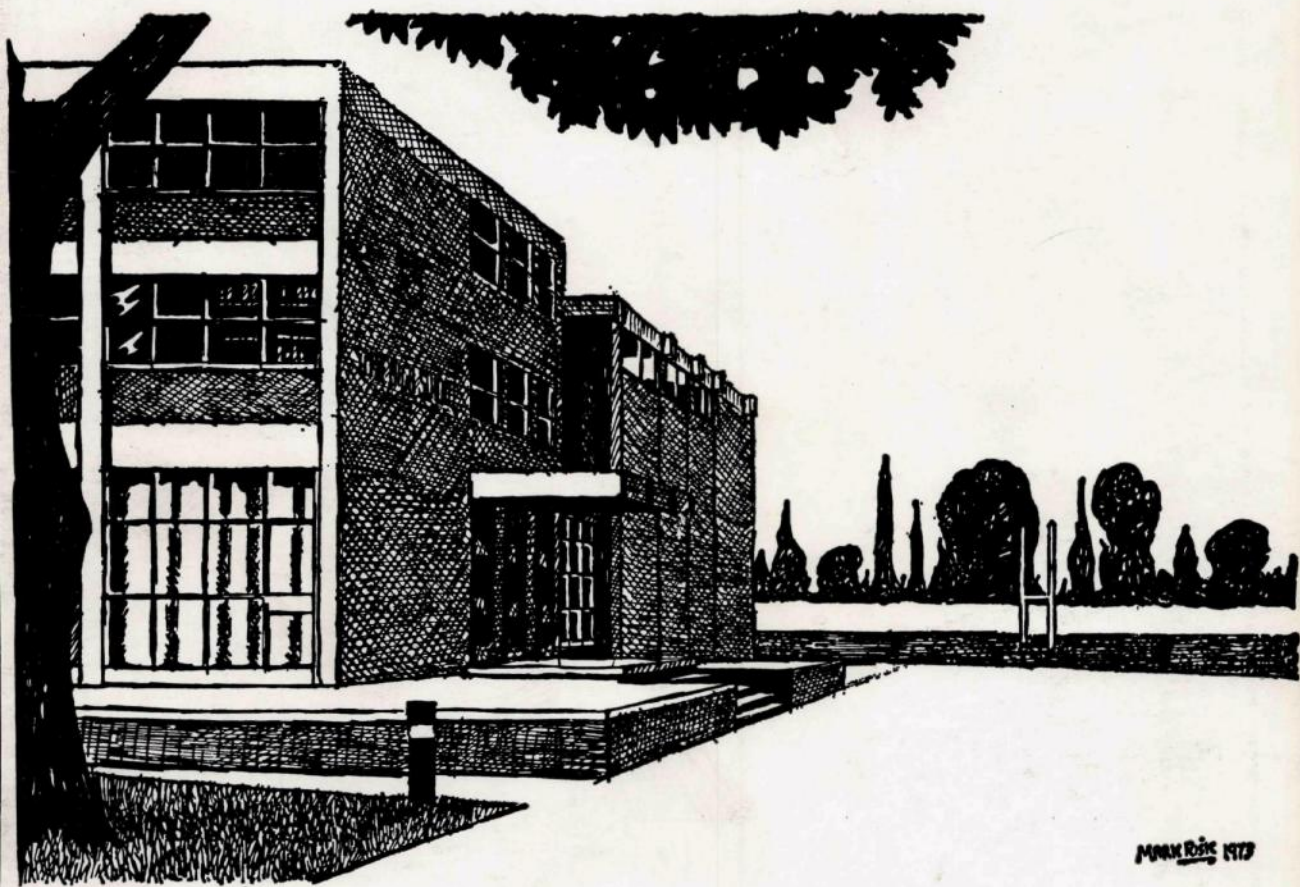


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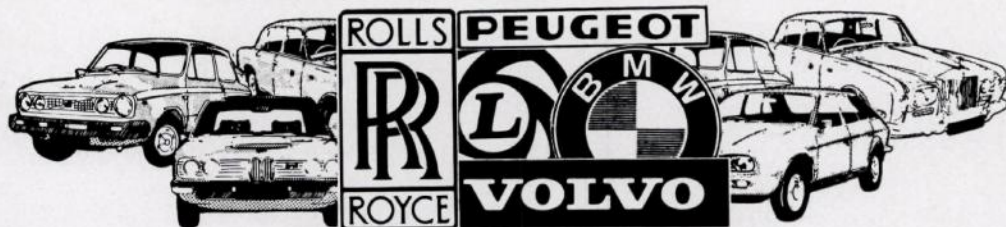
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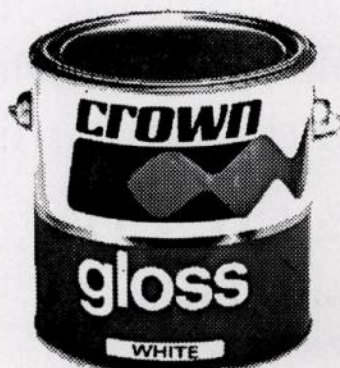
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EDITORIAL

In my relatively short time at the High School I have witnessed the boys' gradual, but still incomplete acceptance of the girls. The boys still outnumber the girls, their deviations from proper school uniform escape punishment more often, hockey is still eclipsed by rugby, and the science subjects are still male-dominated, but hopefully the girls will assert themselves as equals in all fields (apart from the cricket-field!).

Although High School may produce budding doctors and other aspiring professionals of a scientific background, linguists and artists lack the same attention and encouragement. Since Ireland's entry into the E.E.C., more jobs with language requirements are being made available, and the need to communicate with other peoples of the world is becoming more evident. Girls who have opted to take a secretarial course will surely find that one which also teaches French and German will prove most beneficial to them.

As for artists, young student-designers admit that the standard of design in Ireland lags behind that of the rest of the fashion world because not enough encouragement is given to art in schools. Indeed, the only time we see the fruits of High School's artistic endeavour is at the Hobbies Exhibition.

Creativity is, however, not entirely lacking. An increasing number of pupils are putting pen to paper and proving their writing abilities and wit. This is witnessed by the additional pages that have appeared

in "Incubus", the other school magazine, which has now, due to its own success, branched into film-making. Hopefully, fiscal support will allow this latter venture to continue and flourish, adding another facet to accepted school life.

This year has included a step forward for those of musical inclinations. The Christmas term saw the first, of many (perhaps), concerts of music in High School, a worthy beginning, showing yet more talent. The standard was high and the evening was pleasantly rounded off with some relaxing jazz. The programme consisted mainly of piano solos, but in years to come, financial backing allowing, it would be good to see other instruments make an appearance.

Sixth formers continue to enjoy the privileges of their final school year. More lockers are available to them in the area of the sixth form centre, as is a bench on which to neatly store a kettle and coffee cups. They were also able to go to Stratford-upon-Avon, the second such excursion, and to relax together at the second school dinner-and-dance, which again took place at the Montrose Hotel.

To conclude, all events, activities, sports, teams and clubs within the school need not only the willing participation of the pupils, but also the enthusiastic encouragement of the teachers. Without this, school would be all work and no play, and few boys and girls would overcome their reticence about revealing their personalities and talents.

Christine Hughes

School Record

We offer our warmest congratulations to **Alexander Norman (Derry) Jeffares, M.A., Ph.D., D. Phil., F.R.C.S. (1930-1939)** on his election to Honorary Fellowship of Trinity College, Dublin on Trinity Monday. We still remember the lucid discourse he gave in the Harcourt Street 'Clock Room' on Yeats and Dublin in 1965.

We congratulate our Headmaster Mr. A. P. R. Brook on reading a paper *The Consequences for Schools of the present University Admission Procedures* to the Irish Federation of University Teachers.

We congratulate Miss Pam Stevenson on her engagement to Mr. Ernie Duff.

Miss Audrey Smith appeared on the "Outlook" programme on R.T.E., and Miss Barcroft appeared on RTE's "Best Seller" programme.

Mrs. Pike was the President of the Mother's Union in Ireland.

We regret to note the departure of Mr. O'Kane, Miss Stewart, Mrs. Canton, Mr. Boydell, Rev. Neill, Herr Link, Mrs. Thurston, Miss Crowe, Mrs. Hunt, Mr. Godsil, Mr. O'Brien and Mr. Kingston.

We welcome Miss Binions, Miss Torrens, Mrs. Feeney, Miss Freedmen, Mr. Gleeson, Mr. Swan, Mr. Carty, Mr. O'Duffy, Mr. Iversen, Mr. Macnamara and Monsieur Minot. We also welcome Mr. Ryan, Miss Maher and Miss Dack in connection with the Maynooth block teaching Scheme for Diploma students.

We offer our sympathy to Mr. Fennell on the death of his brother and we deeply regret the death of Miss Ivy Hadden who gave her time so willingly and enthusiastically. The books donated to the library by Mrs. Rea and Muriel Hadden are much appreciated. We also extend our sympathy to Mr. Turner and his family on the death of Mrs. Turner who was a member of the catering staff for so many years.

Mr. and Mrs. Bell retired from the Catering Staff and will be greatly missed. We are fortunate to have Mrs. de Lacy and Mrs. Bates to take over and they have maintained the very high standard of catering.

We would like to thank the Parents Association for their generous contribution towards two new tennis courts. Construction is already under way.

We also much appreciate gifts to the extent of £207 from past pupils given to the Music Society.

We congratulate Peter Mack on his piano playing. He obtained first place in the Mozart competition and won the over-sixteen Sight Reading Cup in the Father Matthew Feis. He also won a scholarship in the College of Music, Catham Row.

We congratulate Rory Montgomery on winning the Old Boys' Cup.

Michael Henderson won an open Exhibition to Lincoln College, Oxford and also secured 2nd place Natural Sciences in the T.C.D. Exhibition. In the same

exam, Rory Montgomery gained 4th place in History in T.C.D. and John Sloane gained the 8th place Natural Sciences while Ian Dunlop gained 11th place in Mathematics.

It has been a very successful year in terms of sporting achievement. The J.C.T. retained the Junior Cricket Cup and Nigel Henderson was selected for the Leinster Cricket team. Shane White was selected for the Junior Irish canoeing team and came fourth in the Irish Junior Slalom. David Borton and Carolyn Burgess gained places on the Leinster Under-fifteen badminton team and Peter Thompson was selected to represent Ireland in the quadrangular swimming tournament held on St. Patrick's day in Scotland. David Taylor gained a place on the Leinster Senior Schools Cross country team and was then selected to represent the Irish Junior Cross Country team in Glasgow at the world Championships where he finished a highly creditable twenty sixth. Donal Lynch and Andrew Blair both played rugby for Leinster and Andrew went on to become a full international and distinguished himself in the three games played. Chantal O'Sullivan has been picked for the Leinster Branch Girls team in Golf.

P. J. O'K

"I say, you there ! Come here a minute, sonny".

"Who sir ? Me Sir ?"

"Yessir . . . You sir".

Many pupils of High School over the past thirty years will be familiar with that set opening to a dialogue with Mr. O'Kane.

A nickname was formed from his initials, and the cry "Pokey's coming" is enough to quell any disturbance in a room or corridor. He has always insisted on the highest standards of behaviour and speech from his students, and in this respect they are but imitating his own way of life.

In scholarship the same high level is demanded. Many Leaving Certificate English Classes have found that the groundwork in spelling and grammar has stood to them long after the examination was over. However Latin and Greek are the subjects most closely associated with him. My copy of Virgil's 'Aeneid' is liberally marked where we were told to note a "purple passage, popular with examiners". The number of those who studied Greek is smaller, but I'm sure they won't easily forget the Principal Parts of the verbs "to eat" and "to run".

For many years he went on Friday afternoons from 40 Harcourt Street to the Iveagh Baths where he supervised swimming. If you met him on that journey, you would always notice the rolled umbrella too. There is even a story that in a soccer match against the boys, the Staff goal was guarded by Mr. O'Kane complete with umbrella.

The building in Harcourt Street is gone but some questions remain. Did he ever get any heat out of the

stove in the room on the first floor? Whatever happened to the bath in the Z Room? Now we are in Danum, do the Juniors sometimes find their rush to lunch halted as they pass A10? He no longer is based in one room but ventures far and wide to teach Reading to J1 or the stewing of flamingoes to the 6th Form Home Economics Class.

In August 1977, Mr. O'Kane retired from full-time teaching, but to the great delight of his colleagues, Paddy comes into School every day. To the Staffroom he brings the qualities of politeness, kindness and generosity, always marked with his own lively Northern wit. His many friends wish him a long and happy retirement – but not one spent far from Danum.

R. J. M.

Miss Sarah Stewart

In all her thirty years in "Diocesan" and finally in "Danum", Miss Stewart showed outstanding qualities of concern for the School's good name, of conscientious preparation, of reliability, of punctuality and a genuine interest in her pupils – past and present. She was always most generous with her time and willing to undertake work after school hours. She was meticulous in the keeping of the register of attendances in Adelaide Road and in preparing statistics on which Capitation grants – Diocesan's life blood – depended.

For the last nine years, Miss Stewart was in charge of the School Magazine, assisted by an editorial committee of girls and finally of girls and boys. Some years, the editorial committee included one or two past pupils, as well as present fifth formers. Miss Stewart's excellent business acumen obtained advantageous terms, she tactfully persuaded firms to provide advertisement, and always received their payments. She was politely persistent with contributors, and consistently courteous with our printers, seeing that scripts were ready in time, that proofs were read and magazines distributed without delay to all interested friends. It is to Miss Stewart's credit that she always completed the account without a debit balance, and produced a magazine of good standard, of which we were proud.

Finally, to end on a personal note, I am grateful to Miss Stewart for her loyalty and friendship to other members of staff and to myself, and with them, wish her many years of happiness and activity in retirement.

M. M. Jagoe.

The Carol Service Christmas 1977

Wednesday, 16th of December, brought together at Zion Church, Rathgar, a congregation of parents, pupils and teachers for the annual High School Carol

Service. As usual the Service proved to be a most valuable exercise in bringing home the real lesson of Christmas.

Miss Binions conducted the school choir and Alfred Potter accompanied them on the organ, playing with such excellence that I could almost feel the sincerity of the music. The lessons were read by representatives from each year, First to Sixth, the Head Girl and Boy, and the Christmas gospel by the Headmaster. The congregation joined together enthusiastically with the choir in the singing of such well known hymns as "O Come All Ye Faithful" and "Hark, The Herald Angels Sing".

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Miss Binions on behalf of many, for all the hard work she contributed to the smooth running of the service. The service provided an excellent and most sincere way in which to end the Christmas term, and it brought home to many the true values of Christmas. In my opinion, this is the main purpose of the service and I would like to see it continued in this fashion for many a year to come.

Stanley Watson (4th Form)

THE PRIZE DISTRIBUTION

The 107th Prize Distribution of the High School took place on the 9th of November, 1977. The Headmaster gave his annual report and then Mr. Clarke on behalf of the Board of Governors spoke of the atmosphere of development which existed in the School. He paid tribute to the work of the headmaster and staff and spoke of the Governors' involvement in many different spheres of life. At present they were considering the possibility of introducing a more technical side to the school but the pupils themselves to a large extent dictated what sort of school it was.

The visiting speaker, Mr. Warnock, a distinguished Old Boy, confirmed that the high traditions of the old days were being maintained. He strongly approved of a wide curriculum for it was not always possible to know what would be useful in later life. He mentioned the importance of creating a good impression in an interview and the need to show an interest in something apart from yourself. In his work in the Department of Foreign Affairs he had frequently been able to help people but he felt that a lot was expected of young people and it was often difficult to tell what the future held for them.

He felt it was important not to lay too much emphasis on academic results for it was important to have people filling jobs in all phases of life. He concluded by saying that in the competitive modern world it was more difficult to get into other countries and that the future for most people seemed to be in Ireland. He congratulated both the Staff and the pupils on the long tradition of excellence in the school and the distribution of the prizes followed.



The Headmaster with Rory Montgomery (winner of the Old Boys Cup) and Paula Fraser (winner of the Jean Scott Memorial Bowl).

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Prizewinners Simon Fraser, Freda Harbron, Christine Hughes and Stuart Stein.

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The Music Society

The music society has concentrated this year on the project of setting up a brass band in the school. There is enthusiasm among pupils to learn how to play musical instruments, not just listen to music, and so the idea of starting a brass band has gained great support. A brass band would make a wonderful contribution to many school occasions, e.g. the school sports, and would give pupils a hobby and interest they would carry with them all their lives.

Unfortunately, brass instruments are not cheap and so many fund-raising evenings were planned during the year. In November we had the School Concert, in April the Concord Brass Band, and we hope to have an evening of plays before the end of the School year. If all goes well, the band should start in September, under the expert coaching of Mr. Noel Stronge of the Army School of Music. This will represent a breakthrough in the Music Society from just listening to music to participation in the making of music.

