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DON'T READ THIS.

You might feel as if you ought to pay your Sports sub.

Being the estimates and grants for each club approved by the general Committee meeting of the A.U.S.A.

	£.	s.	d.
Athletic Club	49	11	0
Lacrosse Club	53	3	0
Baseball Club	33	16	0
Cricket Club	133	0	0
Union Room Club	28	8	6
Rifle Club	47	0	0
Hockey Club	23	0	0
Football Club	102	10	0
Boat Club	95	17	0
Women's Hockey Club	20	6	0
Women's Tennis Club	11	16	0
Inter-'Varsity estimate for Boat Club	67	10	0
Changing Shed for Football Club	55	0	0

To these have to be added the Men's Tennis Club (£40 approximately), Basketball, and Women's Swimming. Also, to ensure Adelaide's representation in the Inter-'Varsity Athletics, an amount not to exceed £7 10s. was voted to the Athletic Club provided that a similar sum were raised by the club and that a team participates.

Thus the Association is committed to an expenditure, apart from current expenses, of at least £758 7s. 6d. As last year's income totalled only a little over £700, and it was the best year the Association has had for some time, it is obvious that each member will have to do his best in the way of stimulating interest, getting new subscribers, attending Association fixtures, and looking after the interests of the Association generally.

Apart from the new shed, the football estimate shows an increase of £26 over last year's. Footballers will probably be vieing with each other to make up this amount.

One of the first things that every student can do is to give a subscription, or collect a subscription, for the benefit of the Athletic Club.

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LACROSSE NOTES.

Against adverse criticism, the club stands firm in making every player available play for University, unless granted a clearance.

The effect of these new members was seen on Saturday, April 28, when in a practice match the team beat Port Adelaide 6—2.

Of the newcomers Ron Cook was the best, scoring three goals. Rollison, taking over the unaccustomed duties of centre, played a good game against an Interstate man. Dawkins' stopping was good, and the two juniors, Thyer and L. Dawkins, did well in the back lines.

Under Gordon Pavy's coaching we should field three strong teams.

“TWEENY.”

MEN'S HOCKEY.

This team boasts one of the weightiest members of the professorial staff. [The news that he is to play “back” will rouse the suspicions of all seasoned players.—Ed.] They have also bagged the lightest!

The Club has undertaken the responsibility of a home Inter-'Varsity this year.

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WOMEN'S HOCKEY.

If a fair-haired girl with a furrowed brow scrutinises you closely, as if to gauge your worth, don't be alarmed; it will only be H.I.M. looking for a decent goalie.

We remark Janie's eye-shade with approval. It adds a pleasing touch of green to her nose and matches her hair well.

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BASKETBALL.

Wanted—One umpire.

Anyone willing to umpire on Saturdays reply to Secretary, Lulu Holland.

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RIFLE CLUB NOTES.

To become “efficient” in this great sport one has only to fire seven shots in the direction of the target on three separate occasions. One gets a free train ride to the Port, free ammunition, free use of a rifle, telescope, oil, cleaning rod, rag, brush, mat, and much grease. More for less one couldn't ask. One also gets a free walk from the station to the range.

Captain Best again presents a trophy, to be given to the most improved coach for the year. Some keen competition should result, as there are several juniors who could improve their coaching tremendously, without becoming good coaches, and several seniors who would have improved tremendously if they became good coaches. Of the former, young John Corbin shows great promise, and of the latter Wight, Heaslip, and Cooper call for mention.

Some good shooting was seen last Saturday at 500 yards, Cooper being prominent with a well-held 38.

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FOOTBALL NOTES.

The football season has started in earnest. Both the A and B teams played their first Amateur League match last Saturday. The A team is exceptionally strong, and has every chance of a most successful season. The B's have a good, solid, all-round team.

Practice has been marked by great enthusiasm, and all teams are training with great vim.

Injuries and illness are upon us already, and the club is deprived temporarily of the valuable services of M. Evans, Abbot, J. N. Smith, and Richards.

