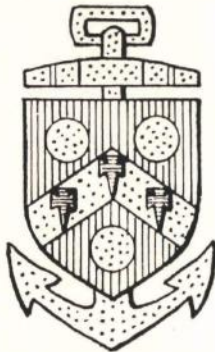


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EDITORIAL

IN our more youthful days we remember scanning the Editorials of our Illustrious Predecessors. In youthful complacency we contemptuously stated, in no uncertain tone, that had we produced such loathsome concoctions we would have been only too delighted to oblige our fellow creatures by relinquishing for ever this happy world, with a prospect of eternal damnation before us.

Now, alas! our Nemesis has overtaken us, and we find ourselves seated in the Editorial Chair doing penance for our sins. What can we possibly hope to achieve, even were we to burn all the midnight oil which lies in the distant shores of Teheran?

We note with reverence the numerous quotations from the Classical Authors with which our esteemed editorial forerunners sprinkled so liberally their efforts. This is a feat which we cannot emulate as we have not a large store of these useful articles. We are loth to rush in where angels fear to tread by remarking on such recent innovations as a School Uniform, prayers from the other end of the Clockroom, and more severely enforced bans on the many established, though illegal, customs by which the suppressed yet irrepressible inmates formerly strove to preserve themselves from the wrath of the gods.

We leave comment on these dangerous topics to more foolhardy wielders of the pen, and so release our readers to enjoy the treasures of literature within.

Dr. Alton

Ernest Henry Alton was a pupil at The High School from 1885 to 1892, when he entered Trinity College, Dublin. In 1894 he obtained first classical scholarship, and in his subsequent career won the Wray prize, Berkeley medal, and Vice-Chancellor's medal. In 1896 he graduated with a first senior moderatorship in classics, a senior moderatorship in philosophy, a classical studentship, and the Vice-Chancellor's prize. In 1903 he won the Madden prize and in 1905 became a Fellow. In 1927 he was appointed Professor of Latin, and later became a Senior Fellow and Registrar. In 1922 he was elected to represent Dublin University

in Dáil Éireann, and in 1938 became a member of the Senate. He won an international reputation as a scholar by his work on the *Fasti* of Ovid, and among the honours which came to him were Doctorates from the Universities of Padua and Oxford.

Dr. Alton always took a keen interest in his old school, being a member of the Board of Governors since 1909 and its Chairman for many years. He was also Patron of the Old Boys' Union. The School mourns his loss as a distinguished Old Boy and a faithful friend.

ERNEST ALTON

An Appreciation

The crowd which filled Trinity College Chapel for the funeral service for the late Provost bore testimony to the esteem and affection in which he was held by so many

people. It is not, however, of Ernest Alton as Provost that I am writing; I am not fitted to do that, though I may say that, from what I have been told, he earned the highest praise for his chairmanship of the Board and the discharge of his duties as such.



DR. ERNEST ALTON

I first heard of Alton when we were at High School together, I a pupil in the Upper First, he in the Lower Fourth. In that form he did what no boy before him had ever done—he gained an exhibition in the Junior Grade Intermediate Examination. At that time the Lower Fourth was peopled by boys who were either

comparative duffers or too young to hope to do well in the Junior Grade Exam.

Of course a long list of successes in the Intermediate Exams, and in Trinity College followed; no more of that. I wish merely to set him down as a friend who will never be forgotten; as a footballer who played Rugby with his heart and soul and who followed up like a human bullet; as a classical scholar of the first rank; above all as a very great and enthusiastic lover of Trinity College, for the reputation of which he did much and would have done more had he been spared; and finally as Chairman of the Board of Governors of the schools founded by Erasmus Smith, Esquire, which he became after the death of William Thrift, another High School Old Boy and Provost of Trinity College.

As regards the last-named post, Alton was advised by his friends to resign the chairmanship as it meant a good deal of work in addition to his very onerous duties as Provost both inside and outside Trinity College. However, he attended the Board meetings whenever he could after he had resigned the chairmanship.

Assuredly, High School has a right to be proud of her son.

C. H. D

John Eglinton

H. R. CHILLINGWORTH, M.A.

William Kirkpatrick Magee, known for more than a generation by his pen-name of John Eglinton, has been offered a Doctor's degree in Letters by Dublin University, where he graduated in 1890. Parnell was alive in 1890, but near his untimely end; Gladstone was 81, but still a Member of Parliament; Mr. de Valera was an eight-year-old youngster. Most of the other loud speakers of our time were still (as one might say) unassembled. The great Victorian Age was coming to a dignified close, in spite of revolutionary Darwinism and the slings and arrows of Haeckel and T. H. Huxley. Browning had died in 1889; Tennyson, a little older than Browning, was still writing. I do not know when John Eglinton began to write, but W. K. Magee, we may be sure, had entered the service of the Muses before 1890. In his latest volume, a selection from his poems, there are verses entitled "The Spring Moon", which are dated *circa* 1890", verses too cunningly worded to have been the work of an inexperienced craftsman.

At T.C.D., to judge from references in his essays, one of the most lasting influences was that of Edward Dowden. For W.K.M. and his teacher there was probably a fundamental similarity of outlook. Dowden's young mind had been exercised on The Shorter Catechism and I should say that the same remarkable work had a good deal to do with W.K.M.'s early training.

I remember Dowden testifying to the catechism's educational value, and certainly the answer to its first question is remarkable enough to catch the attention even of a school-boy, and to give a bent to reflective minds which should last a lifetime. The essay on Dowden (Irish Literary Portraits) is to me one of John Eglinton's best, but admiration for its subject has no doubt influenced the judgment of a fellow-worshipper.

John Eglinton was nearly a generation younger than Dowden, and at that period of our country's history such a difference in years might have alienated the pupil from his teacher. It was the eve of revolution, a period of great expectations, not unlike that of the Young Irelanders. Anglo-Ireland, through its scholars and poets, began again to be interested in Gaelic matters—in the revival of the ancient speech and, here and there, in a tailor's modification of the ancient garb. The stage Irishman was banished from our theatres, and his place was taken by the creations of Lady Gregory, J. M. Synge, G.B.S., and others. Irishmen felt that it was a good time to be alive—and young—in Ireland.

How far John Eglinton went with his contemporaries I cannot say. He was a friend of Æ (whose biographer he became) and also of George Moore, and there is no reason for suspecting the genuineness of these friendships. He was one of the very few acquaintances whom Moore seemed unable to make fun of. But the friend of men so different as George Russell the practical idealist and George Moore the cynic (?) could not be an extremist. John Eglinton, I feel sure, has always been a lover of Ireland and its people, but the admirer of the fundamentally liberal Dowden was never likely to accept uncritically the political programmes of the Irish majority.

J.E. is potentially a citizen of the world, but, while waiting for the formation of a world State, he is content to be a citizen of the British Commonwealth, the model of the only kind of world State fit for free peoples.

(By Courtesy "Irish Times")

[William Kirkpatrick Magee was a pupil at The High School from 1881 to 1886. He was a contemporary of W. B. Yeats, and in June, 1939, we had the privilege of publishing an article which he wrote for THE ERASMIAN, giving his recollections of the poet at school.]

Belleek Ware

The town of Belleek at first sight would appear of no more importance than the average country town, but in actual fact it is one of the principal dollar-earning towns in the British Isles. I will now try to explain how the very fine china which earns these dollars is made.