U. NicAogain.

The School Concert

Indubitably one of the cultural and social highlights of the Autumn was the concert given on the 14th November in the Assembly hall. This was a compendium of the manifold musical and dramatic talents languishing at Danum. All too few of such events have taken place in recent years and great praise is due to Miss NicAogain without whose initiative and hard work nothing would have been achieved.

The evening got off to a flying start with a most accomplished performance of Prokofiev's Hungarian dance and the Pastoral by Palmgren given by Fiona Brown. Then came an ingenious and entertaining number in which the recorder group (Alison Gardner, Ruth Gyves, Guy Kelly, Joy Adams, Tracey Hughes, Hugh Chaloner, Miss Nic Aogain, Marney O'Sullivan) performed traditional airs alternating with recitations by Ann Godsil, Katherine McCune, Wendy Clarke and Grainne Carrickford. The first half then closed with a selection of "Songs About Beasts" by Gordon Jacob performed by the first form choirs. A word of praise here for Miss Binions who trained and accompanied the choirs.

After the interval Peter Scott gave an excellent interpretation of Arne's Sonata No. 3 and Andalusia by Granados. This was followed by two poetry recitations (by David Nolan and Alison Gardner) and a Shakespeare extract performed by Jonathan Sharpe. Then there was an interlude in which Joy Adams and Peter Mack played the Arrival of the Queen of Sheba (Handel) and the Berceuse, from Fanres Dolly Suite, with skill and expression.

After this there were four Drama extracts performed by Vishvani Naidu, Terence Dickinson, Barbara Lee and a trio of wicked witches namely Graham Lawson, Leonard Abrahamson and Douglas McCormack. This was possibly the weakest point in the concert, for although each item was very good in itself, the whole thing lacked continuity, each being obviously a sort of "party piece". It is a pity that the many talents revealed in the concert could not be pooled in a dramatic production of some kind.

As a Grand Finale the regretfully shortlived Jazz Group (Peter Mack on piano, Hugh Chaloner on electric guitar, Marney O'Sullivan on drums) followed their performance of Alex Templeton's Swing Prelude and Fugue (Bach goes to Town), with the slow Blues "Georgia on my Mind" to end the memorable occasion on a suitably "up" note.

Marney O'Sullivan (3A1)

Piano Examination Results 1977 - 78

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Christine Hughes 93%.

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Heather Bowen - results not yet out.

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Junior School

Wendy Kilroy First Class Hons.

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Easter, 1978 Primary - Coralie Peard.

The Young Ornithologists' Club

Last June we spent a sunny Saturday on Ireland's Eye, visiting the fine seabird colonies on the cliffs.

During the summer holidays, Mr. and Mrs. J. Wilson invited all the club members to their home one Saturday. We had a wonderful day when Mr. Wilson

showed us his aviaries of foreign birds, and we learnt how they are cared for — food, shelter, breeding, and we saw the incubator and the hospital cage for sick birds. Meanwhile, as we looked at the garden, the birds, (and from a distance the beehives), Mrs. Wilson was preparing a delicious lunch for her large crowd of visitors. We thank them and their family for their hospitality and enthusiasm which stimulated interest among our members.

The third highlight of our year was the visit to the North Slob, Wexford, in November. Mr. Oscar Merne, who was then warden of the reserve, welcomed us and gave us a most interesting talk about the Slob and the birds, illustrated with beautiful slides, including some views of the Slob taken from a plane. We then had a picnic lunch, looked at wildfowl from the observation tower, and later crossed the Slob — a rare privilege.

We are grateful to parents, members of staff and friends who have given up their time to help us on our expeditions.

Incubus

'Incubus' is the 'pupils' magazine as distinct from 'The Erasmian and Diocesan Times', the 'school' magazine. The function of 'The Erasmian' is to provide school news to pupils, old boys and other interested people. 'Incubus' was founded four years ago as a medium for self-expression — a creative outlet — for the pupils. The profit gained from advertisements in, and sale of the magazine has been used to finance a film made entirely by the pupils and Mr. Blackmore. This film has been a financial success and the proceeds have gone towards paying for a film camera which, it is hoped, will be used to make further films.

Thanks are due to all who contributed in every way towards making the magazine and the film a success to the members of the committee: Barry Dalby, Alison Gardiner, Jane Grey, Mark Haliwell, Rhoda Howlin, Christine Janine and Tracey Hughes, David Kenny, David Malone, Diane Mewis, Wesley O'Brien and, above all, to Mr. Blackmore who guides the entire operation.

Peter Mack (6th), editor.

The Debating Society

The officers for the year were:

Auditor: Peter Mack
Secretary: Edwin Abrahamson
Committee: Ian Buchalter, Barry Dalby, Richard Green, Jeremy Jacobs, Stephanie Sharpe.

The Society has had a successful year. All the debates attracted a large audience. The most popular motion was "That this house is in favour of Sex Education in schools" and this debate was attended by more

than 125 people. One reason for the increased attendance — in addition to the wit and wisdom of the speakers — is that the debates are now held in the demonstration theatre during lunchtime.

The school entered the T.C.D. Historical Society's Debating Competition. Of our two competitors, Stephanie Sharpe and Richard Green, Stephanie came first in her preliminary round, but was eliminated in the semi-final.

Our thanks are due to Mrs. Geoghegan, Mr. Hickey and Mr. Wallace for chairing debates, to all the speakers and all those who attended, to the honorary secretary for taking the minutes, and finally to Mrs. Conway, whose unfailing interest and enthusiasm have ensured the Society's continued existence.

Peter Mack, 6th Form

Tree Planting at Danum

The project has developed since last year and the object now is to plant a small collection of trees of particular decorative and botanical interest, within the limitations of the small area available for trees at Danum. Last year we purchased in some cases more than one tree in each species, but now we have removed trees which were duplicates to make room for other varieties. Six of these duplicates were purchased by the Staff for the Glencree Peace Centre to help landscape it. Malcolm Hunt, a recent old boy, is working as a full time volunteer at the centre and he is having the trees planted.

Expert advice continues to be given from Dr. Lamb of Kinsealy Research Stations. Sir Basil Goulding gave up his time both to give a conducted tour of his garden, where he has planted a large collection of trees during the last 25 years and he also visited the school site to make suggestions. Mr. Philip Walker, an old boy and well known gardener, too, has given enthusiastically of his knowledge of plants and seeds.

Many individual pupils have helped in the project but a great deal of credit must go to the following — Gilbert Lui and Gary Colcough of Upper Sixth; Barry Dalby, Philip Browne, Christopher Moore and Ian McMullan of sixth form; Nial Sweeney, Keith Poole, Clive Ingram, Samuel Yodaiken, Michael Pratt and Richard Temperley of 4th year, Sandra McCune and Ruben O'Brien of 3rd year and Terence Dixon, Colm McKiernan, Kenneth Binley of 1st form.

Each of this year's first form classes have subscribed for individual trees, 1B1 Peunis Serrula — Tibelian Cherry, chosen for its very distinctive mahogany coloured bark, 1B2 an attractive Cypress called Moonlight, 1B1 an unusual holly with yellow berries, 1A2 a snake barked maple — acer Davidii Serpentine, 1A1 hedgehog holly variegated and very prickly. The Junior School had their tree planted with great ceremony by Miss Blakeney, ably assisted by Rebecca Thurston and Joseph Hogan.

Appeals to individual past pupils to sponsor trees have been very enthusiastically met: over sixty have contributed more than £500. The Governors, the Old Boys' Union, and Parents' Association have again generously supported the project financially. Mr. F. Fox donated a valuable and beautiful specimen tree called *Parrotia Persica*. The staff again have proved to be resourceful, Mr. Wallace has dispensed landscaping ideas with the ease of a reincarnated eighteenth century squire who has just laid out his park, Mr. Sheridan in planting has shown a neat turn of spade and Mr. Hilliard has proved to be a valuable pawn in

transporting a large tree from Ballsbridge to Danum with the ease he would apply to moving a king across a chessboard. Our thanks must go to the groundsmen, Mr. Jack Dawson and Mr. Jim Malone, for their patience, help and encouragement, particularly the former, whose clearly defined territory was invaded recently at 8.30 one Saturday morning with a foreign tractor and trailer (Simon Cleary) which proceeded to make a tour of the grounds. Finally, if there are any past pupils who would like to sponsor a tree they should send their donation to the school.

I.F.B.



*Form 1A2 with their form mistress Mrs. Massey planting their tree on February 25th — a snake bark maple (*Acer Davidii Serpentine*).*

[Photo: Irish Times]

THE SCHOOL COUNCIL

Tuesday, September 29th, was the first of many regular meetings for the School Council for the school year 1977/78. The pupils' representatives from 4th year — Ruth Gyves, Gail Danker, Alan Mullan, Niall Sweeney; 5th year — Linda Seymour, Lorraine Hughes, Ian Black, David Kenny, David Sherling; 6th form — Julie Cooke, Peter Gibson, Richard Green, Anthony Aherne, Roy Cooke, head boy, Janet Dalby, head girl, met with Mr. Brook, the Chairman, and staff

representatives Mr. Keegan, Mrs. Crowe, Miss Barcroft (Secretary), Mr. Hickey, Mr. McClure and Mr. O'Connor. These meetings gave the pupils a chance to voice their ideas and opinions with the various members of staff and then report back to their classes any developments which took place.

The achievements which were gained from these meetings included more litter-bins around the school, a new tie and scarf as part of school uniform, new bicycle area in playground, human relationship classes for 3rd and 5th forms, refreshments provided for

senior hockey teams, a shelter provided for motorbikes and another 6th form dance gained from the success of the School Council last year.

On March 14th members of the Council had a chance to meet representatives from the Board of Governors. After a cup of tea and refreshments we discussed the possibility of a disco for the Senior School and "interesting prize-givings". It was a very rewarding meeting and we also thank those who provided and helped with refreshments.

Members of the Council are grateful to Miss Barcroft who recorded the minutes of each meeting which were distributed to each member afterwards. We would also like to thank Mr. Brook for his decisions and advice on our ideas.

Lorraine Hughes (5th).

**Alliance and Dublin Consumers'
Gas Company
Results of Gas Co. School Exam,
February 1978
PRIZE WINNERS**

6th YEAR:

- 1st - Carol Hemmingway
- 2nd - June Williams
- 3rd - Rhonda Kinlan
- Commended - Jean Nolan

5th YEAR

Soc & Sc. Home Econ. for Leaving

- 1st - Wendy Clarke
- 2nd - Iris Ormsby

5th YEAR Y,

General Course

- 1st - Sandra Cloughley
- 2nd - Averil Bates

4th YEAR

- 1st - Joan Fox
- 2nd - Diane Day
- 3rd - Susan Griffin

3rd YEAR

- 1st - Oonagh Anderson
- 2nd - Louis Wilson
- 3rd - Wendy Frith
- Commended - Patricia Macken

2nd YEAR

- 1st - Kara Browning
- 2nd - Susan Worrell
- 3rd - Cheryl Sargent

Ecumenical Youth Service

On Wednesday, 25th January, an Ecumenical Youth Service was held in Zion Church, at the close of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. Miss Barcroft's 'organisation' pupils from High School took part, with the Terenure Folk Group, in singing and praying. Miss Binions's fourth form choir joined with the Folk Group

Choir under their conductor, and sang modern hymns. Patricia Williams of High School was amongst a group which accompanied the singing on guitars.

The clergy taking part were Rev. R.A. Warke, rector of the parish; Fr. Downers and Rev. P. Carmody. There were six special prayers, three of which were read by school pupils Mandy Vincent, Alison Gardner and June Williams. Wendy Clarke read one of the lessons. Later in the service, instead of an address, there was an interview, with the Rev. James Hartin as chairman, four young people representing the Society of Friends (Quakers), the Roman Catholic Church, the Church of Ireland and the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. The representatives were asked their views on Christian Unity, and how it may be brought about. The interview was very interesting, but unity seems to be still very far off. Nevertheless, the service was a small step forward.

Alison Gardner. 4A1.

The Open Day

After the success of the 'Open Day' two years ago, it was decided to hold another 'Open Day' on the 22nd March, the last day of term. The object of the exercise was to enable the students to become acquainted with subjects not normally associated with the school curriculum.

The Fifth Form and a few other pupils throughout the school, under Staff supervision, were appointed as instructors and demonstrators.

There was a wide variety of displays on view, and throughout the day each form would get an opportunity to see most demonstrations. Five venues were set up in different areas beginning with Irish dancing in the Assembly hall. Included next door in the Dining Hall was a Self Defence and Judo demonstration. Thanks to Mr. Lee there is now a Martial Arts Club in the School. Also included in the first venue was a skateboard demonstration given by "Great Outdoors". This was in the Tuckshop playground but was later moved into the Gymnasium because of weather conditions.

Another popular choice was the Fashion Modelling arranged by Mrs. Sunderland. Films were provided by Pedigree Petfoods Ltd. ON 'Care of Dogs'; by the E.S.B. on 'Safety in the Home'; the R.N.L. on "200 miles of Peril". Also there was a life-saving film which provided a basis for the demonstration. The Gardai provided a Road Safety Film and Competition.

Venue 4 consisted of a wide choice of interesting activities including candle making, flower arranging, fishing, the electric guitar and the brass stand.

A very popular demonstration was that given by Pat Ewen on his trials bike. Thanks are due to him, the Gardai, Mr. and Mrs. Poff, the skateboarders from "Great Outdoors" and all those from outside the school who gave up their time either demonstrating or

assisting Fifth Formers. Also to the staff who helped in the smooth running of the day.

Finally, a special word of thanks to Mrs. Crowe who put such a lot of time and effort into the organisation of 'Open Day' which proved to be a great success. Her work was greatly appreciated by all.

Linda Seymour. 5th Form.

The Hobbies Exhibition 1977

The Exhibition was held in the school on Saturday, May 7th. The previous Friday afternoon saw a group of willing sixth formers preparing the Assembly Hall and Dining Area for the occasion. It was a difficult job but they did it in record time.

Once the Hall was ready, the exhibits came pouring in. The standard was, as usual, high. Notable among the entries was the lovely christening shawl entered by Ann Griffin. Not surprisingly, it won a first prize.

Other fine exhibits came from Keith McMullen who showed some sophisticated electronic equipment he had assembled, and from Roxanne White who displayed the results of studies she had made on a human skull found at Lough Derravarra. Peter Foss submitted his huge collection of biological specimens and was awarded a first prize.

The cookery classes brought in a large number of beautifully baked and decorated goodies. It was a pity we could not give a prize for each entry — they certainly all deserved one.

We are most grateful to all the people who helped us with the Exhibition. To the pupils who entered an exhibit we say thank you and keep it up. To the parents who ferried exhibits to and from we are most grateful. We are, as ever, indebted to the Parents' Association for their generous contribution of £100. Lastly we thank Mrs. Smith who distributed the prizes.

J.H.

CAREERS

THE CAREERS LIBRARY

The Library is in Room C12 and at break times is open to all pupils. It contains the "Blue Leaflets" issued by the Department of Labour which give basic information about 250 jobs. There are also Prospectuses from the Universities, the Colleges of Technology, and other 3rd level Institutions. We keep folders containing any printed information we can get about many jobs, and pupils may borrow these folders for consideration at home. Parents or Old Boys who come across recent leaflets, booklets etc., giving information about their trade or profession are asked to send them to Mr. Miller for inclusion in the folders.

CAREERS LIBRARIANS 1977/78

Rhoda Howlin, Diane Mewis, Harry Campbell, David Wright, Peter Herman, David Sherling, Ann Draper.

MOCK INTERVIEWS

This year the interviews for 6th Formers were held on the evening of April 12th. As usual these interviews are conducted by persons working in the personnel areas of various organisations. The pupils write letters of application and are then interviewed for about 20 minutes. Each is given an assessment of the interview and hints on what areas need to be improved at a "real" interview. Only 28 out of 115 Sixth Formers, an unusually small number, applied for an interview this time.

The School thanks the following interviewers who generously gave their time and advice. Mr. Brian Herman, Miss Hilary Andrews, Mr. Chris Carty, Mr. Mike Neilan, Miss Hilary Marchand, Mr. Liam Minihan.

CAREERS TALKS

The High School is most grateful to the following who gave up their time to talk to members of the 5th Form.

Going to University: Dr. D. A. Scholefield. Appointments Office, U.C.D.

Apprenticeships: Mr. N. Eames, AnCO.

Nursing: Miss H. Marchand, Adelaide Hospital.

Colleges of Technology: Mr. J. Farrell, Kevin Street, College.

Secretarial College: Mrs. Y. McAuliffe, Fairfield College.

Art School: Mr. C. Factor.

Medicine: Mr. D. Fitzpatrick, F.R.C.S.

Solicitor: Mr. A. Graham, Matheson, Orsby and Prentice.

Accountancy: Mr. D. Fleetwood, Tansley, Will & Co.

