Mr. Heasle, “Salient” has said what it liked and can publish it and uphold its right to do so. But this was “extravagant”, it was in bad faith, it was poor policy. He hoped that in future we would see to it that flamboyant, emotional attack though not always justified by students were not being attacked.

Legal action would be out of the question. The fine was of a ridiculous nature. But we had no grounds to attack the Board on a political or a legal footing. “A reasonable amendment,” he termed it, and it was moved that the amendment be put.

Clamping It

But this was one of those rare occasions when that didn’t get through, and the discussion continued on the motion. Clearly, there were many objections to ascribing legal action, and it had been severely criticised. Mr. Evenson could not discuss the motion under discussion, but he could, and must, move an amendment to the amendment deleting every word after “that” and inserting the original motion without the mention of legal aid. The chairman stopped, looked and wondered at this, but it was a reasonable amendment. He (Mr. Evenson) started the discussion on the amended amendment by stating that clearly the amendment was not thought by Mr. Heath was not forcible enough. Students should be allowed to print; this was a question of free expression, and the matter needed underlining. This was not done by the amendments. What power is to have over the press of the student? Again, he suggested that simple restriction was provided by the law, and that another gap by the Board was necessary. He was of the opinion that the matter could obviously be reconsidered by the Association if the Council failed; Mr. Jenkins would have to have an appeal in September for the Council.

The closure of the college was moved by Mr. Heath and it took Mr. O’Brien in the chair some time to instruct the meeting what it was voting on; he took very great care to prevent anyone voting on the wrong thing; the closure motion was carried; the amendment was carried, then because the first amended form (do you follow me?) applied. The amendment was put to become the motion, and by 100 votes to 7 the closure was placed on discussion of this.

And breathlessly in the landscape of hands shooting up and down, scrutineers moving like shuttles, people standing ready for the final dash down the stairs, the motion was put and carried 78 to 24.

It was always clear that a protest was strongly supported; many obvi- ously had reservations about committee action; paying the fine in the last resort might perhaps have been preferred, as being cheaper. Clearly, too, the affair was seen as an unnecessary restriction on the right of students to express their opinions. We therefore continue to regard it as our duty to publish everything sent in—as we always have done, as long as it is readable—and give every student a chance to speak within the bounds of the law.

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"We shall build a new world From the mud and slime of battles. No more the shriek among the ruins Of fools, but the song of victory hurled..

Exalted in the sky, Guns have started Too long. We will arms, mighty in peace To free the slaves from the slaver, Moan from service bondage and the old and

Victims of tyrants, snatched up on the mast Where we gave for freedom. We will Build for beauty, not with blood, the accent Of nation, but with the glories pure in peace."

In peace."

The young voice faltered, tone by tone the grand

Syllables died away, as life left his body

—Alec Bryan.

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Sports
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Men's Basketball

Well, another season is completed, and another one has been, in the
pleased indeed. The season has been thoroughly enjoyed by the poor
meritorious participants, who have re-
tained much of their enthusiasm for
pampering themselves for the new year's
place in basketball-enthusia-s-
isms. It should be no-
ticed that this enthusiasm for basketball is a dan-
ergous and hazardous occupation, that
they are not doing anything valuable for the
juries this season; after all, what is the

A Team

We would like to congratulate the A Team on finishing fifth in the A
Grade competition. They seem to have had good luck in not winning any
games; they registered wins over all but two teams, and drew
with the winning team. Their main
deficiency, however, has been lack of height; possibly they might find it
if they played on a taller court, or get
rather high before each match, but then
have been bunch, who have

B Team

The B team played in the C grade,
and, as might have been expected, finished
the season with two wins and two
losses. They have played well, and showed great improvement throughout the
season. The loss of Eddie Weng was a sad
blow. Most of the members of this team were
absent during the last game of the season
against Capping Ball. Definitely a
person who played basketball (at 9 am) the following morning.

C Team

The C team played in the D grade. At
the start of the season they were
mainly inexperienced, but as time went on and
combination proved combinable the good
work was done. The team played well. Always prepared to exercise,
they were the best team in the
grade. C team has been a good school
for beginners; many of the players in this team will be seen in

Men's Hockey

With teams missing in the WiFi competition we had a lot of
successful, if not impressive, seasons.
The first grade team started well but getting to
their early finish and cohesion were lost.

