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The sixth issue of the Bulletin will appear on Thursday, 14th March, 1963.

DIARY OF EVENTS

(For final confirmation and further details reference should be made to the Notice Board)

Secretaries of Undergraduate Societies can help both their Societies and the <u>Bulletin</u> by giving full particulars of their forthcoming meetings to Miss Marian Jennings, either personally or through the Internal Mail by <u>5th March</u>.

SPRING TERM - 1963

Thursday 14th February 5.5 p.m. Room 239. WHY BELIEVE IN GOD? - Open discussion introduced by the Chaplain.

Photographic Society - 5.30 p.m. Room 238.
Ilford Slide Lecture.

Christian Union - 8.00 p.m. Room 237. Bible Study COLOSSIANS III, 18 - IV 18.

Liberal Society - 8.00 p.m. Room 239. LOCAL GOVERNMENT by Navnit Dholakia (Liberal Councillor for Brighton).

Musical Society - 8.00 p.m. A recital of songs by Miss Janet Edmunds.

Friday 15th February Undergraduate Medical Service Meeting - 2.00 p.m. Junior Common Room. (see page 8).

Philosophy Society - 8.00 p.m. Room 102. TOLSTOI AND THE MEANING OF LIFE by Professor Antony Flew (Professor of Philosophy at the University of Keele).

Monday 18th February SPECIAL UNIVERSITY LECTURE - 4.30 p.m. Physics Lecture Room. Speaker: Professor R.W. Southern (Fellow of All Souls' College, Oxford).

Archaeological Society - 7.00 p.m.

Tuesday 19th February School of Social Studies Meeting - 11.00 a.m. Senior Common Room.

School of European Studies Meeting - 12.00 noon. Senior Common Room.

School of English and American Studies Meeting - 2.00 p.m.
Senior Common Room.

French Society - 7.30 p.m. Room 102. Soirée de Films (à être annoncé).

Social Studies Society - 7.30 p.m. Room 214.

The problems of old age discussed with two Matrons in charge of an old peoples' home.

Wednesday 20th February Senior Tutor's Sub-Committee Meeting - 5.15 p.m. Room 212. Guest Speaker: Aneurin Rhys Hughes (President of the National Union of Students).

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Wednesday 20th February (continued) Historical Society - 7.00 p.m. Room 212. THE CHANGING FACE OF EAST AFRICA, 1860 - 1960 by the Rev. S.R. Beesley.

Thursday
21st February

5.5 p.m. Room 239. WHY BELIEVE IN GOD? - Open discussion introduced by the Chaplain.

Photographic Society - 5.30 p.m. Room 103. Ilford Slide Lecture.

Christian Union - 8.00 p.m. Room 237. Bible Study DEUTERONOMY VI, 1 - 19.

Sunday 24th February Catholic Society A DAY OF RETREAT led by Dom. Edward Cruise (Benedictine of Worth Priory), starting at 11.30 a.m. at the Sacred Heart Convent, Upper Drive, Hove.

Monday 25th February Buildings Committee - 10.15 a.m. Stanmer House.

Astronomical Society - 7.30 p.m. Room 239. Talk by Professor Eric Rogers.

Conservative and Unionist Association - 7.30 p.m. Room 238. ALTERNATIVE TO THE COMMON MARKET by Sir William Teeling, M.P.

Christian Union - 8.00 p.m. Room 237. THE MEANING OF THE RESURRECTION by Rev. John R. Williams.

Social Studies Society HOUSING IN THE SOUTH EAST by John Greve (Lecturer in Social Administration, London School of Economics and Political Science).

Tuesday 26th February

Academic Board - 2.30 p.m. Stanmer House.

French Society - 7.30 p.m. Junior Common Room.
Soirée de Disques. 'Phèdre' Racine. Poèmes de Nerval, Rimbaud,
Prevert, Desnos, Jacob.

Catholic Society - 8.00 p.m.