Hotel Industry: Mr. J. Brown, C.E.R.T.

Veterinary Medicine: Dr. C. Hatch, Veterinary College.

Merchant Navy: Capt. M. Langran, Irish Shipping Ltd.

Banking: Mrs. M. McAteer, Bank of Ireland.

Engineering: Dr. J. Reid, Crampton Ltd.

Retail Selling: Mr. M. Neilan, Arnotts & Co. Ltd.

Natural Sciences: Dr. C. Stillman, Dept. of Geology, T.C.D.

Economic & Social Studies: Dr. J. Bristow, T.C.D.

Architecture: Mr. K. Hunt, M.R.I.A.L.

Defence Forces: Lt.-Col. V. Savino, Irish Army.

Advertising: Mr. C. Miller, Brian Cronin & Associates.

National Teaching: Mrs. H. Wilkinson.

Pilot: Capt. S. Lyttle, Aer Lingus.

Air Hostess: Miss J. Hooper, Aer Lingus.

Company Structure: Mr. J. Hoblyn, Irish Biscuits Ltd.

Computers: Mr. R. Stevens, I.C.L.

Auctioneer: Mr. B. Coyle, James Adam & Sons

Occupational Therapy: Miss D. Fincher, St. Vincent's Centre.

Dept. of Post and Telegraphs Engineering: Dr. S. Ruttle.

Fashion Designer: Miss W. Vincent, Grafton Academy.

Medical Laboratory Science: Miss N. Horner, Meath Hospital.

Oil Exploration: Mr. J. O'Dea, Institute of Industrial Research and Standards.

Journalism: Mr. V. Doyle, Evening Herald.

P.E. Teacher: Mrs. R. Thompson, Newpark Comprehensive School.

Between Easter and Summer we hope to have talks in the following areas and thank those who contribute.

R.T.E.; Sales Representative; T.C.D. Admissions; Biology; Insurance; Electrician; Auto. Engineering; Animal Nurse; Psychologist; Interviews.



RUGBY – SENIOR CUP TEAM 1977-78

Back Row: Mr. D. Cole, R. O'Donohoe, A. Baird, H. Chaloner, A. Hunt, A. Blair, M. Chambers, J. Jacobs, Mr. L. McClure. *Middle Row:* Mr. A. P. R. Brook, D. Pendleton, D. Lynch, I. Bloom (capt.), C. O'Kelly (v. capt.), R. Cooke. *Front:* B. Motyer, A. Gersh, P. McElearney, B. Gale.



RUGBY - JUNIOR CUP TEAM 1977-78

Back Row: D. Borton, R. Templerley, P. Rennicks, D. Wilson, I. Page, K. Douglas, P. Wilson, D. Jackson. Middle Row: Mr. A. P. R. Brook, R. McCormack, G. Burleigh, T. Darling, G. Day (capt.), H. Tracey, N. Harrison, R. Walker, Mr. R. H. Fennell. Front Row: P. Harison, K. Jones.



UNDER-14 RUGBY XV 1977-78

Back Row: S. Flower, E. Ebhomielen, H. Docrat, Mr. M. Hilliard, A. McAuley, B. Davidson, A. Pollock. Middle Row: J. Price, G. Willis, M. Bailey, A. Gill (capt.), G. Burns, J. Gillis, K. McMullen. Front Row: M. Sloan, G. Strachan.

RUGBY REVIEW

S.C.T.

The unsettled nature of the team was the major reason for a rather erratic season. It was not so much a surplus of players, but a shortage of key players, in the back-line. We were always short an out-half, and last year's full-back, Richard O'Donohoe, turned out to be one of the best centres in Leinster, so we were also short at full-back. The end result of this was that we played during the year with five different out-halves and the same number of different full-backs. Little wonder then, that the team should have difficulty settling. Mr. Cole was forced finally to play the very much out of position Conor O'Kelly at out-half and Brian Motyer, a fine centre, at full-back.

Nevertheless, we always attempted to play a running game, and we earned some fine results during the course of the season. As it turned out, our best displays were a 6-6 draw with Clongowes, the eventual cup-winners and a 7-4 win against Munster Cup finalists, C.B.C., Cork. The tour was a great success, and its 'togetherness' gave us a fine team spirit which we carried all the way to the Cup. This was helped in no small way by captain Ian Bloom, and his pre-match talks and speeches were a feature of the season. Another feature of the season was the punishing training schedules Danny Pendelton set himself. He became without doubt, the fittest member of the team. This obviously stood to his credit, for I cannot remember one game in which Danny didn't excel.

In the cup we were drawn against Templeogue in the first round. The team were quietly confident of advancing to the latter stages of the competition. At Donnybrook on 2nd February, we disposed of Templeogue in fine style, and the final score was 14-4. The fourteen points were made up of a fine try and penalty by Ian Bloom, one penalty by Conor O'Kelly and, the feature of the game, a fine try by Paul McElearney. A fine break by Roy Cooke created the space and 'Macer' 'shimmied' his way over in the corner.

The next round against St Michael's was hit by the bad weather conditions at the time, and finally the match was to be played at Terenure College in February. At 12.00 on that day we discovered that the venue had been switched to Bird Ave., and, despite the fact that the school was on its mid-term break the support was fervent as always. Despite a monopoly of possession in the first half, we turned at the break with a meagre 3-0 lead from a penalty by Ian Bloom. Two foolishly given away penalties put us behind by 3-6 and as the minutes ticked away an aura of despair filled the ground. However, with 30 seconds remaining the referee awarded a penalty 30 yards out. The penalty was kicked by Conor O'Kelly, despite vicious rumours to the contrary in the morning papers.

So it was that we earned a replay which was played at Terenure College during the next week.

Determined to make amends for our poor performance in the first match, we turned in one of our best displays of the season, but we were to eventually lose 10-11 under controversial circumstances. Bob Messenger said the next morning in the *Irish Press*: "I felt that High School deserved to advance to the quarter-finals against St. Mary's. Referee Scannell was harsh on them, especially when they got deep into St. Michael's territory in the second half, he seemed to pick up every triviality". The *Irish Independent* said: "Some of the referee's decisions were criticised around the ground and High School seemed to have most cause to react in this respect".

St. Michael's advanced to the semi-finals and were only narrowly beaten by cup-winners Clongowes. So we are left to dwell on what might have been.

Congratulations are due to Donal Lynch who was selected to play for Leinster and to Andy Blair who represented the Irish schoolboys so magnificently in the three international matches. We were very fortunate to have a player of his top-class calibre in this year's side.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of the team to thank Derek Cole and Les McClure whose expertise and commitment enabled us to compete with the top schools in the country.

Conor O'Kelly

Senior 2nd Xv

The Senior 2nd XV was one of the most successful High School teams this year.

The forwards were small in comparison with other packs, but this was not a drawback. They showed great mobility around the pitch, and held their own in the scrums and line-outs. A notable feature was the ability of the forwards to win a lot of loose ball in rucks and mauls.

The backs were solid in defence and showed flair and ability in attack. The half-back partnership of Potts and Smith played impressively throughout the season, while centres Turner and Reid were strong runners and combined well.

In the League, High School were drawn in the same section as C.B.C., Monksdown, Newbridge 'B', and Presentation College, Bray. They won their opening match against C.B.C., Monksdown, by 22-0, and since Newbridge pulled out of the competition, the deciding match was against Presentation College, Bray. Here the High School team were unlucky to lose to the eventual runners-up in the competition 6-4, conceding a late penalty under the posts.

Senior 3rd XV

The 3rd XV had a mixed season. They had some good wins, notably against Clongowes, Templeogue, and Belvedere. The team played with great spirit, enjoying all their matches, win or lose.

In the League the 3rd XV were unfortunate to have been drawn in a strong section with Terenure, Templeogue and C.B.C., Monkstown. They lost all their League matches.

Under 16 XV

The Under 16 XV played well throughout the season. The team had many fine wins and combined well in all their matches. They were a very spirited team and made up for their lack of weight by their mobility.

Among their fine victories were Blackrock 18-0, Belvedere 36-0 and De La Salle 26-0.

The team played no matches after Christmas due to players being needed for league games. Among those who impressed were Watson, Love and Mullen, all of whom played for the 2nd XV later in the season.

J.C.T.

The J.C.T. started off very well this season with a 32-8 win over C.B.C. Monkstown. The forwards were very promising in the scrums and line-outs. Ian Page, Trevor Darling and Howard Tracey won some good line-out ball throughout all the year, while Paul Harrison hooked well under pressure and this gave the backs a lot of ball.

Although the forwards played well the backs never really joined together. Graham Burleigh played extremely well throughout the season with very consistent kicking and Philip Rennicks was a sound tackler. Other notable players were Neil Harrison and Keith Jones.

In the Cup match High School met a very big and strong C.U.S. team. High School played very well in the first half, withstanding some great pressure. With about 25 mins gone the C.U.S. scrum half was off-side and this gave Graham Burleigh the chance to convert the penalty, which he did successfully. Therefore at the end of the first half, High School were 3-0 in front. In the second half the school played much better rugby and after a long spell of putting C.U.S. under pressure Graham Day ran through to score a try in the corner to make it 7-0. This was the way it stayed till the end of the match.

High School now found themselves at Donnybrook against a very strong St Mary's XV who had beaten them previously 20-0 at Danum. The School played a very good first half tackling well. In the second half Marys still could not get through and in the closing minutes Burleigh and Day missed two drop goals by inches.

In the replay it was a different matter. High School

never got together and after St. Mary's scored their first try they never looked back and they went on to win 26-0.

Under 14 XV

The Under 14's played well this year and gained some valuable confidence. They had several good victories over Mount Temple, King's Hospital, Gonzaga and St. Columba's. They also put up a good performance against C.B.C. and drew 4-4.

The backs lacked good handling ability, but some good place kicks were done by Gillis, who gave the team a few valuable points. The forwards lacked stamina and strength in play, but good rucking and mauling were done by McMullan. It was felt that the team needed Douglas, Wilson and Price, but these were otherwise occupied with J.C.T. activities.

A. McAulay

Under 13 XV

What this team lacks in size, it makes up for in skill and spirit. During the year a good number of beginners were brought onto the side and acquitted themselves very well. Their victories over St. Mary's and Castleknock show that, with the extra year for newcomers, they have everything to look forward to next year.

Under 12 XV

The under twelves improved as the season went on, and Wilson in the pack was outstanding with able support from Millar. The backs showed plenty of promise with Flanagan excelling. Victories over St. Mary's and Newbridge were the highlights of the season and if the team continue to develop as they did throughout the season they should be a force to be reckoned with in years to come.

Junior School Rugby 1977-8

This report refers to the 'Under 11' and 'Under 10' section of the Junior School and I am glad to state that it has been one of our most successful seasons. The 'under 11s' played fine matches against other schools and were beaten by St. Mary's 18-0, Willow Park 14-4 and 14-0; they beat Araven 20-12 and drew with Gonzaga 0-0.

Within the school, the 'Under 11s' had three victories over an 'Under 12' selection.

The 'Under 10's' drew with Gonzaga 0-0 and Willow Park 4-4, and in the final match Willow Park beat them 10-0. This team should make a useful 'Under 11' next year.

Finally, I would like to extend a host of thanks to George Willoughby, Ivan Slattery and several senior pupils for helping with coaching on Fridays, and to all parents without whose help no matches could be staged.

	P	W	L	D	F	A
1st	27	10	3	14	241	314
2nd	18	10	7	1	147	113
3rd	10	2	8	0	70	164
4th	6	2	4	0	52	72
J.C.T.	20	12	8	0	263	188
U-14	11	5	6	0	124	178
U-13	16	5	11	0	123	296
U-12	11	3	8	0	94	162

Rugby Tour — 1977-78

This year's Rugby Tour was the most adventurous yet attempted by trainers Mr. Cole and Mr. McClure for we were to play games in Canterbury, London and Wales, travelling over a thousand miles in five days from December 7 – 12.

After a rough crossing the team arrived in Holyhead off the Sealink boat to embark upon a five-hour train journey to London. Some excellent orienteering by Mr. Cole through the tubes found our bed-and-breakfast house near Lancaster Gate. Next morning we travelled by train to Canterbury where we had a brief work-out that afternoon to prepare us for the game the following day. After tea we were escorted to the King's School whom we were to play and where we were to stay the night. The King's School, Canterbury, which is one of the oldest schools in England, is built in the grounds of Canterbury Cathedral, a magnificent sight.

After breakfast the team shopped and went on a sightseeing expedition. That afternoon we played our game and were narrowly defeated 13–6 in a game which was not won till the final whistle when O'Kelly went over and converted his try himself. Both backs and forwards played well. That evening after tea the

team were invited to "Oliver", the school's play, which was an excellent production.

Next day we travelled by coach down to Dulwich, a huge impressive Victorian building with modern sports pavilion, gym and a magnificent ground. We were beaten again narrowly in a very close game by a Dulwich team which capitalised on our few defensive mistakes. We returned to London again to the bed-and-breakfast house for the night.

Next morning we travelled back to Wales for our annual fixture with John Bright School in Llandudno. We stayed the night with our opposition and the game, which we won 27–4, was played the next morning. We dominated this game and tries came from Hunt, Love, Jacobs, Blair and O'Kelly. Bloom added a try, penalty and conversion and O'Kelly also converted.

After lunch we caught the boat train back to Holyhead for the boat home. The organisation and coaching by Mr. McClure and Mr. Cole played a large part in the success of the tour. Overall, not a train or bus was missed nor anybody lost. Everybody arrived home in great spirits, having enjoyed the tour tremendously.



Sct. V Dulwich on tour.



1st round of the School's Cup – SCT against Templeogue College at Donnybrook.

Boxing

This was a most successful year highlighted by our annual Boxing Championships which took place in the main hall on Wednesday, 25th April. I would like to thank Mr. Peters and his section of 5th Form for their hard work in erecting the ring.

A good crowd attended and saw some very fine boxing from our members and the Exhibition fights which were provided by the Irish Amateur Boxing Association.

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| 1. | 6 st. | P. Furney beat G. Doyle. |
| 2. | 6 st. 7. | G. Restan beat P. Motyer. |
| 3. | 6 st. 7. | G. Matthews beat I. Byrne. |
| 4. | 7 st. | D. Lynch beat J. Casey. |
| 5. | 8st. | D. Jackson beat J. Blankson. |
| 6. | 7 st. 7. | G. Willis beat R. James. |

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| 7. | 9st. | G. Sherwood beat K. Aherne. |
| 8. | 9 st. | N. Sweeney beat E. Kevelighan. |
| 9. | 10 st. | R. Love beat A. Aherne. |

Kerry Aherne won the Jackie Stafford Shield.

The Club is very grateful to the I.A.B.A. for their most welcome gift of 10 pairs of gloves and for their generosity in coming along and judging the fights. Special thanks is also given to Garda Dick Conroy for once again coming along and so expertly controlling the bouts.

Much appreciation is given to Mr. Miller and Mr. Hilliard for their hard work and patience throughout the year and their arranging of the championships.

Boxing will restart next September and new members are always welcome.

Anthony Aherne. 6th Form.



Mr. Brook presents the Stafford Shield for "Best Scrapper of the Year" to Kerry Aherne after the Boxing Championships. Mr. Miller and Mr. Hilliard look on.

[Photo by kind permission of Evening Herald]

The Swimming Club

Swimming started off successfully this year with two sessions every Tuesday night in the Terenure College Pool from 6.00 – 6.30 p.m. The first session included very enthusiastic swimmers from Junior School First and Second years, showing great promise. The second session of Third year and upwards

was divided into training and leisure sections. These three - quarter hourly classes were very popular in the beginning but as the year progressed the numbers decreased particularly in the senior session. The swimming captains this year are Lorraine Hughes and Barry Callanan.

The Annual Swimming Gala was held on November 22nd from 5.30 – 7.30 p.m. in the Terenure College Swimming Pool. As always, this event proves to be very popular in the school year as shown by the

support given by teachers, parents and pupils. The winner of the Dodder Cup for Boys 75 metres Junior Championship was John Finlay and Peter Thompson was the winner of the Liffey Cup for the Senior Boys 100m championship. The Ralph Morris Cup for the most improved swimmer was won by Mark Fitzsimon. Jean Nolan was a prominent winner in many of the Senior Girls events including the 100m Championship. Galway won the Brook house relay Shield and the present pupils were successful winners over the Past Pupils in their relay. In all it was a very enjoyable event and we thank Mrs. Brook for presenting the prizes.

Congratulations to Peter Thompson who was picked to swim in the Four Nations Cup for Ireland—a fine achievement on his part.

Finally we thank Mrs. Mellon, Mr. Kirby and Mr. McMullen for their great work in promoting swimming in the School.

Lorraine Hughes (5th)

Table Tennis Report

Hon. Treasurer — Peter Wheeler 6th

Hon. Secretary — Barry Dalby 6th.