The first process is the baking of the spar for fifteen hours, which is then pulverised and mixed with china clay and powdered glass for five days in big conches where it becomes liquid. This liquid is poured into moulds where it is left for three or four minutes for a shell to form on the outside, after which the surplus liquid is poured off.

The handles and the shells which form the feet of the cups are shaped by hand and are fixed to the cups with the same mixture as the article is made of. They are then put in trays and baked for forty-eight hours in tall brick ovens. When they come out they are glazed so as to give the china a polish. They are then tested under a powerful electric bulb for any flaws in the china and again they are baked for fifteen hours to harden the glaze. Now comes the final process which consists of the painting and final baking. The painting is all hand done, after which the article is baked for twelve hours.

For the fancy baskets, plates, etc., the soft mixture is cut into fine strips which are woven over a mould of the required shape and baked for the same time as the solid articles. The different parts of the flowers are also made of the soft mixture and then fixed together to form the complete flower.

Belleek ware is very popular with tourists and has a world-wide reputation. Exports to America total about £200 daily. The pottery was built at Belleek because at one time china clay was to be found there, but now the supply is exhausted and the raw material is imported from Cornwall.

G. H. BLEAKLEY (Form 3A).

Speed

In dealing with the speed of animals, birds and fish one must remember that the animal, whatever it may be, probably could go a fair amount faster than has been recorded. It depends whether the creature is just cruising along or is hunting or being hunted.

First I will deal with birds. The effect of the wind upon the speed of the bird must also be taken into account. Size has little to do with speed, but the build of the bird has. Take a bird like the Woodcock, which is rather heavily built but fairly small; it has been recorded as going 13 m.p.h. But the Turkey Vulture, a large bird, does only 21 m.p.h. Next compare the Swift, a small bird with wonderful flying powers (it gets its food while flying, therefore it is built for that purpose); it has been recorded as doing 68 m.p.h. Here are the speeds of a few other birds: Homing Pigeon 39 m.p.h. (there is a case of a Pigeon travelling 20 miles in 20 minutes); Mallard Duck 60 m.p.h.; Peregrine Falcon 62 m.p.h.; finally the Golden Eagle, which has been recorded as flying at 100 m.p.h., and could probably nearly double that speed in a power dive. I think I can safely say it is the fastest of all living creatures.

Animals on land on the whole are not so fast as birds in the air, although some high speeds have been attained. The animal that doubles up when it runs seems to be faster than those that do not. A Fox has been recorded as going 20 m.p.h., while a Jack Rabbit can do 45 m.p.h., and a Hare 35 m.p.h. The Elephant, a great deal larger, does about 24 m.p.h. when charging. Some animals can go at a fairly high speed for a long distance; for instance, Prongbuck have been known to maintain an average of 36 m.p.h. over a distance of 27 miles. Here again are a few more speeds: Kangaroo 30 m.p.h.; Greyhound (racing) 37 m.p.h.; Antelope 45 m.p.h.; Mongolian Goitred Gazelles 60 m.p.h.; Racehorse (Man o' War 43 m.p.h., Hyperion 34.6 m.p.h.); lastly the Cheetah, which has been recorded as travelling at 70 m.p.h. for about one-quarter of a mile, is as far as I know the fastest animal on land.

Speeds in water are again less than those on land. An Octopus has been recorded as doing 4 m.p.h.; Eels travel at about 7.5 m.p.h.; Salmon at about 25 m.p.h., the same as the Humpback Whale; Tunnies swim at about 44

m.p.h. The Swordfish, I think, is probably the fastest fish; it has been recorded as doing 60 m.p.h.
J. H. ARCHER (Form 3B).

Meditations

While here I stand and contemplate the splendours of the universe,
A mighty tree, a fragile bridge display themselves before mine eyes,
And silent stands a little house beneath whose sill the mighty torrents
Ever boiling, fall to the endless depths below;
As if God in all His wrath had hurled the powers of hell from place to place,
Battered with His shining sword the hundred hissing heads of hell
That, roaring, rush in burning billows to be calmed at last by Him,
And to rise transformed, as softly rippling calms wherein the fish
May find repose. And thus for many miles it flows winding through
The little valleys and th' innumerable hills.
Then, O! sight unholy,
It passes underneath a bridge not formed with super-human hands
But made, by man's design, with many miserable machines
And uncreative power. Ah! let us not proceed too far, or to our eyes
Will come the "civilized", and anti-natural sights of Dublin. J. S. DAWSON (Form 3B).

"Blow thy Trumpet, O Louis"

or JAZZ: THE TWO KINDS

I am writing this article in order to clear up a point: Dance Music (as played by Ted Heath and Geraldo), contrary to what most people believe, is NOT jazz music. Some (dance) bands play what they call "jazz" tunes (e.g. "The Ivory Rag") or "jazz" arrangements of light orchestral music (e.g. the Geraldo version of "Charmaine"). That sort of music is NOT jazz.

Many people use the expression "jazz" or "modern jazz" to describe dance music. J. Dawson in the December issue of THE ERASMIAN was no exception. I doubt, however, if he or very many other people know what "jazz" really is.

There are two kinds of jazz, traditional and modern. Traditional jazz is the New Orleans

brand of jazz music, mainly derived from negro spirituals, work songs and the "Blues". Modern jazz is jazz music that has been composed during the last fifteen years or so. "Be-bop" (or "bop") is a mixture of commercial dance music and modern jazz.

Jazz in its early days was crude; it had a lot of feeling and rhythm but hardly anything else. This was because it was suppressed and it was just treated as crude music—"all right for the negroes to play" but not music that "any self-respecting white man" would admit to liking or playing.

But after World War One jazz "broke out" in New Orleans, and as it spread north it got more highly polished, until people like Hoagy Carmichael and George Gershwin started writing jazz classics and music influenced by jazz syncopation (e.g. "Rhapsody in Blue" by Gershwin).

Although jazz-men argue whether modern or traditional jazz is best, one thing is certain: any type of jazz is guaranteed to set your feet tapping!

FRANK R. BAIGEL (Form 3A).

A Sad Thought

Brain gone dumb and fingers numb,
Poetic utterance will not come.
I'm only wasting time and ink,
For blest if I can even think.
Cannot write in prose or verse,
Cannot even draw a line.
'Fraid THE ERASMIAN won't have
Anything of mine.

R. WALKER (Form 3B).

Impressions of Ireland

—BY A NORWEGIAN BOY

We came over here to Ireland in the autumn. At first I did not like Mount Merrion very much. Now I like it. I have not been round to see much of Ireland, but in the summer I will travel to other places. I do not like the winter here because it is so wet. It is nice in Ireland in the spring, and we have flowers here in the winter. In Norway we have not got flowers in the winter; we have only snow.

I do not like the stone walls over here because they look so grey.

The food here is a little bit different from what it is in Norway. Here they drink very

much tea and eat bacon, ham and loaf bread. In Norway they eat brown bread and drink milk and coffee. They do not eat very much loaf bread, sweets and cakes. It is only a few people that drink tea in Norway.

The schools in Norway are made of wood and they are painted every summer. Some of the schools in Ireland are not as clean as those we have. The coal makes the schools not so clean. We always use wood over there for fires.

FOLKE DAHL (J5, age 13).

A Story

In a town in sunny Italy, whose name is so difficult to pronounce that most people have forgotten it, lived a little Italian boy called Peppo. He was very poor.

