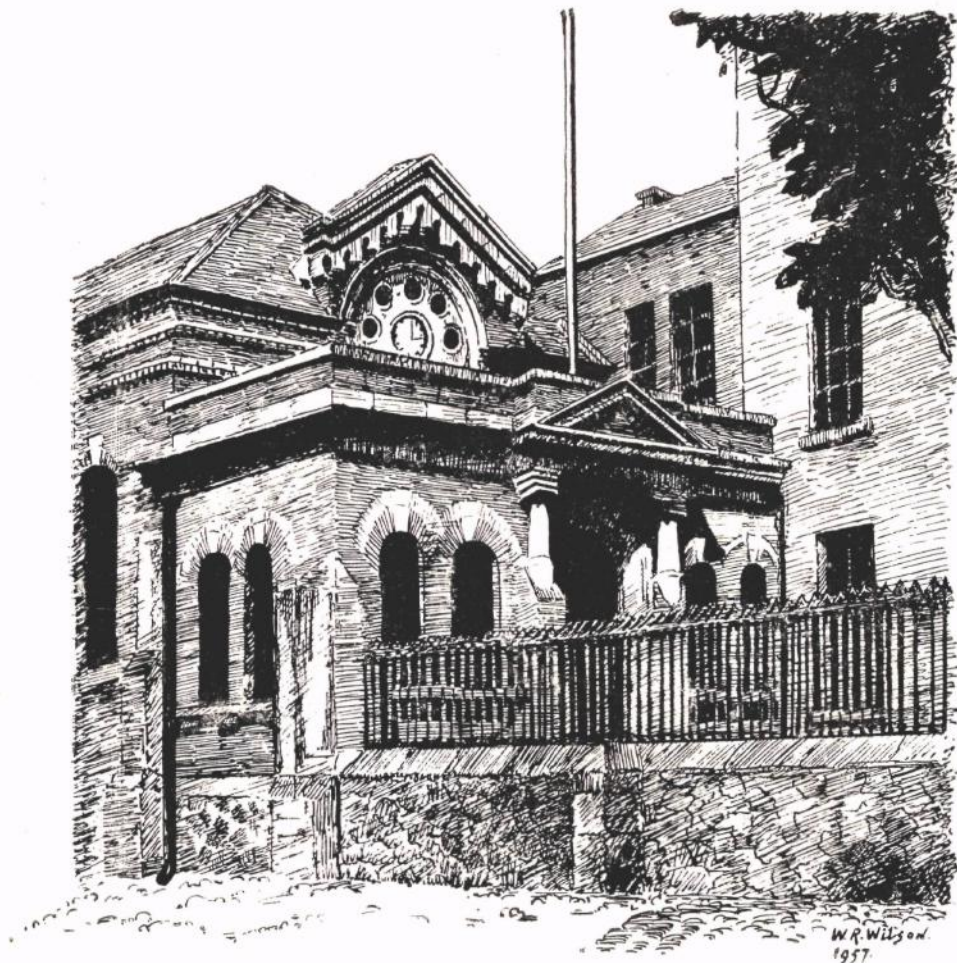


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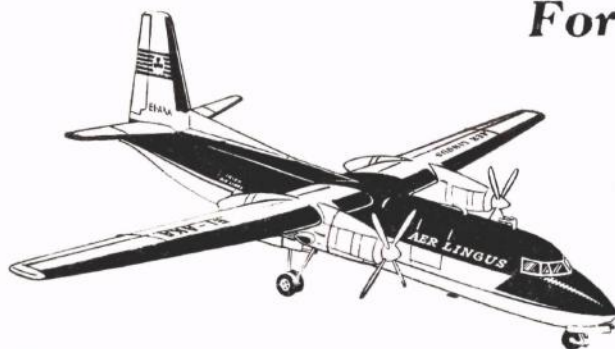
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EDITORIAL



It is the unhappy lot of the Editor to have to grind out a short piece of prose for each edition of THE ERASMIAN. This must serve three main purposes. Firstly, it must leave the impression that the committee of THE ERASMIAN is of literary inclination and that the Yeats of the school are being suitably encouraged. Secondly, it must fit the reader for the further reading of the magazine and must convince him that the articles he is about to read are stimulating intellectual exercises, and not a selection from a travelogue. Finally, and perhaps most important, it must satisfy the curiosity of the Old Boys, for whom, I am reliably informed, this magazine is chiefly intended. The last of these is difficult to attain. One must strike an even balance between showing that the school is "with it" as regards modern methods of education, yet still retains those peculiarities which Old Boys apparently meet and chuckle over once a year at a dinner held for that purpose.

Inevitably the Editor resorts to obtaining copies of some past ERASMIANS to see what the genius of bygone years has produced. On reading this he becomes more and more discouraged, discovering that all he wants to say has been said before.

The next resort is to sit down and hope that one of those sporadic bursts of genius for which he is so infamous will assail his brain. What happened this term?

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On arrival back to school on September 11th we were informed that the new building in the playground was not the summer residence of the school pig but was in fact two additional classrooms. It is unfortunate that the wind swirls around the building and blows the door off its hinges, but perhaps this problem will be solved by one of the many scientists the school is producing (or seems to be producing) at present.

Many of the boys of the school attended the

Scientific Technical Exhibition held in October. The number wanting to go was so great that it proved impossible to take an organised party.

There was a diversity of exhibits ranging from electronic computers to model railways. Most of the demonstrations were interesting though in general rather too complicated for the schoolboy. In future it would perhaps be preferable to concentrate on explaining in detail the everyday science and indicating the likely benefits and results of experimental science. However the exhibition was a success, and it is to be hoped that the overwhelming response it received will encourage further ventures of this kind.

We notice that, though there has been a pre-occupation with Beatles during this term, nature classes have proceeded as usual.

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This editorial would not be complete without a reference to the departure of Dr. Milne who left the school at the end of the summer term. Dr. Milne had supervised the publication of THE ERASMIAN for a number of years and had devoted much energy to improving its quality. THE ERASMIAN will miss his enthusiasm and guidance. We wish him best of luck in his new job.

The Erasmian Committee

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Fifty Years Ago

(FROM THE ERASMIAN, December, 1913)

As, with this number, THE ERASMIAN has fallen under the direction of a new Editor, we take the opportunity of reminding our readers that the success of this, as of any magazine, depends largely on the literary contributions which we receive. We therefore hope that, during our tenure of office, there may be no lack of material, and that boys will utilise the coming holidays for committing their thoughts to paper.

Trinity Letter

Trinity Monday has for many years been a day of jubilation in High School, and this year was no exception when Mark Carson (engineering), Alex. Donaldson (veterinary) and George Dodd (natural science) became Foundation Scholars. High School has now five undergraduate seats on the Scholars' Committee (the other Scholars are, of course, Julian Reynolds and Des Mackey)—a high proportion of the H.S.D. Old Boys in College.

There are, in fact, about sixty of them and they display their talents in a variety of ways. In sport the versatile Rory O'Moore (Knight of the Campanile) is without doubt the most conspicuous. As well as getting a Mod. in Chemistry, doing a year's research for M.Sc., teaching biology and running a scout troop, he has been vice-captain of the Soccer Club (he now plays rugby), a permanent member of the Ramblers' Cricket Team, organiser of the Trinity Week Ball, and he is now secretary of Trinity Week itself. Other sportsmen include Eric Brunker who has boxed for the College, medics Des Mackey and David Dorman who both row, and, of course, the Fleury brothers who spend wet afternoons driving imaginary golf balls from the ground floor of No. 38 towards Dublin Castle.

In the Societies, too, High School is well represented, especially in the Phil. The President, A. B. West, is one of the many High School educated Corkmen, and the Registrar is Robert Curtis. On the Council are: David Dorman (aspiring doctor), Sean Edwards (a stalwart Fabian), David Challen (who has won more than his fair share of £4 prizes for his double first in Maths. and Science), and the irrepressible David (Tojo) Dixon (now a prosperous businessman and a B.A.), advises the Society on financial matters. As if to show that all High School men are not in one clique, the Hist. Committee benefits from the advice of another forceful H.S.D. voice, whose bilingually loquacious owner, C. S. O'Hegarty, also spreads his fiery gospel in Cumann Gaelach an Cholaiste. Meanwhile, Howard Knott and Douglas Halliday are members of the Economics Society, and David Adams is Chairman of the Association for International Affairs.

High School is upholding its College traditions of achievements—academic, social and sporting; and with the present collection of

Junior and Senior Freshmen (and, indeed, the ten scientists and mathematicians in the Upper Sixth) it looks as if at least the science buildings will be well populated with High School men for several years to come.

FRATER CIVIS.

Travels with a Bicycle

It was gone! We searched frantically but in vain. At last we had to pretend ignorance of French (it did not need much pretending) before the port official let us reclaim our bicycles without the lost receipt. Then we cycled off gaily from Calais along a first-rate road, our destination being—Calais. (Here I must add that it took Eckart Küster (5A) and myself nearly six weeks to reach it again.)

After a delightful time in Northern France we headed south. On the third day we failed to reach the youth hostel and were without food or Belgian money, so we spent the night in a hay-rick. Next morning, ravenously hungry, we breakfasted on delicious wild strawberries. After the glorious scenery of the Ardennes and Luxemburg we soon came to busy, modern Strasburg. Our surprise at the size of the huge clock in Strasburg Cathedral was nothing compared to our surprise an hour later at meeting two High School boys thumbing lifts on the bridge over the Rhine. We exchanged stories, and it was obvious that they thought us slightly mad to be going round Central Europe by bicycle.

We pressed on and crossed the Rhine into Germany at Breisach, where the Customs Officer had never seen an Irish passport before. That night at the youth hostel the friendliness of everyone was amazing. We were treated to more Irish songs than we knew ourselves, and one of the girls, Inge, who had visited Dublin, invited us to visit her at Ulm. We now plunged into the historic Black Forest, and were enchanted by its trees, its lakes and its food. In the old timber hunting-lodge which served as a hostel at Titisee, we were treated to some folk-songs by a German school choir with its own small orchestra.

Before we knew it we were gazing with awe at the European equivalent of the Niagara Falls—the Rhine Falls in Switzerland. Eating delicious Swiss chocolate on the lowest platform with the spray of the thundering falls in my

face it was hard to imagine that even Niagara could be so magnificent. After a stay in Zurich, which we would both rather forget, we toiled and sweated through the mountains of Northern Switzerland. We struggled in low gear up zig-zag mountain roads, but the rewards on reaching the top made it all well worth while. Time and again we were able to look down on valleys and lakes which we had left hours before and then look around at the snow-capped peaks and be thankful we did not have to climb them too.

