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Evaluating the on-going mining of fossil fuels.

The positives:
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2. We are selling our newly found expertise abroad.
3. Many jobs for South Africans of all races are being created.
4. The true potential of our vast human resource expertise was given real challenge.
5. Not resting on our laurels has led to the successful marketing of an extensive range of by-products.
6. Foreign exchange is saved.
7. Domestic technological development is stimulated.
8. The coal mining industry is stimulated.
9. New industries and townships are developed.

The negatives:
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It is to be realised therefore that the mining of coal is of enormous significance to our country. One quarter of this country's coal is in fact mined at Secunda, which also incorporates the world's largest underground coal mining complex.

Read what a Metallurgist has to say about Secunda.

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I'm not for a moment suggesting that I'm slowing down in my work pace, or for that matter that there isn't enough work to do. On the contrary, things have never been busier. It's just that the way of life here in Secunda is conducive both to enjoyment and family participation.

I'm a Resident Engineer by occupation and I've been with the colliery since the first day coal was mined. I've obviously seen big changes, and some very pleasant ones at that. In the 'old days', extensive use was made of makeshift accommodation. Frankly, there wasn't much by way of recreation either.

Things have changed however, and modern housing and schooling facilities abound as do most sport and recreational facilities.

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It is my understanding that the talents of a great variety of people are still being sought by the colliery, and although I have no intention of gaining, I cannot help but recommend Secunda as a particularly clean, well planned and well catered for community in which to live and work.

If you would like to know more about career opportunities at Secunda Collieries, write to the Personnel Manager, P.O. Box 3, Secunda 2302.

SECUNDA COLLIERIES

A very positive company
Interview with Harald Winkler

HARALD BREAKS FAST

At sunset of October 7, Harald Winkler will end his three week fast in protest of the use of the SADF in the townships and compulsory conscription. Wits Student interviewed him:

WS: Why did you decide to fast?
HW: Broadly speaking, the SADF forms the backbone of apartheid; the armed wing of the state. Its influence permeates every aspect of SA society e.g.

WS What role do you think the SADF plays in South African society?
HW: I decided to fast for two basic reasons. The first, as a Christian I felt that through fasting I can come to a better understanding of my commitment to a better South Africa and generally to a Christian value. I must look at what the SADF is doing in the townships. Secondly, I am a conscript facing a January call-up next year. I have decided to object to this on religious grounds and opt for 6 yrs community service. As a conscript I would face the prospect of going into the townships. I would be part of a structure which fights other South Africans and I am not prepared to do that. On fasting itself, I see it as something accessible to other people, something which touches the basics of people’s everyday lives. Veldschools, Armscor, civic activities are available to other people, but the SADF is something accessible to other people, something which touches the basics of people’s everyday lives.

Azaso Women Meet

The regional committee of Azaso organised a women's conference during the 28th & 29th of Sept. Delegates from branches all over the Tvl gathered at Glynn Thomas Residence for the first gathering of this nature.

Azaso decided to have this conference so as to examine the nature and importance of a women's organisation in its ranks, to emphasize the importance of progressive women's structures, to share experiences and ideas on how to organise student women and to examine issues affecting women on the various Azaso campuses. The highlight of the conference was a very successful cultural evening at which Sister Bern had addressed delegates on the recent U.N. Women's conference held in Nairobi. The conference was able to examine thoroughly some problem areas regarding organising women in Azaso.

CSC Cashes up

4. Elana Smukler 1 307 points
5. Mike Etting 1 203 points
6. Nigel Little 963
7. Anton van Niekerk 792
8. Cliff Featherstone 769
9. Michael Schewitz 623

There were two spoil papers.
Those elected form the new CSC together with Laurence Milner, SRC Commerce Rep. and Donal Grieve. AIESEC President.
General opinion has it that the breed of person normally found in our field, is a conservative who conforms to set formulas. But we believe that formulas aren't enough — that innovative, creative thinking is required to service our prestigious portfolio of clients. Our expertise comes from a working environment that gives you freedom.

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Classic Travel

A 14-day Classical tour of Greece has been arranged for the mid-year break in 1986 by Dr David Scourfield of the Classics Department in conjunction with Columbia Travel. The tour, which will begin on Saturday 5 July and end on Friday 18 July 1986, will take in many of the finest ancient sites in Greece, including Athens, Sounion, Delphi, Olympia, Mycenae, Epidaurus, Aegina, and several sites in Crete.