One day he was walking down the street when his quick, brown eyes noticed Madame Marco, a rich, retired Italian singer, coming out of a big shop and getting into her beautiful car and driving away.

Peppo saw something lying on the road. He ran forward and found it was a beautiful bag. He opened it and found it belonged to Madame Marco. There were papers and letters and a purse with a lot of money in it.

At first Peppo was tempted to keep the purse, but he changed his mind and he ran to her house to return the bag. When he got there the gatekeeper would not let him in, so at the back of the grounds he scaled the wall and went to the hall door, but the butler, who answered the door, would not let him in until Peppo told him about the bag. Then he was brought straight to Madame Marco's sitting-room, where she was.

The old lady was so pleased that she gave Peppo a large sum of money as a reward, and said, "Thanks to your honesty, I have regained some very valuable papers."

Peppo never felt happier in all his life.

I. A. Fox (J5, age 11½).

Our School Aquarium

In school we have an aquarium containing fish, newts, water beetles, and the larvae of different insects. I think the newts are the most interesting. The male newt has a crest and is more colourful than the female. The female is brown with blackish spots underneath. One of the newts has laid eggs. We have a big water

beetle that killed a newt and then ate it. Water beetles are interesting to watch as they have to come to the top of the water to breathe through their tails. The water beetle larva is a vicious creature; it will kill anything that is put in the jar with it.

We used to have water spiders but they escaped. I noticed that the water spiders do not move their back legs when they are walking on the top of the water. We have tadpoles as well. They have nearly developed into frogs, so we are going to leave them back in the pond very soon.

M. W. TAYLOR (J4, age 10).

A View from a Hilltop

It is a warm summer day and I am standing on top of a hill. On my right there is a small pond, with two boys fishing in it. Near it there is a pine wood, with cones strewn all over the ground. Yes! I will sit on that stile. As I look over the forest, which is on a lower level than I am, I see a harbour with yachts dotted about on the rippling water. What a pretty little cottage that is, with blue smoke from a peat fire coming out of the broken-down chimney. All the way down the hill there are ragged rocks, like the teeth of tremendous giants. On the horizon there is a ship with black smoke coming out of its funnel. It is hazy out at sea and I can barely see the islands that are there. All these things make up a really beautiful picture.

D. J. CHALLEN (J3, age 9).

A Visit to the Museum

On May 20th Miss Smyth took 12 boys out of J4 to the Museum. When we got there one of the keepers took our bags, then we went on. We saw one of the biggest Sun Fish ever caught off the Irish coast. Then there were stoats. In one side of the glasscase the stoats were brown and in the other they were white. In one of the cases I saw the smallest insect I have ever seen. We then went up the stairs to the second room. In it was a gorilla, and the skeleton of a man and his horse. Then I looked up and saw a huge whale. I asked a keeper how big it was and he said it was 65 feet long. Having gone up another flight of stairs we saw a whole lot of butterflies. After that we went home, having had a very nice afternoon.

B. BOYCE (J4, age 11).

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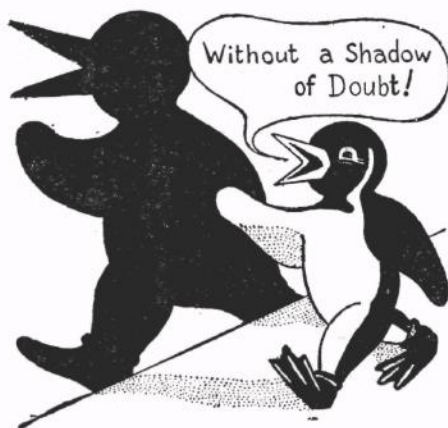
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SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

School News

WE record with regret the death of Dr. E. H. Alton, Provost of Trinity College, Dublin, and Patron of the High School Old Boys' Union; also the deaths in a tragic flying accident of two other Old Boys, Arthur Whiteside and John Benson. We offer our deepest sympathy to the bereaved.

At the end of the Christmas Term we said farewell to Miss Furney, who has gone to Liverpool to take up nursing. We wish her every success in her new career. We welcome to the Staff Miss Blakeney, who takes Miss Furney's position in the Junior School, and Mr. Tony Myles, who comes as Physical Training Instructor. We say farewell to "Johnnie" Nelson, who has resigned after a long connection with the High School both as Boxing Instructor and Gymnastic Instructor.

On the 15th March a presentation was made in the Clockroom to the School Secretary, Miss Pamela Sockett, who had resigned in view of her approaching marriage. We wish our former Secretary and her husband every happiness in their married life. We welcome as School Secretary Mrs. G. Danefield, B.A.

We congratulate Mr. Dillon on his re-election as a member of the Registration Council for Secondary Teachers, Ireland. We congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Goulden on the birth of a daughter on 20th December, 1951, and Mr. and Mrs. O'Kane on the birth of a daughter on 24th March, 1952. We also congratulate Mr. Goulden on his election to the Council of the Royal Society of Antiquaries, Ireland.

On the 26th April a dinner was held by the Staff, in the Cumberland Hotel, to celebrate the 65th birthday of Mr. W. R. Wilson, and a presentation was made to him as a token of esteem for his long service to the School. We hope that Mr. Wilson will continue to be a member of the Staff for many years to come.

A silver cup for cricket has been very generously presented by an Old Boy, Dr. C. G. de Vere Shortt. The cup will be awarded annually to the best bat on the 1st XI.

In the All-Ireland Secondary Schools Athletic Championships D. Johnston, repre-

senting Leinster, came 1st in the Junior 220 yards, thus repeating the success achieved by E. Kimberley in the same event in 1951. Johnston set up an Irish schools' record of 25.2 seconds. He also came 1st in the Junior 100 yards and was a member of the victorious Leinster Junior Relay Team. We congratulate Johnston on his splendid running which has earned him his Athletic Colours and a special medal from the School.

A welcome visitor to the School during the Easter Term was Mrs. Palmer, who brought with her for the School Libraries a large number of books which had belonged to her son Edgar. Mrs. Palmer—formerly Miss Una Wilkins, a daughter of the famous Headmaster—had received part of her education in the School, and recalled with interest the year when she joined the class taught by Mr. Cousins in what is now Mr. Johnson's room. Mrs. Palmer's photograph is to be seen in several of the School groups taken during her childhood, along with her brothers Maurice (until his retirement Headmaster of Bangor Grammar School) and Edgar, who died a few years ago after a distinguished career in the medical profession.

We were very pleased to be visited by a number of Old Boys:

Lt.-Colonel F. G. Bestall (1921-28), of the Foreign Office, who was back from San Jose, has now been appointed as First Secretary to the British Embassy in Buenos Aires, where the Ambassador is another High School Old Boy—Sir Henry Mack.

Jack C. Robson (1908-1912), who is a Director of J. T. Robson and Son Ltd., of Fleet St., London, visited the School in May. In the same month we had a visit from G. E. Middleton (1937-39), who was in the Film Division of the Admiralty, and has now taken up an industrial appointment in Manchester. He has just completed a colour film for the Ulster Tourist Board, in which he has done both photography and commentary.

In February we were visited by A. M. Grey (1937-44), who was in Dublin for the marriage of his brother, T. G. Grey (1934-41). He is at present in Newcastle-on-Tyne engaged in the supervising side of ship-building.