We swept through tiny Liechtenstein and on into Austria. We had only been thirty minutes in Austria when we entered a valley enclosed by towering mountains. Suddenly the air became still and oppressive. The next thing we knew, fork-lightning was flashing all around us, illuminating the peaks, and rain was coming down in buckets. Then Eckart's gears gave way completely. He tried to mend them but only got soaked to the skin, so he brought the bicycle to a garage. Meanwhile, the storm had ceased as quickly as it had begun, and we had experienced our first continental storm. Next afternoon we were watching water-skiing on Lake Constance and sampling Austrian yoghurt, buttermilk and cheese. We soon left Austria and cycled around Lake Constance to Germany. Here we found a cherry orchard with the juiciest cherries (as big as plums) I have ever eaten. We had been eating contentedly for half a nhour when a man came up and asked in German if they were tasty. We said yes, whereupon he betrayed his identity as the farmer by telling us in no uncertain terms to scram!

The following day we were walking by the Danube with Inge in Ulm. Here we also climbed all the way up (and down) the highest church steeple in the world, on Ulm Cathedral, after which we were very glad to relax at the German-style birthday party of Inge's brother.

We now left modern civilisation for a while and pedalled through the sleepy, old-world towns of southern Germany. In Miltenberg, on the banks of the "castled Maine," we had a unique local dish in an old restaurant full of hunting trophies, antique guns and silver teapots. We tottered back late to the hostel, having underestimated the strength of a small bottle of the local Miltenberger wine.

We were soon back with our old friend the Rhine, this time at its most famous part between Wiesbaden and Coblenz. We tried to keep

pace with the fast downstream barges, while around every bend in the river another castle would appear among the forests and vineyards on the valley's sides. We left this sunny paradise for Cologne, Bonn and the Ruhr industrial belt, and came out the other side into peaceful farming country. We had a three-day rest with Eckart's relations in idyllic surroundings and then entered Holland.

Our stay in Holland was so pleasant and the people so friendly that there is little to tell about it. We saw Groningen and the polders in the North, went around historic Amsterdam by canal barge and gazed in amazement at the sky-scrapers in ultra-modern Rotterdam. Our schedule was upset as we cycled for a day with four Dutch girls, when it was a case of actions speaking louder than words. In the hostel that evening we chatted with a reporter, and found next day that our picture and story took up half a page of the newspaper!

In order to make up lost time we went by train to Brussels and friends showed us this wonderful city by night. Then we hit the road for Calais, and with a fair breeze behind us we reached the car ferry in record time. The trip had cost little and had given us invaluable experience, for by bicycle we were able to see more of the various peoples and countries than any hitch-hiker or coach tourist could. We found that people were fascinated by the fact that we came from Ireland, and their questions on a multitude of topics left us wishing that we knew as much about our country as they knew about theirs.

DAVID FORD (Form 5A).

The Great Big Hat

Little woman
Great big hat,
In the theatre
There she sat.

Man behind her
Couldn't see,
Wished that he
Could climb a tree.

Couldn't see
A little bit,
Finally he
Got tired of it.

Turned to stranger
Sitting there,
"See that mouse
Beneath the chair?"

Little woman
Great big hat,
Couldn't stand it,
Fancy that!

Got up quickly
Left the house,
Man made happy,
Now no mouse!!

D. W. TOWNSHEND (Form 3B).

11th World Jamboree 1963

In the year 490 B.C., 2,453 years ago, on the picturesque plain of Marathon, some 26 miles from Athens, capital of Greece, one of the greatest battles in history was fought. This battle took place for freedom and high ideas. On this same site, the scouts of the world gathered, last August, to strive "for peace and a victory of high ideas," the motto for the 11th World Jamboree.

Scouts of every country, class and creed gathered on the plain of Marathon. From all five continents they came—14,000 in all—to join together and to help towards a better understanding in this troubled world.

The Irish contingent had been formed and made its preparations during the months before the Jamboree. Sixty scouts and scouters were chosen, under the leadership of R. G. Tennant and Rev. D. C. Orr. Among the scouts and scouters were members of the High School, who had been chosen by their respective troops to represent their country.

On 28th July last, we left Dun Laoghaire on our long journey to Greece. We travelled by boat and rail to London, and then by an Olympic Airways D.C.6B., direct to Athens, then by bus on the final leg of the journey to Marathon. Most of the contingents arrived safely but owing to the tragic crash of a Comet 4 in Bombay, bringing the scouts of the Philippines, all 23 scouts lost their lives. Fortunately, however, the Philippines scouters did not make this tragic journey, but a sad feeling moved through the camp for a few days.

The camp was divided into 11 sub-camps—Aeantis, Antiochis, Akamantis, Aegeis, Cecropis, Erecheis, Hippothondis, Leontis, Oineis, Pandonis and Platea—and each was divided into 30 camp-sites with a headquarters, staff and canteen. The Irish contingent was situated in two sites in sub-camp Leontis, with scouts from Belgium, Switzerland, Japan, Canada, and many other countries.

There were two main roads through the camp—Central Avenue, running from the main gate to the Arena, and Marathon Avenue parallel to it. In the centre, between these two roads, were the general camp facilities: a bank, post office and telephones, fire station, trading post and canteen, laundry, reception centre, exhibition area, arena, information offices, conference tents and a newspaper office. Near the

main gate was a hospital and in one of the surrounding hills an arena and amphitheatre was built. In the pine forest, which was between the sea and the camp, altars and places of worship were set up. Bathing facilities were arranged at the sea, the coastal stretch of Marathon Bay, and the Greek Navy provided observers and rescue teams.

On Thursday evening, 1st August, Crown Prince Constantine, Chief Scout of Greece, opened the Jamboree officially by lighting the Marathon torch, after the 10 previous Jamborees had been recalled. The first Jamboree was held in England, and also one to mark the 50th year of scouting; others were held at intervals of four years in England, Denmark, Hungary, Netherlands, France, Austria, and the last one in the Philippines in 1959.

The Jamboree began the next day. Different functions were held daily. During the Jamboree all scouts could qualify for the "Epathlon Daphenis" or Laurel Award by passing five out of eight of the following tests: Labours of Hercules, Field Sports, Talent-o-Rama, Visit to Exhibitions, Wide Game, Inter-Troop Exchange Visit, at least 5 swims, and classical games. All Irish scouts gained this award, and both Irish troops gained merit certificates in the Talent-o-Rama, in which one troop made potato cakes and the other made model "currachs."

Camp fires were held in each sub-camp to give the scouts an opportunity to sing their national songs and put on items for all to see. Meetings were held for the Y.M.C.A., and Philatelists; King Scouts and their equivalents met at a conclave; Wood Badge holders held a Reunion; and many other functions were held to help scouts to meet and talk to their equals from other lands. Receptions were given by King Paul, by the Camp Chiefs and by all the countries participating. The Irish reception was noted throughout the Jamboree as one of the friendliest and warm-hearted meetings held.

Owing to the high temperatures swimming was one of the most popular of the daily activities. Also during the Jamboree events were run in conjunction with the Laurel Award. Scouts also spent their time swapping badges, taking photographs, making friends, buying souvenirs and presents for those at home and generally enjoying themselves.

Religious observances were strictly carried out. Services were held for every denomination throughout the camp daily, and on Sundays large services were held in the pine wood, where

scouts of the same creed could meet and join in common worship of God.

Every scout got the official badge of the Jamboree, a Boeotian Shield, which represented the scouts' weapon of defence against the evils that beset him in life. For philatelists a special souvenir set of stamps, and a first day cover commemorating the occasion, were produced. A Jamboree newspaper, "The Marathon Courier," was printed daily and contained pictures, reports, and items of interest connected with the occasion.

Prince Constantine visited many of the campsites and talked to the scouts. He visited the Irish camp and inspected the troops and signed the camp log-book. He attended functions throughout the camp and also presented prizes at the finals of the classical games which were held in the arena. He also attended displays of national habits and customs, which were put on by some of the larger contingents such as U.K. (1,500), U.S.A. (629) and Netherlands (600), in the arena.

Two days of the Jamboree were dedicated to Sea Scouts and Air Scouts. The Sea Scouts had rowing competitions and rescue displays. The Air Scouts put on a glider display, a model aircraft display, which included a radio-controlled aeroplane, and the Greek Royal Airforce put on an aerobatic display.

Unfortunately, all good things come to an end and on Sunday, 11th August, we assembled once more in the arena, for the closing ceremony. Lady Baden-Powell, wife of the founder of the Scout movement and Chief Guide of the World, spoke on behalf of her late husband. Then Prince Constantine bid us "bon voyage" and closed the Jamboree, and handed on the Marathon torch to the Boy Scouts of America, so that it may burn at the 12th Jamboree in America in 1967.

The contingents departed from Marathon during the next few days. Some went on sight-seeing tours and others began their long journey home. As we were travelling with the U.K. contingent, we spent a few more days in Greece.

We began our tours by going to Mt. Parnes, a mountain to the North of Athens, where a modern hotel had been completed and stood over 1,000 ft. up on top of the mountain. Then we went South to Cape Sounion, where the ruins of an ancient temple stand. Sounion is a place at which one can admire the sunrise and sunset, the best harmony between land and sea,

and the ability of the Ancient Greeks to choose the most beautiful places for the homes of their Gods.

One day was spent on a boat cruise of the islands of Aegina, Methana, Parnes, Idra, and Spetsai. We spent some time on Spetsai, where we sampled some of the life on the Greek Islands. On our last day in Greece, we spent our time in Athens, a wonderful city with buildings which reminded one of the days of Roman and Greek times, and also buildings of to-day. We visited the Olympic Stadium, site of the first Modern Olympics in 1896. We also visited the famous buildings of the Akropolis, where many famous temples and statues of Ancient Greece stood and where the remains of the famous Parthenon still stand.

On Friday, 16th August, we departed by air from Athens. We had spent three weeks in that sun-drenched country and although we arrived home in wet weather—the first we had seen since we left our homes—we had many sunny memories to last us for the rest of our lives.

L. E. McQUESTON (Form 6B).

Bedside Butler

By CONRAD ICALIBRE

[THE ERASMIAN is privileged to present the following extract which first appeared in the issue of the *Political Gazette* of October 17th, 1963.]

Wednesday Night.

Mr. Butler spent two hours at Mr. Macmillan's bedside this afternoon. Just after 2 p.m. (B.S.T.), Mr. Butler, spruce and smiling, and dressed in a dark grey suit, arrived at the hospital. His chauffeur followed him up the steps, carrying a large rectangular box, the contents of which were, it is understood, 56 lb. of grapes grown, so I am informed, in Mr. Butler's private hothouses. It is thought that the grapes were a present for Mr. Macmillan. It was 4.13 p.m. (B.S.T.) when Mr. Butler left. He quickly descended the steps, bared his teeth at photographers and leapt into a waiting car. One reporter says he heard him say: "I can't take much more of this," but we cannot give credence to such an unconfirmed statement.