The tour is open to all Wits students and their friends. The estimated cost per person is R2 990, which will cover the return air fare to Athens, all travel within Greece and between Greece and Crete, hotel accommodation, and most meals.

Full details of the tour, which Dr Scourfield will lead as guide and lecturer, and application forms, are available from his office (SH 2166).

Unemployed?

Student guides to take scholars on tours of the campus will be required by the Schools Liaison Office in 1986.

Tours are likely to begin in early February and continue to the end of September. They usually last about two hours, and take place both in the mornings and in the afternoons. Honours and M.A. students may be interested in the morning sessions.

Students who are interested should contact the Schools Liaison Office 6th Floor Senate House.

NSF - No Debate

Last year the National Student Federation launched a media campaign aimed at discrediting the End Conscription Campaign. This year the NSF's president, Russel Crystal, refused to defend his federation's position in a debate.

Crystal refused to debate against the NUSAS president, Brendan Barry, on the question of conscription.

Crystal, whose organization has ironically often accused NUSAS of stifling freedom of expression, said that he wouldn't debate on a NUSAS platform until 'campuses were free of NUSAS oppression.'

The NSF campaign strongly supported compulsory conscription in South Africa.

The scheduled debate will, however, continue. It will be held on the 15th of October, between the national co-ordinator of the ECC, Laurie Nathan, and Brian Edwards of the NRP who will support conscription.

The debate is organised by the ECC ad hoc structure at Wits.

For whom the bells toll?

Ask not for whom the bell tolls because it certainly doesn't toll for you. After a prolonged period of silence, bells signalling the beginning of lectures have begun ringing all over campus – at the wrong times. Students in Richard Ward House, teatime starts, according to informed sources, when the 9:50 bell rings, instead of at the usual time of 10:20. It also ends later. Wits student Laurie Nathan says that the university consider rescheduling lectures to keep time with the bells, since the attempt at co-ordinating bells with lectures is clearly a dismal failure.

1985 Annual Nusas Congress

The central event in the calendar of student representation: A packed programme incorporating *addresses by top speakers *workshops on Nusas direction for 1986 *seminars on student representation

directive discussions on labour, women, health and law.

University of Cape Town

December 2-7

Transport and accommodation can be arranged. Contact Liz Walker 716-3101 or SRC Reception for further details.
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January:

Princess Di's new hairdo is enthusiastically received by the British press. 'The Star and The Citizen announce 'All Blacks to tour later this year.'

In Parliament, Minister of Police Louis le Grange threatens to resign if the English Press and the rest of the liberal establishment don't stop being so nasty to him.

February:

After searching South Africa in vain for suitable, moderate black leaders, State President PW Botha finally settles for President Banda of Malawi and Idi Amin, the aspirant President, Prime Minister, Field Marshall and Sportman of the Year of Uganda.

After further riots in Handsworth, Toxteth and Brixton, British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher blames the rioters for

March:

Rumours that Princess Di is pregnant have been denied by Buckingham Palace.

In a five hour speech in Wits University's Great Hall, Vice Chancellor Karl Tober asks, 'What's an ivory tower.'

April:

At a press conference after being knocked out in the 14th round by WBC champion Michael Spinks, Genie Coetzee says that he is not sure who to thank this time.

General Magnus Malan announces that South Africa is definitely not providing any assistance whatsoever to the MNR.

May:

The Star and the Citizen announce, 'All Blacks Tour Will Go Ahead.'

State President PW Botha accuses leading businessmen of

being communist sympathisers.

June:

The Star and the Citizen announce 'Nothing will stop tour!' State President PW Botha announces that he is simply trying to prevent domination by one group over another.

The Star and the Citizen announce 'Temporary halt to All Black tour!'

July:

The Star and the Citizen announce 'Tour still on!'

The Star and the Citizen announce 'Tour off!' A year after it was called, State President PW Botha announces the further extension of the State of Emergency. This measure is necessary, he says, to restore law and order. Law abiding citizens have, of course, nothing to fear, he says.

August:

Freedom fighter, ex SMA chairperson, and National Student

Federation president, Russell Crystal turns down an offer of the lead role in Rambo III: Bloody Nose. Crystal is supposed to have rejected the $500 000 on offer as "piffing!"