At Winter Tournament the team against
Stan- ing Ottao, was found wanting in later matches. Buxton College were chosen
to play for the NZU team against Auckland, the latter winning 7-6.
The best game of the season was the
annual fixture against Massey, who won 3-1.

Members of the first grade team
regenerating representative honours were
Wolliner, MNP reps and Wellington A reps, Richard, Wellington A; and
Laurence and Maclean, Wellington B reps. The second grade A team
had a lot of success in draws and losses, but all games were keenly
competition. The second grade B team
started well, but as usual, holidays interfered in their regular team,
resulting in some rather disappointing results during the season.
The third A team was our most
successful one and also won the
Grade One, finishing fourth in the
grade.

The B team, always keen, were one of our most consistent
teams. They were, however, the mostly "beginners", showed definite
improvements and should be noticeable next year. The club does not
succeed, although poor weather made the attendance rather disappointing.
For the Winter Tournament, the AUC will
best wishes to Irving Ting, who left recently. He will be missed in the
gutting rep for many years, he will be
to his tremendous amount of good work he has done for the
VUC Hockey Club.

Rugby

This season has not been too
one good one except possibly for
R. J. dart, however, has played an
excellent game consistently round
the season and has been re-
plied to by the selectors in the
nions reps.

The seniors, who were poor to be
ing, improved greatly to beat Wellington. They also had a very
close game with Hutt, but were not
beaten. Also, at one stage, they
did not seize the chance of winning
Hardcup. Unfortunately their
time was up, but their efforts to win
are

Rounders

The third seniors had only two losses
one of which was against Hutt in the
finals—at a previous stage the
scores were reversed. Hutt, being
by us, the first time they have been beaten in two out of
time during the year they went
near to playing Te Aute. The
season was very enjoyable although lost 19-7.

The second seniors were not very
successful in their season of replacements they had to

Rowing Round in

This is to announce that the VUC Round in
activities by taking in the
Opening Row in Regatta which will be the
form of the Annual Contest for the

This is for the benefit of any stud-
grade Rowing Club members. A Rowing
Activities of the Rowing Club (and
There is a man with soul so dead who
to himself and has said, this is my
Viccolo Rowing Club, when rowing in a
grade.

The VUC Rowing Club is com-
p of all the hardy types (fairly
s) Round the College who have the
urge now and then to take to
water, followed by an urge to take
to liquids with a little more body

If you're interested in enjoying
you're not the only one. There are
you feel like you're keeping your
now and then to take to

Come to the opening day and see
the sport and the sports. Get in
touch with Mike Powell, the Club
Secretary, per the Men's Common

Wellington

Women's Cricket Club

The Annual General Meeting of the
above Association will be held at
the JWCA on Monday, October 10,
7:30 pm.

Every Club is entitled to have
two voting delegates but we ask you to
g to get as many of your Club members
to come as possible, we are as
ready to make a good showing this year to
to the Wellington teams. All members'
ideas will be

J. F. YEATMAN
(P.O. Box 1006—Phone No. 45-550)

Sports

The Swords Club is one of the University's keen cliques. Every
night at 7:30 and Saturday morning at 10:30 the boys and girls
are charging on their jockeys. The group
ring round to see where they put
them. This is called "Claws," calls the
scones, and the evening is under way.
Or, she or he may join in, for, as in
any art, a proper knowledge of ground-
only be obtained by practice and by

Winning crown are a
ting and if you want to join and
be said that the nominee or mem-
ly hold you back. The ladies' section
Juliet Burrell, with the Ladies' Provincial Full Cham-
ry of the College, the ladies' section, and the men could
use the Common Room to contact Peter Bellingham.

The Varsity Swords Club has pro-
distributed, fast talent in foil, bat
and sabre, with Eric and 'Lubbie'
and back, provokingly on the
latter roles. Mr. Dickson has been
d Collin. He has been down to the
ladies and this must be the most
elegant of arts. A pair of silk shoes is all you need.