In the same month a letter arrived from an Old Boy, J. Louvrier (1931-34), who has an hotel, Grand Hotel des Bains, at Val-André-Plage, Côtes-du-Nord, France. He sends for the information of any Old Boys or others who may intend to visit France information on the charges in his hotel. April, May, June, 900-1,000 francs, according to room; July, August, 1,200-1,800 francs (rooms with bath).

A collection made for the Royal National Life Boat Institution on 7th May realised £2-6-1.

Over one hundred senior boys and girls from Dublin schools attended a conference organised by the Student Christian Movement in the Clockroom on Friday, 8th February. The topic for consideration was "Protestants in Ireland", and the principal speakers were Rev. G. G. Myles, M.A. (Principal of Wesley College); Rev. R. G. Livingstone, M.A. (Centenary Methodist Church); Rev. W. G. P. Cooper, M.A., M.C. (Malahide), and Rev. B. Graeme-Cooke (Irish S.C.M. Secretary).

During the Easter and Summer Terms a number of outings took place; on the 29th March a party of boys went with Mr. O'Kane to see the film "Hamlet"; on the 27th May 75 boys went with Mr. Lowry and Mr. Duke to a Radio Eireann Symphony Concert, where in addition to enjoying an interesting programme they heard an explanation of the organisation and the working of a symphony orchestra, with a demonstration of the part played by various instruments; in the same month a number of boys went to see the play "Just William" produced by the Children's Theatre in the Olympia. The Junior School has also had its outings, with two for Nature Study to Stepside, accompanied by Miss Blakeney, and one to the Natural History Museum, accompanied by Miss Smith.

During the Winter Term a large party of Senior Chemistry students visited the lead chamber sulphuric acid plant of Messrs. W. and H. M. Goulding Ltd., Alexandra Road. The process was followed from raw pyrites and rock phosphate through to "superphosphate" fertiliser. The visit was much enjoyed, not the least part being a film show and tea. Our best thanks are due to our conductors for their painstaking and cheerful instruction and to Mr. J. W. Parkes, who arranged the visit.

A visit was arranged to Pye Radio, Dundrum, and about 16 boys were shown over the

factory during the Easter holidays. The visit was interesting, but the wireless hobbyists were disappointed that there was so little technical information available.

A small party of Science and Maths. specialists were privileged to visit the seismograph and weather station at Rathfarnham Castle. Thanks to the kindness of Rev. J. Moore, S.J., who sacrificed an afternoon to show the party the seismographs and how they record earth tremors, a visit of absorbing interest was enjoyed. We would like to record the thanks of the School to Rev. J. Moore, S.J., and to Rev. M. Brennan, S.J., who arranged the visit.

The Annual Break-up Party was held at the end of the Christmas Term. There were 120 boys and partners present and a pleasant evening's entertainment was enjoyed.

The Fifth Form Social Club organised a dance in the Clockroom on January the 12th. This was the most successful dance held in the School for many years. Over 200 were present. Maurice Bryan, B.Sc., was Master of Ceremonies and the music was by George Lynn and his band.

J5 has shown great enterprise in producing a Form Magazine, composed, bound and decorated by members of the Form.

COMHÁIRDEACAS LE K. H. Sherwood, a DUARÉ PEANN-COBAR DE BARR PEADARIS A LÉINN-SCRIBNEÓIR-EACETA I SCOMÓRTAS AN "Times Pictorial".

Boys of the Senior School heard two interesting and informative lectures from Old Boys during term, one from D. B. W. Good (1915-25), Barrister-at-law, at present Legal Adviser to Selangor, Malaya, on conditions and prospects in the British Colonial Service; the other from H. G. Yates (1919-22), M.A., ex-University Student, Mathematics, T.C.D., on Engineering.

We Congratulate:—

Julian Dawson on obtaining 1st Place, Junior Organ, at the Feis Ceoil.

E. H. Winter on obtaining 2nd Place, Junior Violin, in the Father Mathew Feis. Winter also played in the Radio Eireann programme, "Children at the Microphone".

A. G. A. Parkes on being awarded an exhibition of £30 a year in the Leys School, Cambridge.

Boys who left to take up positions during the School Year September, 1951-June, 1952

Agar, William Gerald. Left 8-4-52. Guinness and Mahon, Private Bankers, Dublin.
 Coates, Charles Edward. Left January, 1952. Scottish Provident Institution.
 Dawson, Derek John Alexander. Left February, 1952. Irish Lights Office.
 Dunwoody, George Pullin. Left September, 1952. Hodgins, Harris and Co. Ltd., Chartered Accountants.
 Forsyth, John. Left 8-2-52. Beckmann and Holiday, Importers and Exporters.
 Fox, Alfred Basil. Left 26th April, 1952. Liverpool, London and Globe Insurance Co., Dublin.
 Gillanders, William Samuel. Left January, 1952.
 Glover, Stanley John. Left September, 1951. Messrs. Spicers (Ireland) Ltd.
 Jarrett, Edward. Left December, 1951. General Accident, Fire and Life Assurance Corporation Ltd.
 Jones, Norman Victor. Left February, 1952. Guardian Assurance Co. Ltd.
 Pearson, Norman Rodney. Left 30-5-52. Dublin Dressing Co.
 Probert, Arthur John. Left January, 1952. T.C.D., working for B.Comm.

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The Editorial Committee of THE ERASMIAN invites literary contributions from present and past pupils, especially from Old Boys overseas, and all others interested in the School.

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Competition

The standard of entries for the June, 1952, competition was not high enough to deserve the prizes offered, but consolation prizes of 5/- each have been awarded to F. R. Baigel (Senior) and J. S. Dawson (Junior). The balance of the prize money will be carried forward to December, 1952, and awarded to the best contributions to that issue.



PREFECTS, 1951-52.

J. W. Dowse, G. Clarke, I. R. McAulay, C. C. Walker, B. M. McCracken, B. R. Wilkinson, W. M. Gregory.

Lending Library

We wish to thank Mrs. Bennett, Mr. C. H. Darley (Chairman of the Board of Governors), and an Old Boy, E. W. Frith, for generous gifts of books to the School library; also the following boys: W. G. Agar (2), W. A. McCoubrey (1), W. N. McDonnell (6), W. Riddall (1), W. G. Sherry (4), E. C. Tutty (1). We also wish to thank Lansdowne R.F.C. for sending us two copies of the recently published history of the club.

Our Contemporaries

We acknowledge with thanks receipt of the following magazines: Bishop Foy School, Waterford, Magazine, "C.A.I." (Coleraine Academical Institution), "The Columban", "Portora", "R.S.D." (Royal School, Dungannon), Wesley College Magazine.

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A visit to the Dublin Zoo
 Is really very good for you.
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 They try to do their tricks, and fall.
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 His eyes are small and his trunk is long.
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L. COOMBS (J4, age 10½).

School Concert

4th-5th April, 1952

When Dr. Bennett became Headmaster in 1928 a series of Annual School Concerts was started which continued without interruption until war conditions in 1940 brought it to an end. In 1928 we started in a small way and progressed yearly until in 1939 we produced "The Mikado". History may well repeat itself, for now, in the first year of Dr. Reynolds' Headmastership, we have held what we hope to be the first of a new series of Annual School Concerts. There was very little time for preparation—in fact, only one term—and a special effort was made to see that those boys taking external examinations were not asked to assist. We append the programme for the purpose of reference and congratulate all who contributed to its success.