Pre-Lent Party at the Catholic Club, Bristol Road, Brighton.

Wednesday 27th February Finance and General Purposes Committee - 2.30 p.m. Stanmer House.

Liberal Society - 7.30 p.m. Room 103.

Talk by Desmond Barks (Chairman of the Liberal Party Executive and Liberal Candidate for South Harrow).

Musical Society - 7.30 p.m.
A recital by Colin Shenker (violin) and Miss L. Shenker (piano).

Thursday 28th February 5.5 p.m. Room 239. WHY BELIEVE IN GOD? - Open discussion introduced by the Chaplain.

Christian Union - 8.00 p.m. Room 237. Bible Study DEUTERONOMY VI, 20 - VII, 11.

Monday 4th March Conservative and Unionist Association - 7.30 p.m. Room 103. Talk by The Rt. Hon. W.F. Deeds, M.P.

Tuesday 5th March Planning Committee - 2.30 p.m. Stanmer House.

Faculty Guest Night - 7.00 for 7.30 p.m. Private Dining Room.

Wednesday 6th March SPECIAL UNIVERSITY LECTURE - 4.30 p.m. Physics Lecture Room. Speaker: Fergus Millar (Fellow of All Souls' College, Oxford).

Thursday 7th March 5.5 p.m. Room 239. WHY BELIEVE IN GOD? - Open discussion introduced by the Chaplain.

Photographic Society - 5.30 p.m. Room 103. Open meeting. Talk by Victor Blackman (photographer on the staff of the <u>Daily Express</u>).

Art Society - 8.00 p.m. ARCHITECTURAL CONTRASTS IN PERU AND BRAZIL by John Lowe (of the Victoria and Albert Museum). Illustrated.

Christian Union - 8.00 p.m. Room 237. Bible Study DEUTERONOMY VII, 12 - 26.

Friday 8th March Council Meeting - 3.15 p.m. Stanmer House.

Sunday 10th March Broadcast Service - 9.45 - 10.25 a.m. in the Debating Chamber (see page 8).

Tuesday 12th March B.A. Preliminary Examination Board - 10.00 a.m. Private Dining Room.

Discipline Committee - 11.00 a.m. Room 237.

Senate Meeting - 2.30 p.m. Stanmer House.

Liberal Society - 7.30 p.m. Room 239. THE CASE AGAINST CAPITAL PUNISHMENT by Howard Johnson (Liberal Candidate for Brighton).

Wednesday 13th March Catholic Society - 8.00 p.m. MY WORK AS A GOLDSMITH by Dunstan Fruden. Illustrated lecture at the College of Art.

Thursday 14th March Photographic Society - 5.30 p.m. Room 103.
Ilford Slide Lecture.

Christian Union - 8.00 p.m. Room 237. Bible Study DEUTERONOMY VIII, 1 - 20.

Tuesday 19th March French Society - 5.15 p.m. Room 103. LA POÉSIE DE ST. JOHN PERSE by Dr. Christophe Campos (University of Cambridge).

Wednesday 20th March French Society Debating Hall. Play auditions.

Saturday 23rd March END OF TERM

PHYSICS COLLOQUIA

The following colloquia will take place during the Spring Term at 4.00 p.m. on Fridays in the locture room (Room 103).

22nd February SUPERCONDUCTING MAGNETICS
N.F. Wood (from the Clarendon Laboratory, Oxford)

8th March NUCLEAR STRUCTURE

Professor B.H. Flowers, F.R.S. (University of Manchester)

15th March THERMAL LIGHT AND OPTICAL MASERS

Dr. L. Mandel (University of London, Imperial College of Science and Technology)

Five Lectures on

THE BRITISH ECONOMY

Mr. Lipton will give a series of five lectures on The British Economy on Mondays from 4.30 to 5.30 p.m., commencing Monday, 18th February. They will take place in Room 237 in the Physics Building. They are intended principally for students in the School of English Studies and the School of Social Studies who will be taking the 'Contemporary Britain' paper next year. They might, however, be useful to some of the first year candidates for the Economic and Social Framework Preliminary Examination this term.

