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EDITORIAL

The English judicial system is a subject always worthy of some consideration.

At the time of writing, two entirely separate incidents are in the public eye. In the first, the case of the dangerous driving charge brought against Sir Gerald Nabarro, and proved guilty by jury, as charged. The second, which will not involve us too deeply here is one against which no charge has been made as yet; and that is the assault on Mr. Reginald Maudling by Miss Bernadette Devlin. The names of the people involved are of no consequence here, all that matters is that all parties concerned are very much in the public eye, and to make matters worse, are Members of Parliament.

A charge of dangerous driving is, in the eyes of the law a serious offence. This, however, became insignificant in the Court when the jury had to decide who it was actually driving the car at the time. And yet, despite the continued insistence of both Sir Gerald and the woman in the car with him at the time, that it was she who was at the wheel, he was found guilty.

Naturally, an appeal is pending, but whatever emerges from that appeal must pose questions. For instance, if Sir Gerald is cleared of the charge, how could the Court have made such an error to convict him wrongly - not that that is totally unheard of, and how well would Mr. Average have fared under the same circumstances?

On the other hand, what if the appeal is lost? Surely, the question is posed "Can two Courts of Law both be wrong?" If the answer is no, how can people have confidence in a man who perjures himself to achieve his own ends?

Whatever the outcome of either incident, as someone very aptly once said "Justice must be seen to be done".

The Mouldy Oldy Page

Our thanks to John Childs for supplying newspapers from the summer of 1933, he must have known they would be worth something one day.

WHAT WAS HAPPENING IN 1933?

The weather men were just as unsure of themselves as they are (justifiably) today:

Monday, June 26: Mainly fair: perhaps local thundery showers

The term "biological" is not new in the 70's. In 1933: "the leg-weary are being made nimble and active by the Wonderful New Biological Treatment - Elasto".

For a coupon for a free trial sample of this miracle, contact the Editor.

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS IN 1933

JUNE 26

COAL MINERS WAGES

"Mr. Ebby Edwards, general secretary of the Miner's Federation, stated on Saturday that he was satisfied there would not be a stoppage in the mining industry in July. The employers, he said, could not afford a stoppage, and the wages of the men now so low that there could not be any economic salvation in a further lowering of their standard." Sound reasoning! There are some people around now who should start thinking like that.

AA SCOUT & DRIVERS ATTACKED

"Mobile Police and AA road patrols are co-operating in an endeavour to catch a mystery motorist who has been carrying out a series of egg-throwing attacks on the main Winchester to Southampton road during the past few days.

The first victim of the egg-thrower was AA patrol B.J. Taylor, who was helping a motorist in difficulties at the roadside near Winchester.

A sports car approached and as it drew level the driver hurled an egg, which was so well aimed that it struck the AA Scout full in the face."

THE AMAZING STORY OF MRS STACEY

Using "Silf" Brand obesity tablets, Mrs M. Stacey lost 4 stone 9 lbs of "superfluous fat" between 6.4.32 and 19.4.33.

Children's Christmas Party

"a Right Royal Christmas Party"

"oceans of orange and lemonade"

"ceremonial dismemberment of ice-cream snowmen"

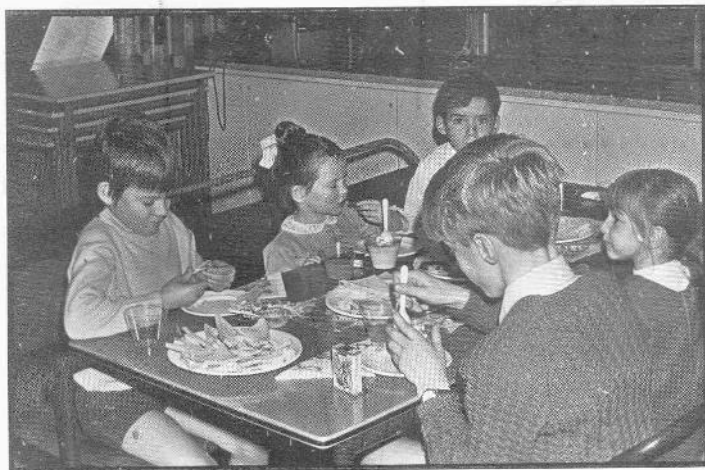
"assorted mayhem"