We have had a successful season and are enjoying regular high attendances. This no doubt attributes to the fact that the club has roots, so to speak, in many forms throughout the school. Present members encourage their friends to come and try it out and they stay. The fact that the Assembly Hall is in a prime position in the School, its proximity to the sixth form Common room and the lack of need for changing and specialist equipment also contribute to the games popularity.

Regular use of the tables over a long period has reduced their quality somewhat and we were very grateful to receive a new one from the school just before Christmas.

We entered five teams in the Leinster Schools League:

- 2 Senior boys
- 1 Senior Girls
- 1 Junior boys
- 1 Under 13 boys.

The 1st Senior boys was compelled to enter in the premium division. We were unable to compete successfully at this extremely high standard. The closest result was a 4-5 defeat by Beneavin. The 2nd senior boys was entered in their 4th division. They should have done better as their only victory was 7-2 against Rosmini College.

Our most successful team was the girls who were entered in the 2nd Division. They came third in this with an 8-1 victory over Our Lady's as their best result.

They were also entered in a cup competition but unfortunately came up against the straight contenders in the draw. Mercy Convent, Beaumont, to whom they narrowly lost 4-5.

Our Junior Boys team had a lot of travelling to do over to the North Side. Despite their fairly high standard they failed to get the winning touch in most games. The closest result was a 5-4 win over Chanel College.

The U13 boys team looked to be most promising at the start of the season. We put them in at the deep end by entering them in the first division of their age group. It was soon apparent however, that they were out of their depth as they lost the first two matches by large margins. We then withdrew them rather than damage their interest in match play. Despite this, we note that there are several young players in the School who show great promise in the game.

Several tournaments are in progress as these notes are written down with K. Livingstone prominent in the Senior boys. J. Smith in the Senior Girls, D. Borton in the Junior boys and G. Lawson in the U13 boys.

Club membership is about 40 but many pupils come to play occasionally, so pupils playing the game are probably about 80 in number. Girls playing the game have been few. We tried to rectify this by creating a special day on Tuesdays when they would get preference for games. This was not too successful and unless more girls replace the ones leaving this year, the girls team will have to be disbanded.

If there are any old boys etc., who are proficient in the game and who might be interested in giving up some time to coach our players would they please contact the club secretary.

B. Dalby 6th.

The Canoe Club

This year with around 60 members and 13 canoes the club has been very active.

Early in the season we had two trips to the Avonmore River which provided great experience on White Water. We also had several other trips to the Liffey and the Boyne.

In the Irish Schools Race we were well represented in all classes, including two kl's in the junior class.

We have recently purchased a C1 which is the modern equivalent to a traditional Canadian Canoe.

The Club would like to congratulate Shane White on being picked for the Irish Slalom Team.

On behalf of the club I would like to thank all the parents who have supported us with transport to and from events. Finally we are all in debt to Mr. Broad for his enthusiasm and help with running of the club.

D. Fitzpatrick
Hon. Sec.

CRICKET REPORT – 1977

S.C.T.

The senior team started the season badly losing their first three matches. Some of the best players, however, were missing at this stage, due to examination pressures. They were well beaten in their first match by a good Trinity Ramblers side. High School lost the annual match against the Leprechauns by 19 runs, despite good batting and bowling by N. Henderson.

In their first league match against St. Columba's, High School put up a much improved performance, winning by five wickets, with N. Henderson taking seven wickets and A. Blair making 39 runs. They reached 139 for five in their second league match against St. Paul's, thanks to good batting by J. Cole, A. Blair and I. Bloom, but they could not bowl the St. Paul's team out in the number of overs allowed, so the match was drawn. Due to a batting collapse, the team lost their next league match against Belvedere by 41 runs. In their final league match, against Masonic, the team made a good score, but again they could not dismiss the opposition, despite good bowling by A. Blair.

The Old Boy's match was very even, and was drawn after some very good play by both sides.

Congratulations to N. Henderson and D. McCormick who were picked to represent the Leinster Schoolboys team against U.C.D. N. Henderson, D. McCormick and I. Bloom were picked for the trial for the Leinster team to play Ulster, and N. Henderson was chosen for the Ulster match, but unfortunately was unavailable.

S.C.T. 2nd

The second team started the season well by winning a league match against King's Hospital by eight wickets. They lost their remaining three league matches, however, against Wesley, Clongowes and Belvedere. The team relied too often on one or two batsmen to make a good score. There was a better variety of good bowlers, with J. Mills and R. Cooke bowling well throughout the season. In their two friendly matches, the second team beat St. Mary's and St. Columba's.

J.C.T.

The J.C.T. this year was very good, and repeated the feat of last year's team by winning the Junior league. The team won five of its six matches, the only defeat was when St. Mary's beat an under-strength team.

The first league match was against Clongowes. Clongowes batted first, and were bowled out for 24 runs, with G. Cottell taking six wickets. High School

reached the required total without losing a wicket. In their next league match they achieved another easy victory by beating Wesley by six wickets. They ensured their place in the semi-final by winning a close match against Sandford Park by ten runs.

King's Hospital were the next victims in the semi-final. They were bowled out for 61, with D. Kenny taking seven wickets. High School made 64 runs for the loss of only three wickets, with G. Cottell and G. Burleigh making 25 and 20 respectively.

The team batted first in the final, and made the very creditable total of 166. K. Davies had a very fine innings making 82. He was well supported by G. Cottell (24) and G. Burleigh (17). St. Andrews made 66 all out, being dismissed by some good bowling by Cottell and Kenny.

Under 14

The Under 14 had a promising team, only losing one match out of the seven they played. Their victories included wins over St. Mary's, Clongowes and St. Gerards.

The team lost its first league match against Sandford Park despite an innings of 25 by G. Burleigh. In the second league match, Belvedere batted first and made 95 runs. High School came nowhere near this score, but having lost only four wickets they drew the match. The team also drew its next match against Sandford Park. In their final league match after dismissing the St. Mary's opposition for the considerable total of 104, the team showed its class by making 106 runs for the loss of only three wickets, with K. Davies making 48.

Despite only losing one match in the league, the team did not win its section, and thus did not go any further in the competition.

Under 13

The Under-13 team did not have a very successful season, winning only three of their nine matches. Near the beginning of the season, they suffered many heavy defeats, but later on they settled down, and at the end of the season they won two matches, both against Wesley. Their other victory came against St. Columba's. There are a number of good players on the team, notably P. Aldis, C. Haine and R. Henderson, and the team could do well in future league competitions.

Under 12

Unfortunately, the Under 12 team only played three matches this year, due to the difficulty in getting fixtures at this level. Of the matches they played, they won two and lost one. They proved themselves an enthusiastic team and they turned out well at practice.



CRICKET – SENIOR CUP TEAM 1977

Back Row: G. Glass, P. Farrar, C. Motyer, Mr. R. H. Fennell, A. Blair, G. Cottell, R. Frith. Front Row: Mr. A. P. R. Brook, W. Sheridan, D. McCormick, M. Henderson, I. Bloom (capt.), B. Motyer, J. Cole, R. Jacobson, Mr. M. Kirby.



CRICKET – JUNIOR CUP TEAM 1977

Back Row: J. Allen, G. Cottell, D. Kenny, S. Watson, G. Day, G. Maltby. Front Row: Mr. M. Kirby, P. Vincent, G. Burleigh, D. Booker, S. Fraser, D. Houston, Mr. R. H. Fennell.

Junior School

The Junior School team played five matches this year, winning four and losing one. They won three matches against Rathgar Junior School, and one against Sandford Park. Enthusiasm was at a high level in cricket in the Junior School. This was helped by an internal Junior School cricket league, which encouraged the boys to play the game.

The "Davies League" for Under 13 was held again this year, and was again very popular, encouraging boys at this age to play cricket. After a very exciting series of games, Peter Aldis's team were the winners.

I would like to thank Mr. S. Davies for the prizes for this competition, Mr. J. Cleary for his contribution to the Cricket Club and Mr. D. Haine for very kindly coming to the School on Saturday mornings to take coaching. Thanks are also due to Mr. J. Dawson and Mr. J. Malone, the groundsmen, for working so hard to keep the creases and the nets in such good playing order.

DAVID TEMPERLEY

(Hon. Secretary)

CRICKET SCORES, 1977

Team	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost
S.C.T.	8	1	3	4
S.C.T. 2nd	6	3	0	3
J.C.T.	6	5	0	1
Under 14	7	4	2	1
Under 13	9	3	0	6
Under 12	3	2	0	1
Junior School	5	4	0	1

Girls' Cricket

A new dimension was brought to the High School cricket scene in '77 when the girls took up the game on a competitive basis. There were two teams involved — an Under-14 team which consisted mainly of the 2nd Form and an Under 16 team which were mainly from the 4th form.

The Under 14's played 2 games against Sandford Boys. One match was lost and the other drawn. The team captained by Wendy Frith, also took part in the "Davies League".

The Under 16's captained by Freda Harbron and later by Linda Seymour played 3 matches. The first 2 were against The Kings Hospital Girls. Both games were lost but if it hadn't been for the limit on the overs to 20 we would have won the second. The final match was against a strong side from the Clontarf Ladies Cricket Club, but experience was certainly on their side and we were beaten by a considerable margin. The Season ended early due to the Intermediate Examination.

Our thanks go to Mr. Willoughby and Mr. Fennell who took the Under 14's and encouraged and supported both teams, and especially to Miss Hadden, who we will certainly miss for her enthusiasm and interest which she passed on to the members of the Under 16 team. Thanks also for the support given by pupils and staff to the teams in their matches and hopefully this will continue in this present season.

LINDA SEYMOUR

5th Form



GIRLS SENIOR CRICKET TEAM 1977

Back Row (left to right): Rhoda Howlin, Sandra Cloughley, Linda Seymour, Caroline Burgess, Heather Haskins, Sandra Cleary. Front Row: Mr. Brook, Dorothy Smith, Diane Jacobs, Freda Harbron, Shirley Draper, Janet Mogerly, Mrs. Mellon.



GIRLS JUNIOR CRICKET TEAM

Back Row (left to right): Gwyneth Smith, Janet Mogerly, Caroline Burgess, Avril Maltby, Linda O'Halloran, Dorothy Smith. Front Row: Mr. Fennell, Pamela Tough, Jill Turner, Wendy Frith (capt.), Karen Eppel, Julie Oakes, Mrs. Mellon.

TENNIS 1977

Last season saw the entry of the Senior Boys' team in the Leinster Senior Tennis Cup for the first time in many years. We were unlucky in drawing a strong Terenure team and after a spirited performance we went down 5-1.

In our own championships there were many entries in all tournaments. A special word of congratulations must go to Roy Cooke who completed an illustrious treble by winning the Boys' Singles, the Boys' Doubles and the Mixed Doubles. The respective winners were as follows:

Senior Grils' Singles	Matilda de Jong
Senior Boys' Singles	Roy Cooke
Junior Girls' Singles	Dorothy Smith
Junior Boys' Singles	Sam Smith
Minor Boys' Singles	Peter Thompson
Girls Doubles Championships	Matilda and Elizabeth de Jong
Boys' Doubles Championships	Roy Cooke and Richard Green
Mixed Doubles Championships	Roy Cooke and Paula Fraser

The annual game against the mothers took place at Brookfield Lawn Tennis Club last May. It was most enjoyable and many thanks must go to the mothers who served tea and cakes throughout the afternoon. Yet again the mothers had too much experience for us and they proved worthy winners.

With tennis becoming a more popular sport at school, the six courts which the school provided were always in demand. However, thanks to the support

and financial backing of the Parents' Association, work is in progress to complete two new courts for this season. Needless to say, this will ease court congestion and allow for the smooth running of all future tournaments.

Last year saw the end of an era of High School tennis with the departure of Mr. Ryan from the school. Since the amalgamation both he and Mr. McClure have encouraged and promoted tennis at all levels by coaching pupils and running tournaments and Mr. Ryan's enthusiasm and organisational ability will be greatly missed. However, the future of the tennis club is now in the capable hands of Mr. McClure, and with the continued support of both pupils and parents it is hoped that this season will be our most successful yet.

Richard Green, 6th form.

ATHLETICS (Boys and Girls)

Judging from results, as of course we should, it is fair to say that 1977 was not one of the School's most successful years for athletics. Some individuals performed extremely well, but taken as a whole the School lacked depth in many events. Such criteria as results, however, prove deceptive for the numbers actively involved in athletics in the school have grown, and this must augur well for the future. The many inter-schools matches have been a great source of enjoyment to the participants and the competition has stimulated many to greater achievements.

The School's cross-country championships were held in late March with Sandy Fraser, Nigel O'Brien

and David Taylor being victorious in the Junior School, junior and senior titles respectively.

The School Sports were held in very pleasant conditions on the 21st May.

The Cup winners were as follows:

Senior Championship War Memorial Cup . John Lawson

Senior Championship Taylor Cup Margaret Worrall

Taylor Cup, senior 100m John Lawson

Moore Cup, senior 200m John Lawson

Belgrave Cup, senior 200m Margaret Worrall

Southam Cup, senior 800m Michael Henderson

Cornick Cup, senior 400m Michael Henderson

Walker Cup, senior 1500m David Taylor

Sloan Cup, senior long jump John Lawson

Travers Cup, senior high jump Gary Hunt

Junior Championship, Cunningham Cup . Graham Day

Intermediate Championship Staff Cup Tracey Hughes

Second year girl with most points,

Diocesan Cup Susan Downes

First year girl with most points,

Mathers Cup Dorothy Smith

Magill Cup junior 100m Gary Hunt

Whyte Cup, field events John Lawson

Frazer Cup, Junior House relay Harcourt House

Evan Cup, Senior House relay Harcourt House

The Jean Scott Junior Hockey Cup Gail Quill

The Jean Scott Senior Hockey Cup Paula Frazer

In the Leinster zone championships, Michael

Henderson, David Taylor, John Lawson and Sola

Oluwole all achieved high standards in qualifying for

the Leinster finals. Sadly, however, in the actual finals,

the school was not able to produce any medallists, the

competition there being so very fierce and competitive.

The School athletics season finished on a high note

when the School team finished a highly commendable

third in the Hall-Cooper competition for co-

educational Schools. The performances achieved here

showed that there was no lack of basic talent in the

school, and that with proper and consistent training

the School could improve its position greatly in the

sphere of athletics. Finally, I would like to take the

opportunity of congratulating David Taylor on his fine

achievement in being selected to run for Ireland in the

International Cross Country Championships. Truly a

fine performance.

Michael Balbirnie, School Captain.

Girls' Badminton

This year the girls' badminton teams did very well. The under XVIII team won its section of the League and defeated Drogheda in the quarter final. The girls were eventually beaten by a strong Alexandra College team in the semi-final.

The under XVI team did not get the results we

would have liked, but the members of the team were very enthusiastic and enjoyed the season's badminton. This year the under XIV Firsts again made up a very strong team, but they were unlucky in the final of the League when they were beaten 4-2 by a strong St. Joseph's team. The under XIV Seconds came second in their section.

This year saw the first season of mixed badminton teams. The under XV team won the Junior Cup; the under XIX team did not, however, reach the final.

To conclude I would like to thank Mrs. Carson for her tremendous work during the year.

Janet Gill (6th form)
Badminton Captain & Secretary

Boys' Badminton

Badminton increased in popularity this season especially in the lower forms.

Four teams were entered in the Leinster Schools League, one in under-14, two in under-16 and one in under-19 levels. The under-19 team was the only one which did well, getting to the final against Beneavin. Unfortunately, however, they were beaten 4-2.

Our congratulations to David Borton on his selection to the under-15 interprovincial team.

The House competition was enjoyed by all, but especially Galway who came out victors.

Our thanks to Mr. Wallace for his help and encouragement throughout the year.

MOUNTAINEERING CLUB REPORT - 1977/78

We have once again walked through a successful season with regular day walks spiced with the delights of two hostelling weekends, one to Knockree and the other to N. Wales. There has been steady participation with about 15 bodies on each walk. Amazingly we have enjoyed fine, dry days for the most part and have almost forgotten what it's like to struggle, lost against the wind with the rain soaking our faces.

These walks are a debating ground for Messrs. Blackmore and Gardner who indulge in many philosophical and scientific arguments with the senior pupils. And who knows what liberated ideas and inventions are first mooted and aired high up in the Wicklow hills.

Last September we held our first meet in the local hills near Dublin. An easy walk to Cruagh via the Hellfire Club turned into a run for some of us when we realised that we were late for the bus. This was due to an irate sheep farmer who refused to let us cross his farmland. As Dublin expands this situation looks like becoming more familiar in the future.

Early in October we spent a pleasurable day in

West Wicklow. Previously frustrated attempts to get to the top of Mullagh Cleevaun were overcome and we enjoyed a fine view and rest on the top.