Programme

The British Economy 4.30 - 5.30 p.m. Physics Building, Room 237.

1. Monday, 18th February British Economic Structure

2. Monday, 25th February Economic Aims and Policies 1957-1963

3. Monday, 4th March The Great Growth Mystery
I The Private Sector - Buildings

4. Monday, 11th March The Great Growth Mystery
II The Public Sector - Transport

5. Monday, 18th March Brussels - Causes and Effects

SOCIETY NOTICES

Anglican Society. It is hoped that there will be talks and discussions, the first led by the Rev. G. Parrot, on SIN AND SUFFERING. Other discussions will be led by the Rev. R. Newton (vicar of Moulsecomb parish) and Dr. H.C. Jarvis (a medical practioner in Brighton and a Police doctor). It is also hoped to arrange a visit to a synagogue of the Brighton and Hove Hebrew Congregation. Anglicans are asked to note that the Chaplaincy centre, 12 Hanover Crescent, will not be open to undergraduates until further notice.

A joint meeting with the United Nations Group is being arranged at which Miss Joyce Pearce, M.A. (Honorary Organiser and one of the founders of the Ockenden Venture) will speak on the problems of refugees.

SPORTS FIXTURES

Saturday, 16th February

Rugby 2nd XV v. Seaford R.F.C. (away) 2.30 p.m.

Soccer 1st XI v. Queen Mary College (away) 2.30 p.m.

Netball 1st team v. Southampton University (away).

Friday, 22nd February Rugby 1st XV v. St. John's Cambridge (home) 2.30 p.m.

Saturday, 23rd February Soccer 1st and 2nd XI's v. Taunton's School, Southampton (away) 2.30 p.m.

Wednesday, 27th February

Rugby 1st XV v. Southampton University 2nd XV

(away) 2.30 p.m.

Soccer 1st XI v. Brighton G.S. (away) 2.30 p.m.

Saturday, 2nd March

Rugby 1st XV v. Seaford R.F.C. 1st XV (away) 2.30 p.m.

2nd XV v. Haywards Heath (away) 2.30 p.m.

Soccer 1st XI v. St. John's College, Southsea
(away) 2.30 p.m.

Wednesday, 6th March Men's Hockey v. University College, London 3rd XI (away) 2.30 p.m.

Saturday, 9th March
Rugby 1st XV v. University College (home) 2.30 p.m.
Soccer 1st. XI v. Brighton Students Association
(away) 2.30 p.m.

UNIVERSITY NEWS

SENATE

Preliminary Examinations

The B.A. Preliminary Examinations will be held on March 21st and 22nd. The Examining Board will be -

Professor J.P. Corbett (Chairman), Professor T. Barna, Professor D. Daiches, Miss C. Diamond, Mr. S. John, Dr. H.F. Kearney, Mr. M. Lipton, Mr. J.M. Moran, Mr. R.P.C. Mutter, Dr. B.E. Supple, Dr. A.K. Thorlby.

The B.Sc. Preliminary Examinations will be held on April 29th and 30th (and on May 1st if necessary). The Examining Board will be -

Dr. W. Ledermann (Chairman), Professor R.J. Blin-Stoyle, Professor C. Eaborn, Professor D.B. Scott, Professor K.F. Smith, Dr. C.N. Banwell, Dr. W.D. Hamilton, Mr. G.B. Trustrum.

Senate Discipline Committee

The Committee discussed the question of public theatrical performances by Union Societies. It was agreed that Societies which intend to give such productions must have a clause in their constitutions making the Secretary of the Society responsible for ensuring that the work is licensed by the Lord Chamberlain's Office and for showing to the Union Committee written proof from the Lord Chamberlain's Office that the work has been licensed. A copy of the Lord Chamberlain's Office publication detailing the law on this matter is to be placed in the Committee's files.