J. Jens, a fresher, is showing particularly fine form, and should prove an asset to the A team.

A. Mitchell, the Hone Medal winner in Amateur League last year, is playing for the A's this year.

Amongst other newcomers who are showing great promise are Cadzow, MacPherson, Clarkson, and Besanko.

BASEBALL NOTES.

Matches begin on May 6—A's v. Goodwood, B's v. East Torrens B's. But listen to this tale of woe.

Bayly, our pitcher, is out for six weeks—injuries. Pridmore, the captain, may even have to cease playing because of his back. Further, Macgraith is under a medical ban. Further still, Holland has injured his hand, and we now lack a catcher.

If this doesn't stir the weaker members of the club to come out and practice—but it will! No member is going to stand by and watch its club, and its Secretary, sink in difficulties.

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ATHLETIC NOTES.

SEE YOU AT THE SPORTS?

The club boasts no less than three State champions running in the sports, besides winners of other events.

Young may trouble Davis in the 220 sprint, and should get the 440 yards champ.

We've got a "Crack" from W.A. over here at the "Shop," doing Med. Come and see Simpson, who according to his official times should be on his own in the mile and half-mile runs.

We expect some fine jumping from L. Lawrence.

We will see you on Friday at the Oval. No admission (this unfailing attraction). Afternoon tea 1s., in the Boat Shed.

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ARREST

Your interest in the Union? Bah! You don't even know how to be interested—in anything but yourself.

AROUSE

Your enthusiasm? You don't even know how to be enthusiastic—except about yourself.

YOU are like an exceedingly wet blanket, heavy as lead with the sheer weight of your vapid indifference, bearing down the gallant few who know what public spirit is, and who are throwing themselves into the work of getting a Union—and its "got to be got by us!"

You remind us of a particularly unpleasant kind of human fungus that lives comfortably and grows fat on the vitality of the few, so generously offered up.

Now, DO YOU WANT TO LIVE Corporate University life? No? Then get out!

What? You say you DO want to? All right then, Chuck over your "sit on the fence" selfishness, and bog in at the job of getting a Union.

Look! We've got to put the whole weight of our time, our enthusiasm, money, and gumption behind the Union Fund Committee, and

PUSH

till we've got

A UNION.

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FOOD.

This is surely something which even you will be interested in.

Did you know that a Refectory Committee existed? That is consists of Mr. C. T. Madigan, Miss H. I. Morris, and Mr. B. W. Hone, and that they have been meeting continuously through this term to consider the question of YOUR meals?

Now this matter of food certainly concerns the vital parts of the student community. But it reaches further—even that submerged tenth, the apathetic undergrad. (poor fish!), is interested in its food, if in nothing else.

Look in the "Magazine" and see what the Committee is doing, and please tell it at once whether you will take an entree or require a roast.

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MORE FOOD

for thought—the UNION FUND Committee!

A joint committee, consisting of two representatives each from the Students' Council and the Sports Association, was elected at a general meeting of students last year to organise the appeal for voluntary subscriptions amongst the undergraduates.

This committee is endeavouring to supplement that work this year by organising a function of some description to raise further money for the fund. With this object in view, its members invited each Faculty to nominate an influential member to attend a conference for the purpose of discussing, and if thought possible, organising some such function.

The conference decided in favour of a CONVERSAZIONE. Students are asked to co-operation with this committee in every possible manner in order to make this effort a grand success.

Each school will be required to undertake the necessary arrangement of some special phase. The elected representative will be responsible to the general committee for the effective carrying out of these arrangements, whilst remaining in touch with the organisation as a whole. It is proposed to hold the CONVERSAZIONE about the second week in the second term.

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STUDENTS' COUNCIL.

IT SPEAKS FOR ITSELF.

Annual general meeting held Friday, April 27.

Officers for 1928 were elected as follows: President, C. W. Anderson; Hon. Secretary, C. J. Bartholomaeus; Hon. Treasurer, J. M. Barclay; Executive, the above officers and Miss Trengove and Mr. D. Scott-Young.