In Parliament, Minister of Police Louis le Grange announces that the SAP will not be intimidated by violent elements who are at work in the townships.

September:

After one year in operation, General Magnus Malan, announces that the SADF complaints centres still haven't received any complaints! Obviously this shows that the SADF is held in very high regard in the black community," he says.

In a pamphlet distributed on Wits Campus, the Students' Moderate Alliance accuses Wits SRC President Claire Wright of wide-ranging abuses of human rights.

October:

Doctors are battling to remove another growth from US President Ronald Reagan's nose. The growth is reported to have appeared on his nose at a press conference where Reagan denied US government support for apartheid.

November:

At a special meeting at the White House, PW Botha punches Ronald Reagan on the nose for 'sticking it into other people's business.' White House officials are, according to reports, extremely angry with Pik Botha, who had told them that the South African President, 'Wouldn't hurt a fly!'

In anticipation of over 30 000 students registering in 1987, Wits University administration announces that by 1990 they will have to have ten different campuses, one for each faculty. 'Our next objective is to buy-out the Milpark Holiday Inns,' a University official says.

December:

Following an unsuccessful round of talks in Geneva, US and Russian leaders Reagan and Gorbachev, express optimism about further talks to be held in 1987 on the question of limiting nuclear arms production.

While he is delivering a warning to the West, the Communist Bloc, the Front Line states and the UDF in his Christmas address on SABC TV, the State President, PW Botha's index finger falls off.

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Exams Exams Exams

Put method in your madness

VERY FEW people escape exam panic. Most of us procrastinate like crazy before sitting down to work. And hardly any of us actually enter the exam without our heart pounding and palms sweating.

So here are some tips on how to cope with exams: before and during! Most of the tips are based on common sense and realism. The 22-hour-a-day swotters are kidding themselves — nobody can concentrate for that long.

Preparation

1. Draw up a study timetable. And keep it flexible, there’s nothing more enjoyable (and time-wasting) than drawing up new timetables to replace the old ones you haven’t kept to.

A system of exchange units is a good idea — set yourself a target of X number of units in each subject per week. Then, when you’re feeling bored or saturated with one subject, exchange it with a few units of another.

2. Set your short-term goals. You’ll get nothing done effectively if you try and finish an entire syllabus in one day, and you’ll just get into a panic.

Short-term goals mean: a manageable timespan, and a manageable amount of work corresponding with it, eg 1 chapter in 40 minutes. That’s sensible.

Research has shown that the average human memory span is 25-35 minutes. So don’t expect to remember too much if you sit for hours continuously. The memory benefits from rounded-off, well comprehended, short sections.

Take a short break (2-3 minutes) every 40-50 minutes.

3. Mock exams (a kind of dress rehearsal of the big event) are a great idea; they give you a sense of where your strengths and weaknesses are, and also give you hints as to the usual structure of the paper.

These should be done, if possible, in exam conditions — an uninterrupted 3 hours of practice.

Old exam papers are available from the library in most departments, or from the Wartenweiler Library (1st floor).

4. Find out beforehand exactly how many questions you’re getting, how many choices, and on what sections. This may reduce the workload.

5. Get adequate food, sleep and exercise (just like granny and grandpa prescribed). Make sure you get adequate leisure time, even during swot-leave. The brain sometimes needs a rest.

6. Pep-up pills and caffeine medications are not ideal. They can create an addictive cycle in some people, so that they can’t do without them. Or they may wear off in the middle of the exam and you fall asleep. It has happened!

7. Group study works for some people. That way you can share ideas, test each other, study and yet have company at the same time. Also: teaching others is the best learning method.

8. Try and use all sensory means at your disposal — audio (tape-recordings, or talking to yourself if you like it), Visual (bright luminous colours, diagrams, charts, drawings) and even tactile (underlining important points creates a double memory pattern — visual and tactile reinforcement).

9. Be active when swotting — make selective notes, and test yourself at the end of every section. Each person can develop his own shorthand or swotting symbols.

10. The memory works naturally in an integrated, structured and associative way. So try and understand the overall structure of your syllabus.