The exact content of Mr. Macmillan's interview with Mr. Butler is unknown. It is known, however, that Mr. Macmillan has very strong views on the question of leadership. It is also

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known that Mr. Macmillan has a high opinion of Lord Home; he is reported to have a higher opinion of Mr. Butler and Lord Hailsham, however. Bearing in mind the current swing to Labour, it is likely that the premier may choose a man left of (Tory) centre such as Mr. Butler. On the other hand, if the prime minister takes into account the trend to Liberal, Lord Home could be appointed. If the premier were to consider as dangers *both* the swing to Labour and the trend to Liberal, Lord Hailsham could well be the new P.M. If either peer is chosen, it is likely that Mr. Macmillan will ask the Queen to create life-peers all members of the House of Commons. It is known that neither peer relishes descending to the Lower House.

Despite the uncertainty of the present situation, it is likely that Mr. Butler will be chosen, if only for this reason, the prime minister had his favourite lunch (steak boeuf et pie de kidney avec pommes de terre et choufleur) yesterday; it was only after this that he sent for Mr. Butler. It is also probable that the present of grapes will sweeten further Mr. Macmillan's already high opinion of Mr. Butler.

I tried to contact Mr. Butler at his home to-night but a spokesman told me he was not available for comment.

STOP PRESS: Lord Home—new P.M. Prime Minister swayed in decision by Butler's sour grapes—further news awaited—Butler's fate uncertain.

A. A. HORNER (Form 6U).

"The Thing" on the Bridge

The bridge is going to lose a friend,
The "Thing" is coming to an end;
It's the Dublin City Council's plan,
But some will keep it if they can.
Years ago there was a bowl of flame,
But for a dare a student played a game,
And into the Liffey the big bowl went,
And that was the end of money well spent.
In winter the "Thing" is dismal and brown,
But it's near the centre of the town;
In summer it's covered with tulips and all,
But if it's soon not removed the bridge will fall.
What will replace it when it goes?
Only the Dublin designer knows,
But when Christmas comes and people sing,
"Pity help O'Connell Bridge, pity help the
'Thing'."

NIALL GORDON (Form 3B).

Et in Arcadia Ego

In the centre of the Grecian Peloponnesus lies the small country of Arcadia (meaning "older than the moon"), the home of one of the most ancient people in Greece and protected from the progress of the neighbouring country by mountain barriers. The primitive inhabitants were hunters and shepherds; the simplicity of their lives and characters, combined with a complete ignorance of immorality, led to the idea of Arcadia being an artistic Utopia. Yet from this simple race came one of the most complex beings in history.

Artemis, whose name signifies a vigorous and inviolate being giving strength and health to others, was the Arcadian goddess of nature. Homer wrote of twins, Apollo and Artemis, being born to Zeus and Leto; while the Egyptian version states the parents as being Dionysus, the god of wine, and Isis, the goddess of fecundity, Leto being nothing more than their nurse. Artemis bears the surname of Ortygia, being born on the island of Delos (formerly called Ortygia) off Syracuse. Others say Ortygia is a grove in Ephesus, while a third party set the place of birth in Crete.

Apollo and Artemis both had the same interests and the same powers. They cured and alleviated the suffering of mankind and yet, from time to time, they sent plagues and sudden death to mortals. Both carried a bow, a quiver and arrows; Artemis especially delighted in the thrills of the hunt, even though she was expected to be the protectress of young and wild animals. Often was she seen in her chariot drawn by four golden-antlered stags, hunting with her nymphs and with the dogs given her by Pan. In Tauris dwelt a goddess Orthia, later identified as Artemis, to whom shipwrecked foreigners were sacrificed. The Spartans, who never succeeded in conquering Arcadia, used to test the fortitude of their boys by whipping them before her statue, giving her a bloody association with masculine madness. Artemis protected the honour of youths and maidens, while defying the power of love herself as a goddess of chastity. Though in accordance with her country she should not even recognise immorality, she had strong views on this subject and freely rewarded it with death. Actaeon had the misfortune to see her bathing, so she changed him into a stag as punishment. His fifty hounds were quick to dispense with him. Another version claims he had only boasted of

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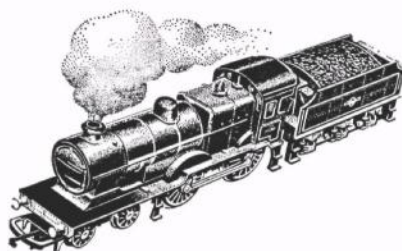
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being a better hunter. A bard, Arion, also insulted her and was killed. Arion's mother Demeter, claimed by Pausanias, a Greek traveler and geographer, to be the mother of Artemis, lost her daughter Persephone to Pluto (also called Hades, god of the underworld) who carried her away. While Demeter was searching for her daughter she was chased by Poseidon. In order to escape she converted herself into a mare, but Poseidon tricked her by turning into a horse. Arion, it is claimed, was not only a bard but also the equine offspring of the two!

Apollo, the twin brother of Artemis (though some say Artemis actually helped Leto on the occasion of his birth), is also the god of Helios, the sun. Hence Artemis came to be considered as a goddess of the moon and as such, she was pictured in long robes with a veil over her head. In Arcadia, Artemis was just a goddess of nature who revealed her beauty in lake and river. The Arcadian Artemis never even had a brother! To quote the old maxim:

"It's all Greek to me."

D. SCOTT (Form 6U).

The Old Sailor

There was once an old sailor my grandfather knew,
Who had so many things which he wanted to do,

That wherever he thought it was time to begin
He couldn't because of the state he was in.

He was shipwrecked and lived on an island for days,
But this wasn't a time for getting his ways;

He was chased by a tiger and stung by a bee,
Thank God that old sailor wasn't me.

One day he went hunting two pigeons he saw,
And when he had killed them, he ate them raw;

And whatever happened that night in bed
(of leaves),

The poor old sailor wished he was dead.

About three days after a ship picked him up
Drinking sea water from a coconut cup;

With a pain in his tummy, a lump on his head,
He was taken aboard, and, "Full speed ahead."

TREVOR O'SHEA (Form 1B³).

The Rise of the Beatles

"As they sang I was aware of becoming involved in their singing and being a part of it, until their teeth were only accidental stars with a talent for squad drill. I was drawn in by short gasps, inhaled at each momentary recovery, lost finally in the dark caverns of their throats, bruised by the ripple of unseen muscles."

(Sincere thanks to T. S. Eliot; from "Hysteria".)

Probably because of its large Irish population, Merseyside has long been recognised as a centre of folk-music. The groups which were active in the earlier days were of the traditional type—harmonica, guitar, piano, and bass. With the advent of commercialised "electronic" music, many of the youngsters of the district attempted to imitate the brash, crude, almost nasal quality of their forefathers, much amplified, and reverberated. Since many of these protégés were out of work, and consequently had a lot of time in which to practise, they acquired a considerable technical expertise, and a multitude of "beat" cellars grew up and with them an insular, stereotyped "sound" evolved. Its predominating feature is the accentuation of the bass, by guitar and drums. As a result its singers almost always have to shout (with the apparent infusion of emotion) to make themselves audible to more than the nearest participants.

About a year ago, when the entrepreneurs began to take interest, the "Mersey-sound," and with it the Beatles, began to emerge as a feature of public life, infringing even on those who normally remain aloof from the "pop" world. In such a vogue there can be only one leader, and it happens that the Beatles were chosen for the part. They sell not only music but a style of clothes, their haircuts, and their stance. As a group they are pleasant and uncluttered, with little or no pretension to musical brilliance. They appear to recognise how short-lived they may be, though one wonders if they are fully aware of the tremendous impact they have made. Although numerous performers have become the excuse for teenage, and mainly feminine, hysteria, the Beatles have aroused the passions of the British youth to an unexpected fever-pitch.

This may, perhaps, be attributed to the emergence of the group as the main exponents of a definite style of singing, i.e., the Liverpool Sound, as opposed to the emergence of a group merely on its own merits. Undoubtedly the Beatles have made their mark on the "pop" world, but, as with other, similar crazes, their

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effect will be shortlived. In twenty years time no one will have heard of the Beatles, or the Liverpool Sound, and new idols, and new crazes, will have arisen to take their place.

A. R. BUCHANAN (Form 6 Upper).

A Visit to Kilmainham Jail

Kilmainham Jail was built in 1794. Now, in 1963, although it is no longer in use as a prison, its high walls retain a grim and forbidding atmosphere. On making a tour of it one Sunday afternoon, I gathered the following information from the guide.

We were first ushered into a huge hall which housed 73 cells. The cell which was occupied by President de Valera during his imprisonment, was pointed out with special pride. The cells which Patrick Pearse occupied, and in which Mary McSwiney carried on a 24-day hunger strike, were also singled out.

Then we were led down a flight of stairs to the basement, down gloomy, dimly-lit stone corridors littered with rubble, till we reached our destination—the solitary confinement cells. If a prisoner became particularly troublesome he was removed to one of these cells, where his only glimpse of the outside world was a tiny stream of light. He was fed on dry bread and water and there was no heating and only straw on which to sleep. There was one cell which did not admit any light whatsoever. The average term of solitary confinement was a week or perhaps a month, but there have been instances where a prisoner was kept in complete darkness for over a year.

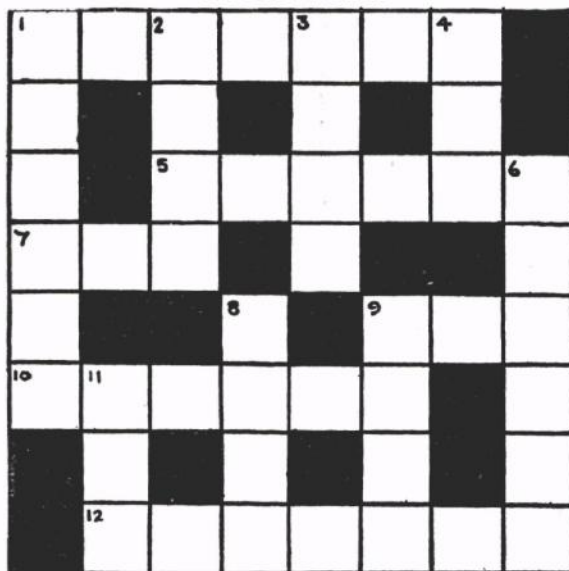
The party was then led out to the exercise yard. The prisoners walked around this yard several times in single file at a distance of about six feet apart. Every possible measure was taken to prevent any communication being made between the prisoners. There was a separate exercise yard for female inmates. Most of the prison grounds are completely overgrown by now.

We went indoors then, to a little room which was reserved for privileged prisoners. It contained a fireplace and a finely vaulted ceiling. It was in this room that Parnell worked on his agreement, known as the Kilmainham Treaty, with the British Government. Nearby was the cell in which Robert Emmet spent the night before his execution. Through many more interminable, narrow passages, and past many more dirty little identical cells, we were herded to the

next item of interest—the padded cell. Prisoners thought liable to try and commit suicide were put in here. The walls and floor were covered with six feet of horsehair. The prisoner's belt and shoes were removed from him.