PROGRAMME

1. "The Pied Piper of Hamelin" (Robert Browning). Form J3. Produced by Miss D. V. Orr. Prologue: N. A. Simms. Mayor: R. O. Wormell. Piper: B. E. Killen. Corporation: D. A. Tansley. H. F. Price, D. W. Rowell. N. D. Egan. Citizens: W. Parkin, D. J. Challen, D. L. Handy, E. R. Millard, D. W. Gill, M. J. Hyland, M. C. Gorman. Children: D. J. Bryans, W. A. Fisher, E. D. Williams, J. G. Fildes, J. S. Brownlee, A. K. Pope, M. W. Boyce, A. K. Dungan.
2. Two Songs. Produced by Miss D. V. Orr. Form J4. "Spring Song" (Beethoven). "Missing" (Fraser-Simpson). Christopher Robin: A. P. Burgess. Aunt Rose: M. W. Taylor. Uncle John: P. Cochrane.
3. Piano Solo. J. D. Reynolds. Form J4. "A Lesson" (Diabelli) and "Minuet in D Minor" (Bach).
4. French Songs. Class work with Mr. G. W. Keegan. Form 2A. Frère Jacques. A la claire Fontaine. Alouette. En passant par la Lorraine. Sur le pont d'Avignon. Le Vieux Roi Chou. La Marseillaise.
5. "Elegy on the Death of a Mad Dog" (Oliver Goldsmith). Form J5. Narrator: I. A. Fox. The Man: T. F. Dahl. The Dog: T. R. Shepherd. Neighbours: M. A. Batts, S. C. Quick, D. J. Johnston.
6. Violin Solo. E. H. Winter. Form 2A. Minuet from Berenice (Handel). Minuet and Trio (Mozart).
7. "Le Petit Chaperon Rouge." Produced by Mr. G. W. Keegan. Form 3A. La Mère: R. L. Berman. Suzanne: R. Beste. Le Loup: J. K. Hilton. La Grand-mère: A. M. Gann. Trois Bûcherons: J. D. Oakes, G. Bleakley, J. T. Paul.
8. Piano Solo. J. S. Dawson. Form 3B. Courante in E (Bach). Sonata in C. First movement (Mozart). Minuet in E flat (Beethoven). Andante in E (Beethoven).
9. The School Choir. (Treble soloist: W. F. Smyth.) "The Dandlin' Song" (Traditional). "I know a bank" (Martin Shaw). "O for the wings of a dove" (Mendelssohn). "The Robin Song" (Warrell).

INTERVAL

10. "Teach na mBocht" (Lady Gregory and Douglas Hyde). Form 2A. Produced by Mr. J. R. Goulden and Mrs. R. W. Reynolds. Colm: G. S. Lewis. Padraig: C. E. Riddall. Maistrears tige na mbocht: E. H. Winter. Bean: C. G. Hyland. Doirseoir: H. E. Killeen.
11. Piano Solo. J. S. Dawson. Form 3B. Sonata in C sharp minor—"Moonlight" (Beethoven).
12. Two Folk Tales. The School Choir and Form 1C. Sir Eglamore: N. D. Simpson. The Dragon: T. T. Green and J. P. Naismith. Little Old Woman: D. W. McClatchie. Pedlar: J. K. Graham. The Dog: R. Murray.
13. Violin Solo. E. H. Winter. Form 2A. Sonata in F (Handel). Perpetual Motion (Warner).
14. The School Choir. (Treble soloist: W. F. Smyth.) "The Seekers" (Dyson). "Oran-a-Chree" (S. Bell). "Where'er you walk" (Handel). "The Minstrel Boy" (Traditional).
15. Excerpt from "Julius Caesar" (W. Shakespeare). Form 5. Produced by the Headmaster. Brutus: D. W. C. Walsh, Antony: C. B. Warren. Crowd: W. G. Agar, M. A. Berman, J. Forsyth, A. B. Fox, F. W. Gray, J. F. Harrison, E. B. Twamley, G. A. Watt. Corpse and Bearers: R. L. Schlesinger, K. W. Prescott, D. M. Johnston.

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Choir Master—Mr. A. S. Burrowes.

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Compère—B. R. Wilkinson.

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Na h-Oifigí

Reachtáire: Brian mac Uiléinn.

Rúnaí: Risteard Seearac.

Ball Coiste:

Uiam Mac Gréasóir.

Brian Mac Reacann.

Cinead Pléamóm.

Doáibí Mac Siolla Pádraig.

Ragnall Mac Sallóbaire.

Examination Results

EXAMINATION IN HOLY SCRIPTURE, 1952

Greek Testament

Silver Medal—J. W. Dowse.

Prizes (1st Class)—R. A. Skerrett, J. T. Killen. (2nd Class)—D. J. Fitzpatrick.

CHURCH OF IRELAND

First Year

Pass—E. R. Crampton, H. M. McCamley, D. W. Williams, C. J. Mathews, D. L. Semple, W. E. Brown, K. A. H. Mills, M. R. H. Taylor, A. B. Hollinshead, J. D. Wilkinson, M. C. Taylor, H. E. Woods, J. R. W. Dick, M. C. Adams, R. E. Fleming, J. A. W. Burrows, K. A. A. Dobson, R. D. Clarke, M. R. Cathcart, P. L. Stafford, E. C. Tutty, D. P. Taylor, A. Rock, K. W. Ruddock.

Second Year

Prizes (1st Class)—A. G. A. Parkes, J. R. Keogh, E. H. Winter, G. Lewis, H. E. Killeen. (2nd Class)—M. A. Heatley, M. J. Burrows, R. W. Hall, K. W. Reeves, S. Hayes, N. C. C. Bain, C. D. Marks, S. Brooks, L. J. Hudson, W. D. Kerr. (3rd Class)—G. D'Arcy, C. G. Hyland, F. N. O'Keefe, R. R. Wilson, W. E. Lawrence, J. D. McKee, F. E. Harris.

Pass—A. K. L. Beck, B. St. C. Herman, V. H. B. Dowse, K. R. Tyrrell, A. G. Ryan, K. H. Sherwood, W. G. Fisher, D. Roy, G. J. Gibson, J. A. Gill, D. Harris, J. C. McCoubrey, D. H. Malcolm, D. F. Miller, R. A. Reynolds, D. W. Taylor, G. H. Lucas, F. W. Phillips, C. W. Fox, D. I. Roy, A. A. Hare, A. T. Ingram, D. N. Jupe.

Scripture only—H. F. A. Wann, 55/70; D. H. Sykes, 51½/70; J. R. Montgomery, 47½/70.

Third Year

Prize (3rd Class)—E. L. Kimberley.

Pass—M. S. Haskins, G. H. Bleakley, N. D. Knowles, J. F. Buttimore, R. N. McDonough, R. Beste, R. N. Walker, F. W. Hutchinson, R. E. Wilson, J. S. Dawson, C. D. Seymour.

Scripture only—J. H. Archer, 42/70; R. L. Schlesinger, 29/70; K. W. Prescott, 46/70.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

First Year: Prize (3rd Class)—N. Kilroy. Pass—S. McCready, A. MacKay.

Second Year: Prize (3rd Class)—J. G. Fish. Pass—J. E. Clarke.

METHODIST CHURCH

First Year: Pass—M. C. Adams, N. A. Adams, S. H. Heany, W. R. Winder.

Second Year: Prizes (2nd Class)—C. E. Riddall, T. Saville. Pass—K. McGurdy.