11. Preview and review each section, looking for main points and headings. This consolidates your understanding.

The exam

1. Check up on the final timetable, regarding the time of your exam and the venue. Latecomers don’t get extra time.

2. Arrive well-equipped — student-card, pens, pencils and glucose sweets.

3. On receiving your exam paper, check that you have the correct number of pages.

Then read through your paper from start to finish — it sets the thought-processes going, and also allows you to start making your choices.

4. Underline all instructions, and ring the number of choices which you have in each section. Also check if you have to answer each question in a separate answer-book.

5. Now choose your questions. Start with the question which you find the easiest. This builds confidence and allows you to start flowing. Make sure you don’t answer on some related topic — stick to the question.

6. Allocate time according to the marks given to each question. Don’t leave the last question for the last 5 minutes.

7. Plan each question — it’s worth spending a few minutes doing this. It improves the logic and structure of your answer.

8. Don’t rush from one question straight into the next. You can afford 1-2 minutes break in between questions. It helps keep the energy levels up.

9. Try and leave time to check each answer. You can add in late points, using footnotes. You can also resort to point-form if you’re running out of time. You may be given the benefit of the doubt.

10. About Multiple Choice Questions: they don’t follow a pattern, and cannot be guessed at. Some questions have several answers — and one is more right than others. So don’t be deceived.

11. Try and avoid exam post-mortems — you may be the one who’s right.

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They are responsible for running Academic Support Programmes in many subjects, and also run Study Skills Courses for all students.

The Study Skills Course includes essay-writing skills; comprehension, writing and memory skills; creative thinking techniques; preview and review techniques; speed-reading. The exam tips we’ve given you are also part of the course. The course runs for 6 weeks, consisting of one lesson a week. There’s a course running every term, usually starting in the second week of term.

If you’re interested in improving your study capabilities, sign up in January next year for a course, on the fourth floor of Senate House (Tower Block) or at the SRC main office.

For more information on Study Skills Courses, contact Karen Lazar, SRC Academic Freedom Committee, at the SRC offices.

Wits Student page 7
Throughout the current economic recession, the mining industry in general has remained a rare example of stability. In certain instances it even thrived on the exchange rate situation. Secunda Collieries today occupies a leading position in this industry. Not only are we generally regarded as the world's largest underground mining complex, but we stand at the forefront of modernisation and mechanisation.

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Successful applicants can be assured of promising careers, highly competitive salaries and excellent fringe benefits which include
- home ownership schemes or housing at subsidised rental
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- free transport to and from your place of work
- assistance with relocation costs.

Telephone Joep Joubert at (01363) 40-4514 or address detailed written applications to The Personnel Manager, Secunda Collieries, P.O. Box 3, Secunda 2302.
One's immediate reaction to Bryan Ferry's latest piece of high- tech romanticist posturing is disappointment that threatens to become dislike. Inevitably, one contrasts this album's most clinical assurance with the glorious Pop primitivism of Roxy Music's earliest artefacts, and the slick timelessness palls. One tires of femmes fatales endlessly dancing in the post-party débris while our moody (anti-) hero muses in a self-imposed wasteland of ennui that has more to do with décor than despair.

Yet the credits make you blink: Gilmour, Knopfler, Rodgers, Sanborn, Hakin ... Well, you think, there must be something in there. If only it weren't so immaculately produced that the mix swallows everything in one vast luxurious gulp. Six recording studios? Seven engineers with fourteen assistants? The mind reeks. Is this the technocratic elitism or what?

But I neglect the thing we came for. The ritzy music. If at first its gloss seems potentially nauseating, retrace your steps. Ferry's external sheen has at times seemed to veil mere hollow egomania, and at times Boys and Girls may be guilty of such. The lyrics can be banal. Self-reference abounds. Vague sentimentality vies with dreamy nostalgia. Sublimity has almost entirely replaced palatability. Then the electronic tonality and Girls may be guilty of something. The technocratic elitism or what?

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by the repression with which the government has responded.

The Congress of South African Students (COSAS), was banned in August. COSAS was the largest mass based democratic organisation in South Africa. In addition many students have been shot at, killed and detained.

At Wits we have had a small taste of the everyday experience of township dwellers when police came onto campus and attacked students. For those students that were involved in the protest activities on campus a very valuable lesson in non-racialism was learnt. Those students who felt their freedoms had been infringed upon, are out of touch with the realities of South African life today.

As students it is one of our responsibilities to discuss the contributions we must make to determining the future of this country.