"sundry assaults on Christmas crackers"

"scrum down in the middle of the Badminton Court"

These are just a few quotations for Bush Telegraph reports of Children's Christmas Parties over the last 10 years. Put 'em together and what have you got? - the 1971 Children's Christmas Party. Our photographs (by George Batchen) show some of the happy juvenial effusiveness which is usual on such occasions.

Enormous thanks are due to Eileen King and the Typing Office, who this year as always, organised the party so wonderfully.

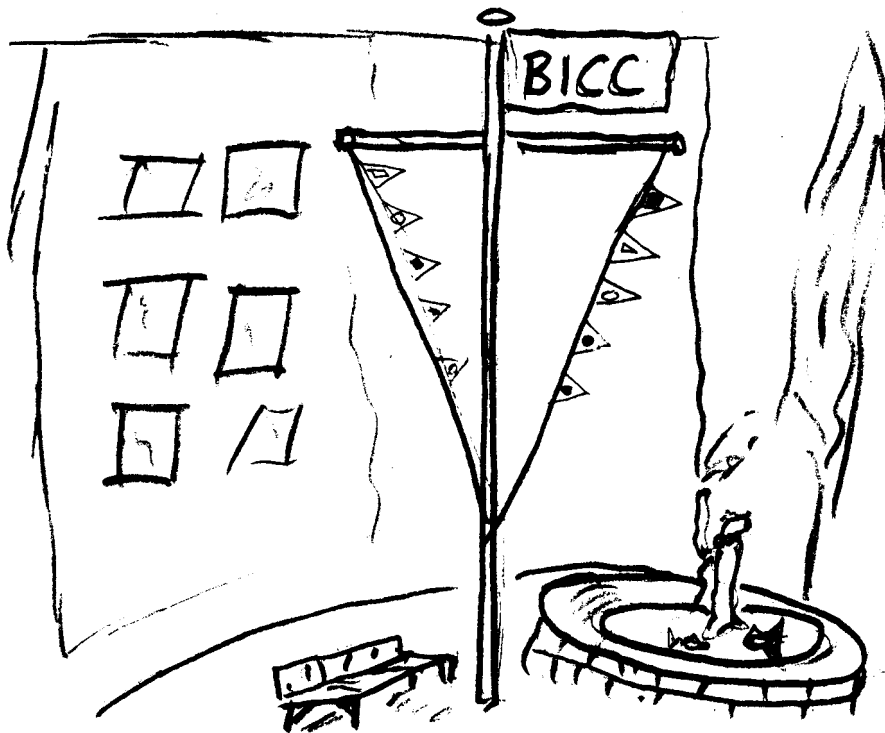


Up The Pole

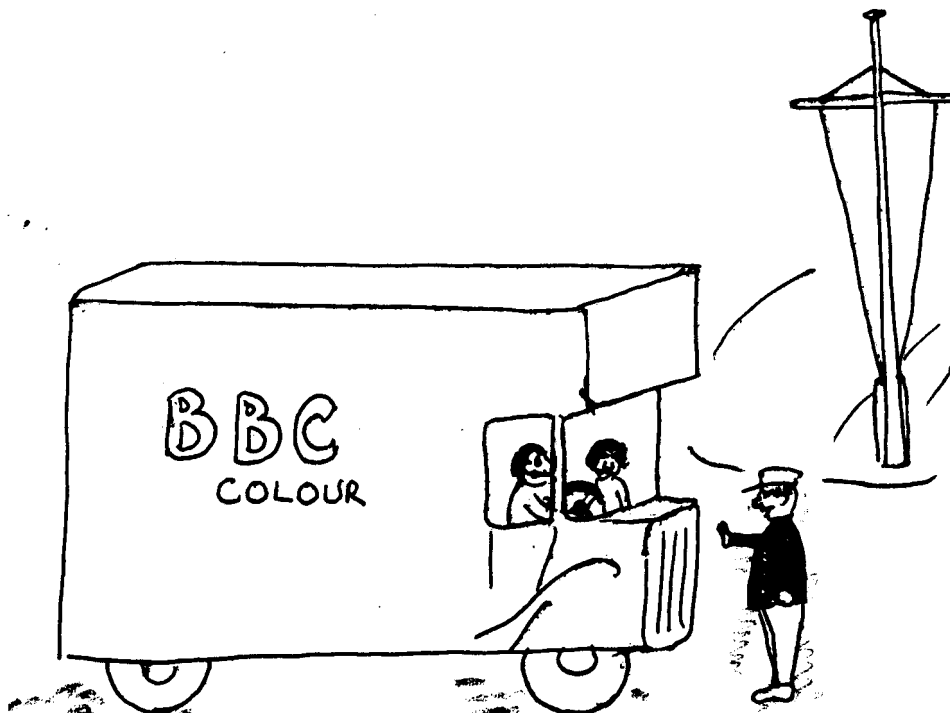
The appearance of a rather nautical-looking flagpole on the green outside the McFadzean Building has motivated some peoples imaginations.

These cartoons are some of the many we have received.

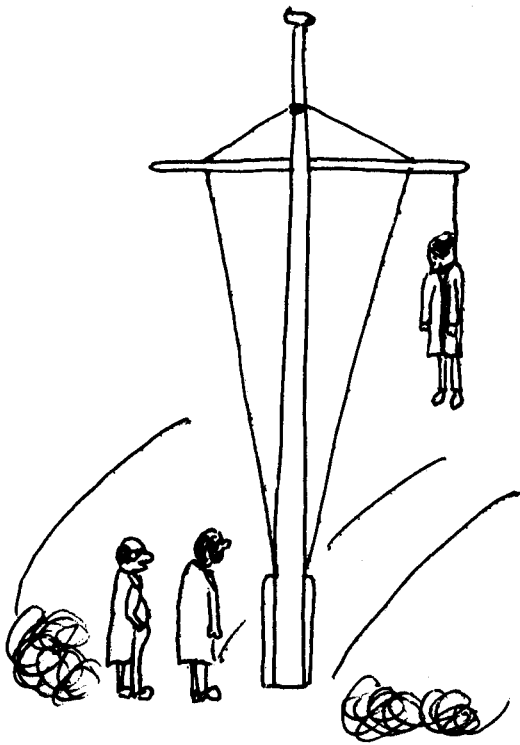
All aboard? Then off we go:



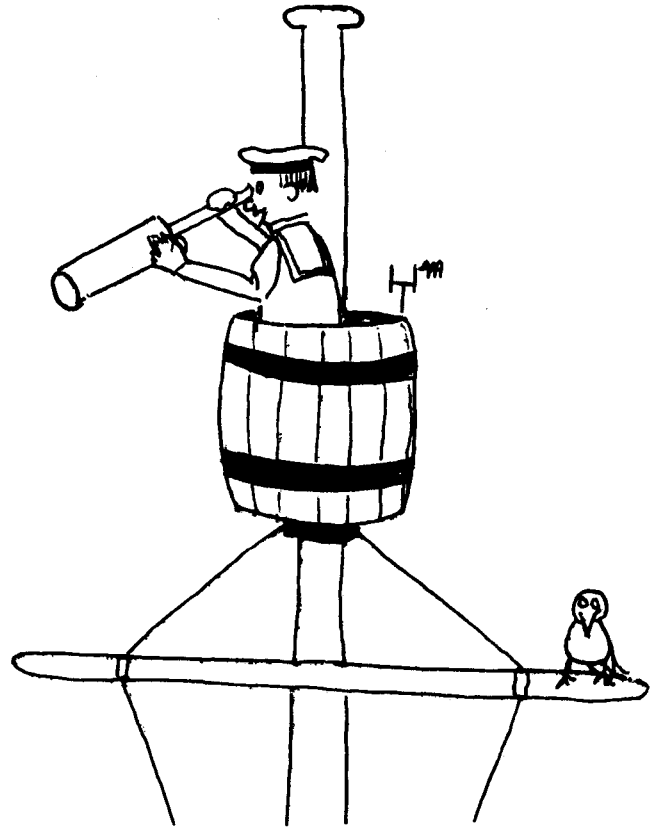
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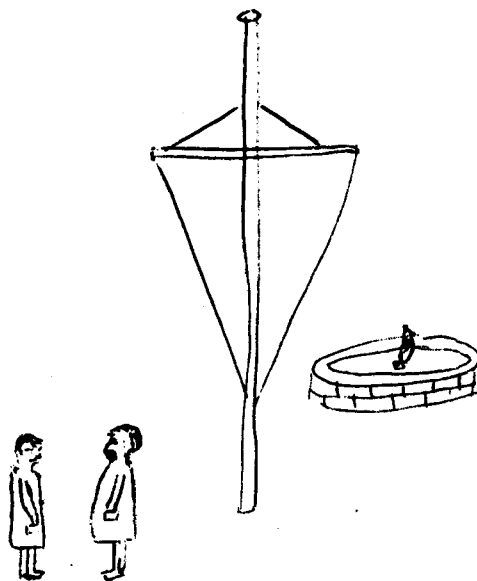
I'm sorry, but you can't film "The Onedin Line" here.



He was late
three days running last week.



Director's car approaching
on starboard bow, Sir.



They got it cheap from Clarksons

Leadergram

The response to the Leadergram in the Christmas Edition was quite remarkable, as we received 11 answers, all correct.

As promised, the names were placed in a hat, and the one drawn out was Roger Jones, Metallurgy Lab. Congratulations to you, Roger, your prize is on its way.

Of Ron Hall, who wrote out the answer and ended it thus:

"Submitted in this form by Ron Hall because of his reluctance to cut dirty great holes in a noble publication"

All we can say is "Flattery will get you everywhere". Now about that money we promised you ...

Very many thanks to everybody who attempted the puzzle and sent an answer in. To those who didn't get that far, better luck next time.

And now for the solution:

Author : Alexandre Dumas
Title : The Three Musketeers
Passage: "The siege of Rochelle was one of the great political events of Louis XIII's reign, and one of the Cardinal's great military enterprises. It is therefore interesting, and even necessary, that we should say a few words about it. Moreover, many details of this siege are connected in too important a manner with the story we have undertaken to relate to allow us to pass over it in silence."

Clues :

A	Action stations	B	Loch Ness
C	En-v-iron-s	D	Xenophobe
E	Atomiser (anag.)	F	No sale
G	Dementia (anag.)	H	R-ice-field
I	Egotistic	J	D-is-proof
K	Underwear	L	Misfeasance
M	Antediluvian	N	Sitting pretty
O	The end of an era (... of an E.R.A.!)	P	Hot water
Q	Eilat (anag.)	R	Tea for two
S	Here and there	T	Re-a-list
U	Etymologist	V	Evergreen
W	Melancholia (anag.)	X	Uninvited guest
Y	Sirius	Z	Know the ropes
A'	Evening wear	B'	Throw away
C'	(M)-ethyl alcohol	D'	Effortless (anag.)
E'	Rotisserie (anag. to rise rise)	F'	Stay to tea

Personality Poser

The end of the time given for the first round saw only one answer to this Personality Poser.

To the sender of that, Eileen King informs us that the only portraits she has been the subject of were by sitting.

ROUND 2

Here are two (no three, even four) more clues to the identify of our latest Personality.

By the age of ten he had given public performances (admission 2/6d) at the Swan & Hoop, Cornhill, and by the age of fifteen had been created a Knight of the Golden Spur by the Pope.

Who was this man?