Third Year: Prize (1st Class)—A. Flood. Pass—B. E. W. Dowse, Jno. Bailey, E. Briggs.

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Litt. D. (honoris causa)—William Kirkpatrick Magee (alias John Eglinton), scholar, critic and essayist.

Moderatorship — Classics (1st Class) — N. Rodway.

B.A.—A. H. Erdberg, D. N. Golding, R. D. Williams, J. G. Berry.

Engineering School

B.A.I. (1st Class)—J. G. Berry.

Law School

Intermediate—M. Buchalter.

Medical School

Medical Jurisprudence and Hygiene (2nd Class Honours)—S. Baigel.

Term Honor Examinations

J. D. Erdberg (J.S.)—Legal Science (2nd Rank and 3rd Rank).

W. J. A. Graham (S.F.)—Mathematics (1st Rank).

R. W. A. Feuerstak (S.F.)—Mathematics (2nd Rank).

J. L. Wilding (S.F.)—Classics (3rd Rank).

A. P. R. Brook (J.F.)—Mathematics (1st Rank and 2nd Rank). Science (1st Rank).

A. W. M. Cooper (J.F.)—Mathematics (1st Rank twice). Science (2nd Rank).

W. S. W. Poole (J.F.)—Classics (2nd Rank).

Final Freshman Examination

J. J. Steyn.

OTHER EXAMINATIONS

Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland

Materia Medica—L. M. Nurock.

Incorporated Law Society of Ireland

Final Examination for Apprentices to Solicitors H. W. Burleigh.

Institute of Chartered Accountants in Ireland

Final Examination—D. A. Bowles (equal third place).

Intermediate Examination—K. J. Rumball.

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My Dog

I have a little dog and his name is Bran,
He took my slipper and away he ran.
He took it to his bed and he chewed it up in
bits,

And now, looking sorry, there he sits!

N. MACDOUGALD (J4, age 10).

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Vice-Capt.: R. Newport.
Hon. Sec.: J. Forsyth.
Junior Capt.: E. Kimberley.

SWIMMING, 1951

Capt.: R. S. Purcell.
Vice-Capt.: D. Taylor.
Hon. Sec.: E. Jarrett.

ATHLETICS, 1952

Capt.: R. H. C. Walshe. Junior Capt.: D. Johnston. Hon. Sec.: E. Kimberley.
Hon. Secs., Annual Sports: H. E. Kilroy, B. Twamley. Hon. Treas.: D. W. C. Walsh.



S.C.T. 1951-2.

Standing—J. Forsyth, D. Dawson, R. W. Dobbryn, G. Agar, Mr. Lowry, R. Y. Newport, R. M. Galloway, J. C. Seager, N. V. Jones.
Sitting—Mr. Cornish, R. H. Cotter, B. R. Wilkinson, C. C. Walker (capt.), R. H. C. Walshe, B. M. McCracken, Dr. Reynolds. On ground—H. E. Kilroy, T. W. R. Meates.

Rugby

This season has been the most promising one there has been for numerous years. The surprising increase in the number of players caused the keenness to be raised almost to fever pitch, and as a result every team member had to play really hard to keep his place.

The J.C.T. were beyond any doubt the best Cup team we have had in the School for many years. Had they been more fortunate they might well have gained the Junior Final. In their first Cup match they defeated C.B.C., Dun Laoghaire, by 3 pts. to nil. They then went on to defeat Wesley College after an exciting struggle by 6 pts. to 3 pts. In this

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match they lost the services of E. Kimberley through injury, and were beaten in their final match by 2 penalty goals to a try by St. Mary's, Dundalk.

The "Under 14" had a competent season, maintaining steady form throughout.

The "Under 13" were unable to retain their first half of the season's record of never being defeated. However, this does not mar their meritorious performance, for never were they defeated by more than three points, even against such formidable opponents as Blackrock College.

The S.C.T. had an enjoyable but rather unsuccessful season, only gaining one victory and drawing one match. In their Cup match they certainly went down fighting to their heavier C.U.S. opponents by 14 pts. to 3 pts.

Awards:—

The Bell Cap: R. H. C. Walshe.

School Caps: C. C. Walker, B. R. Wilkinson.

Colours: R. Galloway, J. Seager, D. Dawson, H. E. Kilroy, B. M. McCracken, R. Newport, R. Cotter, B. Wilkinson, C. C. Walker, R. H. C. Walshe.

R. H. C. Walshe was selected to play for the Leinster Schools side against Connacht and Munster.

R. H. C. W.

Cricket

Cricket is prospering quite well this season and there are several promising players among the various teams.

The Senior team is passing through a rather lean period, but on all occasions, under its capable captain, C. C. Walker, has gone down fighting. This year a silver cup is being awarded to the best batsman on the Senior team.

The team got into the second round of the Cup through a walk-over against Drogheda Grammar, but were rather badly beaten by C.U.S. in that round.

The Junior Cup team did have possibilities but were rather unfortunate to be beaten in the first round against Wesley by a narrow margin. The "Under 14" is without doubt the most promising team in the School. The play of this team contains a sparkle and enthusiasm which is a joy to watch. It has now reached the final of the League and we would like to congratulate them on their efforts and wish them best of luck in the final. The team has an all-round

ability and does not rely on a few particular stars.

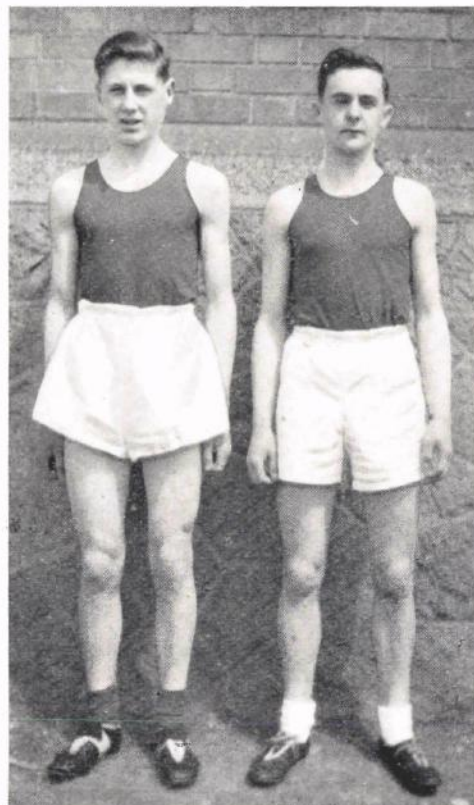
The Junior School cricket is also in a very healthy state. What the Juniors lack in ability they make up in numbers and keenness.

H. E. R.

Athletics

At last, after long years of obscurity, Athletics is beginning to receive the recognition it deserves.

In this year's Leinster Schools Sports our athletes exceeded all bounds. Of these, D. Johnston deserves the greatest praise, for not



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Ireland Championships. Each member of the Junior Relay team certainly deserves full credit for gaining a very good second place in the final. Every boy—D. Johnston, J. Fish, K. Prescott, S. Seager—was definitely pulling his weight.

E. Kimberley, last year's Junior 220 yds. champion, in his first intermediate year managed to reach both sprint semi-finals.

Well done, lads! We are all looking forward to seeing you perform on Sports Day, Friday, 27th June, at Lansdowne Road.

Athletic Colours have been awarded to Rodney Walshe and E. L. Kimberley.