The Athletic Club offers you a
unique opportunity to get fit and
keep the weight off. On Club nights, every
second Monday at 5:30 p.m., on Kelburn Park at 5:30 first
guests experienced coaches to
attendance to give instruction to
the social. The social events, which are a feature of the Club
in
t the Annual Ball, the
ner, a week-end trip to Hastings to
全镇 Hastings' new Club (this meeting is the
opening meeting of the year) and a week-end trip to Wairarapa.
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Down Among the Thryes

I propose devoted to work by
VUC's lower grade teams.

Football a la Social Style

There are always a few who like
football without tears—in other
words, they want the odd game on
a Saturday without spending time at
practices. This gives rise to the
peculiar phenomenon known as the
Social, Tech, and VUC. These means, of
that, if you play for the
social grade, you have a legitimate
base and not winning any matches.

However, this season the social
team did not take on one match, or
quite comfortably too. It was
down the front ground before a
large crowd, both of whom were kept
at the constant state of excitement.

Our team took the field almost con-
ning, believing that a
It was expected in the offing and that
It didn't matter anyway. However,

Dear Sir,

I wish to express the interest that I saw
in the last issue of "Salient". It is the
names of the winners of the Blues for
Winter Tournament. Blues were
presented for fencing, shooting, basketball, and drinking. These are
people are to be congratulated for their
own particular achievements, and
some eight hours a day training and the
fully justified—but what can be the
be the case of not being able to get
for drinking. Do you believe

I do feel that if Blues are awarded
for the sake of a fun day, the
presented for activities that raise
the bar-room level. Drama and
debate are to be encouraged enough; namely we now recognize
the importance of these two activi-
sequences. After all, all the way through
All VUC Drama Club did win the
"Outstanding Production" qualification. What recognition did they get?

--DISGRACED.
SOMETHING NEW?

Several new or resurrected sports are now on the market — two of which are Toxophily (Archery to you) and Tree Climbing — the latter being very popular among a body of students at a French University. Both are sports, we are told, that are extremely enjoyable, giving strength and co-ordination, two necessary attributes to the person who wishes to fully enjoy life.

Now, why do we bring this up? Because we are of the considered opinion that Universities should be to the fore in new fields of physical, as well as of mental, activity. "But those are children’s games," you may say. Yes, they are; but then they are also a man’s, and for that matter a woman’s game. Try them and to your surprise you’ll enjoy them unless you’re put off by your complete inability to succeed in a pastime that looks so easy.

On reading the "Summer" Club notes one is struck by the optimistic tone and the excellent facilities at hand. We urge all students who can join to at least one of these clubs. If you do you’ll never regret it.

Finally, a word of heartfelt gratitude to all those who supplied us with sports news through this last year. Without your help the Sports Page would have been non-existent. Thank you.

—I.N.J.

Cricket Club

The club plays five teams in the Wellington XOCD tournament for a competition series and a further team from the Training College plays under the club auspices. In addition to the regular Saturday play, a team is sent on tour through some minor associations over the Christmas-New Year period and the club also takes part in the inter-college university tournament at Easter.

In the coming year our club will be hosts to Auckland before Easter and the team will travel to Christchurch at Easter to defend the honour of being the leading university team amongst the four colleges.

Regular practice is held during the season on Kelburn Park on the evenings of Thursday, Wednesday and Thursday, commencing at 5 p.m. All intending members who have not already done so are urged to communicate with the honorary secretary, Mr. J. H. Murray, c/o Atkinson Dale Mathew & Watterson, solicitors, 217 Lambton Quay (Tel. 43-0871).

Defence Rifles

This club starts its activities some time in October, meeting every Saturday on the range at Thetmean. The ranges shot over are all those between 300 and 900 yards inclusive. There is an excellent range of club equipment at your disposal, so don’t miss this opportunity to get back some of your 32–6. For further information apply to Mr. V. Hender son, c/o Exec. room.

Swimming

This, the peer of all summer sports, demands your support. There is nothing so pleasant as an hour’s loitering in a cool tank — tempered with the occasional burst of energy, in clear water, at the outset of summer’s evening — in company, of course, with the other sex who are showing off their charms as effectively as convention permits.

