

Easter Sunday this year fell on the latest day possible, that is on the 25th of April. It will not be so late again till 1943 A. D.

In the University Calendar for this year, Easter Sunday, and consequently all the other Feast Days appear erroneously. Ascension Day does not fall on the 13th of May, but on the 3rd of June, that is on the Thursday of the week in which the Intermediate Examination is to come off. Are the candidates not to have a holiday, or has a gracious Council this year made this special arrangement for the candidates better to meet the Science papers

The education of the *Argus* people has been sadly neglected. Quoting from the *Patriot* they translate 'Jan Salie' into 'John Sage' and then confess on tire ignorance of the term. Wont some one please forward a copy of *Wendel* to Greenmarket Square to enlighten the green 'uns there?

'Collegian' writes, — I see that there is a very convenient 'Billiard and Dining Table' now advertised by an English firm. This table is procurable on very easy terms, — on a 'cheap Hire System; 5s a week for three years. What a chance for the College students to procure a suitable table for that room formerly occupied by Prof. Walker. The great advantage of such a table is that it serves the double purpose of an ordinary and billiard table. It is precious little the Council has done, or will do to encourage the students in getting up amusements; so that, if any thing in this line is to be got up, the move will have to come from the students. Twenty men each paying 3d a week for use of the table would satisfy the demands of the English firm.

S. C. D. SOCIETY.

This Society will meet on Friday Evening April 30th, The following is the Programme:—

Recitation	N. Theunissen
Essay	F. du Toit
Debate Opener	J. Strasheim
" Opponent	Theron
Improvisation	P. Perold

S.G.J.D. SOCIETY.

The Programme for Saturday Evening, May 1st, is as follows:—

Reading	S. Immelman
Recitation	C. van Zijl
Debate	
Improvisation	J. F. Marais
Essay	A. Rowan

**The Recent Accident.** — A Court of Enquiry has been held for the purpose of enquiring into and reporting upon the cause of the accident to Private C. Gird of the S.C.C.C. After careful consideration of the evidence, the Court found that the officer in command of the Squad was not to blame.

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THE PROPOSED STUDENTS' UNION.

BY THE Courtesy of one of the members of the preliminary Committee of the proposed Students' Union, we have been permitted to see a copy of the rules framed by that Committee, which will serve to guide the General Meeting in taking further steps towards organizing the Society in question. The greater number of rules naturally refer to the direction and *modus operandi* of the Union while its object is pithily stated in the Second rule, which reads as follows: "That the object of the Union be to promote the moral, social and intellectual interests of its members." These few words breathe a totally different spirit from that which, to our mind characterized the mass meeting of students a week ago. There the grievances of the boarders—imaginary or self-inflicted most of them, we have no doubt — was the question, and to it all other matters were to be subservient. The Committee of the Union was to settle all disputes between the students and their landlords. A new power, latent as yet, would be felt at Stellenbosch. The tailors and cab-drivers would have to reduce their charges, or run the risk of being boycotted. Even the Professors and College Council would find that there was a court of appeal from their tribunal, and to their confusion would find their decrees amended, or rescinded.

We are glad to say that upon all those who take time for calm consideration, these

effusions will have no effect. As proof of our assertion we refer to the proposed rule quoted, framed by a number of students chosen at the mass meeting, and who may be considered as forming a fairly representative body. That the social welfare of young South Africa should be looked after, there is no doubt, but it should be done in a quiet unassuming, not high-handed manner. Let us picture to ourselves the course which would have to be pursued by a Committee, deputed, as was suggested at the General Meeting, to enquire into a complaint lodged by a boarder. With becoming gravity and doped out in their Sunday best they request an interview of the boarding-house keeper whose reprehensible conduct had been brought to their notice. If this gentleman or lady had any sense, a flat refusal to be subjected to the cross-examination of a self-appointed court would follow, or better still, take themselves off sadder but wiser men after having heard something about minding their own business and kindred topics. Where then would be the

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glorious idea of being hailed as the reformers of their country, the saviours of their fellowmen? "Distance lends enchantment to the view" and the reality is often far different from what our imagination paints it to be. Reflection has cooled the brains of some of our world-be agitators. The inhabitants will continue to live in amity with the students and the Union will yet be a great power for promoting good and counteracting evil.

Correspondence.

(Addressed to the Editor.)

Sir,

Having heard it rumoured that bad treatment in Mrs. Marais' boarding-house was the cause of the recent mass meeting I wish hereby to contradict the report.

I have been a boarder at Mrs. Marais' for five years, and have always experienced the greatest comfort and good treatment. The motherly care she has always shown in cases of illness, and in making those, who were unable to go home for the holidays, comfortable in her house, have won for her our affection. I challenge any one to contradict these statements.

I am &c., J. N. MARTINS.

The Cadet Corps.

On Saturday last the six monthly inspection of the Corps was held by Colonel Southey. The Corps as usual fell in at 10.20 on the College Square, with the Band in attendance. Colonel Southey came up at 11 a. m. When

the inspection of arms was gone through, the Corps 'marched past,' and performed other movements in battalion order. The men were then marched off to the Flats and skirmished for about an hour, showing therein great improvement on last year, company supporting company in a steady advance. When all the ammunition had been expended two markers were posted quarter of a mile in rear, and the companies ordered to double on to them; thus the day's inspection was finished by a good run over heavy ground.

Colonel Southey expressed himself satisfied with the progress made since last inspection, and was specially pleased to see that the men took trouble, while skirmishing, to keep correct intervals when advancing and retiring.

After three cheers for Colonel Southey the Corps was marched back to the Square and dismissed.

We must congratulate the Cadets on their continued improvement, and also the Band, which played several very good pieces of music during the morning.

There will be no lecture in connection with the Cadet Corps this quarter.

We understand that the Senior Officer of Colonial Forces does not approve of the formation of a Cadet Battalion.

S. G. J. D. S. — Some invited young ladies and gentlemen spent a very pleasant evening last Saturday at a 'special meeting' of the Junior Debating Society. A varied programme was gone through creditably. Such entertainments do not cost much preparation and we should have more of them.

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Why is the College like a mauling canary? Because it has two yellowish wings and a white body.



Why is the Gymnasium like a certain Printing Office in Cape Town? Because neither can do without Whitehall.

A sign of the times. "Com" wants a tutor for his children, and is advised to advertise. Behold the result!!

Why is the Bloembhof Seminary like France? Because the ruling powers in each have submitted to Germans.

Why is the Athenish Institute like an untenanted house. Because the inmates never are "at home".