R. H. C. W.

Tennis

Although the teams were not very successful in the various leagues the club has its largest membership for some years and there is no lack of enthusiasm, thus fulfilling its main object of providing enjoyment rather than winning the competitions. Our School Championships and House matches are getting under way and we are looking forward to our annual match with the parents.

The team for 1952: 1, B. McCracken; 2, B. E. Twamley; 3, J. Seager; 4, G. H. Watson; 5, B. Crawford; 6, J. H. Kilroy. Sub., N. K. Armstrong.

G. H. W.

Table Tennis

Although the team had an outwardly unsuccessful season in match results there was a marked increase in numbers and enthusiasm. During the year a tournament was held and this was won by D. Dawson.

On December 11 we had a very enjoyable match against the Old Boys in which they proved victorious by 8 matches to 1.

The team for 1951-52: D. Dawson, B. McCracken, H. Maude, E. Twamley, G. Watson, J. P. Williams.

G. H. W.

Boxing

This season, as in previous seasons, the boys took a very keen interest in boxing. Consequently the club had quite a successful season. At the beginning of the season we defeated St. Columba's College by six bouts to five in an away fixture.

Last March we had our annual fixtures with Dungannon Royal School. In the home contest we narrowly defeated their team (6-4), this being their first defeat ever received in Dublin. In our away fixture with the Royal School we were unlucky to be defeated by six bouts to four, most of the bouts being very evenly fought.

We are now looking forward to a large entry for our next annual championships, which should produce some worthy champions.

W. M. G.

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School Days

When some of the dreary lessons are done,
Out we go and have some fun;
We play sardines, first find whose on,
And nobody knows where we are gone.
But when the bell rings, in we go.
It's lessons again, oh! what a blow.
We all sit down quickly, it's arithmetic next,
But now its Scripture, we look at our text.

J. REYNOLDS (J4, age 9½).

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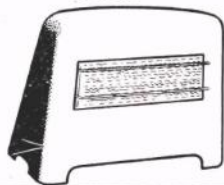
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John Bennett Memorial Fund

The Committee of the O.B.U. wish to report that a sum of £480 was subscribed by members of the Union and other friends of the late Dr. Bennett and Mrs. Bennett, which has been applied as follows:—

£200 has been invested—the income from which is to be applied to prizes for the School which will be styled "The John Bennett Memorial Prizes".

30 has been applied for the perpetual upkeep of Dr. Bennett's grave in Mount Jerome.

250 has been presented to Mrs. Bennett.

£480

On Friday, 23rd May, our President, Mr. H. E. P. Anderson, together with Mr. E. E. Spence and Mr. Cecil Morton, was received by Mrs. Bennett at her home. The presentation was then made to her by Mr. Anderson, who conveyed the very best wishes of all the friends of the late Dr. Bennett and herself who had been associated with this tribute. Mr. Anderson also conveyed to Mrs. Bennett the

high esteem in which Dr. Bennett had been held, and expressed appreciation of all the wonderful work which had been done for the School and the O.B.U.

In reply, Mrs. Bennett expressed her very deep appreciation of the manner in which Dr. Bennett's memory is being perpetuated through the Prizes being awarded annually in the School. In her opinion it is a very fitting memorial and one which would have commended itself to Dr. Bennett. She also expressed her deep sense of gratitude for the presentation to her, personally, of portion of the very generous subscriptions, and asked that her sincere thanks should be conveyed to all those associated with the presentation.

The Annual Dinner

More than 180 members and guests were present at our Annual Dinner held in the Clockroom on Saturday, 19th January, 1952. Congratulations to our President, Mr. H. E. P. Anderson, on the excellent manner in which he occupied the chair. This year the guest of honour was the Lord MacDermott, Lord Chief Justice of Northern Ireland. The toast of Our Guests was proposed in his own inimitable way by Mr. R. W. Jeffares. Once more our musical guests provided us with first-rate entertainment.

Adelaide Hospital Scheme

The President is grateful to those members who have promised their support to the Adelaide Hospital Fund. Many more subscriptions are needed and should be sent to the Hon. Treasurer, P. R. Walker, "Ishgeen", Brennanstown Road, Cabinteely, Co. Dublin.

Golf Report

The A.S.U. Competition for the Royal Dublin Cup was held at Dollymount on Thursday, 29th May. Old Wesley were the winners, with a score of 282, Mountjoy were 2nd, Aravon 3rd, Sandford Park 4th, and High School were 5th, with 300, made up as follows: M. Bell 73, J. Bell 74, G. F. Cole 76,



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C. L. Dillon 77. J. Bell also won the Veterans' Prize with 74. There were 14 schools competing, so our team came out very well.

Our Annual Outing for the Old Boys' Cup and the Harry Bunbury Cup will take place, by kind permission, at Milltown on Thursday, 4th September. In addition to the usual prizes, our President, Mr. H. E. P. Anderson, has very kindly presented a prize to members with

handicaps of 19 and over. Here is a grand chance for all who play, or try to, and have never won a prize. Give our President your support and send your name to the School.

Reminders of the Golf Outing are not sent to all members, and those who do not receive one but would like to in future should communicate at once with the Hon. Secretary at the School.

S. S. EVANS, Hon. Sec.

Reg Armstrong

IRISH motor cycling standards have received a great fillip by the announcement that twenty-two-year-old Dublin salesman Reg. Armstrong will be in the Norton Company's first string for the 1952 motor cycle classics. His selection as team-mate with world champion Geoffrey Duke and K. Kavanagh, of Australia, puts this young Dubliner well on the path to a bright career in which it is quite possible he may achieve for this country the brilliant reputation set up in the 1920s and '30s by Stanley Woods.

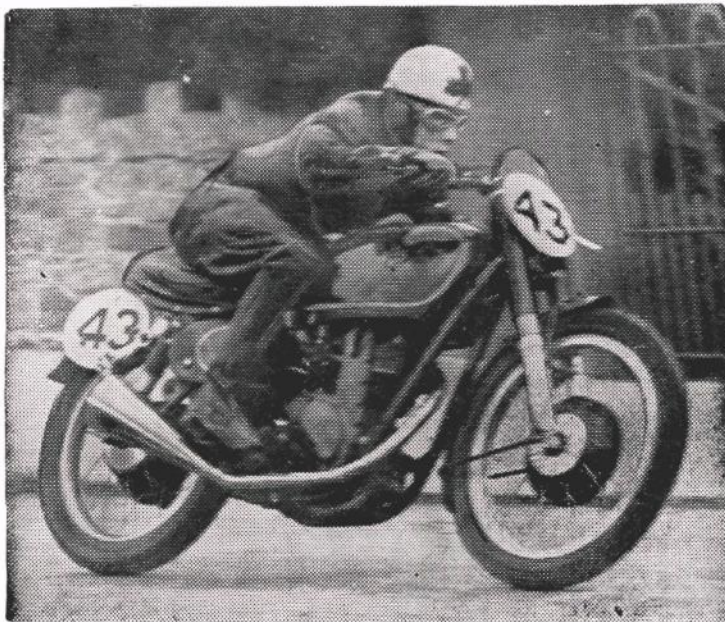
In his comparatively short racing career Armstrong has already won many events both in Ireland and on the Continent. His first major success in this country dates back to 1947, when he won the Championship of Ireland (Southern Centre) on a 350 machine. This was followed in '48 by victory in the Mid-Antrim "100" (350 c.c.) and the Carrowdore and Enniskillen "100" in the senior class.