Lastly we were shown the execution yard where the leaders of 1916 were shot. A wreath had been placed on the spot where the men fell. There was a small door at the back of the yard through which the bodies were carried and removed to Arbour Hill for cremation. A foreigner could get quite a good understanding of the main problems of Irish history by a visit to Kilmainham Jail. S. P. HILLIARD (Form 4B).

Crossword



ACROSS

CLUES

1. Chaos.
5. He works in a bank.
7. One associates it with masters.
9. The cat sat on it.
10. Makes the employee a match for his boss.
12. Patrick's sister introduces order.

DOWN

1. Characteristics.
2. Used in simple interest.
3. Greasy.
4. He was a general.
6. Relation of one to another; found in a diet.
8. Tower of Pisa is at it.
9. Archaic Lake; implies smallness.
11. Give the porter one.

(Answers on page 29)

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An Irishman in the Tropics

(The following extracts are from a letter to the Headmaster from Nigel Knowles, who was a boy at High School from 1948 to 1956, and is now working as an engineer in Papua).

Public Works Dept.,
Konedobu,
Port Moresby,
Papua.

23rd October, 1963.

Dear Dr. Reynolds,

Not too many years have passed since I left H.S.D. but nevertheless I have sadly neglected to keep in touch with you and the old school.

As you will have seen from the address I am now living in the tropics. The territory of Papua and New Guinea is administered by the Australian Government on a grant of some £25 million annually. I am employed within the administration in the Department of Public Works.

While in Sydney I became engaged to an Australian girl, and soon afterwards we were married. I was more than pleased to be able to have such an old friend and comrade as Pak Williams to act as best man on this occasion, twelve thousand miles away from home. Within a fortnight Philippa and I were in Port Moresby.

Port Moresby is the centre of the administrative activities and consequently has the largest European population of any town within the territory. The fine harbour is sheltered from the trade winds, and has only a narrow entrance through a multitude of small but beautiful reefs.

Our house is situated in the hills, some six miles from the town centre in a European suburb called Boroka. It is sited in a well laid-out garden with a profusion of such plants as hybiscus and frangipani, with banana trees and coconut palms. The house is modern, constructed in timber, and elevated on six-foot piles. The windows and room partitions are lowered to give a "through draught," and all are "fly wired" to protect the occupants against mosquitoes and other pests which fly by night.

Living and working in such a society as this presents many problems which one would not normally have to contend with. As a European one is expected to be an exponent of many arts in which one has had no previous experience

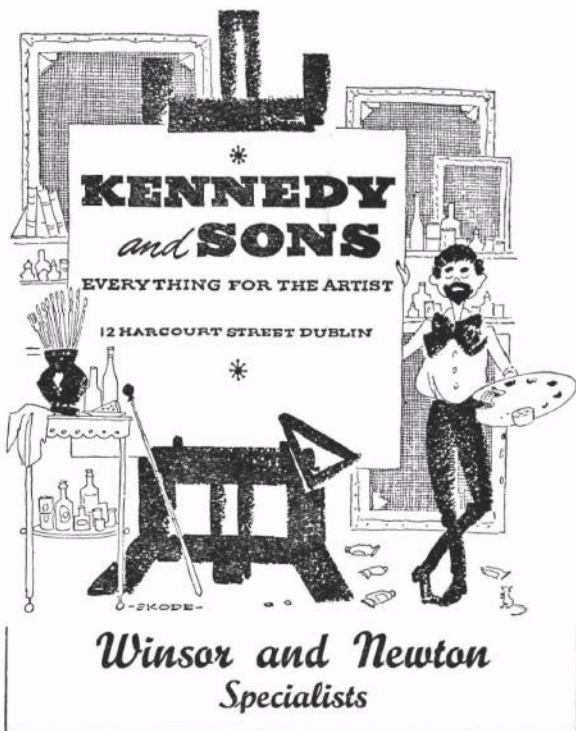
or training. Quickly, however, it becomes clear that every situation has its solution by applying some good and ordinary common sense.

It is incredible to witness the retarded development of the people. At present I am Assistant Regional Engineer for the Territory, and in this capacity I have considerable opportunity to travel far beyond the bounds of most people's everyday routine. I have seen wonder and amazement on the faces of little fellows clutching stone axes when the small Chesna aircraft has touched down in a clearing. This may not have been their first encounter with the "iron bird" (which they try to feed) but certainly it remains to them a strange instrument of the white man.

To develop a country where the interior is rugged, with mountain peaks which top seventeen thousand feet, where the coastal plains consist of mangrove swamps, and where the peoples talk more than seven hundred different languages, is no mean task. Communications are difficult and transport is either by small coastal ships or light aircraft. The expense of constructing roads is prohibitive over long distances, and much of our expenditure involves the construction of airstrips and wharfage areas.

Contact and education have done much to eliminate many of the old tribal customs. But in areas where contact has outpaced education misconceptions do arise. To many the way of life of the white man must seem ideal, for he makes no apparent effort to till the land or plant a garden. Instead he is fed by an "iron canoe" which comes in from the sea full of foodstuff. This could only have been sent from his ancestors for it is they who control the destiny of the living. Thus is born the essence of the "cargo cult."

"Cargo cult" develops when some member of a tribe receives a message from his father, many years dead, that an iron canoe is on its way. The tribe builds a "customs shed" and wharf on the river bank. (The river need not be navigable.) When, after some weeks, such a vessel does not arrive the tribal chief orders the destruction of the gardens and plantations, so that the plight of the tribe should become so critical that the ancestors will be forced to send relief. For the administration to intervene at the wrong moment could undo many years of hard work of basic contact, and it is the Patrol Officer who is the sole authority in handling a delicate situation.



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To relate the many experiences that occur in everyday life would require pages and so I think that I will close these few impressions of what an Irishman sees in the tropics.

Sincerely yours,

NIGEL KNOWLES.

Labour-Saving Devices

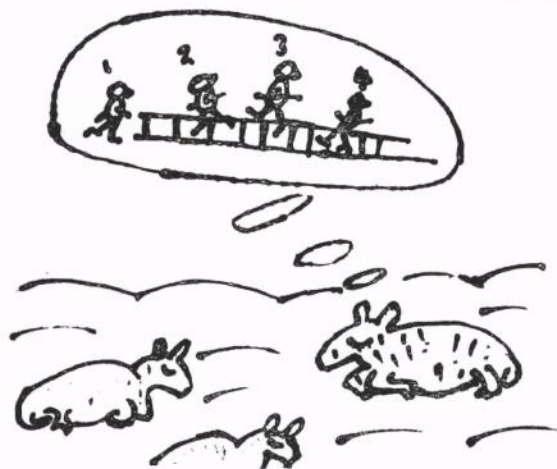
Let us take a look at one of the latest labour-saving devices: the mechanical vegetable peeler which "peels all your worries away."

We take it out of its box and set the fearsome thing up. We are ready to begin. Full of hope we try to peel some carrots. Two cut fingers, three mangled carrots later, we give up, the room liberally bespattered with the results of our work. We ring up the suppliers who soon put us on to the manufacturer. A suavely polite young man answers. With a note of horror in his voice he says: "Carrots? Madam, peeler will peel only potatoes. Completely spherical ones, of course!" We put away the peeler, resolving to give it away at Christmas to someone we don't like.

Before you buy a labour-saving device, think! Remember "The Law of Labour-saving Devices" (better known perhaps as Went's Law of Constant Labour). It states: "The labour saved by use of said device is either equal to or less than the labour used getting device to work, plus the labour used in picking up mess after device has worked."

D. WENT (Form 6A).

S.G. URCH.3B.



First Impressions

As a new boy my first impressions of the High School are still vivid in my memory. On my first day I was aware that this school was much larger than my old one. There appeared to be hundreds and hundreds of boys all clad in black blazers. There were boys wearing old blazers, not-so-old blazers, and standing out amongst all these were the new boys wearing new blazers, new pullovers, new shoes, socks and caps.

I was not used to so many classrooms, but here I had no difficulty as I just followed the other boys in my form. Having different masters for each subject meant getting used to each master's way of working, and also I had to get used to working to a time-table. I enjoyed learning science and geometry for the first time, and having organised swimming and rugby. These are only a few of my impressions, and now at half-term I feel I am part of the school.

RICHARD NOBLE (Form 1B²).



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FROM THE JUNIOR SCHOOL

Alamein

There was once a battle called Alamein,
Which was fought on a hot and sandy plain.
The men that were then supposed to fight,
Were the pride of the British and German
might.

The men of the British were called desert-rats,
But they fought with the skill and the strength
of wild cats.

The plan of the British had three vital parts,
The break-in, the dog-fight, the retreat, the
three parts.

The battle started in October, '44,
When the men fought with nail, and with
tooth, and with claw.

The break-in was fine, and they cleared all the
mines,

And all of the tanks and such were in neat lines.

But in the dog-fight things became worse,

The Germans then really became a curse.

For the Jerries had a very nasty lair,

Upon a ridge called Tel el Aggir.

While all of the troops sang Lily Marlene,

The British and German sides fought on in vain.

When the Jerry tanks started going up in
smoke,

The Jerries, their heads in the sand, started to
poke.

In the morning of the 4th of November,

The British were then not the defenders.

When the desert-rats worked out the summary,

They found they had won—thanks to Mont-
gomery.

VICTOR LESER (Form J5).

Picnic Places

Our wishes for suitable places for picnics are
in four main headings. They must be a certain
number of miles away, so that our travelling
does not take up too much time; they must be
where the car is able to be driven, so that the
cooking and other things too have not to be
carried very far; there must be plenty of space
so that we can play games while Daddy is
struggling to light the primus stove; and they
must have some main object of interest. We
also prefer them to be very quiet and lonely, so
that as more people begin to find them we dis-
occupy them, and we discover new ones.

The list of old picnic-sites is like a guide-
book of the counties in Leinster, and some of

these have special claims to remember. Don-
nelly's Hollow on the Curragh, where we could
act to be tired boxers leaving the ring, and
leaving our footprints in the ground; the quarry
on the Grand Canal bank between Clane and
Naas which gives us shelter on windy days, and
also a wonderful launching pad for my kite;
the ruined church in Ardee which was reported
to have jumped off its foundations because a
man who had been excommunicated had been
buried there; and the seashore behind the rifle
range at Gormanston which had everything!

The one we visit now is really wonderful.
When we are there, we can—but that would
tell you where it is. I will tell you all about
it when some more people find it, and we move
somewhere else.

PETER MORGAN (Form J4).

Holidays

Last year in the rain,

We went to Spain,

In a silver plane we went to Spain,

I ate and ate till I got a pain,

And my mother complained,

O never again to Spain, to Spain.

The sky was blue from morn 'til night,

The sea was too, and the temperature right,

We swam about a lovely pool,

Which was really the only way to be cool,

Under we went, right out of sight,

Giving Mammy a terrible fright.

This year we took a different peep,

A place in Cork that was very cheap,

We found another little cove,

And the rain came on and we had to move,

We were very sad to say good-bye.