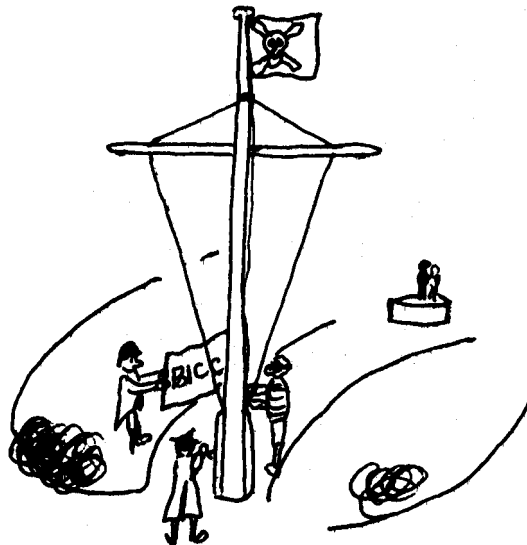
The sender of the first correct answer received before Friday 25th February will receive £1.50. Don't forget the prize will be considerably reduced for Round 3, so get thinking!

BRAIN TEASER

A simple little exercise to help you get back into the swing of things after over-taxing your brains with the Christmas Edition:

A sign-writer employed by a local Council had the job of painting all the house numbers on all the doors in a street. The houses were numbered 1 to 1000, how many times did he paint the number 9.

It's quite straightforward, no catches, answer on page 13



The Page 8½ Column

A monthly miscellany.



QUOTE OF THE MONTH

"If women hadn't been meant to decorate the centre spread of Playboy they wouldn't have been born with a staple in their tummy."

(Angus McGill on "Men's Lib")

HAPPINESS IS

..... turning a street corner on a Winter's day and not getting an icy North wind up the trousers (OK girls - midi skirt - Oh! you wear the trousers anyway! Ah!).

THE ALMIGHTY GNOME?

The Midland Bank's staff magazine recounts how their regional head office in Manchester, attempted to telephone the Bank of England's Manchester branch in its new premises. The number had been changed and directory enquiries said they could not help. When it was suggested that surely the Bank of England would be on the telephone, the imperturbable co-operator in enquiries said: "You've probably got the wrong name - they'll be one of those banks that have recently been taken over by someone else".

NEWS FLASH, R AND P DEPT. SECTION LEADER SECTION

Mr. B.G. Howell has broken his leg - Bad luck!
Mr. A.A. Pinching is going skiing shortly - Good luck!

Recently overheard in a Draper's Shop:

"Do you stock invisible tape?"
"Yes madam, black or white?"

Brew it yourself

by Terry Watkins

Fresh fruit is expensive at this time of the year, so it is wise to look around for other sources of winemaking materials. One of the easiest (and cleanest) ways of making wine is by using canned fruit.

As only small quantities of fruit are used, it is necessary to extract the maximum amount of flavour from the fruit by the addition of a Pectic Enzyme (trade names - Pectozyme, Pectinol, Pectolase). This enzyme breaks down the pectin (the substance which makes jam "set") in the fruit and improves the extraction of juice and flavour.

FRUIT COCKTAIL WINE

Ingredients

15 oz tin fruit cocktail	1 tablespoon pectic enzyme
2 $\frac{1}{4}$ lb sugar	Yeast nutrient
1 tablespoon citric acid	Yeast (preferably formula 67)
4 drops of grape tannin	Water to 1 gallon
(or 1 cup of strong tea)	

Method

Strain the syrup out of the can into a fermentation jar. Mash the fruit in a bucket, add the sugar, and pour two quarts of boiling water over the pulp. Allow to cool, and when tepid add acid, tannin and pectozyme, stir well, cover closely, and leave in a warm place for 24 hours. After this time, stir, then pour the liquor into the fermentation jar, add yeast nutrient, and water until jar is three-quarters full. Fit airlock and leave in a warm place for ten days, shaking the jar daily to disperse the pulp. Strain into a fresh jar, top up with water and leave to ferment out. Rack the wine when fermentation is finished, and rack into bottles when the wine is clear.