Taking to international racing in 1949 Armstrong became a member of the official A.J.S. team, and although one of the youngest riders in the Isle of Man T.T. races that year finished well up amongst the leading internationals of the day—fifth in the junior event and seventh in the senior, averaging 82.4 m.p.h.

Since then he has recorded international successes at Roubaix, Luxembourg and Floriffe, and has been placed on several occasions in other important Continental races. Earlier this year he gained second and third places in the

junior and senior events, respectively, of the Swiss Grand Prix.

Despite his youth Armstrong has the skill and experience of a veteran. His progress will



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be eagerly watched by those of us who look forward to having yet another Dublin name figuring on the T.T. list of honours.

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Since this article was written Armstrong has been very successful on his Norton: Leinster “Two Hundred”, 1st 350 c.c. Race and Fastest Lap; 1st 500 c.c. Race and Fastest Lap; Swiss Grand Prix, 3rd 350 c.c. Race; Senior T.T., 1st place; Junior T.T., 2nd to Geoff Duke.

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The London Dinner

The London Dinner was held in the Irish Club, 82 Eaton Square, S.W., on Friday, March 28th, the eve of the Ireland-England Rugby match.

Owing to the re-arranged date the attendance suffered, but about 40 Old Boys and their friends had a most enjoyable re-union.

The President, Mervyn Bell, and T. D. Murphy went from Dublin, accompanied by Paddy Henry.

The entertainment was provided by Mervyn Bell and Paddy Henry, who was much appreciated by all, especially our cross-Channel friends. The pianist had some little difficulty in following Paddy's gyrations.

We are grateful to those London members who helped to organise the evening.

For Your Diary

The Annual General Meeting will be held on Friday, 17th October, 1952.

The Annual Dance will be held in the Metropole Ballroom on Saturday, 1st November, 1952.

The Annual Golf Competition will be held at Milltown Golf Club on Thursday, 4th September, 1952.

News of Old Boys

E. W. Allen (1943-49) was awarded his colours for rowing by the Dublin University Boat Club, rowing for the Senior Eight against University College (Dublin) in the Gannon Cup.

R. E. D. Bain (1923-27), formerly Deputy Chief Engineer of the Ministry of Health and Local Government, Northern Ireland, has been appointed as Chief Engineer, Belfast City and District Water Commissioners.

F. E. Brambell (1914-16) has been awarded the Silver Shamrock (for specially distinguished service) by the Boy Scouts of Ireland. A Medal of Merit (for very good service) was awarded to another Old Boy, **G. S. Sloan** (1916-1923).

E. H. Bodell (1940-44) was selected to represent the South versus the North in the Irish Cricket Trial.

J. M. G. Carey (1936-1945), formerly Auditor of the College Theological Society, has been nominated to the Incumbency of Larne (Connor).

G. C. Chambers (1942-51) has been appointed to the Royal Bank of Ireland.

A. W. M. Cooper (1944-51) is a member of the Trinity College 1st XI, and has had a very successful season as medium fast bowler.

A. K. Ferguson, Brigadier, C.B.E. (1910-1915), Military Adviser to the United Kingdom Political Representative in Japan, has been awarded the C.M.G. in the New Year Honours List.

The Rev. J. R. W. Fleming (1917-25) has resigned from the Headmastership of Bishop Foy School, Waterford, and returned to parochial work.

D. B. W. Good, Barrister-at-Law (1915-25), has been appointed Legal Adviser to Selangor, Malaya.

C. A. Kemp (1926-32) was selected to represent Ireland at squash rackets, and captain the Irish Davis Cup team that played Monaco at Monte Carlo.

R. H. Kyle (1936-45) has obtained a Ph.D. from Princeton University, New Jersey, U.S.A., and has accepted a position as Lecturer in Mathematics in Trinity College, Dublin.

G. R. L. Lyons (1941-42) played on the Irish squash rackets team against England.

N. D. Maguire (1938-42) won the Open Helmsman's Championship of Ireland.

R. A. E. May (1917-20), who is living in Bandon, had a picture hung in the Royal Hibernian Academy Exhibition this year—"Old Cork", a picture in oils of an old peasant woman. He was a pupil of Mr. Wilson's when at school.

B. H. Murdoch (1946-47) will spend the next academic year in Princeton University, where he will hold an Assistantship in Mathematics.

Max Nurock (1904-11) has written a book entitled "Words on Wings".

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E. C. T. Perdue (1941-48) and **J. A. E. Sutton** (1941-47) have been appointed to be Lay Readers in Zion Church, Rathgar.

W. J. Potts (1937-41) has been elected Captain of Palmerston 1st XV.

W. J. Prescott (1925-28) has been promoted London Office Manager of "Chilprufe", and took up duties in April.

N. Rodway (1938-46), who won the award given for the best individual performance at Bray Drama Festival (1951), had his acting in the Crofton Players presentation of "Thy Dear Father" at the Isle of Man Drama Festival warmly praised by the adjudicator.

The Rev. R. J. Ross, M.A., B.D., H.Dip.Ed. (1923-28), Headmaster of Christ Church Cathedral Grammar School, has been appointed Principal of the Church of Ireland Training College, Kildare Street, Dublin..

G. W. Williams (1936-43) has been appointed Lecturer in Latin at the University College of South Wales and Monmouthshire, Cardiff.

R. P. Willis (1939-45) has been elected Fellow of the Institute of Actuaries.

Stanley Woods (1915-20) won the Irish Five-mile Grasstrack Championship, 250 c.c., on a James.

Marriages

Frederick George Bestall (1921-28) to **Violet Mary Noel Green**, January 19, 1952, at San José, Costa Rica.

Stanley George Bennett (1936-45) to **Olga Elizabeth Gray**, June 4, 1952.

Arthur Calvert O'Malley (1930-40) to **Yvonne Kathleen Skuse**, December 27, 1951.

Harold Ernest Wardlaw (1938-42) to **Joyce E. S. Jenkinson**, April 15, 1952.

Thomas Gordon Grey (1934-41) to **June Lilian Campbell**, February 11, 1952.

Deaths

Ernest Henry Alton (1885-1892), Provost of Trinity College, Dublin, February 18, 1952.

Ernest Fleetwood Leet (1885-87), May 28, 1952.

John William Patrick Benson (1936-38)

and
Arthur Whiteside (1919-25), following a flying accident in North Wales, January 10, 1952.

Parents' Association

We are now nearing the end of the 1951-52 Session and I am glad to report a very satisfactory year. We had much better support and attendance from parents than in previous years, but there is still room for further improvement in membership, judging by the large number of boys attending the School.

It is greatly hoped by the Committee that new parents or guardians, or those who have not already joined the Association, will endeavour to do so at the beginning of the new Session in October.

For the benefit of those who do not know what the Association stands for, it will be of interest to them to know that certain evenings are set aside to chosen speakers to give talks on careers, youth development, etc., which are most helpful to the parents, and then there are occasional musical and social evenings which give the parents the opportunity of getting to know each other, and also the teaching staff.

J. R. DIGNAM, Hon. Sec.

Statistics

Old Boys who left School during the years 1938-1942, inclusive, are requested to send to the Headmaster, for record purposes, the following information:—

- (a) Father's occupation;
- (b) Outline of their own career since leaving.

General information only is required, e.g., Father's occupation—Merchant, Traveller, Doctor, etc. When the required information has been compiled, the same request will be made to those Old Boys who left during the following five years.

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