Next year another place we'll try.

ANDREW TOWELL (Form J5).

High School

There once was a school in Harcourt Street,
Where lots of boys used to meet,

They came at nine and they left at three,

With their books, and pens, and flasks for tea,

They came in white and went out black,

Although of soap there was no lack.

ALAN BRADBURY (Form J5).



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Four boys were picked to represent High School—Gordon Allen, J4; Stuart Farmer, J3; and lastly Ernest Shapero and myself.

The party started at four o'clock, and when we got there we were given orangeade and lemonade to drink, and tasty cakes and sweets to eat. After that a very good ventriloquist, with a dummy called Fintan, asked us questions and told us funny jokes.

It was now time for the judges to judge the fancy dresses. We all had to go to the party dressed as a book title. I went dressed as Richmal Crompton's "Just William," and other boys from High School went dressed as "Long-John Silver," "Huckleberry Finn" and "Biggles in Spain." There were quite a lot

of prizes and one of the best of the winners was "Billy Bunter." There were pupils from High School, Alexandra, St. Andrew's and other schools. All the prize-winners received a copy of "Mysterious Waterway." Afterwards the prizes were distributed. We all thought this was a most enjoyable party.

M. JEFFARES (Form J5).

The Trout

Down under the trees where it is dim,
I just sit there a-watching him.
His face is wrinkled with a funny frown,
And he is speckled from tail to crown.
The flowing stream, as smooth as cream,
Is suddenly disturbed by a passing beam.
With a swirl and a splash he is gone,
Leaving me staring into yon.
As I lie on the leaves, and twigs o'er me sway,
I dwell on my thoughts of yesterday.
But there—again my eye is caught
Upon the swirl that he has wrought.
But now the owl hoots overhead,
And tells me that 'tis time for bed.

D. J. MOORE (Form J5).

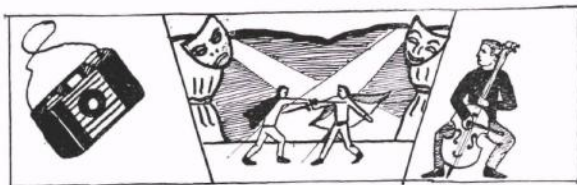
JUNIOR SCHOOL CONCERT



Preparations: Miss Harris helps A. Ford ("Bacchus"), while N. Darragh and N. Dowrick look on.

—Courtesy Irish Times.

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES



School News

We congratulate Mr. Fennell on his marriage, which took place during the summer holidays, and wish him every happiness in the future.

We welcome to the staff Mr. S. McMahon, Mr. E. D. Cole, Mr. D. Langridge, Mr. D. J. Halliday, Mr. H. C. Ferris, and Miss Sybil Ennis.

Miss Esther Girvan, who was School Secretary for four years, has gone to Belfast. We wish her every success and happiness in her new post. In her place we welcome Miss Anne Harris.

We congratulate Mr. P. Start, our Senior Chemistry Master, on his appointment as a lecturer in University College, Dublin.

A telegram of congratulation was sent to His Excellency President de Valera on the occasion of his 81st birthday.

Nearly eighty boys attended the Communion Service in St. Patrick's Cathedral on St. Luke's Day. Groups of younger boys are going as usual to Matins on the last Thursday of each month.

Forms 1B¹ and 1B² were taken by their Form Masters to see the pictures in the National Gallery.

One hundred senior boys attended a showing of the film version of "Hamlet" in the Eblana Theatre. In October another hundred boys attended a Ceol Chumann na nOg Concert given by the Radio Eireann Symphony Orchestra.

Congratulations to A. D. McCrea on winning a Dublin Corporation University Scholarship (£160 p.a. during College career), the first to be won by a boy of the school under the new scheme.

Talks were given this term by Dr. A. C. Mearns (Temperance), Mr. Devi Piasad (War Resisters International), and the Rev. R. Gibbons (U.M.C.A., Northern Rhodesia).

Careers talks were given to the Fifth Form by Mr. Peter Robinson (Hotel Management), the Rev. W. C. G. Proctor (the Church), Mr. Luke Mahon of "Arks" (advertising) and the Headmaster (teaching).

Collections made in the school produced the following amounts: Royal National Life-Boat Institution, £5 10s. 1d.; Dublin Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, £2 (Form 1B²); National Council for the Blind, £3 3s. 5d.; War and Want, £7 9s. 2d. (J5).

PREFECTS 1963/64

R. M. Taylor, Head Boy.

D. Scott, R. C. M. Wicklow, R. A. J. Carson, A. R. Buchanan, B. C. O'Neill, J. W. Shaw, D. Went, G. C. Lloyd, M. R. Jones, N. C. Jones, R. M. Hilliard, C. M. P. Keegan, M. G. Johnson, J. P. Macdougald, D. A. Woods, S. T. Dobbey, K. McCormick.

The Prize Distributions

SENIOR SCHOOL

The Senior School Prize Distribution was held in the Clockroom on Friday, November 8th. The chairman was Senator Professor W. B. Stanford, Governor of the Erasmus Smith Schools, and the special speaker was Sir Ian MacLennan, British Ambassador to Ireland.

In his report the Headmaster spoke first of the success of the 1st XV in reaching the final of the Leinster Schools' Cup, an event which made the 93rd year of the School's history particularly memorable, and he congratulated all those who played a part in that success. Two boys were selected to play for Leinster, while a third was chosen as reserve. In cricket, too, the School teams had a successful season.

Turning to examination results, Dr. Reynolds said that once again the results were excellent. Three boys won Exhibitions in the Entrance Scholarship examination into Trinity College, and two others won Matriculation awards. In the Leaving Certificate all 37 candidates from the School passed, 12 of them with honours. In the Intermediate Certificate the School submitted 64 candidates; 60 passed, 34 securing honours. These results, the Headmaster said, seem to dispose of the perennial complaint that Protestant boys cannot learn Irish.

The most significant examination success of the year, however, Dr. Reynolds said, was the

winning of a Dublin Corporation University Scholarship by a pupil of the School. Until this year these scholarships had only been tenable at University College, Dublin, but due to the representations of the Irish Schoolmasters' Association, the Corporation has now extended them to include boys who wish to study at Trinity College.

Finally, Dr. Reynolds spoke of the improvements and extensions which had been made in the School buildings during the year. Two new demonstration laboratories had been provided to meet the growing demand for science, and two new wooden classrooms were built in the play-



Sir Ian MacLennan, the Headmaster, and Prof. W. B. Stanford.

ground to replace those converted for this purpose. This meant that 340 boys were receiving the elements of a scientific education out of a total of 401. This last figure represented the highest number of pupils in the School's history.

The Chairman said that High School was one of the great schools of the country, and said that this was due to the quality of the staff, the boys and the parents, and especially to the Headmaster.

Sir Ian MacLennan told us that his chief difficulty was to decide which audience to address—parents, staff or boys. He decided to speak mainly to the boys, and told them to make the most of their opportunities at school since never again would they be surrounded by people who wished to help them to make the most of themselves. In the future they would find that study would have to be fitted into the intervals of everyday life.

Sir Ian advised boys to do everything they undertook to the best of their ability, since success came only by diligent practice. This, he said, applied to all branches of life, not just to academic subjects. Finally, Sir Ian spoke of the part a school can play in the community to which it belongs, and of the process of mutual exchange which goes on continually between the school and the city.

Mr. C. G. Morton, President of the Old Boys' Union, then presented the Old Boys' Cup to R. M. Taylor, and the Distribution closed with the pronouncing of the Benediction by Canon W. H. Coulter.

SPECIAL PRIZES

- Old Boys' Cup : R. M. TAYLOR.
 High School Exhibition (£100) : J. D. Wright.
 Thompson Scholarship in Classics (£100) : J. M. Adams.
 Glorney Exhibition (£50 and Cup) : D. A. Jackson.
 Bury Prize in English Literature : D. P. B. Norris.
 John Bennett Memorial Prize (£5) : D. M. Bowie.
 Simon Eppel Memorial Prize in Science : D. M. Bowie.
 Silver Medal in Greek Testament : D. F. Ford.
 Dr. Warnock's Prizes in Irish : A. D. McCrea, E. S. MacAodhagain, Z-V. Svejdar.
 French Government's Prizes : D. Scott, D. F. Ford.
 Charles L. Dillon Memorial Prize in Mathematics : E. S. MacAodhagain.
 Carpenter Memorial Essay Prize : D. F. Ford.
 "Erasmian" Prizes (O.B.U.) : J. M. Adams, R. A. J. Carson, D. P. B. Norris, A. D. Milliken.

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 D. P. B. Norris—Walter Wormser Harris Prize (£50).
 A. D. McCrea—Dublin Corporation Scholarship (£960), awarded on the results of Leaving Certificate.
 S. M. Lee—Matriculation Exhibition (£200).
 J. M. Adams—Matriculation Exhibition (£100).

JUNIOR SCHOOL

The Junior School Prize Distribution was held in the Clockroom on Thursday, November 7th. The Chairman was the Lord Bishop of Meath, the Most Rev. R. B. Pike, and the Special Speaker was Mrs. S. S. Evans.

The Chairman welcomed parents and visitors and called upon the Headmaster to give his report. Dr. Reynolds spoke of the many activities of the Junior School in games, music, art, and literature. The standard of achievement in all classes was high, and one boy won a Scholarship to the Senior School. He said that the demand for places in J4 and J5 (boys of 10 or 11 years) was very great, and advised parents to send their boys a year or two earlier. The Headmaster thanked the teachers for their work and for the happy spirit that they have maintained in the School. He thanked especially Mr. S. S. Evans, and spoke of his pleasure in welcoming his wife, Mrs. Evans, who had been the first teacher in the Junior School when it began in 1943, to speak at a Junior School Prize Day.

The Chairman, in introducing Mrs. Evans, spoke of his feeling of nostalgia when he saw the arms of the High School, since it reminded him of his schooldays in another Erasmus Smith School, the Abbey School in Co. Tipperary. He mentioned the need for incentives to encourage

everyone to make a greater effort, and said that it was right and proper to reward boys for their hard work.

Mrs. Evans congratulated those boys who had won prizes, and while wishing the others better luck next year, reminded them that hard work was the only thing that would win prizes. She told the boys that a schoolboy is in some ways like a motor car; some cars seldom need to visit the garage for repairs, while others are always unreliable. She hoped that some day the School would reach the happy position when the "repair department" would have to close down for lack of work.

After the prizes had been presented the boys of the Junior School presented a short concert, including the story of "Hans Christian Anderson's Life" (produced by Miss Bleakley), "The Walrus and the Carpenter" (produced by Mrs. Ennis), and "King Midas" (produced by Miss Blakeney and Miss McClure). Displays of handwork and painting were exhibited in the Junior School classrooms.