NUSAS provides a forum in which this discussion can take place. The NUSAS Congress at the end of this year will be addressing the questions that have been raised by the activities of these past twelve months. All students are welcome and are encouraged to attend.

Good luck for exams.

H.K.V.C.S replies

Dear Wits Student

Having read the letter submitted by A Sumaraj entitled Krishna Controversy which was published in VOL 37, No. 15 of Wits Student we, the committee of the Hare Krishna Vedic Cultural Society (H.K.V.C.S) felt obliged to correct some of the errors contained therein.

A number of us were present during the altercation which occurred between A Sumaraj and a member of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness (ISKCON) on the 10th September. While none of us recall hearing anything like the claims of religious bigotry Sumaraj alleges were made, we all clearly remember the offensive and unpleasant fashion in which he viciously attacked the above mentioned Hare Krishna, who it must be stated maintained a cool, friendly and dignified manner during the entire unpleasant occurrence.

So far as the barely literate letter submitted by Sumaraj is concerned let us clarify the issues: What exactly does he mean by 'us Hindu believing students' and further more what does it mean, if anything, to be a 'Vedic' by birth? If by this he means that he was born into a family which subscribes to the religious doctrines contained in the Vedic literatures of ancient India and that he subscribes to and upholds these beliefs, then we are forced to doubt whether A Sumaraj has made any attempt to examine the body of writings on which his supposed faith rests.

Has Sumaraj heard of the Bhagavad Gita or the Srimad Bhagavatam? Has he (being a 'Vedic') read them? We are obliged to conclude not. For if he had he could have missed chapter 18 verse 69 of the Gita where Krishna himself says of those who actively propagate His divine message: "There is no servant in this world more dear to me than he."

And what is Krishna's message, if not the establishment of the sanctity of all life and the absolute denial of emphasis on race and birth. According to Vedic definition one cannot be a 'Vedic' by birth. The Vedas boldly declare that the purpose of life is to transcend the illusory identities of race and the body to realise the unity of all life and to act on this basis. For those who refuse to do this, for those who insist on exploiting others, both animal and human, there is a reaction. Has A Sumaraj not read the 5th Canto of the Srimad Bhagavatam? Has he, believing hindu that he is, not heard of karma or the law of action and reaction?

As to the matter of our selling sanctified vegetarian food on campus, this is a bona fide tradition. If Sumaraj were ever to embark on a pilgrimage to India to see the ancient and famous Jagannath temple in Orissa he would find it a common enough sight. Of course should he wish to subsidise the distribution of this food both we and the students would in deed be grateful.

We feel certain that A Sumaraj is as unfamiliar with the Vedic religions as he is with the syntax of the English language.

Thanking you
The Committee of H.K.V.C.S

A grave matter

Dear Wits Student

I think your headline on page four of your last edition, which dealt with the resignation of Mike Slater from the S.R.C., was in bad taste. Mike Slater was objectionable and it is my feeling that Wits Student has no right to pass comment on this way on Mike's decision. His mature decision not to participate should be more favourably written up and not handled the way it was. The S.R.C. is not a BMX or tiddly-winks club it is a council with many responsibilities and requires many hours of work.

Instead of just sitting around and not working Mike preferred to let someone else do what he does not have enough time for. The real S.R.C.'s "Faders" are those people who will not perform their duties responsibly over the next year.

Yours sincerely,
Bruce Graves

Not so reverend

Dear Wits Student

It was a very great relief to hear from Julie Gordon and Vicky Bronston of the Wits Women's Movement that they do not object "on (sic) principle" to the missionary position. I believe that many readers of your esteemed organ who admire the motives and principles of the feminist movement would be well served with a list of those positions to which Jackie and Vicky DO object. This would be in keeping with their assertion that feminist issues should not be disregarded because of supposedly more pressing matters - such as a State of Emergency.

Yours sincerely,
Reverend Livingstone
Thank you for Snot Smoking

Dear Wits Student

"How about a non-smoke break?"