SCHOOLS

Leave-Taking

The Academic Board has agreed that there will be no official leave-taking at the end of the present Spring Term. At a meeting of the School of Physical Sciences, it was recommended that no further leave-taking ceremonies should be held in that School.

Mid-term Reading Week

The suggestion has been put forward by the Academic Board that, whenever possible, a reading break of one week should be arranged during the first two terms of the academic year. The School of Physical Sciences has agreed that there will be such a reading break during the week beginning 3rd March. This means that there will be no formal lectures or tutorials in the School that week, although tutors will be available for consultation. The purpose of a reading break is to allow undergraduates to catch up with their reading and to read general works around their subject.

FALMER HOUSE

Booking of Rooms

There is one amendment to the procedure for the booking of rooms in Falmer House that was announced in <u>Bulletin</u> No. 4. The private dining rooms should be booked through the Registrar's Office (Miss Philips), and catering arranged through the Catering Officer. The arrangements for booking other rooms in Falmer House will remain as announced in the last Bulletin.

Furniture

It was reported to the Falmer House Management Committee that, with chairs now on order which should arrive within a few days, the total of easy chairs in the Junior Common Room area will be 200. This number will be increased by 50 when the Senior Common Room furniture arrives and by a further 21 when the Coffee Lounge is re-furnished.

235 PRESTON ROAD

235 Preston Road, the first social and teaching centre of the University, is to be relinquished. The building is being used temporarily for the storage of books, and, since no other suitable purpose can be found for the house, the lease is not to be renewed.

BROADCAST SERVICE

A Broadcast Service conducted by the Chaplain is to be held at 9.45 - 10.25 a.m. on Sunday, 10th March in the Debating Chamber. A choir of students will lead the singing and all members of the University community are invited to attend. People are asked to be in their places a few minutes before the beginning of the Service. The Service is being broadcast in the Home Service of the B.B.C., at 9.45 a.m. on Sunday, 10th March.

UNDERGRADUATE MEDICAL SERVICE

Arrangements have been made to start the Service during the week beginning Monday, 18th February in temporary premises in the Physics Building (see <u>Bulletin No. 4</u>). The Union officers have arranged a meeting to be held in the Junior Common Room at 2.00 p.m. on Friday, 15th February, at which the aims of the Service will be explained.

INTERNAL MAIL DELIVERY

Mail is collected from the Head Porter at Falmer House for delivery to Stanmer House at 9.15 a.m., 10.15 a.m., 2.15 p.m. and 4.45 p.m. each day. Letters and packets may be left with the Head Porter or in the General Offices of the Physics or Arts Buildings.

Mail from Stanmer House is collected at 9.00 a.m., 9.30 a.m., 2.00 p.m. and 4.30 p.m. and, together with other incoming mail, is delivered to General Offices in each building at Falmer.

UNION NEWS

The President and Vice-President have been invited to a Dinner at the University of Leicester Union on 15th February.

Tom Kemnitz was elected Secretary of the Union in the recent by-election following the resignation of Rachel Partington.

The new Union Committee starts its term of office from 15th February.

Union General Meeting

A General Meeting of the Union was held on Monday, 28th January.

Accommodation

A brief exposition on the role of Guest House Committees was given by Christopher Bristow. As a result of the ensuing discussion a document was prepared by the Union Discipline Committee which will be circulated to all Guest House Committees.

Two points brought up in discussion are not covered by this document:

- (1) It was recommended that a survey should be made of the amount of electricity obtained for a certain sum in Guest House rooms, so that a standard amount could be suggested for the future.
- (2) Mr. Bristow mentioned that a questionnaire was to be circulated to find out what type of accommodation students would like to see built in the future.

Use of Ashtrays

The President urged that neither cups nor the floors of Falmer House should be used as ashtrays.

Summer Dance

There was a discussion to decide whether to hold a fairly large dance in the summer, which would be made to pay for itself and to which representatives from other universities could be invited. It was agreed unanimously that such a dance should be held.