Our first hostelling weekend was held at Knockree early in November. Over 30 bodies turned out (one of the largest parties ever) and on Saturday we set off in a southerly direction. Gong up the side of Glencree valley to Maulin (1871') proved to be a steep and windy operation and we were pleased to have lunch on the Dargle before going up Djouce. The steep drop beside Powerscourt waterfall was safely negotiated and we returned to the hostel in darkness. Next day, Sunday, we returned to Rockbrook via Prince William's Seat etc.

We started the new year with a trip to Glendalough. Private transport was used to the car park. We ascended Lugduff, where there were large patches of snow and then returned to the car park via the head of the valley.

On our next walk we climbed two of the highest peaks in Wicklow. Commencing at Duff Hill we continued to Mullagh Cleevaun East (2603') after lunch in the rain, Tonelagee (2686') was shrouded in light mist when we arrived. Due to recent rains the Glenmacnass River was rather swollen and one of our guests, Eric, was plunged into its icy waters whilst testing a rope. Few of us escaped getting wet in the end.

In March we shared a bus with Scoil Iosagain and Templeogue College to the Glen of Imaal and enjoyed a leisurely walk up Lugnaquilla (3039').

However, the climax of the whole year and perhaps of several years was the second hostelling weekend, this time to N. Wales.

The trip was run in conjunction with Scoil Iosagain. A lot of planning went into this but unfortunately only a small number of pupils could benefit from this due to exams, cost, etc. We went across by boat and the following day proceeded to Idwal Cottage. On Friday we ascended Y Garn and walked round Lake Idwal whilst aeroplanes flew through the valley below us. The next day we climbed across to Pen Y Pass Hostel, taking in Glyder Fach on the way. On Sunday, an attempt was made to climb Snowdon, but strong winds, hail and the cold stopped us three-quarters of the way up. We returned to Dublin on Monday safely, despite the stormy weather.

Finally, we would like to thank Mr. Blackmore, Mr. Gardner and Miss Stevenson for their untiring organisation, and love of the mountains. It is solely because of their efforts that a Mountaineering Club functions in this School.

B. Dalby, J. Gill, P. Armstrong.

Hostelling Excursion to North Wales

The Club's annual long-weekend excursion this year was to North Wales. On Wednesday, March 15th we left Dun Laoghaire by the evening sailing of the new

ferry, the Saint Columba. We spent a very cold night on the floor of a Youth Club in Holyhead so we were up early for a morning train to Bangor. We bought provisions for the weekend and had a quick look at this University City which we saw in ideal conditions of warm spring sunshine. With our extra heavy packs we went by bus to Bethesda and walked up the Nant Ffrancon Valley to Idwal Cottage Youth Hostel. Despite the relative security of a footpath it was unnerving to see the almost continuous heavy fast traffic thundering down, in particular, transporters which seemed to lurch and sway towards us on the comparatively narrow road. We were very glad to be able to get across to the old road on the south-western side of the valley.

The weather deteriorated in the afternoon and turned from light rain through sleet to snow. Fortunately the wind was behind us as we watched the snowline creeping down the hills until it went down into the valley and turned us into walking snowmen – at least when seen from behind. The boys' dormitory was in the old Chapel near the hostel proper, and we recommend this situation for training sprinters for the 100-metre race in the school sports. Certain rather sedentary members of the party put up times – in the sleet – which would qualify for school medals at home. The prizes, of course, were hot meals in the hostel.

We celebrated St. Patrick's Day by walking up to Twll Du (the Devil's Kitchen) via Llyn Idwal, admiring the curtains of icicles on the overhangs of the cliffs of the Cwm, as we learned to call a corrie while in Wales. We were walking on snow before long and decided to go around the Kitchen which was covered with icicles and sheets of ice and quite unclimbable without special equipment.

We went up to Llyn Cwn, lunched beside the lake, and later we met a party from the Royal Navy and were warned that the ridge on our route beyond Y Garn was dangerously iced. While it seemed strange to meet sailors so far from the sea we decided to take their advice and we went to the summit (3106 feet or 946 metres) and came back by the same route to the hostel. While we enjoyed the excitement of glissading on the southern slopes of Y Garn we found the boulder-field beside the Devil's Kitchen to be just within the limits of safety and we realised that going down over ice and frozen snow is harder than going up.

Saturday saw us carrying all our gear and excess food up the hill behind the hostel to Pen-Y-Pass via Llyn Bochiwyd and up to the col between Tryfan and Glyder Fach where we met another Irish party. We had met them in Kerry last year on our Carrantoohil excursion. While going around the south side of Cwm Tryfan we spoke to two other mountaineers who were lunching near a cairn. During the conversation one introduced himself as John Hunt. Later we learned we had met the famous alpinist who was organiser of the

successful (1953) Everest expedition. We went up Glyder Fach (994m) from the south-east. This is a walk rather than a climb and we kept well away from Bristly Ridge. A party from Galway arrived while we were on the summit and we watched them taking photographs of the Cantilever Stone. The lunar landscape of Glyder Fach was simplified to some extent for us as snow had filled most of the hollows and where it had frozen it made bridges from one huge rock to another. This was the second of two superlatively beautiful days for hill walking. We had splendid views of Snowdon and the peaks around it and wave after wave of snow covered mountains wherever we looked. Most of the hills had such a snow cover that there was hardly any other colour to be seen but white, except where precipices showed the dark rock of the mountains.

Sunday was a surprise as mist was down to the hostel and lower into the Llanberis Pass. Rain began to fall at breakfast time. It got steadily heavier and the wind increased in force pushing sleet into our faces, as we started out for Snowden via the Pyg Track. As we went up the weather worsened further and we were stung by driven sleet which turned to snow. We could hear the wind roaring above us on the Crib-goch ridge and we were glad of the partial shelter. Several of the party were blown down by the wind while on the track and the description "blizzard conditions" seemed appropriate. We lunched, or tried to, crouched on the snow below an overhang and saw two "hard men" (who had passed us out earlier) coming back towards us. We saw them both blown down, and pinned down, for a moment by the wind. One who had tried to rise had to spread-eagle himself to prevent being rolled over. They joined us and warned us that the track was obscured by soft snow just beyond us, that the Zig-zags were one continuous snow slope and that the wind was blowing more and more snow over the ridge. As we could not see more than 25 yards at best and usually less and since further progress would be endurance rather than enjoyment we decided to return (unanimous).

We returned to the hostel early but were allowed in to the delightful warmth of the drying room. We would like to acknowledge this kindness by the Warden and staff of the Pen-Y-Pass hostel which, without exaggeration we may call life saving. Everyone of the party of 18 was wet and beginning to feel cold.

On Monday morning we shared a private hire coach to Bangor with our good friends from Scoil Iosagáin, who go to North Wales every year. From Bangor we returned to Holyhead for the afternoon sailing to Dun Laoghaire. We were sorry to leave the mountains, but Monday was as unpleasant as Sunday had been and the rain continued to pour down on Holyhead. Gale-force words were forecast but fortunately they were head-on and we were not conscious of rough sea, except those who went on deck who were lashed by

spray. Out of the windows (not portholes) we could see where the wind, tearing the tops off all the rollers, made the sea look like a ploughed field covered by moving snow, white to the horizon.

It was a beautiful calm and placid evening in Dun Laoghaire as the light faded from the sky, and home seemed very welcoming. We would like to thank Mr. Blackmore, Mr. Gardner and Miss Stevenson for taking such good care of us all.

**Jonathan Young,
Records Secretary.**

Extract from provisional programme issued before leaving: "This is a hill walking excursion. We may not reach the summits of any peaks if Winter conditions prevail. The safety of the party will be the only consideration here".

CAVING

Caving from Dublin is made difficult by lack of transport. It is some years since the School went caving. During the year several senior pupils expressed their regret that they would, very probably, leave school without trying the Adventure Sport of caving. Later, Gareth Jones of T.C.D., who has sons in the School and who is a member of the Irish Spelaeological Society, offered to take a party to the Marble Arch Caves in Co. Fermanagh. Accordingly, on the 6th of May a party of eighteen went by private cars to the Marbank region west of Florencecourt. The numbers were reduced by parental uneasiness of mind due to some publicity earlier in the year, when a major cave-rescue operation was mounted after rising flood waters trapped two cavers. It is well to remember (i) that the rescue was entirely successful and (ii) that novices are never taken into the more inaccessible parts of any cave system.

Mr. Jones brought two other experienced cavers, Paul Mills and Jonathan Cohen as instructors. The party was fortunate to have the unobtrusive help and thoughtfulness of these cavers who were so glad to share their enthusiasm with us, and who sacrificed an entire day for us.

From a convenient place on the Marbank Scenic Loop we were given an outline of the geographical features of the area and admired Monastic Cliffs. After an early lunch we went into Lower Cradle Hole and, later, into Marble Arch by the Boulder Choke entrance as the Rift entrance requires rope. To get in required some very involved — it seemed to us — crawling and sliding, and, once down in the main cave some unusual walking in the underground river. "Only knee deep, quite a dry cave" said Mr. J.

We scrambled over other boulder chokes, looked at sumps and ducks (from the verb, not the noun), crossed a fly-over and studied laminar sands and gravels. We saw some beautiful stalactites and flow-stone. This last is rather like lace made of rock, which is

formed by deposition of carbonate at the curved edge of overflowing pools around the walls.

We found the visit both thrilling and satisfying, and some of us who found V. Diff. climbs in Dalkey to be almost too hard did not seem to notice any difficulty underground. The only awkward part of the return was made easy by a well secured wire-rope ladder and a rope handrail too. We may quote one of the pupils: "This certainly beats hill-walking". Every one of the novices was sorry not to have been able to go down again, or go in further, or to stay longer, but we had promised to be across a certain County boundary before dusk, and we left about 6 p.m., almost three hours before sunset.

Footnote: Beautiful, rather Burren-like country, with primroses, wood anemones, and violets in profusion. Wild garlic in the fenced-off areas around entrances showing its lovely white star-like blooms and swallows skimming the ground around us made Fermanagh seem as attractive above ground as it had been fascinating below.

Staff: Please do not wait as long before the next excursion, we all want to go again.

D.A.F.

ORIENTEERING

The Orienteering club has this year risen considerably in numerical strength with over fifteen regular supporters. Although this number is small compared with attendance at Events by other Schools, there have been some significant results.

Roxanne White, Ruth and Judith Williams are still very much to the fore in events. Roxanne and Ruth have moved up into the W 15 class and are coming 1st and 2nd in schools' events with Judith winning in the W 13 class. In October Roxanne came 1st at the Scottish Junior Championships and 1st in the Irish Championships at Kinitty. Ruth came second in the Irish Junior Championships held in November at Newcastle, Co. Down, and at the same event the trio won the W 13 Relay Championship.

Roxanne and Ruth, sponsored by the Leinster Schools Orienteering Association, represented Ireland at the International Jan Kjellstrom Event in Yorkshire at Easter. Roxanne came 7th and Ruth 38th out of a class of 80. David Fitzpatrick, Mark Lyttle and Gavin Hind have become a strong team of M 15's while Terence Dixon came 2nd in a number of events in the M 12 class.

Finally, I would like to thank, on behalf of the pupils, all parents and staff who helped with transport during the year.

In the Leinster Schools Championship Judith Williams came 1st in the W13 Class and in the W15 Class Ruth Williams came 1st with Roxanne White in 2nd place.

Squash 1977 / '78

This year was the second year of High School squash. From October till December, up to 25 enthusiasts made their way every Tuesday to Squash Ireland, Dartry. It was encouraging to note the number of beginners taking up the game at school level, but unfortunately these were mainly from fifth and sixth form.

For the first time High School had three teams entered in the Leinster Senior Schools' Squash League. These consisted of two senior boys teams and one senior girls team.

The boys first team have done reasonably well so far, winning seven of their nine games. With the League not quite finished yet, this team should finish in the top three. The senior second team mainly comprises players from the fourth form and unfortunately has not been as successful as the first. They have had good wins over St. Conleth's 2nds and Terenure's 1sts, but have been unable to find consistent form. However, players like Nyall Jacobs, Keith Davies and John Allen have progressed through this team and have shown their form on the firsts.

Like the seconds, the senior girls have not shown consistent form. Their best win came over a highly rated Roslyn Park team. Many thanks must go to Janet Dalby, the captain of this team, who played in every match. Her strength and enthusiasm have been a source of inspiration for the team.

Finally, many thanks to all those who played squash or supported the teams throughout the season, and to Squash Ireland, Dartry, who kindly let us use their facilities.

Richard Green (6th Form)

HOCKEY REPORT — 1st XI

This year's 1st XI team, captained by Janet Dalby, showed promise from the beginning of the season having seven members of last year's 1st XI on the team again this year. During the season we played many friendly matches and gained experience by playing a number of Senior teams. We played two teams from the North of Ireland — Grosvenor High School and Down High School — and enjoyed these two competitive matches.

In the Intermediate cup we reached the semi-final having played a total of seven matches (due to a number of replays). We got a bye into the second round and beat St. Joseph's Cluny (7-0) and King's Hospital B's (4-0) in the 2nd and 3rd rounds.

During these matches we gained confidence, which was just as well as we came up against a strong team, Loreto, Foxrock, in the 4th round. We had to play Loreto, Foxrock, three times before beating them 1-0. In the first two attempts our defence was under con-

siderable pressure and had it not been for the superb goalkeeping of Dorothy Myers, we might not have been successful. In the quarter-finals we played Mount Anville and beat them 4-2. In the semi-finals we came up against a very tough Mount Temple team and drew nil-nil in our first encounter. In the replay, although we mounted some attacks we were unable to score and lost by 2-0 (Mount Temple then went on and were narrowly beaten by Alexandra 2-1 in the final).

On our yearly visit to Cork in October we played Bandon Grammar School and Ashton Comprehensive School. Although we did not win either (scores being 1-1 and 0-2 respectively) we had a very enjoyable time and are grateful for the hospitality that was extended to us by the Bandon girls.

The Bandon team in turn visited us in March, and in an enjoyable friendly game, High School won 2-1.

One of the highlights of the hockey season this year was the team's first ever tour to Wales. We travelled to Wales by the Dun Laoghaire/Holyhead route on a rather dreary day. Although a few of the team members did not have such a good crossing we played our first match against Lowther College (drawing 1-1) within two hours of disembarking from the boat. The next morning we travelled to Llandudno by mini-bus where we played against John Bright School and defeated them by 4-0. We spent the afternoon shopping and travelled home the next day triumphant, although tired.

I would like to thank Mrs. Mellon and Mr. Brook for arranging this tour which hopefully will be the first of many. I feel that the trip to Wales brought the team together and produced a great deal of team spirit which enabled us to do so well in the cup competition.

2nd XI

The 2nd XI, captained by Lorraine Hughes, got off to a good start both in their friendly and cup matches. Unfortunately, towards the end of the season the team was lacking in unity and this showed up in the results of their last few games.

They had a successful run in the Intermediate cup, beating Rathdown B and Wesley B. In the third round they were drawn against Manor House Raheny A. They fought well and although coming back to 2-all after being 2-0 down, they lost the match 4-2.

3rd XI

The 3rd XI, captained by Margaret Hodgins, played a number of enjoyable friendly matches throughout the season. They were drawn against Dominican Cabra in the first round of the Intermediate cup, but lost while playing well. A better performance throughout the season could have been produced if the team had been together more.



1st XV HOCKEY TEAM 1977-78

Back Row: A. Sloane, J. Gill, D. Myers, C. O'Sullivan, A. Jackson, J. Free. Front Row: Mr. A. P. R. Brook, J. Smith, G. Mundy, J. Dalby (captain), S. Cowan, F. Harbron, Mrs. Mellon.



JUNIOR A HOCKEY TEAM 1977-78

Back Row (left to right): Helen Ryan, Pamela Tough, Roslyn Campbell, Mrs. G. Mellon, C. Burgess, Sharon Sturdy, Sharon Giltrap. Seated: Wendy Frith, Patricia Macken, Averil Haltby, Julie Oakes, Sharon Dudgeon.



MINOR A HOCKEY TEAM 1977-78

Back Row (left to right): N. Jackson, A. Wilson, K. Chambers, J. Williams, S. Marshall, A. Ruttle. Front Row: Mrs. Mellon, M. Fitzpatrick, J. Turner, D. Jacobs, S. Worrell.

Junior A

The team captained by Avril Maltby had a number of promising individuals but the season was well under way before they settled down as a team and unfortunately in November they lost the first round of the Junior Cup against Manor House, Raheny, 3-2. Then they were drawn in the Plate Competition against Kilcullen and beat them clearly 7-0. In the next round they came up against a strong Mount Anville team and were unlucky to lose in a very good match.

Hopefully, some of this team, with a little more enthusiasm and spirit, could make the 1st XV next year.

Junior B.

The Junior B., captained by Tracy Hughes, showed a lot of improvement during the season, mainly due to the fact that they nearly always turned up for practice. Drawn in their section of the league were Alexandra College, Wesley College, Ballyroan School and Terenure. They lost when playing the first two teams but had two good wins while playing Ballyroan and Terenure.