This recipe gives a dry white table wine, but a sweeter wine can be made by using two tins of fruit and 3 lbs of sugar.

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FOR SALE

Model railway: 2 locomotives, 2 coaches, some odd trucks. 3 points, 8 yards of flexible Formoway track, and some other bits and pieces. All OO gauge. Excellent condition.

£4 or near offer. Graham Wills 203

FOR SALE

BMC 1100 Cylinder Head Contact Fred Palmer, 279

the FILM column

OUR NEXT SHOW

The next show on Wednesday February 9th features THE BLUE MAX starring George Peppard, Ursula Andress and James Mason. An action packed spectacular based on the story of a German soldier turned airman ruthlessly seeking glory. The film will also be of particular interest to aero-enthusiasts since $\frac{1}{4}$ million dollars were spent on making reconstructions of the 1914-1918 fighters.

This show will also feature the Cine Section's production SERPENTINE SERENDIPITY.

MARCH FILM SHOW

Our show on March 9th will feature William Wyler's THE COLLECTOR starring Terence Stamp and Samantha Eggar. The story of a young man who on winning a reasonable sum on the pools decides to change from his hobby of collecting butterflies.

FILM SECTION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The AGM of the Film Section will be held on 23rd February 1972. All members of the Social Club are entitled to attend. Nominations for the 1972-73 committee are invited and together with any notices of motion should be submitted to the Hon. Sec. (Mike Dennis). The AGM will also provide an opportunity for members to express their views and to offer constructive suggestions for the forthcoming season. New blood on the committee will be particularly welcome.

AUDIENCE REACTION

The audience ratings of the feature films shown so far this season are given below:-

ZULU	85%
CHARLIE BUBBLES	82%
HOUSE OF THE ANGELS	51%
IF	91%
DR. FAUSTUS	71%
JUST LIKE A WOMAN	42%
ROSEMARY'S BABY	70%

LONDON FILM FESTIVAL

It would be difficult to rank the films screened at the London Film Festival held last November. But it is worth noting that the following are currently showing in London and well worth seeing:-

Jacque's Tati's TRAFFIC starring the inimitable M. Hulot on the road (Prince Charles).

DON'T DELIVER US FROM EVIL. The story of two precocious young ladies who embark on an orgy of evil. Banned by the French government "on account of the perversion, the sadism and the seeds of moral and mental destruction that are contained therein". Some film! (The Times and Jacey).

Dusan Makavelev's WR-MYSTERIES OF THE ORGANISM, SEX, socialism and the thoughts of William Reich. (Academy Two).

Wine Tasting

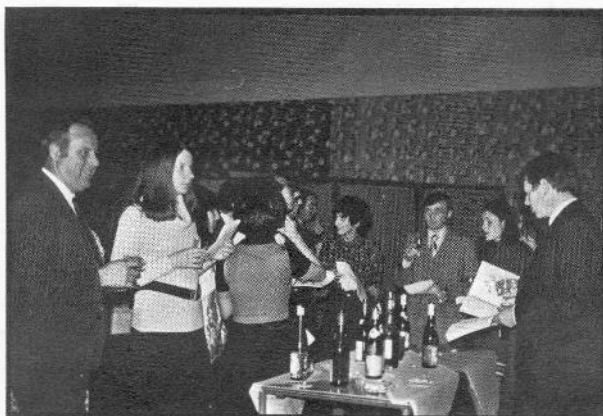
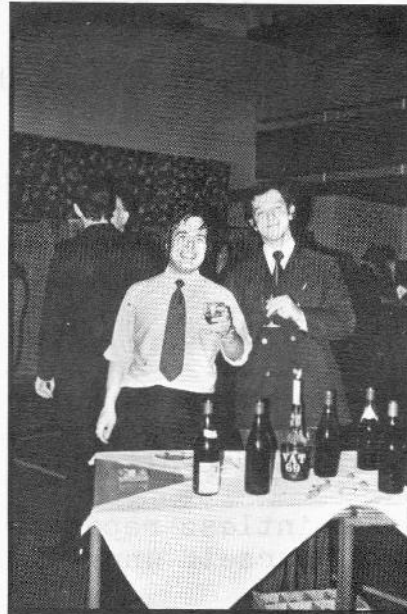
Main Hall, McFadzean Laboratory, 10th December 1972