K.J.L.

APPLICATIONS FOR UNIVERSITY PLACES

The process of assessing applications for admission to the University next year and interviewing candidates is now in full swing. Up to the moment, there have been 4,210 applications, 946 for the School of English and American Studies, 1,321 for the School of European Studies, 1,373 for the School of Social Studies and 670 for the School of Physical Sciences. Of the applicants, 1,289 have placed the University of Sussex as their first choice, 1,094 as second, 878 as third and 949 as fourth. Between a third and a half of the applicants have been or will be interviewed. Many of the applicants who have already attended for interview have expressed appreciation of the help undergraduates have given them during their visit here.

HALLS OF RESIDENCE

Tenders are now being invited for the construction of the first University Halls of Residence on the University site. There will be one Hall for men and one for women. It is hoped that both Halls will be ready for occupation by October 1964.

Plans for the Men's Hall of Residence have now been announced. The Architect is H. Hubbard Ford of London; Eastbourne and Hove in consultation with Sir Basil Spence. The Hall will be a three-storied building around a two level courtyard. On the ground floor, besides various service rooms, there will be a junior common room, quiet room, music room and dark room. The junior common room will be divided from the quiet room by a sliding screen which can be drawn aside to form a larger room for lectures or dances.

The two upper floors will provide study/bedrooms for 96 undergraduates and two graduates as well as accommodation for a sub-warden. The rooms are to be divided into groups of 12, each with its own pantry, bathroom and toilet facilities. Every room will have a fixed wardrobe and shelf-unit, together with a moveable bed, desk and chairs. Background heating will be provided, but the rooms will also have electric convector heaters. Particular attention has been paid to the problem of noise; "floating" floors, semi-solid doors and sound-absorbing materials are to be used in the construction to ensure quietness in the study/bedroom areas.

Detailed plans of the Women's Hall of Residence have not yet been announced but the general principles will be the same as for the Men's Hall. Women will have, however, the added luxury of a wash-basin in their rooms.

Isle of Thorns

The Isle of Thorns is a large area some twenty miles away near East Grinstead, an area bordering on Ashdown Forest, and at present used as a summer camp. A permanent 'hall of residence' with living accommodation for about 40 people is being built, complete with common rooms and a library, by its owners the Manor Charitable Trustees.

The Trustees have offered the Isle of Thorns to the University, and the offer has been accepted - though it remains for both sides to work out details of the financial agreement and the terms on which it will be used. The University, therefore, has to decide in the near future how best this

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accommodation might be used - accommodation which includes a large swimming pool, tennis courts and playing fields. Among suggestions made have been that the Isle of Thorns might be used as a hall of residence in term time and for reading parties in vacation.

ENQUIRIES:

ACCOMMODATION AND OTHER TOPICS

In order to run an institution one needs to be informed as to how it is actually working and to have some idea of how it would work in hypothetical conditions. The methods of obtaining such knowledge vary greatly both as between one institution and another and as between different aspects of their life. All institutions inform themselves fairly systematically and precisely about their finance, but while one institution may do the same for its relations with its environment, its administration structure or its impact upon the attitudes of its members, another will be content in these fields with general impressions and the judgments of common sense. And the matter is complicated by the fact that, in spite of the labours of psychologists during this century, precise, objective assessment of many factors in the life of an institution - the attitude to it of its members is a good example - is still rather more an aspiration than a fact.

When the University was planned many broad assumptions were inevitably made as to how its future members would respond to the different arrangements that were proposed. It was assumed, for example, that the tutorial system would be more conducive than a lecturing system to certain desired results, and that Falmer House would lead to closer relations and, therefore, a greater understanding, between senior and junior members of the University than is usual in most modern universities. Without such broad assumptions, bold though they are, a new university could not be launched; but once it has been launched it is both interesting and practically important to keep tabs on how the opening assumptions are working out. Obviously, we are all doing this, in an intuitive, commonsense way, all the time; but the question now before us is whether our information could not be greatly improved by more systematic enquiry. have a tutorial system; but do all students, or only some, or only in some subjects, in fact find that the tutorial is much more helpful than a class or a lecture? We have Falmer House; but what effect is it actually having on our social relations? These plainly are questions to which the University should have the best possible answers when deciding, as time passes, in what way it should expand.