The Students' Council automatically dissolves on the foundation of the Union. Whether or not this Council should be reconstituted again later is likely to provoke discussion.

Provision is made in the constitutions of Melbourne, Sydney, and Brisbane Unions for a council, or association, consisting purely of undergraduates.

The principal object of these bodies is to represent students in all matters affecting themselves. They form the link between the students and the Council.

How can such a body as the forthcoming Union fulfil this function when its government will consist of representatives of the University Council, Teaching and Professorial Staff, and graduates as well as undergraduates?

It behoves every student to consider this problem, so that when the opportunity is given, in the very near future, to review and amend, adopt or reject the draft constitution they will be fully cognisant of the pros and cons of this most important phase.

SOCIETY NOTES.

Literary and Debating Society.

The Literary and Debating Society held a bright meeting last Thursday night. There were two debates, neither of which achieved a very high standard, owing to lack of experience on the part of several of the debaters, but which provided plentiful amusement for the audience and revealed an abundance of latent talent.

The subjects were chosen for their popular appeal rather than for their debating merit. The first, "That women should establish their own institutions, especially universities," offered little scope for more than a mere discussion of a remote possibility. The second, "That the examination system is productive of more harm than good," provided the basis for something more in the nature of a real debate, and was tackled with energy and a fair display of preparation by well-balanced teams.

Mr. Martin Kriewaldt adjudicated, and gave his verdict to both the negative sides. He then was kind enough to expound some of the elementary principles of debating, and imparted much valuable knowledge, that will, it is expected, vastly improve the standard of debating within the society.

Science Association.

The Science Association took its members to the "Advertiser" printing press on May 6.

On Thursday, May 17, in the Union Room, papers will be given by W. V. Ludbrook on "Soil Reactions," and Mr. C. I. Cox on "The Age of the Earth."

We hear that Bill Wagner leaves for Oxford this term end. Best of luck.

It is rumoured that the Zoology Department is finding a difficulty in procuring frogs. Even trade in the frog market is liable to depression, it would seem.

Dental Society.

Our annual tennis match against the grads. was played on the Unley Park Sports Ground, Wednesday evening, May 2. We only rescued one set, but are hopeful of showing them next year.

Law Students' Society.

The Law Students' Society meets to-night. Contracts question set by Mr. Kriewaldt.

Early next term there will be a smoke social. Everyone will be very bright.

Among other things we must annex the 'Varsity debating team. We were well there last year.

There will be two debates on general questions this year.

League of Nations Club.—Luncheon to-day.

Christian Union.

Foreign Service Group meets to-night.

Good-bye to one of our members, leaving for pioneering work—Rossell Island. Norman Dunning this Friday.

Women Debate.

On Friday night, at the Cottage, B.K.S. and M.B. have some stout views on Marriage for Professors.

Dance Club.

The Dance Club will meet again on Saturday, May 19. An excellent start was made on April 21. The meetings are quite informal, and provision is made for those preferring to play bridge.

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ST. MARK'S TAKES TO FLIGHT.

St. Mark's latest hit is the Aero Club, inaugurated by Jack Christophersen.

A trip to Kangaroo Island in the "Old Gold" was the first venture—just for morning tea, you know.

A few minor "bumps," through air pockets, and the plane banking hard over on its side to make a turn, added the necessary spice.

A dance committee has been appointed—so far without any results (a way of committees).

The Wranglers' Club has already had a fling with the Lit. and Debating Society.

The Beer, Bulldogs and the Bible Club is also under way, with weekly discussion on a wide range of topics.

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TEACHERS' COLLEGE.

May 9. Did you know that this date is full of interest for all? No? Then note that thereupon Teachers' College is holding its annual Sports Day. "Is that all?" I can hear you ask. All! What more could the heart of woman or man desire (in order of demerit)? A champion high jumper (S.E.) has been specially obtained for the occasion, the runners will wear House colours in an attempt to outrival the spectrum, no handicaps greater than the full distance have been granted, there will actually be an obstacle race, many prominent bachelors (J.A., E.P., and F.M.) will be hopping for the ladies, and even programmes will be obtainable to let you know what is happening.