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LEAVING CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION, 1963

Honours—A. D. McCrea (7), R. C. M. Wicklow (5), S. M. Lee (5), D. Scott (4), H. St. G. McClatchie (4), A. H. Robb (4), D. L. W. Beck (4), R. M. Taylor (4), A. R. Buchanan (4), D. J. Haslam (4), R. G. Cochran (3), R. A. J. Carson (3), R. L. Gordon (3).

Pass—R. C. Young, A. P. Moran, C. D. Mullock, C. P. St. J. Hilliard, P. H. Mullock, D. K. Taylor, K. A. Millington, A. Shaw, S. R. Martin, R. H. Martin, G. T. Beggs, W. J. Burgess, N. C. Jones, T. R. M. Cobbe, H. J. Greer, K. P. McCormick, F. D. King, E. J. Bradfield, B. C. O'Neill, W. R. Wisdom, W. G. Thompson, I. V. Manek, E. J. Hanton, G. W. Hunter, R. M. Coard.

INTERMEDIATE CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION, 1963

Honours—E. S. McAodhagain (8), D. F. Ford (6), D. H. Vipond (6), A. F. G. Daish (6), W. A. Tanner (6), G. B. King (6), G. J. A. Clark (6), O. Watson (6), T. R. Walsh (5), M. Cadoo (5), R. P. G. Harris (5), J. H. Wynne (5), D. C. R. Sholdice (5), E. Küster (5), J. F. Huggard (5), F. G. Martin (5), F. E. Sowman (5), Z.-V. Svejdar (5), G. M. Nason (4), A. D. Cunningham (4), A. J. Hughes (4), R. J. Durie (4), R. N. Dungan (4), R. B. Haskins (4), D. D. Orr (4), E. G. Keogh (4), F. J. Bloomfield (4), G. A. A. Wilson (4), A. F. Parke (3), D. W. Mitchell (3), A. J. Winter (3), T. J. C. Long (3), D. Roberts (3), R. C. Burrows (3).

Pass—L. J. Mackey, R. P. Coulter, M. G. Douglas, S. R. Hanna, D. R. Medcalf, S. J. Stuart, G. M. Gray, P. D. Richards, P. F. Byrne, S. D. Huet, H. J. Spier, A. J. W. Horner, R. D. Gray, R. D. Bell, G. J. Caird, M. K. Darlington, W. T. Lewis, A. P. Blundell, J. R. Love, G. E. Saunders, E. O. O. Williams, T. W. Murphy, E. G. Malone, R. L. Robinson, D. N. Hudson, W. V. Powderley.

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B.A.I. (Honors), Second Class—M. G. Adams, I. D. Doak.

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Special Prizes

Kingsmill Jones Prize—J. C. Darling.
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Term Honor Examinations

Junior Sophisters

Mathematics—(First of First Rank): D. J. Challen.
Natural Sciences—(First Rank): J. D. Reynolds, D. J. Challen, J. C. Darling.

School of Engineering

Third Year—G. A. Aitken, R. M. Carson, R. Curtis.
Second Year—J. C. Fisher, T. H. Lloyd, E. D. Williams.
First Year—D. A. Fleury, M. A. McCullagh, B. A. Stokes, D. C. Wilson.

School of Business and Social Studies

Junior Freshmen

Second Class Honors—E. C. Morton, A. S. Doak, A. C. Squires.

School of Physic

Pre-registration Examination

Chemistry, Physics, Biology (Pass)—D. E. Dorman, D. P. Miller.

School of Veterinary Medicine

First Examination, Part 2 (Pass)—G. L. Dignam, S. W. J. Seager.

Other Examinations

Institute of Chartered Accountants in Ireland

Part III—R. C. Balmer, C. S. Maybury.
Part IV—R. C. Graves, P. W. Pappin, M. W. Taylor.

The High School Debating Society

If you are interested in topical questions, why not come along to the Debating Society, which meets every second Tuesday evening at 7.15 p.m. in Mr. de Zeeuw's room? You will be able to express your own opinions and listen to others voicing theirs. The Society has recently been revived and the Committee would like to thank Mr. Wallace and Mr. McMahon for their help in getting things under way. Our first debate took place on Tuesday, 29th October, when the motion before the house, "That Capital Punishment should be abolished," was carried by 20 votes to 9. On Tuesday, 12th November, after a most lively debate, the house decided, by 16 votes to 15 with two abstentions, against the abolition of censorship in Ireland. We are looking forward to engaging in debates with other schools when we have had more practice, and meanwhile we appeal to all seniors for support.

D. F. F.

Parents' Association

Committee: Messrs. L. Allen, S. Booth, F. Whisker, R. Vipond, Mrs. Hudson, Mrs. Lewis, Mrs. Murphy, Mrs. Townshend.

Hon. Treasurer: Mr. L. R. Stuart.

Hon. Secretary: Mr. A. F. Rice.

At the first Committee Meeting following the Annual General Meeting Mr. R. Vipond was unanimously elected Chairman for the coming year.

The Committee and members owe a very big debt of gratitude to the outgoing Chairman, Mr. E. W. Beck, for his work for the Association during the past few years. If, as is generally believed, the Association is flourishing, much of the reason is undoubtedly due to the keenness, energy and enthusiasm of Eddie Beck. We shall miss his wit, his puns and his enthusiasm, but we know that we can always call upon him for help should it be needed.

By the time these notes are in print we hope to have had two meetings. In November a panel will be asked questions under the general heading of "the Boy," and in December we plan

a meeting with a much younger panel than is normal, and to whom we shall address questions under the general heading of "the Parent."

The Association would also like to acknowledge the great work done for it over many years by Mr. G. R. Wisdom who, according to rule, has been obliged to resign as Honorary Auditor.

A. F. RICE, *Hon. Secretary.*

Hobbies Exhibition 1963

The Hobbies Exhibition was held on 2nd September in the Clockroom. The entry of 114 showed a heartening increase on last year's figures. The entries, as varied as usual, ranged from an account of the World Jamboree in Greece, through stamp and coin collections, to model boats and aeroplanes. A collection of butterflies was much admired as was the collection of tied salmon-flies. The confectionery section, a mouth-watering display of cakes, buns and sweets brought admiring comment from the many mothers present.

The Exhibition was, as usual, organised by Mr. S. S. Evans, and Mrs. E. W. Beck kindly agreed to distribute the prizes, which were donated by the Parents' Association.

Finally, may we appeal to all those at school to support this exhibition with an entry. It is by your entries that the success of the Exhibition—one of the big events of the school year—is judged.

First prize-winners:—

Under 11—Art: Daunt-Smyth, P. (J4). Handwork: Leser, V. (J5). Collections: Moore, D. (J5).

Under 13—Art: Hughes, D. (2A). Handwork: Sterling, N. (1A). Collections: Jeffares, M. (J5).

Under 15—Art: Reynolds, A. (4A). Handwork: Hanna, M. (2A). Collections: Lewis, B. (4A).

Over 15—Art: Lewis, S. (6B). Handwork: Williams, E. (5B). Collections: Tinsley, C. (6A).

Confectionery—Lloyd, S. G. E. (3A).

D. W.

Valete

UPPER SIXTH FORM:

- N. Toms—T.C.D. (Natural Science).
- D. A. Jackson—T.C.D. (Mathematics).
- J. D. Wright—T.C.D. (Engineering).
- P. R. Walsh—T.C.D. (Economics).
- D. M. Bowie—T.C.D. (Medicine).
- J. M. Adams—T.C.D. (History).
- D. P. B. Norris—T.C.D. (English).
- C. W. Brownlee—Guinness.
- P. Wilkinson—T.C.D. (Engineering).
- J. N. Gray—T.C.D. (Engineering).

SIXTH FORM:

- A. D. McCrea—T.C.D. (Medicine).
- H. St. G. McClatchie—Laboratory Assistant (Guinness).
- S. M. Lee—T.C.D. (Medicine).
- D. L. W. Beck—T.C.D. (Law).
- R. C. Young—Bank of Ireland.
- R. G. Cochran—Laboratory Technician (Biochemistry Dept., U.C.D.).
- A. P. Moran—T.C.D. (Business Studies).
- C. D. Mullock—Chartered Accountancy (Messrs. Ribbeck).
- G. P. St. J. Hilliard—T.C.D. (General Studies and Divinity).
- P. H. Mullock—Chartered Accountancy (Messrs. Cooper and Kenny).
- D. K. Taylor—T.C.D. (Medicine).
- J. Owens—T.C.D. (Natural Sciences).
- D. J. Haslam—T.C.D. (Natural Sciences).
- K. A. Millington—T.C.D. (Business Studies).
- A. Shaw—General Accident Assurance Co.
- Lee King Ong—T.C.D. (Medicine).
- S. R. Martin—moved to England.
- R. H. Martin—Rathmines Technical School.
- G. T. Beggs—Batchelors Ltd.
- W. J. Burgess—T.C.D. (Engineering).
- T. R. M. Cobbe—Irish Lights, Dun Laoghaire.
- F. D. King—T.C.D. (Natural Sciences).
- E. J. Bradfield—T.C.D. (Business Studies).
- I. V. Manek—trainee in a Swedish hospital equipment factory.
- G. W. Hunter—father's business.
- R. M. Coard—Hibernian Insurance Co.
- Chan Kah Huat—T.C.D. (Natural Sciences).

- W. R. Wisdom—George Bell Ltd.
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FIFTH FORM:

- D. P. Hughes—British Army (Welbeck College).
- P. Hudson—College of Technology.
- R. W. Cromer—Building (Messrs. Crampton).
- R. G. Crocker—Work-study Trainee (Messrs. Thos. Pearson).

FOURTH FORM:

- T. R. Walsh—College of Technology.
- F. G. Martin—moved to Nottingham.
- R. D. Grey—College of Technology.
- R. D. Bell—father's office.
- G. E. Saunders—Gurteen Agricultural College.
- R. L. Robinson—study at Kevin Street Technical College.
- R. G. LOCKNER—father's business.

THIRD FORM:

- D. MacKay—H. M. S. Conway.
- F. C. Hodgkinson—R.A.F.
- W. J. Lamb—Messrs. Edward Carroll, Bachelor's Walk.
- M. H. Evans—farming.

School Library

During the summer holidays the School Library was reorganised. A committee of eight senior boys undertook the onerous task of painting shelves and sorting books. The Governors gave a generous grant towards the purchase of new books and so far over one hundred new volumes have been added to the shelves. In the near future the Science and Mathematics section will be considerably enlarged.

The Library is open on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays during lunch time, and all boys in the Senior School are welcome to borrow books. The amount of pleasure and instruction which can be obtained from the Library is enormous, and the Committee are anxious that it should play an important part in the life of the School. A careers section has been started and will be gradually enlarged, and this should prove of special value to the older boys.

The Librarians and the Committee wish to thank Miss Purser of Rathmines for a generous gift of books, and Miss Geraldine Fitzgerald for her advice during the reorganisation. K. E. Price (6A) has also presented a valuable selection of books.

J. E. K.

Librarians: J. Killen and D. J. Temple.