Minor A + B

Due to the lack of girls in the lower part of the school, there were few numbers to choose from to make up the Minor A and Minor B hockey teams.

The Minor A, captained by Gwynneth Smith, were beaten in the Minor Cup in the first round by Glengara even though they fought hard and played a good match. This team could have improved slightly more if more determination had been shown.

The Minor B, captained by Avril Poff (who did a lot of work in getting the team together), improved throughout the season, although they had some

difficulties in scoring goals. In the Minor Cup they lost to Ursuline, Cabinteely, in the 1st round by 2-1 although they attacked for about 80% of the game.

Pupils v. Staff Match

The season was rounded off well on the last day of term (22nd of March) when a mixture of the S.C.T. and 1st XI played against the staff in a very enjoyable match. Good attacks were launched by both teams but neither side managed to score a goal and the resulting score, 0-0, was a fair one.

In general the hockey season was successful but there are still more people who need to realise that regular attendance at practice with their own teams and the presence of team spirit is the key to success.

In conclusion, I would like to thank Mrs. Mellon for her encouragement and instruction which she gave to all of the teams throughout the season.

I would like to thank the ground staff for keeping the new grass hockey pitch in beautiful condition, making it one of the best pitches in Dublin.

Also, I would like to thank Joyce Harte, the hockey secretary, for her hard work and time spent in arranging fixtures for the teams during the successful season of 1978.

Janet Dalby, Hockey Captain.

HOCKEY SCORES - 1977-78

Team	P	W	L	D	F	A
1st XI	36	14	11	11	55	38
2nd XI	23	14	8	1	59	27
$\frac{3}{4}$ rd XI	12	4	4	4	18	19
Junior A	19	7	9	3	42	35
Junior B	12	4	7	1	24	22
Minor A	14	3	9	2	19	38
Minor B	10	4	4	2	—	—



1st XI v. Mount Anvil at Danum in the cup.



1st XI against Mount Anvil at Danum.

The Chess Club

For the first time in the history of the school chess club, a junior team was entered into the Leinster Chess League to represent the High School. The decision to enter the junior team was reached because, due to pressure of examinations, the members of the Senior chess team were unable to take on the time consuming round of games.

The new team consisted of relatively untried players. However, their lack of experience was more than matched by their dedication, and their enthusiasm which, combined with the advice and encouragement given by Mr. Hilliard, finally resulted in the team gaining second place in the League.

The 1977/78 team consisting of Barry O'Keeffe, Mark Webb, Keith Davies, Jeremy Price, Roger Davies, with David Finkel and Mark Little playing alternatively made an encouraging start with their win over Eblana by 5 games to 1. This led to a notable win over Ballymun of six games to nil and St. Joseph's by four games to two. We were somewhat unlucky to have been beaten by League winners Gonzaga who scored with $3\frac{1}{2}$ to $2\frac{1}{2}$ games.

Our final match of the season was played in Dundalk against Dundalk CBS when we reached a six-nil win to force a playoff for the League title against Gonzaga. Unfortunately, though we beat Dundalk, the margin of $4\frac{1}{2}$ points to $1\frac{1}{2}$ points was not enough. We had to be content with second place, but this in itself was no mean achievement for a team which was, in the main, completely new to League chess.

Next season it is intended to enter a team in the

Senior League, which will probably consist mostly of this year's junior team which has represented the school so well this year. A new team will also be formed to compete in the junior section, all of which says much for the growing popularity and expertise of the chess enthusiasts in High School.

To Mr. Hilliard, who has devoted so much time to the arrangement and organisation of fixtures, and for the encouragement he has given to the players, a special word of appreciation must be given. He has set us a high standard which we hope we will be able to maintain.

Barry O'Keeffe.

A simultaneous chess exhibition by Paul Delaney

It was a considerable boost for chess in High School when, through the good offices of Mr. Hilliard, we were honoured by a visit from the top player in Collegians, and indeed the number two player in Ireland, Mr. Paul Delaney, on February 1st this year.

He gave a simultaneous chess exhibition in which he took on fifty players from High School. The exhibition ran for over three hours in the Assembly Hall and the layout and equipment was as good as one would find at any major exhibition, for which we must again give our thanks to Mr. Hilliard.

Delaney gave a dazzling display, in which he won

forty seven games and drew three, and there can be no doubt that every player learned something useful from Delaney's brilliance during the games.

This type of exhibition does much to further the growing interest there is in chess in the school, and the fact that fifty players, good, bad and indifferent would come and enter against as expert a player as Paul Delaney, suggests that we will not be lacking in enthusiastic competitors in the future, or a well of contestants to draw from in the years to come.

Barry O'Keeffe

The High School, Dublin Parents' Association

At the 34th Annual General Meeting of the Association held in October 1977, the following Committee was elected: Mrs. J. Armstrong, Mrs. D. Cole, Mrs. P. Frith, Mrs. D. Scott, Messrs. D. Bockett, J. Cleary, M. Kenny, Dr. N. Smith (later elected Chairman), Mr. S. Davies (Hon. Treasurer), Mrs. J. Elliott (Hon. Secretary).

Mr. Philip Chambers, B.Sc. (a pharmacologist) spoke at our November meeting on "Hazards in the Home". In January, Mr. Dermot Montgomery, M.A., gave a very helpful talk entitled "Careers in the Seventies - Some Facts and Fallacies".

In February we held our annual Cheese and Wine party, the proceeds of which were given to the Tennis Courts fund and in March we held our final meeting of the session, when we had a panel discussion on the theme "Irish Youth in the Nineteen-eighties". Those taking part were Mrs. Rita Childers, Mr. Gerald Davis, the Dean of St. Patrick's and Dr. Patrick J. Loughrey, with Prof. Alan Browne in the Chair.

During the year the Committee has been very active trying to raise funds for the new tennis courts and to this end all parents were written to asking for donations. We also presented Niall Toibin in his One Man Show. Mrs. Pat Frith kindly gave a Coffee Morning / Evening in her home in January and Mrs. Jean Elliott hopes to give one towards the end of April. To date we have been able to donate over £3,000 to the fund.

JEAN ELLIOTT
Hon. Secretary

THE HIGH SCHOOL OLD BOYS' UNION

Dear Member,

This year our two major events - the Annual Dinner in the School and the London Dinner - both suffered problems with post, air and telephone disputes. My thanks are due to Adrian Moran and to Jim Maguire who, despite these upsets, so ably organized the respective functions. I am grateful also to O.B.U. members and guests who so cheerfully accepted the last minute changes inevitable in such circumstances.

From time to time I meet Old Boys who have lost touch with the School and the Union. In many cases it emerges that this situation has come about through not knowing what exactly is involved in keeping in touch. A couple of years ago the cost of printing and postage made it necessary to introduce an annual subscription to cover the mailing of The Erasmian and other information. Many Old Boys, having paid the initial subscription, probably overlooked the question of continuity and so have missed out in recent times. I commend to Old Boys an annual subscription by means of a Banker's Order which will ensure regular receipt of the School Magazine and information on Union activities.

1978/1979 will be our Golden Jubilee year and a series of events is being planned to celebrate the occasion. I know that we can rely on your support of

the various functions and I would ask you to acquaint other Old Boys of this milestone in the history of our Union.

Yours sincerely,
Leslie Drew



OLD BOYS UNION

Honorary Secretary's Report

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The annual general meeting was held in the School on Friday, 21 October, 1977. The President, F. G. M. Cole was in the chair and 26 members attended.

The following officers and committee were elected for 1977/78:

<i>President:</i>	H. L. Drew.
<i>President Elect:</i>	T. W. R. Meates
<i>Vice-President:</i>	A. P. R. Brook (Headmaster)
<i>Hon. Secretary:</i>	A. P. Moran
<i>Hon. Treasurer:</i>	C. B. Craven
<i>Hon. Registrar:</i>	T. J. Early
<i>Hon. Auditor:</i>	R. S. Browning
<i>Committee:</i>	G. Heather, W. I. Hunter, F. J. Leach, R. Montgomery, A. J. Morton, D. G. Murphy, J. D. Ridgeway, N. C. Smith, B. R. Wilkinson.

Sports and Social Secretaries:

<i>Rugby:</i>	D. K. Poynter.
<i>Cricket:</i>	I. Burns
<i>Golf:</i>	M. F. McDonough
<i>Athletics:</i>	D. Cornick
<i>Dance:</i>	R. McConnell

DANCE

The annual dance, in conjunction with the Old Girls' Association, was held on Friday, 4th November, 1977 at the Dublin Sport Hotel. The attendance was 176 and the general consensus was that the evening had been a most enjoyable and worthwhile occasion.

ANNUAL DINNER

The annual dinner was held in the School on Saturday, 28th January, 1978, with 275 members and guests in attendance. The toast to the Guests was proposed by Bob Clinton and was responded to by Allen Figgis. It is pleasing to be able to report that the speeches, the entertainment and the evening in general all lived up to the high standard which has become very much a distinctive feature of the annual dinner.

LONDON DINNER

The London dinner was held at the Naval and Military Club in Picadilly on Friday, 17th March, 1978. Despite the airline dispute, which prevented many people from Dublin travelling, the attendance of 87

members and guests was only slightly down on 1976. Jim Maguire proposed the toast to the guests and Liam Yendole the toast to the school. The evening was most enjoyable and thanks are due to Jim Maguire for his organising efforts.

FOR YOUR DIARY

Golf Outing:

Friday, 9th June at Rathfarnham Golf Club.

Dance:

Friday, 27th October at the Dublin Sport Hotel.

Annual General Meeting:

Friday, 10th November at the School.

Annual Dinner:

Saturday, 27th January, 1979 at the School.

Adrian P. Moran

NEWS OF OLD BOYS

Eric F. J. Beck (1937-1942) has been appointed secretary of the First National Building Society. Mr. Beck was previously Financial Controller with First National, a position which he retains.

Wyndham H. D. Beere (1965-1966) who qualified as a Chartered Surveyor in 1977 is a property manager, MEPC Ireland Ltd. — Property Developers Dun Laoghaire and Stillorgan shopping centres.

R. Stanley (Stan.) Browning (1946-1950) as President of Old Wesley R.F.C. has taken a group on a Tour of the American West Coast May 5-27, 1978 with Trevor H. Lloyd (1955-1961) as Assistant Manager. Among the playing members are **Douglas (Doug) A. McCoy** (1964-1971), **Philip A. Orr** (1961-1969), **David G. Priestman** (1961-1970) and **Norman J. Reeves** (1954-1958).

David N. Caird (1952-1961) has been appointed to the Board of Directors of Mathews, Mulcahy and Sutherland Ltd. Mr. Caird had previously been a senior account executive with the same company.

F. Derek Chapman (1962-1969) was lent by the Abbey Theatre to the Gate Theatre to play the boy in "Equus" written by Peter Shaffer.

A. Wayne Duffy (1967-1975) has finished his training in London during which he won credits and distinctions at the City and Guilds Examinations in bread-making and flour confectionery at the levels of Technicians Certificate, Full Technological Certificate, Advanced Craft Certificate and The National Diploma in Baking. He is back in Dublin working as a Technical sales representative for the family firm.

Gordon H. Fallon (1966-1973) is an Air Traffic Controller at Victoria Falls, Rhodesia.

Neville John G. Fallon (1962-1968) is a copywriter with Kenny's Advertising Agency.

Mr. W. Godfrey G. Fisher (1946-1957) has obtained the degree F.R.C.S. Canada. He was invested with the title of Serving Brother of St. John's Ambulance Brigade in Canada on 28th October, 1977, by the Governor General of Canada. This is a signal honour. In Great Britain it is conferred by the Monarch and in Canada by the Governor General as her Representative. His name will be inscribed in St. John's Gate in London.

Winston A. Fisher (1948-1959) is chief Supervisor in the Westminster Bank.

Arthur T. Godsil (1964-1972) is teaching in St. Andrews College, Dublin.

Dr. Arthur R. W. Hughes (1954-1956) is a Lecturer in Physics in the University of Natal since 1975.

Eoghan S. Keegan (1956-1966) has been lecturing in Mathematics at The National Institute for Higher Education, Limerick, during the past academic year.

Provost F. S. L. Lyons (1941) has delivered the Ford lectures on history at the University of Oxford. This is the first time that the prestigious Ford lectures have been delivered by an Irish historian since 1896. It is the first time ever that they have been devoted to an Irish topic. The lectures were 'Unity and Diversity' on 20th January, 'After Parnell' on 26th January, 'Irish Ireland versus Anglo-Irish Ireland' on 27th January, 'The Revolutionary Generation' on 3rd February, 'Ulster: the roots of difference' on 10th February and 'At opposite poles' on 17th February. The overall subject title was 'Culture and Anarchy in modern Ireland (1890-1939)'. Dr. Lyons regards the lectures as a means of emphasising the underlying cultural difference, of which political events have been only the outward expression.

Ernest J. Margetson (1939-1946) was re-appointed a member of the tribunal to administer the scheme of compensation for personal injuries criminally inflicted, for a further three years in April 1977 by The Minister for Justice, Mr. Cooney.

John H. Maybury (1963-1970) has left I.C.I. in England and is currently Project Manager with Pfizer Chemical Corporation, Ringaskiddy, Co. Cork.

Alan G. Moore (1964-1975) won the Mens K1 class in the U.C.D.-organised inter-varsity Canoe races which were held on the River Liffey on April 1978. T.C.D. were the overall winners.

Lucinda M. Moore (1974-1975) won 3 gold medals and 1 silver medal at the Irish Universities Athletic Championships in 1977. In the same year she won 2 gold medals and 1 silver medal in the Annual 'Colours' match.

Harvey D. R. O'Keefe (1967-1975) was one of the three out of the original class of ten cadets of the

Tenth Air Corps Cadet Class who completed the two-year training and qualified as a military pilot. He received his "wings" from Colonel Jeremiah B. O'Connor, Officer Commanding Air Corps and Director Military Aviation.

David A. Orr (1931-1940) has been knighted by Queen Elizabeth of England.

Philip A. Orr (1961-1969) played at loose prop head in all four 1978 Internationals: Ireland v. Scotland on Jan. 21 at Lansdowne Road, France v. Ireland on Feb. 18 at Parc des Princes, Ireland v. Wales on March 4 at Lansdowne Road and England v. Ireland on March 18 at Twickenham.

Kenneth E. Price [1958-1964] is with Irish Steel Holdings Ltd. as Manager in connection with the European Coal and Steel Community.

J. Homan Reid (1964-1973) is a member of the Staff of Queen's University, Belfast and works as a Microbiologist in the Royal Victoria Hospital.

David C. Robbie (1961-1972) is a Management Trainee with Arthur Guinness & Co.

John C. Robbie (1963-1973) who was Captain of the Trinity College Rugby Team two years ago is now Captain of the Cambridge University Rugby Club. He played for the British Universities against their French counterparts at Bethune in April. He has been invited to Captain the Irish Universities Touring Side which will tour New Zealand this Summer. He took part in an R.T.E radio programme - Club na nOg - answering questions about Rugby. David and Johnnie appeared in a Greystones Pantomime, produced by their mother, last Christmas.

Peter C. Robbie (1964-1975) was awarded his Diploma in Horology at the Institute of Horology, Blanchardstown. He has since taken up a post in Monaghan.

Rev. Canon J. Ross (1923-1928) retired on 31-8-1977 from the Principalship of the Church of Ireland College of Education, Rathmines, Dublin after 25 years of service. He succeeded the Most Rev. Dr. Simms who at that time became dean, and subsequently, Bishop of Cork.

Preyasen Rungasamy (1971-1973) has gained his 'Pink' for Tennis from T.C.D. this summer. He has also been elected a Knight of the Campanile.

Roderick (Rody) Ryan (1976-1966) played the part of McLeavy in the Profile Theatre Company's production of *Loot* by Joe Orton. It ran for a fortnight in the Players Theatre No. 3 T.C.D. during the Long Vacation.

Alan J. Shatter (1960-1969) received a European Commission Scholarship to the University of Amsterdam from which he obtained a degree in European Law. He is the author of *Family Law in the*

Republic of Ireland, published in March, 1977. A member of the Family Planning Services he acted as Instructing Solicitor in the High Court case concerning the Censorship Board's ban on the booklet *Family Planning*. Chairman of C.A.R.E.

F. Vivian Simpson O.B.E. (1914-1919) was born in Dublin and began his business career in the bank. Later he served the Methodist Missionary Society with five years service as accountant in Nigeria. He set up business in Carrickfergus and became chairman of the Northern Ireland Labour Party and was a member of the Stormont Parliament. He received the O.B.E. for his services to the health and welfare of the community, at home and abroad, in 1976 and died later that year. A public memorial in the form of needed peices of equipment for the mission hospital Segbwema, West Africa, is now being organised.