Now that spring is here once again, the amphitheatre and the pool area are transformed into a scene from Durban beach each lunch time. This is visually very pleasing, until the crowds go, leaving behind that great South African institution, litter. Recently, I walked past the pool and there was literally a square metre which was not marred by something which had been thoughtlessly discarded. Perhaps it may be argued that, because Wits employs people to clean up, litter conscious students could unwittingly be contributing to the already serious unemployment situation. Even if this warped form of logic has some merit, it can only be applied to the larger pieces of rubbish which can be removed without undue effort. Cigarette ends do not fit into this category, and because many smokers conceptualise our lawns as forming some sort of super ash-tray, stomps make up a significant proportion of the rubbish. They are very small and difficult to pick up, and so accumulate until rain facilitates decomposition.

Smokers, your lack of consideration stays behind you even when you are gone. To those of you who are contributing to the destruction of the attractiveness of the pool-area, all I have to say is: "Excuse me, do you mind if I pick my nose, and flick snot into your face."

Mike Slater.

SMA cause controversy

SRC PRESIDENT
WIT'S SRC
MS. WRIGHT,

Be: SMA PAMPHLET "THE FIGHT FOR FREEDOM"

I would like to register a complaint about the fact that this pamphlet was allowed to be distributed on campus. I found it to be an extremely offensive publication, containing particularly vile and despicable photographic material, not to mention the usual gross distortions of fact in the text itself.

I feel that this pamphlet does not contribute to any sense of democratic debate, and that it is merely designed to give offense to a large proportion of students and to inflame tensions on campus.

I object to the invasion of my privacy which this disgusting pornography by its distribution necessarily causes. I request that steps be taken to prevent a recurrence of this and that steps be taken to centre those responsible, whose actions are certainly not those of decent moral or civilized people.

Yours Sincerely,

Jon

Anti Apathy Argument

Dear Wits Student

Are you against slogans, against anybody having to use more than 1.10 decibel(A) to grab the attention of listeners? If you prefer reasonable discourse, this might be something for you.

My axiom (which I think is reasonable) of any healthy society is one of interrelation and balance. Any individual and any subgroup (e.g. student body) is strongly affected by the society he (or it) aids in existing while, in the balanced, ideal case, affecting this so-

Innes & outs

Dear Madam

We do not dispute the general thrust of Dr Innes's article, the current economic crisis South Africa (Wits Stud. 269/86). At least one point however, cannot go unchallenged. Indeed, it struck us as a manifestation of the more naive thinking on political and economic matters. The suggestion that the "recession can ... be seen as an attack on the working class" is quite astonishing and requires some elaboration.

The issue here is clearly more than a matter of differing paradigms; Dr Innes seems to be attributing an autonomous motivation; psychology to the "recession which to our minds, is a di-

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Wits batters up

Wits baseball, after finishing bottom of the league log a month ago, didn't rate their chances in the recent Transvaal Knockout competition. But, at last, Wits got their act together.

In the first match Wits beat the mighty Giants 11-5—an incredible feat which is all the more remarkable given their losses to Giants early this season. Steve van der Berg's pitching was spot on, and Wits' fielding and batting on their home ground, far exceeded their previous standards. A week later Wits took on Benoni Northers at the Wanderers Stadium. Excellent error free fielding saw Wits contain Benoni to only 5 runs. But, according to spokes person, "Wits struggled to find form against an extremely slow pitch. We should have got more than our 8 runs."

Never-the-less Wits won through to the finals to be played against Wanderers at the Modderfontein Stadium. Wits started the finals in less than match form "we were overwhelmed by their very fast start—they slammed in 8 runs in the first frame" a spokes person said. Wits fielded well to contain Wanderers for most of the rest of the match, but they failed with the bat. "There was a total absence of batting" a spokes person reported, "and we only managed to score two runs".

Wits eventually lost the final 12-2. But reaching the final was still a great achievement. "We gained a new respect—we won't be looked upon as the bottom of the team next season. This was very important for our team as it is our first season as a unit" the spokes person said.

"We look forward to an excellent season next year, and it's clear that Wits can top the log with a little effort", the spokes person concluded.

EOH retains Sharp Shield

The 1985 Sharp Inter-faculty League enjoyed a particularly successful season with the highlight being the inaugural "inter-varsity" against RAU.

After the first stage of the league programme the results were as follows:

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Before a massive crowd EOH rose to the occasion and retained the Sharp Shield 11-0 in a tense, hard-fought encounter with players trying for selection for the Wits Inter-faculty XV.