It is difficult to know how to look at a Wine Tasting in retrospect. At the beginning it's easy; march in, head down, determined expression, vowing to taste the lot in half an hour and then take a leisurely stroll round again. At the end the look is either a bit furry round the edges, or double if you've had a really good time.

Nevertheless a few recollections float back; there were robust wines with plenty of body, gentle persuasive wines, firm rounded wines, subtle elegant wines, bubbly wines and Retsina (ugh!). THEY SAY it's very refreshing in Greece in the hot weather. "Unforgettable" said the programme (3 times). Most people, not having been to Greece in the hot weather, agreed with the programme.

But there were 17 other wines, and a jolly time (see photos by Annette Mattock) was had by one and all, where all is approximately equal to 79.

Special thanks must go to the Bar Committee and their helpers who, as well as the wine, prepared the excellent snacks.



Ken (Kes) Loach's controversial FAMILY LIFE, the much discussed too real for comfort film about mental health and the generation gap. (Academy One).

W.U.S.A. Currently having distribution difficulties in the United States. A powerful film about people, politics and their interaction starring Paul Newman and Joanne Woodward.

Also worth looking out for:-

Jacques Lewi's	THE DONKEY'S SKIN
Peter Fonda's	THE HIRED HAND
Grigori Kozintsev's	KING LEAR
Miklos Jansco's	ADRIFT

NATIONAL FILM THEATRE

Details of the February/March season at the NFT were not available at the time of writing. See Film Section notice-board.

RULES FOR WRITERS

1. Shun and avoid the employment of unnecessary, excess extra words.
2. Make certain all sentences are full and complete. If possible.
3. At all costs, avoid cliches as you would the plague.
4. Take pain's to spell and, punctuate correctly."
- V. BE Consistant.
6. Don't approximate. Always be more or less precise.
7. Sedulously eschew obfuscatory hyper-verbosity or prolixity.
8. Avoid pointless repetition, don't repeat yourself unnecessarily.
9. Observe, in all written expression, it is, of the foremost qualification-- if not, certainly not or less than-- at least definitely secondary then, the importance, of whenever possibly trying, so that when, except where it cannot be avoided and/or in further necessary development it becomes imperative to omit, yet, remember without fail (for this must not be underestimated) to be brief and clear. This is vital.
- 11.
11. Always try to remember the a ~~extrem~~ ~~extrem~~ extreme importance of being accurate nea t and carrful.

Motoring Section

With the New Year comes new money and the Motoring Section has been spending some of it.

A grant of £40 has been approved for this Section, £15 towards running of navigation runs etc., and £25 for additional tools and gadgets for those who do their own maintenance. Already a vacuum/pressure gauge for engine tuning has been purchased; if you have any useful suggestions as to what should be bought please let me know. During last year £6.20 was collected as hire charges, some of this has been spent on repairs and the rest will probably go on a new compression gauge.

To all you drivers and navigators who haven't yet organised a navigation run - its about time you did! I've had one or two tentative 'yeses' but nothing definite yet so come on someone, it's nearly Spring you know.

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1972 ISSUES

February Series of British Polar Explorers

April 3 General Anniversary Stamps:
50th Anniversary of the Discovery of the Tomb of Tutankhamen
Centenary of the Birth of Composer Ralph Vaughan Williams
(B. 12th October)
150th Anniversary of the founding of Her Majesty's Coastguard

June Old Village Churches

October Christmas Stamps

November Queen Elizabeth Silver Wedding Stamp

Also, date of issue uncertain:

50th Anniversary of the BBC and start of daily broadcasting in UK

Answer to Brain Teaser on page 8: 20