Dermot W. T. Strong (1971-1973) is with Stokes Kennedy Crowley & Co.

Professor Alexander Thompson (1948-1955) is one of the three Professors at the Dublin Institute for Advanced Studies, Cosmic Ray Section, working in conjunction with Dr. Vincente Domingo and Dr. Peter Wenzel of the European Space Agency who have been awarded a research contract of about £5 million by the American National Aeronautics and Space Agency.

E. Brian Twamley (1941-1952) has been appointed Chairman and Managing Director of Sheed, Thomson & Co. Ltd. of 1 London Bridge Street, London SE1 90Y, a firm of Provision Importers which he joined in 1957. He is also Chairman of all subsidiary companies.

Dr. George H. Watson (1945-1953) has been appointed senior research engineer in the research department of Standard Oil Co. (Indiana) at Amoco Research Centre. He joined Standard Oil in 1974 and is a member of the committee on permafrost research for the National Research Council in Canada. He is affiliated with the American Society of Civil Engineers, the Canadian Geotechnical Society and has written over twenty scientific publications.

Dr. T. Trevor West (1954-1956) has been appointed an Associate Professor of Pure Mathematics at Dublin University. He was re-elected as a Representative of the University in Seanad Eireann last Summer.

Nyal E. Wilson (1943-1949) has been elected Professor of Soil Mechanics and Foundation Engineering at McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario.

David J. Wright (Cockie) (1966-1973) is studying in the University of Alberta for an M.Sc. in Karst Geomorphology in the Geography Department.

We are very grateful to Mrs. A. Herman, Knockshane, Brennanstown Road, Carrickmines for lending us a

book which was a prize won by E. L. Wright, Form 3 Lr. in December 1894 when Mr. W. Wilkins was Headmaster. No prize list from this period has survived as far as we know. His companions in class were R. N. Montgomery, J. Y. McFarlane, A. S. Graham, W. H. McClung, F. McConnell, W. E. Gasteen, H. Mussen, D. L. C. Dunlop, P. Power, J. C. Duncan, W. R. Sargeant, R. W. Gardiner, J. Greenberg, C. C. Moore, H. M. Hitchins, V. V. Drennan, J. C. Ferguson, D. M. Jacob, J. H. White, N. B. White, H. A. Oliver, C. H. McComas, G. McComas, E. A. Mason, A. S. Hughes, J. M. Sargeant, E. A. M. Loverock, H. J. Seale, D. E. Davidson, J. E. R. Magill — a high class by present day standards.

Examination Results

Trinity College Dublin Moderatorships

HISTORY — Class II 1 E. J. Sterne; Class II 2 C. W. E. Richards.

LEGAL SCIENCE — Class II 2 C. V. Galloway, M. T. Storey. Class III D. Early.

ANCIENT AND MODERN LITERATURE — Class II 2 J. W. Mossop (Latin & French); C. H. Slattery (Latin & English).

Natural Sciences

CHEMISTRY — Class III S. S. Iland.

GENETICS — Class II 1 J. R. Piggott.

GEOGRAPHY — Class II 1 J. C. Robbie, D. J. Wright.

GEOLOGY — Class II 2 D. H. Hughes.

MICROBIOLOGY — Class II 1 T. S. Hastings, J. H. Reid, Sile A. Yeats.

ZOOLOGY — Class II 1 D. A. Hickie.

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL STUDIES — Class II 2 P. J. M. Gault, D. A. Gordon, S. L. Odlum.

Other Degrees

B.A. — (1976) S. B. Alkin. (1977) S. T. Chuah, A. T. Godsil, D. J. Lewis, N. J. Moore (*discip. schol.*), H. D. Moseley, P. A. de L. Murtagh, Soo Tick Naik, Cheu Ting Naik, C. R. S. Rogan, D. C. Sherwood.

B.A. I — Class II — S. T. Chuah, D. J. Lewis, N. V. Ludgate, H. D. Moseley, C. T. Naik, C. R. S. Rogan.

B.Sc. Una Cum Arte Ingeniaria — Class II T. J. Story.

M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O. — Class II N. J. Moore (*discip. schol.*).

B.B.S. — Class II J. S. Baker, J. G. Taylor.

M.Sc. — M. M. G. S. (*antea S.J.M.M.*) Delmonte.

M.A. — A. A. Naylor (*antea Nagur*), Beng Seng Teh, A. J. Winter, C. G. Woodhouse.

M.A. I — A. J. Winter.

JUNIOR SOPHISTERS

- History* — G. A. Ford I (continuous assessment).
Natural Sciences — A. H. Andrews (II 2), B. A. Crowe (II 2), A. S. McW. Dowds (II 1), D. M. Robb (II 2), N. T. Monaghan (II 1).
Legal Science — H. R. Dockrell (II 1).
Economic and Social Studies — G. K. N. Andrews (II 2), R. N. Goodwin (II 2), C. L. Gray (II 2), M. J. Jacobs (P), G. B. Johnston (B.A.), R. Rigby-Jones (II 2), I. Slager (II 2).
Engineering and Mathematical Sciences — I. A. Shaw, R. J. Wayman, J. Y. Yau.
General Studies — P. Rungasamy.

SENIOR FRESHMEN

- History* — R. S. Hanan (II 2), M. N. H. Risk (II 2).
Classics — S. E. Hinds (discip. Schol. 1), K. M. Davis (II 2).
Modern Languages — L. Jane Luce (II 2).
Philosophy — D. A. Siev (II 2).
Natural Sciences — H. Joan Lennon (II 2), E. G. C. Reid (II 2).
Special Honor Mathematics — C. G. Wheeler (II 1).
General Honor Mathematics — G. J. Reeves (II 2).
Economic and Social Sciences — D. A. Baker, A. K. Cormack, N. W. Fox, A. W. Gray, I. S. Haslam, W. M. Hughes, D. S. King, Kwee Hock Lim, P. G. McElearney, C. G. E. Sullivan, Bing Chen Teh, Kok Ping Tsang. All Satisfactory).
Engineering and Mathematical Sciences — A. P. Bannister, E. W. Gordon, J. P. Huissoon, C. L. Mahon, Sui Chai Ong, D. W. Skelton, G. S. Willoughby.
General Studies — Joyce P. Williams.

JUNIOR FRESHMEN

- History* — Virginia G. Davis (II 1), Sandra A. Fraser (III), M. D. Gardner (III).
Biblical Studies — I. W. Sherwood (II 2).
Legal Science — J. C. Griffiths (II 2), W. W. Lee (II 2).
Natural Sciences — Ngok Kim Choong (II 2), R. S. G. Dunne (III), A. S. Rowlands (II 1), P. A. Sterne (I).
Economic and Social Studies — D. J. Green (II 2), N. A. O'Kelly (II 2), B. A. Pierce (II 2), I. W. J. Young (II 2).
Engineering and Mathematical Sciences — C. R. Bowles, S. K. Chuah, J. D. Gibson, M. K. Lee, D. R. Lowe, G. J. Rowland, R. P. West.
Economics and Engineering Sciences — C. Clissman (III).
Education — Violet A. Thornburn.
General Studies — R. N. Towell.

MEDICAL SCHOOL

- Final Med. Part I Social and Preventive Medicine and Public Health, Medical Jurisprudence* — A. G. Chadwick (P) II Hons. Social Medicine, J. D. Chaloner

(P), Surendra Chetty, D. S. Delmonte (P), M. N. Eppee, R. H. D. Wormell (P).

Second Medical Part II Pathology, Microbiology — D. J. Barton (P), Soo Tick Naik (P), C. J. Surgenor (P), A. B. West (P).

Second Medical — N. F. S. Couse I Hons. (Distinction in Physiology), M. B. Buchalter I Hons. (Distinction in Anatomy), N. Hargovan (Credit), G. A. Roebuck (credit).

First Medical — P. C. Bowe (C), A. M. Gill (C), M. E. Lee (C), A. G. Moore (C), Siew Lay Teh (C).

Pre-Medical — D. P. Moore (P).

DENTAL SCHOOL

Second Year — Godelieve N. M. M. Stassen (P).

VETERINARY MEDICINE

Third Year Vet. — B. G. Hilliard (P).

First Year Vet. — G. W. Mill s(P).

Pre-Vet. — Carol J. Colton (P).

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE, DUBLIN

Natural Sciences 3rd Year Pass — Joseph C. Edwards.

Commerce 3rd Year Pass — Michael F. O'Kelly.

Medicine 3rd Year Pass — Gerardine C. Byrne.

Psychology 2nd Year Hons. — Lucinda M. Moore (II 2).

Architecture 2nd year Pass — Derek E. Dockrell; 1st year Pass — Rupert P. Maddock.

Social Science 1st year Pass — Colin A. Fallon.

Engineering 1st year Pass — Philip R. Neill.

Pre-Medical Year — M. Catherine Stuart, W. H. Choi.

FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP 1978
TRINITY COLLEGE, DUBLIN

First Scholarship in Engineering — David R. Lowe.

Second Scholarship in Natural Sciences — Christopher K. King.

Fourth Scholarship in Natural Sciences — Philip A. Sterne.

The following candidates who did not receive a Scholarship will have their 'Commons' free of charge for the next two years.

Charles G. Wheeler (Mathematics).

Virginia G. Davis (History).

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WINTER 1976: Foundation Exam II — I. R. Jones, S. G. Wright. **Professional Exam I** — E. Logan.

SUMMER 1977: Foundation Exam II — Valerie J.

Henderson, **1st Place and the Arthur H. Muir Memorial Prize**, D. K. McGarry, D. W. T. Strong.

Professional Exam I — D. E. Hunt, R. G. Woods, S. G. Wright.

Professional Exam II (A.C.A.) — R. E. Kinlan, (R.O.P.) Z. Svejdar.

SUMMER 1977: Foundation Exam I — J. G. Blair, I. Jackson (R.O.P.).

Marriages

Duncan Black (1965-1970) to Lynda K. Brown on 28th February, 1975, at St. Mary's Church, Crumlin.

Malcolm Cadoo (1959-1964) to E. Anne Hobson on 29th November, 1975, in St. Paul's Church, Dublin.
Seong-Thar Chuah (1971-1973) to Kock-Choo Yeap on 17th June, 1977 in Kildare Street Registration Office.

William J. Cole (1962-1968) to Valerie J. Tyrer on 20th March, 1976, in Crumlin Parish Church.

Arthur T. Godsil (1964-1972) to Dorothy F. Evans on 17th August, 1977, at Rathfarnham Parish Church.

Peter C. Hayes (1962-1968) to Suzanne G. Trapnell on 21st May, 1977 in the Friends Meeting House, Pakenham Road, Monkstown.

Douglas N. Hobson (1962-1970) to Helen E. Privett on 24th February, 1976 in Drumcondra Church.

Brian J. Lawson (1964-) to Gwendoline I. Worrell on 16th June, 1977 at St. Canice's Church, Finglas.

I. Stuart Nicholls (1958-1969) to Jane A. Holdship on 19th December, 1977, in Holy Trinity Church, Killiney.

Peter J. Popham (1966-1973) to Rosemarie Shiel on 25th October, 1975, at Tullow Parish Church.

Kenneth E. Price (1958-1964) to Ruth N. Hulgren on 30th July, 1977 in Fleetwood, Lancashire.

Mervyn R. H. Taylor (1947-1957) to Helen C. M. Jones on 6th July 1974 at Aberystwyth.

David P. B. Willis (1946-1949) to May J. Chrichton on 19th May, 1976 at St. Stephen's Church, Dublin.

David R. Wilson (1967-1970) to Victoria Buxton on 15th October, 1975, in Holy Trinity Church, Killiney.

Deaths

David Edgar Allen (1906-1912) M.A., B.A.I., LPE, (N.Y.), Retired Head of Science Department, McKinely High School, Buffalo, U.S.A. on 28th October, 1977 in Buffalo.

Rev. Robert James Charters (formerly Archdeacon of Meath) (1910-1915) in Wexford on 29th September, 1975. The Archbishop of Dublin read the Committal Service in Enniskerry churchyard.

Harold (Hal) Dunne Cobbe (1912-1920) of 40 Annesley Park, Rathmines on 11th September, 1975.

Philip Coonan (1947-1953) in Bristol (suddenly) on 16th April, 1978.

Francis Wynne Hewson (Hew) Flewett (1919-1923) at his residence, Heswall, Merseyside on 6th April, 1978.

Thomas Olaf Hempenstall F.B.O.A. (1919-1925) of 3, Woodlawn, Dublin 14 on 29th August, 1977.

Alexander Barkley Hennessy (1935-1939) in London (suddenly) on 15th January, 1978.

Dr. Robert Percival McGarrigle at Scarborough on 2nd September, 1977.

Herbert Wilson Robinson (1936-1939) (suddenly) at his home Annbrook, Stepside, Nenagh on 4th June, 1977.

Esmond Mervyn Treston Rooney (1912-1913) formerly Director and General Manager of Arthur Guinness & Company (Belfast) Ltd. (suddenly) at his home 45 The Meadows, Walburton, Sussex on 18th May, 1977 aged 74.

Charles Frederick Seazer (1946-1953) in Dublin on 28th July, 1977.

Societies and Clubs T.C.D. 1977-'78

University Philosophical Society: Treasurer, M. Story.

Choral Society: Treasurer, C. G. Wheeler; Registrar, H. Joan Lennon.

Christian Union: Prayer Secretary, Joyce Williams.

Classical Society: Secretary, S. E. Hinds, Sch.

Guild of Change Ringers: Treasurer, M. D. Gardner.

Joly Geological Society: Entertainment Secretary, A. S. Rowlands.

Mathematical Society: Librarian, G. J. Reeves.

Players: Chairman, R. J. Wayman, Sch.

Trinity College Labour Party Branch: Secretary, R. S. Hanan.

Trinity News: Editor, R. S. Hanan.

Zoological Society: President, A. B. West.

Football Club: Senior Treasurer, C. A. Boyle, B.A.

Knights of the Campanile: Treasurer, G. A. Chadwick.

Lawn Tennis Club: Treasurer, P. Rungasamy.

Fencing Club: Ladies captain / treasurer, L. Jane Luce; Armourer, J. P. Huisson.

Judo Club: Treasurer, K. Mealy.

Rifle Club: Treasurer, B. R. McGuckin.

LIONS TOUR 1977

By Philip Orr

Contrary to popular belief, I think I can safely say that all those involved did enjoy the 1977 Lions tour to New Zealand, even though we were not as successful as our 1971 and 1974 counterparts. Played 25, won 21, lost four cannot be a bad record in anyone's book, but losing the Tests 3-1 puts a different complexion on those results. With players of the calibre of Andy Irvine, J. J. Williams, Mike Gibson, Phil Bennett, Graham Price and Willie Duggan in the tour party, one wonders how it was possible to lose the series, especially since the forwards were dominant in practically every match and were, in the end, regarded as the best scrummagers ever to visit New Zealand. However, I have no intention of speculating as to why the series was lost, but if you are interested, perhaps I can refer you to the numerous books that have been written about the tour. What I will endeavour to do is to give some insight as to how a Lion spends his 14 weeks both on and off the field.

Most weeks on an international tour have the same pattern; matches Wednesday and Saturday with training on most days. This is never any problem on a short tour, as it is only five or six weeks in length. But on a 14 week trip, it can become monotonous with each week like the previous one. This was true on the 1977 tour, so that all the players were delighted to get home. But I'm told that similar feelings were expressed during the 1971 and 1974 tours also.

There is training every day of the week except Sunday. The only exception to this rule is the Friday before a Test match. Monday morning training is from 9.30 until lunch. This is normally a quite strenuous session as there is no game the following day. The afternoon and evening are free and are usually spent getting away from rugby, if possible. There are endless activities available in the free time, such as sightseeing trips, golf, squash, shooting, but quite often the free time is spent recovering from the morning training session. This free time is also occupied by visits to schools and hospitals and attending functions which are an integral part of a rugby tourist's duties.

Tuesday also begins with training at 9.30, but not as rigorous as Monday, except for those not playing the following day. That afternoon again is free for relaxation and in the evening the team and substitutes for the following day's game go to the pictures. Wednesday does not bring any respite for any member of the party. The team for the day, and substitutes, are allowed to spend the morning in bed, while the others (called, for some obscure reason, the 'dirt trackers')

train as usual. Lunch is served at about 11.45, followed by a team meeting to discuss tactics for the game. The full party meets again at about 1.30 and then board the coach for the game.

The various New Zealand provincial unions have a much more sensible method for dealing with the after match formalities. They are held immediately after the game in a large hall, usually under the stand. This takes the form of a buffet meal with refreshments. Then at about 6.30 the coach brings the tour party back to the hotel for dinner. Later on that evening there is normally some function organised in a local rugby club.