Again I ask, could you desire more? Not satisfied yet? Well, hearken! Even this much is not all.

No?

No! What is more, your eyes will be delighted by the sight of girlish Australia exhibiting her athletic prowess, and revelling therein. Thrilling is the word and graceful the action. Not only in flat races, but in skipping, relay, and jumping will these fine representatives of our nation uphold their race! You still demand more? Even yet there is more.

Admission is free,

And that is why we,

And every body,

Will have to be

On the Jubilee—on MAY 9.

FUNERAL ON SPORTS GROUND.

Dear Sir,

At the annual general meeting of the Sports Association, after much fine oratory concerning the "funereal" appearance of the players, marring our oval, a sub-committee was appointed to go into the matter more fully. This paper is surely the place to air some views on this matter, and also in this way they might come before the eyes of the sub-committee.

There is no doubt that the present blazer of the Sports Association is a dreadful affair, which must revolt every self-respecting student. Good, honest blazers always have a faded, torn, and possibly greasy look. For then it is known that their owners have had the honour of possessing them for many years, and both parties are duly proud of the fact. And the main thing about a blazer is that, while appearing old and torn, and possibly greasy, it still should retain its class, or its style, or shall we say its esprit de corps. This is the way of the best blazers. Our present blazer does none of these things. It looks disgustingly bourgeoisie when new, and revoltingly filthy when old. Undoubtedly there should be a change.

The colours on the official coat of arms of the University are azure or sky blue, silver, and gold. Why shouldn't the Sports Association adopt these colours? One might suggest that the "blue's" blazer should be sky blue with an appropriate pocket and facings. And it is essential that the "blue's" blazer should be quite distinct from the other blazer or blazers. Something must be done. Anything is better than that which we have at present.

If the colours are changed there will undoubtedly be the same old cry from the "stick-in-muds" that the old colours have done for twenty-five years, why not keep them? And they will weep copious tears over the sentimental associations attached to the rotten things. But these new colours, if suitably selected, may and should, because of their semi-official nature, endure for hundreds of years. And sentimental tommy-rot has ruined too many things connected with the Sports Association during the past ten years.

Yours faithfully,
"UNCLE TOBY."

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REMOVE THESE WOMEN.

There have been horrible rumours afloat that men and women will be allowed to mingle promiscuously at tables in the new Refectory.

If this is true, I wish most vehemently to protest against such an inconsiderate freedom.

It is bad enough to have to attend lectures with women.

It is bad enough in public restaurants to have to bury oneself in some distant corner, the only escape from the ceaseless chattering of idiotic flappers.

It is bad enough that I have been driven from some of my favourite eating-places by the invasion of these babbling females.

Surely the committee will have sufficient common sense to divide the Refectory into two parts by a sound-proof glass partition, so that the men can enjoy their food in peace and quietness.

Yours in great agitation,

"HORRIFIED MALE."

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THE DEGENERATION OF SIR MAGNUS NEUSHETE.

A Tale with a Moral.

Sir Magnus Neushete visited town,
His brows arched up and his mouth turned down;
Clad in faultless morning attire,
A waxed moustache, and pince-nez dire,
He came "to set our burgh on fire."
Sir Magnus Neushete, learned man,
Discoursed as only a Neushete can,
On taxes, railways, irrigation,
Advances, debts, and population,
Respectful suggestion—deportation.
Sir Magnus Neushete wondered why
The community's taste so low should lie,
That the vaudeville artiste's tinny tones
Were preferred to his lectures as dry as bones,
Eliciting nothing but curses and groans.
Sir Magnus Neushete changed his note,
Wore wide "bags" and a loud tweed coat,
He'll attract an audience, cannot fail,
For the posters declare, and the critics wail,
Neushete will lecture on "How to Yale"
(Now don't reveal your ignorance—it's only the
latest form of the Charleston!)

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THE CREW.

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