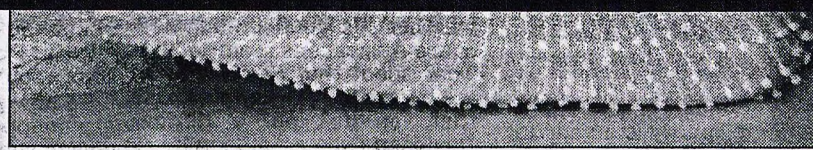


decades ago brings back gleeful memories. It reminds us of the joy of advising greenhorn, or wet-behind-the-ears foreigners, to "try the famous echo in the British Museum

My favorite of all of these, however, was the useful information that "prostitutes may be recognised by the tins they rattle at street corners to attract customers".



Lisa McCune: voted the nation's most popular actress.

and female." Merrin Canning, a spokeswoman for the Media, Entertainment and Arts Alliance which represented the profession, said: "Some

strous things that the actress once said to the bishop, and vice versa? What the bishop said to the actor, surely, is a different kettle of fish altogether.



WELCOME TO THE 38TH ANNUAL TV WEEK LOGIE AWARDS



GRAHAM RICHARDSON

Where was he?: Mark of Coburg doesn't believe in wasting seats.

Arise Sir Mark of Coburg

THE exploits of Mark of Coburg — Melbourne's master gate-crasher who is being encouraged in his outrageous pursuits by 3AW breakfast hosts Ross Stevenson and Dean Banks — are becoming more astonishing by the week.

After making it into the "secure" pit area at the Australian Grand

Prix last month, Mark crashed last week's \$500-a-head AFL ball — recording chats with Jeff, Little Johnny and Big Kim in the process. And this week, he strolled into the Logies where he recorded words with Ray Martin.

He claims to have occupied a seat left vacant by one of the

event's few no-shows — former political power-broker Graham Richardson.

But can it be true? Mark produced Richo's place card to back up his story. Shame the Queen had to cancel her 70th birthday dinner, really. I understand Mark of Coburg was really looking forward to it.

Loo-creative job for Dunny Downton

BRITISH composer Crimea Butler Downton is creating a symphony from the sounds of flushing lavatories.

The 33-year-old bachelor piano-tuner from Stroud, in Gloucestershire, sneaks into offices, shops, public buildings and even private homes to record — on a \$7000 professional recorder — distinctive flushes.

He told London's Sun newspaper that flushing loos produced "a sensual and very sexy sound which I have loved for years."

The .. er .. strains of the toilet are ideal for composing, he said, adding: "They're like fingerprints, no two are exactly the same.

"Some make a steady bok-bok sound ideal for rhythm, while others produce individual notes useful for tunes."

Mr Downton has already begun to blend the sounds into a symphonic structure.

Starting with one highly distinctive movement, I imagine.

As well as asking readers to ring their "bot-line" to hear Crimea's loony tune, the Sun had a few witty suggestions for compositions for his first album, among them:

- Bowlero — Ravel;
- Waterworks Music — Loo Handel;
- Flight of the Bum-ble Bee — Rim-ski Khazi-kov;
- 1812 Overflow — Tchaikovsk-wee;
- Lav Boheme — Poo-ccini.

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Planning to organise some anarchy

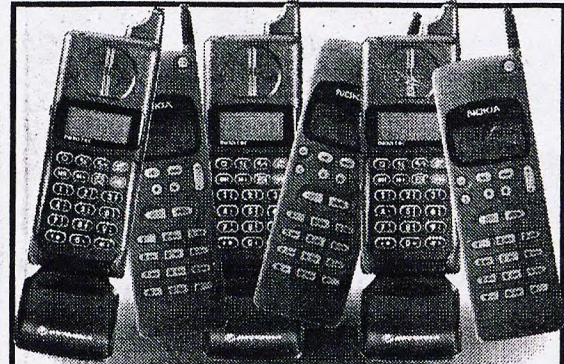
AN organisation called the Anarchist Media Institute seems to be perfectly serious about plans for a National Anarchist Student Conference on June 8, 9 and 10 at La Trobe

University in Melbourne. A key objective of the conference, apparently, is to "provide a forum for anarchist students and non-students to organise with each other."

Organise? Plans? Perhaps they will also have a fixed agenda.

Clearly — like so many things in the '90s — anarchy is not what it used to be.

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