The club meets every Thursday night at Thorndon baths from 7:30 p.m., during which time competent coaches train in breast-stroke, back-stroke, freestyle, and diving. There are also the two water polo teams, "A" and "C" grade, to join. We open on Thursday, 17th November, at 7 p.m. If you want to know anything else get in touch with L. B. Piper, honorary secretary, c/o Exec. room, or 45–775. Be in on this, we recommend it.

Tennis

Although the attendance at the AGM was disappointing as usual, we nevertheless managed to cull a hard-working committee for the coming season. With Ken Bliss as club captain and Doris Thorogood as secretary, together with the record entries received so far, prospects for the season indeed look bright.

We have five men’s and three women’s teams in the inter-class competitions. There is a possibility that we’ll have two teams in the senior grade (men) should have nine or ten players of senior calibre. It is almost certain that we shall have the services of Dick Prince, a promising and highly-motivated player in Wellington. We also hope to lure two young and promising players from the persons of Don Robinson, a match-winning machine, and Peter Armstrong, a delightful tennis maker.

The other senior players include Jack Wall, last season’s champion Ben O’Connor, top man for many years; Hugh Davidson, top man of last season; also Les Dougal, winner of singles title; Frank Rowsome, with Wall, keeper of the Harvey Challenge Trophy; and Will Fergusson, a well-performed veteran who still wields his racquet, and Bill Pritchard — a youthful (blonde) performer, champion of Thorndon club last season.

At the moment it is difficult to predict anything of the women’s (it always is) but it is expected that we will have our top team in the hands of senior B grade. Avis Reid, who did well in tournament play, will probably place her at the top of the players of note are Bice Young, Gillian Austin and Doris Thorogood. It is possible that there are a number of dark horses among the new members. We shall soon find out.

The opening ceremony will be held at 4 p.m., and cut patron, Mr. Eitelbaeum, will hit the first ball at 2 p.m.

We hope this article will serve as an invitation to all freshers to join the ranks of our club, and it is also a plea to those outstanding players who play for other clubs to consider playing for Varisty. —Pal Reddy.

Tramping

You probably heard rumours about it at the time, but in case you’re still wondering what all the fuss was about we can now definitely assure you that the Allan-slay-Ellis Memorial Hut was opened in April this year. The opening was such a success it was unanimously decided to rebuild Tawhiti so we can open that too. We’re also going to Smith’s Creek some time before Christmas.

Apart from the jubilee celebrations this year we held a special Christmas Club Jubilee Reunion. This, too, is likely to become a regular feature of club life.

1949 was a year of depression for the club. We started to build a hut-wand after the first spur of enthusiasm, club support showed alarmingly. It was difficult to gather more than a dozen for a working party and each week they were the same dozen. However, now we have not so much work to do, more and more people are taking up the present and worthwhile sport.

A few very successful trips were run during the year, a fine-weather northern crossing during the birthday weekend, and a trip to Totara Flats at the same time. After southern crossing, one or two trips to the new hut and to Taranaki-gora and a few other odd expeditions hither and thither in the bush — the Spenneri.

Under the expert tuition of Phil Gardner we also ran a very successful climbing school with two trips to Titahi Bay and one to Oakhame. We’re also running two trips to the mainland this Christmas — a great trip to the Duntreath and the Rees — this is new country to the club, and also a small party to our favourite stamping ground — the Spencersi. So, apart from our financial position, it’s been a happy year. You should join us some time.

Miniature Rifles

This club has had a very successful season this year with the standard of shooting very high. In spite of this, however, we only came second in the ICI series competition this year. B. J. Perry came top in that competition and also copped the top of that he scored a possible in the South Island v. South Island match.

Harriers

The harriers this year have had, on the whole, a successful year, being constantly kept in the Hutt Valley where in whose Noel Taylor, the national champion. The only times when the club did not keep up this standard was at tournament and in the Masterclass meet. What went wrong we don’t know, but in spite of these two drawbacks we can all congratulate him on a very fine year’s harrying.

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