There is at least a good case for saying that intuitive judgments in such matters are unlikely to be reliable, based as they must be on very partial experience, and therefore that we should consider supplementing them by thorough enquiry. Dr. Malleson of the Research Unit for Student Problems at London University, who has been responsible for planning the University's medical service, has made some suggestions for enquiries of this kind and will be discussing them with the Faculty later this term.

Meanwhile, the Senior Tutor's Committee, whose job is to investigate questions of University policy with which the Union is particularly concerned, has been looking into the future of student accommodation. For this purpose it has been enlarged to include, besides its permanent members, Mr. Hutt, Dr. Jones, Dr. Thorlby, Dr. Wilford, Miss Wilson, Mr. Bristow, Miss Cohen, Mr. Gooding and Mr. MacNaughtan. This Committee is working at both long run and immediate

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issues. The long run issue concerns the sort of student accommodation which the University should aim to get in the Park, once the first two halls have been completed; and what the Committee hopes to do is to help to create, by such means as lectures and exhibitions, an informed opinion about the possibilities open to us. The immediate issue is to determine as accurately as possible what the actual needs and preferences of students are, in relation to the various kinds of accommodation that Brighton has to offer, in order that Miss Wilson may know what to aim at for next year. To this end the Committee is devising a questionnaire which it will circulate later in the term. The Committee has not yet decided whether this questionnaire will be sent to all students or only to a sample, but in either case it very much hopes that whoever does receive it will bear in mind that accommodation cannot be improved until we know much more about what peoples' likes and dislikes are.

J.P.C.

THE ARMORIAL BEARINGS

OF THE UNIVERSITY

The Arms: - 'Argent on a chevron per pale azure and gules, six martlets or between in chief two Saxon crowns and in base a dolphin naiant sable'.

The Crest has 'two dolphins sable embowed heads downward enfiled by a Saxon crown'.

The Supporters:- 'On either side a pelican in her piety proper standing upon a book gules edged or each supporting a staff also proper that on the dexter flying a banner of the second charged with a lion passant guardant gold dimidiating the hull of an ancient ship argent and that on the sinister flying a banner of the second charged with a stag's head caboshed silver'.

The pelicans are the Pelham pelicans: one bears Hastings' lion banner, the other Eastbourne's stag's head. The martlets are for East and West Sussex, and the dolphin is for Brighton.

UNIVERSITY SERMON

The Chaplain's Sermon delivered at the University Church Service on 21st October 1962 has now been printed and copies are available, price 1/- obtainable from the Head Porter.

VISITORS

Visitors to the University have included:-

- Professor Henry Wasser (Associate Professor of English at the City College of New York);
- Professor C.A. Moser (London School of Economics and Political Science);
- Dr. Myers (Cultural Attaché at the American Embassy);
- Mr. Nicholas Kaldor (Reader in Economics and Politics, King's College, Cambridge);
- Mr. A.W. James (Editor, Times Educational Supplement);
- Mr. David Hutchinson (B.B.C. script writer on the European production side of Bush House);
- Professor R.I. Wallace (Vice Principal and Head of Mathematics Department and Adult Education, Victoria College, Canada).

Future Visitors:-

- Professor R.W. Southern (Fellow of All Souls' College, Oxford) on Monday, 18th February (see Diary of Events);
- Mr. Fergus Millar (Fellow of All Souls' College, Oxford) on Wednesday, 6th March (see Diary of Events);
- Dr. Conor Cruise O'Brien (Vice-Chancellor of the University of Ghana) on Thursday, 7th March.