The best of Wits' Inter-faculty sides played the best of RAU's Koshuisliga in a grand climax to the season. That Wits should share the honours 15-15 after an almighty battle was a magnificent achievement but even more important was the wonderful spirit generated amongst spectators and players alike.

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The South African Association of University Women and the Women's Legal Status Committee present a symposium on:

"Women's value in the hidden economy of the home and community."

In the Dorothy Suskind Auditorium on Monday 21 October. The symposium will be preceded by a finger supper. All are welcome.

GOOD LUCK FOR EXAMS
Youth Year

**anticipatory Development**, Peace’ was the relatively innocuous slogan for 1985, the United Nation’s International Year Of The Youth. In a year of turmoil and increasing division, South Africa’s youth have seen little of either.

Participation there has been, of a sort. Large number of this nation’s black youth, armed with stones and home-made bombs, have taken to the streets to confront the combined might of the South African Defence Force and the South African Police. With the odds stacked against them, they have shown a level of defiance and a level of anger which is probably unmatched in this country’s history. And they have suffered the consequences.

Six-hundred deaths since January, the majority of them young people. The brunt of the over 4 300 state of emergency detentions, borne by youth. Seven hundred and forty Soweto school-children detained in one swoop last month. Cosas branch organiser, Sipho Mutsi, aged 20, dies in hospital shortly after being arrested. Bhaki Moulane, aged 18, dies in Katlehong while awaiting trial. University of the Transkei SRC leader, Batandwa Ndoudo, shot at point-blank range in his home village of Cala. The congress of South African students, the countries leading student organisation, banned in August. Youth organisations throughout the country, rendered inoperative by the detention of their leaders.

In July, the End Conscriptio Campaign, held its first ever Peace Festival at Wits. In early August, Paul Dodson, a national serviceman from Durban, was fined R600 by a military court after refusing orders to go into the townships last week, a three-week fast by Wits student Harald Winkler, Cape Town Doctor Ivan Toms, and Durban pacifist Richard Steele, culminated in a national 24 hour fast in support of the protest against troops in the townships. The fast, which was part of the End Conscriptio Campaign’s call for an end to conscription and for a just peace, was supported by people in different centres Rand, remained deserted.

The universities too have been a site of protest and confrontation. Wits, the University of Cape Town, Turffontein, the University of the Western Cape, Durban-Westville and Rhodes have been the sight of violent confrontations between police and students.

At the University of the Western Cape, 400 students and staff, led by university rector Richard van der Ross, marched to demand the release of a detained lecturer and 5 students. At Rhodes, the Vice-chancellor led a march of students to protest against police action on campus.

And in the white schools of Cape Town there were stirrings too. After the closure of 448 Western Cape Schools, 20 white school pupils joined the class boycott while over 100 attended an afternoon mass meeting to protest the government action.

On the Afrikaans campuses, things have been somewhat quieter. But at Stellenbosch, 200 students marched to protest against the State of Emergency and to demand the right to peaceful protest. The first protest march at Stellenbosch in 78 years. On the same campus, a Nusas Local Committee was formed. Its membership of 400 was officially recognised at the Nusas National Council held early in September.

At the Afrikaanse Studente Bond conference, motions calling for an end to influx control and for an investigation into the UDF and its affiliate student organisations were passed.

Further to the right on the political spectrum, the National Student Federation was host to the launching of the international conservative Youth for Freedom organisation.

By way of ‘development’, the most obvious changes have been of a destructive rather than a constructive nature. Most importantly, the level of unemployment increased dramatically this year. Youth, in the urban areas at least, bear the brunt of it. A 1982 survey of Alexandra township for instance found 89% of the unemployed to be between the ages of 15 and 24. That was before the worst of the recession hit home.

At a recent conference, the Director-General of Manpower, announced that over 600,000 black South Africans were unemployed. This figure, he acknowledged, was based on a narrow definition of unemployment. The real figure was probably much higher, he said.

Overall the year has seen a growing level of dissatisfaction among the youth of the majority of this country’s people. The reality of South Africa in 1985 is that significant sections of this nation’s youth have reached such a level of disenchantment that many of them are prepared to confront the police and army, knowing very well that they may lose their lives.

With intensifying divisions between this country’s people, with a generation of most country’s youth set in a civil war against each other, one may ask if there is any hope of this country achieving what the End Conscriptio Campaign has called for, a just