Committee: G. Lloyd, J. P. MacDougald, J. Micks, E. J. Taylor, C. R. Tinsley, F. N. Whisker.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

We would like to thank Mrs. D. R. Miller for a gift of a number of volumes of "The Scientific American" and "Studio," and Dr. R. H. Micks for a large number of copies of "Science News."

H.S.D.B.U.

Our meetings continue to be held after school on Fridays. Each meeting takes a different form—a boy acts as chairman, another opens in prayer, and another reads from God's Word. Our numbers this term are still quite high, but we would greatly like to see more senior boys attend these meetings. We would like to add that we value the prayers of all Old Boys and parents who are interested.

We have had both clergymen and laymen as our speakers and their talks were appreciated by all and were extremely helpful. During the session we were shown slides of Brazil by Mr. E. Norwood, heard a talk on Bible Prophecy by Mr. J. Paul and saw a Fact and Faith film, "The City of the Bees."

S. L.

The Gramophone Society

The Gramophone Society have continued to meet this term each Friday after school and we have had a small but regular attendance. Piano Concertos by Grieg, Schumann, and Mozart were played. Also played were the 1812 Overture by Tchaikovsky and a Violin Concerto by the same composer. In addition we had "The Planets" by Holst and "Ride of the Valkyries" by Wagner.

We feel that if some of those who patronise "The Beatles" and such groups came and heard some good music they would benefit greatly, and would extend their musical horizons.

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Question Time

The annual Question Time took place in the Clockroom on November 28th, and what must have been the largest gathering for many years heard a varied programme of questions, answers and music. Much praise must be given to Derek Tyrrell who entertained the audience with a selection of tunes on the piano accordion before the questions began.

As usual the battle was a quadrangular affair between the houses. Each team was made up of four boys from different age groups from the Junior School to Sixth Year. Although one appreciates the difficulty of arranging questions over such an age group, one feels that some of the questions this year were rather difficult, some being of a very specialised nature. During the interval there was an unprecedented entertainment laid on by a High School guitar group. They were certainly acclaimed by the boys; if not by some of the amazed parents. More questions followed and Abbey emerged the winners. J. Pearson, of Galway, won the individual award.

Mr. Morton, President of the Old Boys' Union, thanked Mr. Walker for acting as Question Master. The prizes were presented by Mrs. Walker.

R. WICKLOW.

Photographic Competition

Results:—

JUNIOR:

- (B) General Interest—D. W. Townsend (3B).
- (C) Portraits—P. H. Gray (4A).
- (F) Colour Prints—K. Sargeant (2B).

SENIOR:

- (B) General Interest—R. F. Greene (6u).
- (C) Portraits—H. J. Greer (6A).
- (D) Processed by Competitor: R. F. Greene (6u).
- (E) Colour Transparencies—1, M. Jones (6A); 2, D. Mitchell (5A).
- (F) Colour Prints—G. R. Tinsley (6A).

We would like to thank Mr. Rex Roberts for judging the entries for this competition.

The Dramatic Society

This year the Society, with a reduced membership, has continued its activities under the able guidance of Mr. A. A. Leeson. The Society has read "Sive," by J. B. Keane; "The Good Young Man," by Kenneth Horne; "Witness for the Prosecution," by Agatha Christie, and is about to read one of Tennessee Williams' less controversial plays, "The Glass Menagerie." Soon the problem of producing a play for the Concert will arrive and here we would like to make an appeal for more members, especially from Fifth Form. We will find it difficult to produce a play without your support, so please come along and join the Society, which meets on alternate Fridays, in the Board Room.

D. W.

Science Films

Science films have, as usual, been shown each Thursday in Mr. Johnson's room. Although we were dogged by technical trouble during the first few weeks, repairs were made to the projector, which is now working efficiently. The films are mainly of a scientific nature, although we have attempted to provide a balanced programme, with some films about literature, sculpture, ballet, and social problems. Unfortunately these latter films do not seem to be as popular as those of a more scientific nature. These included films of nuclear reactors, radar, hovercraft, electronics, chemical engineering, and hydraulic research. We are indebted to the staff of the British Embassy for their kindness in allowing us to use their films, and for their patience and their consideration to us in every way.

A. R. B.

Orchestral Concert

On Tuesday, November 19th, the Dublin Orchestral Players, conducted by Brian Boydell, gave a concert in the Clockroom. The programme began with Wagner's Prelude to *Die Meistersinger*, which is held by many to be Wagner's greatest overture. Professor Boydell explained how the three main themes in the work, representing three different characters in the opera, appear first separately and then at the same time. This overture is a very difficult

piece for amateurs, and the orchestra managed it very well.

It was followed by Symphony in D by J. C. Arriaga (1806-1826). As is usual with youthful symphonies, the two fast movements are more interesting than the slow one and minuet, and the first movement, a sprightly *Allegro Vivace* with a slow introduction, compares favourably with one of Schubert's early symphonies.

The work which the orchestra played best was Vaughan William's Concerto Grosso for strings, which consists of five short movements, the last of which, a march, leads back into a repeat of the first, an *Intrada*. In between there are a rather amusing *Burlesca Obstinata*, a Sarabande, and a Scherzo. This concerto is a fine work, even though it was only written for a school music festival. It was neatly played.

The programme ended with a highly enthusiastic performance of Malcolm Arnold's Four Scottish Dances. The first of these, an extremely vigorous Peasant Dance, is a brilliant piece of orchestration. It is followed by a *Vivace*, an *Allegretto*, and a *Con Brio*, equally well orchestrated. The orchestra played the Peasant Dance again as an encore.

The programme was well balanced, although they could have played something from an earlier period, and on the whole it was an enjoyable concert.

B. C. T.

The Choral Society

This year we are producing our most ambitious opera yet, "The Mikado" by Gilbert and Sullivan, for the School Concert. We have also been asked to produce the opera on the Monday after the Concert, in St. Paul's Parochial Hall, Glenageary. This year, once again, we have also been asked by the Dublin Grand Opera Society to supply the boys' chorus for their production of "Carmen." Our numbers are not as large as we would wish, but we hope that we will be able to make a success of this year's venture.

R. P. C.

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SENIOR CUP TEAM, 1963

Standing—A. F. Adair, A. Shaw, J. Owens, Mr. Lowry, D. F. Ford, J. Macdougald, M. Adams.
Seated—Mr. Cornish, M. Darlington, K. McCormick, D. Jackson (capt.), H. McClatchie,
S. Molins, Dr. Reynolds.

Cricket

This year all the High School teams were very successful. The "Under 14" and J.C.T. reached the semi-finals of their league and cup respectively, while the S.C.T. reached the semi-final of Section A in the Senior League. These results are all the more praiseworthy when it is remembered that cricket is only played voluntarily, and hence numbers are not as large as they might be.

The S.C.T. did well. They drew their three friendly matches, and defeated Wesley and

King's Hospital in the League, only to be defeated by Blackrock. The Old Boys match was played during Sports Week as usual. The Old Boys batted first and at one stage had lost four wickets for no runs. Unfortunately they recovered and declared at 88. High School fared badly in the first innings, but with a sporting second innings declaration by the Old Boys the match ended with the Old Boys only winning by 20 runs. With the nucleus of the 1st XI still in the school the prospects for next season are encouraging.

The J.C.T. also had a successful season beating Sandford Park and St. Andrew's College by large margins to reach the semi-final, where, however, they were beaten by Belvedere College. Of the three friendly matches the team played, two were drawn and the remaining one lost.

The "Under 14" kept up the high standard set by past "Under 14" teams. They were the most consistent team in the school, losing none of their five friendly matches. In the semi-final of the League they played St. Mary's College. The first encounter was drawn and in a very exciting replay High School were narrowly beaten by one wicket.

The "Under 13" and "Under 12" teams also played very well, and although their batting has not yet matured, it shows promise for the future.

Finally, we would like to congratulate A. F. Adair who was awarded the De Vere Shortt Cup for cricket.

J. P. M.

Rugby

	P.	W.	L.	D.
S.C.T.	12	5	6	1
2nd XV	6	4	1	1
J.C.T.	8	6	2	—
Under 14	7	3	4	—
Under 13	6	2	2	2
Under 12	4	2	2	—
Under 11	2	—	2	—

Our senior team has had mixed fortunes so far this season, having won or drawn half its twelve matches. The highlight was their exciting win over St. Columba's College under the experimental laws. They were unlucky in losing to Bangor Grammar School at Bangor where our rather light forwards stood up very well to a heavy Bangor pack. The forwards, however, are not yet a closely-knit unit and are suspect when conditions are wet. The backs pass well, but have only lately tightened up their defence.

The 2nd XV has an excellent record in their six matches and, while they have suffered from departures to the 1st XV, they are a good all-round side.

The J.C.T. has proved a well-balanced side and has improved greatly since the season started. The pack is quite heavy but needs to improve its coordination in the loose play. The

backs work well together in attack but their defence needs to be improved.

The "Under 14" team has been temperamental up to now, having won three of its seven games. Its most notable win was over Terenure College by 23 points to nil. The forwards are heavy but the backs have lacked penetration, and it is to be hoped that the team as a whole will settle down to a steady game after Christmas.

The "Under 13" team has lost only two of its six games and has been making steady progress all season.

The "Under 12" team is enthusiastic but not outstanding, having won half of its four matches, while the "Under 11" team has had two matches against strong opposition, which it lost.

Our congratulations to R. Carson, R. Wicklow, R. Taylor and G. Smith who have been awarded a Leinster Schools' Trial.

D. F. F.

Boxing

The Boxing Club has been meeting each Friday throughout the term, and we have had quite a good attendance. However, Mr. Myles and Mr. O'Connor, who has replaced Mr. Goulden, would like anybody who intends to enter for the championships in March to attend boxing at once next term. An all-out effort should be made by members to attend as frequently as possible. At present we have not enough regular attenders to make our championships as successful as in previous years.

R. M. H.

Swimming

Our swimming gala has been complimented as being one of the most efficient and well-organised in Dublin, and the Committee would like to thank all who helped at it. Congratulations to R. Burrows and D. Orr who won the senior and junior championships respectively. The all-round standard of swimming was high, but there is still room for improvement. Congratulations also to G. Caird and R. Burrows, who were on the team which won the Irish Junior Water Polo Cup and also represented Leinster against the other provinces.

The school squad was unbeaten by any of the Protestant secondary schools with which it competed and we hope this success will be

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G. J. C.

Mothers v. Boys Tennis Match

The annual tennis match between the mothers and boys was played on Tuesday, 25th July, at Leinster Stratford Tennis Club. Representing the mothers were: Mrs. Townsend, Mrs. Murphy, Mrs. Lloyd, Mrs. Priestman, Mrs. Sandes, and Mrs. Woods, while representing the boys were: S. Lee, D. Jackson, S. Molins, S. Dobbyn, D. Woods and D. Sandes. Unfortunately the match had to be declared a draw because of rain, although the boys were leading by 4 matches to 1. Our thanks, once more, are due to Leinster Stratford for letting us have the use of their courts.

D. A. W.

Athletics

The Junior School Sports were held on Wednesday, 26th June, at Danum and the boys took part in it with their usual enthusiasm, making it a success, although the weather was not in their favour.

Owing to bad weather the Senior Schools' Sports were postponed until the 14th September. There was quite a good attendance, but we would have liked to have seen more parents. In some races the competition was very keen which made the sports very enjoyable. The prizes were presented by Mrs. Dowse.

War Memorial Cup—A. Shaw.

Cunningham Cup—B. D. Carson and J. W. Orr.

Walker Cup (Mile)—G. Lloyd.

Moore Cup (220 yards Senior Championship)—A. Shaw.

Magill Cup (100 yards Junior Championship)—D. Carson.

Sloan Cup (Long Jump, Senior)—A. Shaw.

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Junior School Inter-House Relay—Abbey.

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Letter from the President

Dear Member,

It is my privilege to wish you all a happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year, and this I do most sincerely.

Looking back on the activities of our Union for the past year, I think we have every reason for voting it a successful one. Perhaps the most gratifying feature was the great strides made in reducing the debt on the new pavilion in Danum, which we presented to the School. To all who subscribed and to Mr. P. R. Walker, who is treasurer of the fund, go our thanks. I hope this year will see the debt completely wiped out. The Adelaide Hospital Scheme reached its target of £25. New subscribers would be welcome and I understand Mr. Ernest Frith has plenty of Bankers Order Forms.

The Annual Dance held early in November was an unqualified success as, I am sure, all who were present will agree. The Gresham Hotel made us feel very much at home, and I think it safe to say that the Dance is now back to its former glories.

I look forward to meeting many of you at the Annual Dinner on the 18th of January. To those of you who have yet to attend a dinner in the Clockroom I assure you that this is always a very enjoyable evening and an excellent



opportunity to talk of the days "that used to be."

To the boys of the school who will be leaving later in the year may I say that we look forward to enrolling many of them into the O.B.U. Even though it is quite a while to June they carry the best wishes of us all for their success in the future.

In conclusion I wish you all, once again, prosperity and above all happiness in 1964.

Yours sincerely,

CECIL G. MORTON.

Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting was held in the Boardroom on Friday, 18th October, 1963; the President, Mr. F. E. Tate, was in the Chair. The following items of note were contained in the Hon. Secretary's and Hon. Treasurer's reports:—

For the first time in almost 30 years our Annual Dance was changed from the first Satur-

day in November. It was held on Thursday, 31st October, 1962, and although it was very enjoyable, the number attending, 286, was the lowest for many years.

The Annual Dinner was held in the Clock-room on Saturday, the 19th January, 1963. 231 members and guests were present, compared with a record number of 246 last year. The principal guest was Mr. Erskine Childers.

The Ladies' Night was held in the University Club on Saturday, the 9th March, 1963.

Question-time was held on the 29th November, 1962. A collection of £12 9s. 7d. was taken towards the expenses of the annual rugby match between the School and Royal Edinburgh High School.

The new Old Boys' Union tie will be available shortly and a sample was shown to all present at the meeting.

Twenty-eight new members joined the Union during the year.

Our Union was represented at all U.I.S. and A.S.U. meetings and functions.

The Hon. Treasurer's report showed an excess of income over expenditure of £12 10s. 7d. for the year.

The annual donation of £25 was given to the Adelaide Hospital.

Subscriptions of £592 19s. 8d. were received towards the Danum Sports Pavilion Building Fund.

Annual Dinner 1964

The Annual Dinner will be held in the Clock-room on Saturday, 18th January, 1964. If you intend being present kindly advise the Hon. Secretary on the form enclosed with this issue of THE ERASMIAN.

London Dinner 1964

The 1964 London Dinner will be held on Friday, the 7th February. For full details, please see circular enclosed with this issue of THE ERASMIAN.

A.S.U. Athletics

The second annual competition for the Hennessey Cup was held in College Park on the 26th June, 1963. After a very close contest, in which five teams took part, St. Andrew's College O.B.U. were the winners with our O.B.U. team placed second.

Annual Dance 1963

Our Annual Dance returned to the first Saturday in November this year. It was held in the Gresham Hotel Ballroom; this change of venue proved to be very popular and everyone of the 400 members and friends present are looking forward to the first Saturday in November, 1964. Congratulations to Mr. M. G. Keartland and the dance committee.

New O.B.U. Tie

The new O.B.U. tie is now available to all members of the Old Boys' Union. It can only be purchased from the following outfitters: W. F. Burgess Ltd., 19 Duke Street; Gibson Price Ltd., 17 Suffolk Street, and R. Tyson Ltd., 57 Grafton Street, Dublin. Price 18/6 each.

News of Old Boys

N. H. K. Armstrong (1949-53) was awarded his Ph.D. by Queen's University in 1962, for his dissertation "Various aspects of moving striations in gas discharges."

J. E. Bardon (1953-59) has been awarded a Certificate of Merit in Composition by the University Philosophical Society for the past session.

C. W. Brownlee (1962-63) has joined the staff of Messrs. A. Guinness, Son & Co. Ltd.

H. W. Burgess (1939-41) has been appointed transport manager for W. & R. Jacob & Co.

D. Cooney (1944-48) has been awarded the oratory medal of the Insurance Institute of Ireland for the session 1962-63.

N. E. Darby (1954-59) is now medical photographer and specialist salesman to Messrs. F. Barrett & Co., wholesale photo-technical suppliers.

R. S. Darby (1952-54) is a jewellery designer, with his own establishment at 24 Dame Street, Dublin.

I. D. Doak (1952-59) has been awarded a bursary of £300 by the Graduate School of Engineering Studies in T.C.D. to enable him to take the M.Sc. course in Computer Applications.

Rev. V. S. Dungan (1927-35) has produced a booklet entitled "The Young Person's Church Catechism" in which the Church Catechism is explained for children.

Lieut. G. N. Eames (1948-55) has been transferred from the Royal Navy to the Royal Marines and is at present stationed at Deal.

W. G. G. Fisher (1946-57) won the Dermatology prize and came second in E.N.T. and Ophthalmology prize in the Adelaide Hospital, 1963.

D. G. Fitzpatrick (1945-55) has obtained the Diploma in Obstetrics of the Royal College of Obstetrics and Gynaecology.

Garrett E. Gill (1924-26), barrister-at-law, has been called to the Inner Bar.

G. W. Griffin (1943-48) has been appointed assistant manager of Dean & Dawson, Southsea, a subsidiary of Thomas Cook & Son. His present address is: 51 Hill Road, Porchester, Farnham, Hants.

M. S. Haskins (1949-55) has obtained his B.A. degree in English Literature, in April, 1963, at the University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, Canada.

Spencer Hayes (1946-55) has been awarded his Master of Science degree and is now working with a firm of Farm Management Consultants in Sussex.

S. H. Heaney (1947-57) has been awarded the Silver Medal of the Dublin University Biological Society. He also won

the silver medal and Hudson prize, the Gynaecological prize and tied for second place in the Dermatology prize in the Adelaide Hospital, 1963.

W. A. Hughes (1937-43) has been appointed catering supervisor for Brown & Polson (Ireland) Ltd.

N. D. Knowles (1948-56) is assistant engineer in Papua. An extract from a letter from him appears on an earlier page.

G. C. S. Linney (1952-56) is on the staff of the Royal Bank, Lucan.

K. D. Linney (1944-49), after spending several years at sea and travelling over the world, is now in the Scientific Department of the Oxford C.I.D.

D. V. McCamley (1956-62), who is with the Royal Insurance Co., came first in the qualifying examinations of the Insurance Institute of Ireland.

J. T. McDonough (1944-49) was home on leave in the summer from Nigeria, where he is manager of the Royal Exchange Assurance Co.

D. J. Maynard, B.A.I. (1952-58) is on the staff of Messrs. McCabe and Delaney, Consulting Engineers.



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T. W. R. Meates (1943-54), who played for the Wolfhounds against the Oxford and Cambridge XV, is Captain of Wanderers Rugby Football Club this season.

J. R. Montgomery (1949-56) has been appointed assistant manager in the A.P.C.K. Bookshop, Dawson Street.

C. S. O hEigeartaigh (1961-62) has been awarded the "Marked Thanks" of the College Historical Society for oratory, and a book prize for composition.

T. O'Malley (195-59) has been appointed assistant manager on a tea estate in Assam, controlled by the Pabbojan Tea Co. Ltd., India.

David Orr (1931-40) has been appointed a Vice-President of Unilever and has moved with his family to New York.

R. W. Scales (1955-61), who is now with Messrs. Waters Ltd., obtained first place in Ireland and fifth in the overall placing in these islands, in the Intermediate Hardware Examination of the National Institute of Hardware. He was awarded the Bowmaker prize and the Hardware Association Journal prize.

Squadron Leader W. J. Stevenson (1931-38), who is a medical officer in the Royal Canadian Air Force and was recently stationed in France and Germany, has been appointed a flight surgeon at the Canadian Armed Forces Prairie Medical Region Headquarters in Winnipeg, Manitoba.

G. J. Taylor (1928-30) has been appointed assistant general manager of the British and Irish Steam Packet Company.

R. N. Walker (1949-53), who is in the Cork branch of the Norwich Union Fire Insurance Society, has been elected a Fellow of the Chartered Insurance Institute.

Dr. William Warnock (1922-29), Irish Ambassador to Switzerland, has been appointed also to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to Austria.

Canon F. A. G. Willis (1922-31) is joint editor of the new Church of Ireland Gazette.

G. B. Wisdom (1948-58), who received a Diploma in Public Administration in 1962, is now doing research in the Department of Biochemistry in Trinity College.

Deaths

Ronald Henry Shortt (1913-15), August 8, 1963.

Marriages

Michael Berman (1946-52) to **Marie Bagot**, October 8, 1963.

Michael Byrne (1952-56) to **Patricia Ennis**, July 27, 1963.

Desmond O'Donnell Ferris (1953) to **Robin Richardson**, June 8, 1963.

David Fish (1953-58) to **Myrtle Chambers**, June 1, 1963.

Godfrey Fisher (1946-57) to **Hilary White**, June 27, 1963.

Kenneth Gregory (1952-58) to **Heather Arnold**, August 31, 1963.

Noel Kenneth Henderson (1947-50) to **Isobel Davidson**, September, 1963.

Norman Kilroy (1951-56) to **Dorothy Vaughan**, September 7, 1963.

Peter McMurtry (1945-50) to **Dorothy Carol Rowden**, August 3, 1963.

David Henry Mogerley (1949-58) to **Barbara Ann Marshall**, October 12, 1963.

Douglas Pedlow (1952-55) to **Betty Price**, June, 1963.

William Wilson (1948-53) to **Elizabeth Elwin**, in Hong Kong, summer 1963.

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