Thursday morning begins as usual with training at 9.30 and then straight to the airport to fly on to the next destination. The travelling usually takes most of the afternoon and there is the inevitable reception on arrival. That evening is spent having dinner, writing letters and postcards and watching television. Friday and Saturday take exactly the same format as Tuesday and Wednesday as they are each pre-match and match days respectively. Sunday is then a day of rest. There is never any training and all that has to be done is to travel to the next venue. Again, as on Thursday, the rest of the evening is spent watching television and writing postcards.

This weekly routine is never broken except in the week before a Test match, when the mid-week match is normally on a Tuesday instead of a Wednesday and there is no training on the Friday. But the weekly schedule is set up in such a way that every player must always remember that he has always to be in a condition to train at 9.30 every morning – or play a top class match in the afternoon.

VALETE

FORM UPPER 6th

C. Edward Bell – T.C.D. Theoretical Physics.
Peter W. Burry – T.C.D. School of Engineering.
I. Roper Dunlop – T.C.D. Theoretical Physics.
Francis O. Harvey – U.C.D. Pre-Veterinary Year.
Michael J. Henderson – Oxford University. Open Exhibition to Lincoln College.
Christopher K. King – T.C.D. Easter Week Scholar
Fionnuala Leddy – T.C.D. Pre-Medical Year.
Rory Montgomery – T.C.D. History.
Katherine M. Nolan – U.C.D. Pre-Veterinary Year.
Colin R. Sainsbury – T.C.D. Legal Science.
John P. Sloane – T.C.D. Natural Sciences.
Carl G. W. Smythe – T.C.D. Natural Sciences.

FORM 6

Lindsey J. Abbott – Kevin Street College of Technology
R. Maeve Anderson – Merrion Secretarial College.

- Ronadi D. Austen – Coyle Hamilton Insurance Broker.
 Irish A. Babington – Ringsend Technical College.
 Timothy R. Balbirnie – Sun Alliance & London Insurance Group.
 Michael R. Belford – Accountancy, Stephen & McHugh.
 Robert N. J. Benn – Carlow Regional Technical College, Technician Engineer – Electronics.
 E. William Boyle – Purchasing Officer, Kennan & Sons (1934) Ltd.
 Peter J. Brennan – Hughes Brothers.
 Irene F. Butler – Business Studies, College of Commerce, Rathmines.
 Hazel H. Byrne – Thompson's Secretarial College.
 Zenia J. Caplin – Social Science, Hebrew University.
 A. Winifred C. Champ – T.C.D. General Studies – Allied Irish Bank, Athy.
 Adrienne G. Cole – Alexandra Secretarial Course.
 John R. Cole – Pre-University Centre.
 John P. Colton – Whitman College, Washington, U.S.A.
 Derek G. Cormack – T.C.D. Faculty of Economic & Social Science.
 Colin M. Cottell – T.C.D. Faculty of Economic & Social Studies.
 Andrew C. Crosland – Barclay's Bank, London.
 Ian E. Delaney – T.C.D. Natural Sciences
 M. Clare Doyle – U.C.D. First Arts
 Shirley L. Draper – Rosse College Secretarial Course.
 Joyce E. Edge – Alexandra Secretarial Course.
 Jacquelyn R. Edmondson – Rosse College Secretarial Course.
 Hilary E. Elder – Kevin Street College of Technology.
 Paul R. E. Farrer – Insurance Corporation of Ireland Ltd.
 Peter J. Foss – U.C.D. First Science.
 Derek L. C. Fox – Pre-University Course, College of Commerce, Rathmines.
 Julie M. Franklin – Secretarial Course.
 Paula E. Fraser – O'Donnell's Commercial College.
 Roger E. Frith – Stock Exchange.
 Richard W. Godsil – U.C.D. First Agriculture.
 Ann M. Griffin – Nursing in the Adelaide Hospital.
 Shirley M. Groves – O'Donnell Commercial College.
 Elizabeth A. Hanlon – T.C.D. Education per St. Mary's College, Marino.
 John B. Hick – Stafford & Mitchell Ltd.
 Douglas H. Hind – Technical Institute, Ringsend.
 Malcolm A. Hunt – Glenree Reconciliation Centre.
 Alan A. Jackson – Montrose Jewellers.
 Robert H. S. Jacobson – College of Marketing, Parnell Square.
 M. Rafik D. Jangda – Pre-University Centre.
 Alan H. Kelly – A. Guinness Son & Co. (Dublin) Ltd.
 Janet V. Kerr – Insurance Corporation of Ireland Ltd.
 Ingmar Kiang – T.C.D. History.
 Ling Teak Seng
 George A. McClelland – Newpark Comprehensive School.
 David W. McCormick – T.C.D. Natural Sciences.
 Vitya P. Malirsh – Trainee Designer for Donegal Carpets.
 Stephen B. Malkinson – T.C.D. B.Sc. Computer Science.
 David G. Meredith – T.C.D. Faculty of Economic & Social Studies.
 Kenneth S. Moore – Trainee Store Assistant Wilcox Jozeau (Ireland) Ltd.
 Paschal M. Morrison – Quantity Surveying.
 Gary P. Morton – T.C.D. School of Engineering.
 Colin E. Motyer – Allied Irish Bank Official.
 Kathleen A. Myers – Thompson's Secretarial College.
 Valerie J. O'Brien – O'Donnell's Commercial College.
 David S. Packham – Kevin Street College of Technology.
 Felicity P. A. Parminter – Bank of Ireland Ltd.
 R. Robert Patterson – Private Study.
 Nigel R. Poff – Pre-University Centre.
 Avril J. Quill – The Guardian Royal Exchange Assurance Group.
 Jean B. Ramouter – Telephonist London Ryan Hotel.
 Alan R. Roberts – Allied Irish Banks Ltd.
 David H. Roberts – Allied Irish Banks Ltd.
 David E. Ruttle – A. H. Masser Ltd.
 Joan E. Ryan – Scholarship to "Sight and Sound" to do Secretarial Training.
 Trevor H. Sargent – T.C.D. Education per Church of Ireland College of Education.
 Kerry-Anne Seligman – Chicki's, Tallaght Town Centre.
 Wayne M. O'L. Sheridan – Coyle Hamilton Ltd., Inc. Insee. Brokers.
 Trevor R. Sherling – Private Study.
 Graham P. Speller – Apprentice Crescent Engineering Ltd.
 Keith D. Strachan – Robert Kemp Ltd.
 TAN, Loon Kar – Hampden-Sydney College, Virginia, U.S.A.
 P. David Taylor – W. F. Burgess Ltd.
 David A. Taylor – Sam McLernon Ltd.
 R. J. Mark Thornburgh – Shield Insurance Co. Ltd.
 Ian D. Walshe – Clerical Assistant Mount Jerome Cemetery.
 Shirley A. Ward – Alexandra Secretarial Course.
 Edward B. Whitehead – Sam McLernon Ltd.
 Pamela J. Williams – Technical Institute, Ringsend.
 Olga E. Willoughby – Nursing in St. Ultan's Hospital.
 WONG, Kim Hwa – U.C.D. First Commerce.
 D. Margaret Worrall – T.C.D. Natural Sciences.
 Ruth E. Yodaiken – Pre-University Centre.

The Diocesan and High School Old Girls Association

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear Member,

It gives me great pleasure to be the first President of the Old Girls Association to be asked to write a letter in your magazine "Erasmian and Diocesan Times". I hope that this is the beginning of a new tradition for us.

This past year has been my first as President and it has given me a great opportunity to become more familiar with the workings of a modern school. I have also had a better chance to further the aims of our Association by being in closer contact with many of those who do so much for the school.

I am always pleased to meet the staff and parents on all occasions as it is from these meetings that I am able to learn the new trends and ideas that are expected of a school in our present society. Without this information my job as a President would be almost impossible.

During the past year I have attended the Parent Teacher Association 'Cheese and Wine' Evening which was a most enjoyable occasion. The Senior Prize Distribution was the most important event of my years office, at this I presented for the first time the Jean Scott Trophy and afterwards met Dr. Warnock and the Board of Governors, as well as the staff. I feel that you the pupils are very honoured in having such a distinguished selection of teachers.

I also received an invitation to the Wesley College Past Pupils Dinner, where I was able to exchange ideas and views with their committee.

Unfortunately this letter has gone to the press before our Annual Dinner has taken place. All I can say so far is that we are hoping to have an even larger

attendance than in previous years. Our guest speaker is to be the American Ambassador's wife Mrs. Elizabeth Shannon.

I must thank all the Old Girls for their help over the past year and I feel sure that they will continue to support the Association and School in the future.

Ruth Farrell

Diocesan and High School Old Girls' Association

President: Mrs. Ruth Farrell.

Chairwoman: Mrs. Dorothy Warbrook.

Hon. Treasurer: Mrs. Irene White.

Hon. Secretary: Mrs. Olive Tuach.

Committee: Mrs. Hanna McConnell, Mrs. Edie Godwin, Mrs. Amy Pullan, Miss Barbara Walsh.

I take this opportunity to let you know what we in the Past Pupils' Association have been doing during the past year.

We started our opening meeting on 19th September 1977, with a fork supper. This proved to be a friendly and successful event. During the evening we were entertained by Mr. Alex Stewart and Miss Gillian Wilkinson.

In October we arranged a Fashion Show. Clothes both elegant and casual were provided by Bergin's of Terenure. The models came from our own association. For the first time, two young children were included who modelled clothes from Young Generation.

The Annual Dress Dance, held in association with the O.B.U., was held in the Dublin Sports Hotel on Friday, 4th November, 1977. This proved to be one of the most successful social events of the year. Later in the month, we were given an illustrated talk on Crime Prevention by Sgt. McCready of the Garda Síochána. This proved to be of great interest to the many householders present.

Our December meeting was a supper by candlelight – a great Holiday success! Our Christmas Good Cause realised £29.50 which was donated to the Salvation Army Dinner Fund.

In January, many interested members were present at a cookery demonstration provided by Mrs. O'Donoghue. She gave a very entertaining lesson in how to prepare a buffet supper.

Our February meeting included a talk by Miss Moira Lysgath, a member of the Old Dublin Society. Her talk on "My Dublin" was most enjoyable, with the witty and charming speaker taking us back to the Dublin of 60 years ago.

From Old Dublin to Modern Japan – our March meeting included a film show given by the Japanese Embassy. The features included were Culinary Arts, Gardens and Capital Cities.

At the time of writing, we are looking forward to



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our Annual Dinner which will again be held in the lovely surroundings of the Zoological Gardens on 14th April, 1978. We are honoured this year in having as our guest speaker the wife of the American Ambassador, Mrs. Elizabeth Shannon.

The Annual General Meeting will be held on 11th May, 1978, at which time we will elect officers and committee members for the coming year. We shall be very pleased to welcome to the Association those pupils who have left school and who will be leaving school this year.

Olive Tuach
Hon. Secretary

Old Diocesan Hockey Club

At the beginning of the 1977/'78 hockey season we welcomed sixteen new members, six of whom had just left School. This made a total of 52 Club members.

We entered three teams in the Leinster League in Middle, Junior and Minor respectively, and a fourth team played friendly matches. Our first team did very well – they won fourteen of their seventeen League matches and reached the quarter-finals of the Badges.

Mid-week training was held at Danum until the light failed, and we then moved to Alexandra College Gym for indoor hockey.

In September we played a seven-a-side tournament against the School and a team entered the Corinthian Six-a-Side Tournament. In January an Under-21 team entered for the Avoca Tournament and emerged very near the top. Our first team played the School first

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eleven in March, and the result was a narrow win for Old Diocesan. Eleven members went to Galway at Easter to play in the annual Cross Cup Competition.

The Social Committee organised five very popular functions – a Wine and Cheese Party was held in September, we had a hockey film and talk in November and a Christmas Party in December. The Car Treasure Hunt in February was well attended, as was the highlight of the season – a travelling dinner with an international flavour, which was the final event in March.

We shall be very pleased to welcome any school leavers who would like to join the hockey club. The Hon. Secretary for the coming season will be Sylvia Bryan, telephone 751386. Please contact her for information.

Janet Holmes
Hon. Secretary

News of Diocesan Past Pupils

BARBARA DAGG had a "coming out" organ recital in the Mariners' Church, Dun Laoghaire, in the summer of 1977 and received high praise in the Irish Times report.

MARGARET SHERN Allied Irish Banks, Foreign Exchange Dept.

LINDA CAIRNS Allied Irish Banks.

GILLIAN WRIGHT is doing secretarial work in the Computer Dept. of T.C.D.

AUDREY WILSON is studying horticulture in the Botanic Gardens, Glasnevin.

EMILY TORRANS obtained a moderatorship in English in T.C.D. and has been studying for H.Dip. Ed. We were glad to welcome her to do her teaching practice in school this year.

JEAN STRONG is working in the office of the Adelaide Hospital.

GRACE O'DONOVAN Natural Sciences, T.C.D.

DEIRDRE FINCHER has qualified as an Occupational Therapist and is working in St. Vincent's Training Centre.

JANET FLOWER is studying music in U.C.D.

GILLIAN JACKSON graduated in U.C.D. and is now studying pharmacy.

NAOMI HODGINS (née Faulkner) and Patricia Killeen are both working as missionaries, Naomi in a school in Africa and Patricia as a nurse in India.

RUTH BLAKE-KNOX Moderatorship in History T.C.D. Dublin.

CAROL MEDCALF Dublin Port and Docks Board.

CATHERINE MICHIE has recently gone to Kingston-on-Thames to take up a nursing career.

VALERIE COOKMAN is teaching riding in Dunboyne.

MARY WOODWORTH (née Drought) has appeared on the "Late Late Show" three times during the past

year. On the most recent occasion she told of the visit she and her husband Rev. David Woodworth paid to Taiwan at the invitation of the churches of that country.

MISS ELIX CAIRD (former Diocesan staff member) is studying in the Irish School of Ecumenics.

MRS. BLOOMER (Margaret Kenny) is teaching in St. Brigid's N.S., Stillorgan.

LINDSEY ABBOTT Kevin Street, College of Technology.

HILARY ELDER Applied Sciences.

HAZEL BYRNE Philips Electrical (Ireland) Ltd., Clonskeagh.

ZENIA CAPLIN is spending a year in Israel on a youth scheme which includes short university courses and work in a kibbutz.

WINIFRED CHAMP Allied Irish Banks, Athy Branch.

CLARE DOYLE U.C.D. Archaeology.

SHIRLEY DRAPER Ashenburst William & Co. Ltd.

JOYCE EDGE is working in an insurance company.

PAULA FRASER O'Donnell Commercial College.

VALERIE O'BRIEN O'Donnell Commercial College.

ANN GRIFFIN Nursing Adelaide Hospital (worked in infirmary of Mageough Home while waiting to begin her nursing course).

SHIRLEY GROVES Allied Irish Banks, Kimmage.

KATHLEEN MYERS Brother International Corporation (Ireland) Ltd.

AVRIL QUILL Guardian Royal Exchange Assurance Group.

SHIRLEY WARD Secretarial course, Alexandra College. Nursing, St. Finbarr's Hospital, Cork.

OLGA WILLOUGHBY Nursing, St. Ultan's Children's Hospital.

MARGARET WORRALL T.C.D. Natural Sciences.

LILLIAN HANLON Carysfort Training College.

Doris or Chuah Suat Geo

Doris has graduated from Trinity College with Second class Honours in Business Studies. Since then she has taken an Introductory Computer Science Course and been working as a Research Assistant in the Administration Research Bureau. Doris expects to go home to Malaysia in July, qualified to work in her own country and assist in its rapid development. She sends her thanks to all the Staff in "Diocesan".

Heather Rankin

Heather writes from Calgary, Canada. "Our Montessori Children's House opened on 6th September, 1977 without a hitch. Considerable interest has been shown already by many outsiders who are themselves involved in the education of young children. After the first six weeks were over, we invited

parents to come in, one family at a time, to view the situation in the classroom. Following their observation period, we conduct an interview to discuss their child".

Heather has been teaching in Calgary for three years now, and is very pleased to be able, with a partner, to open their own Montessori School. She trained in London, after leaving Diocesan and is deeply committed to this method of teaching young children. The Calgary Report quotes Heather as saying "the environment is so enjoyable that the child is too interested to become bored or naughty".

M. M. J.

Marriages

Naomi Faulkner to Rodney Hodgins on May 27th, 1977.

Pamela Skelton to David Colton on September 1st, 1977.

Avril Colon to Martin Kelly in June, 1977.

Valerie Moore to Edward Barr in June, 1977.

Gwen Worrell to Brian Lawson on 16th June, 1977.

Lucilla Daunt to Wesley Griffiths on February 18th, 1978.

Juliet Ensor to Michael Massy Stephens.

Peggy Moyse to Robert Arthur Kerr.

Dorothy Babington to Robert Eric Leninstone, July, 1977.

Jennifer Kearon to Robert Leslie Sloan, July, 1977.

Joyce Gyves to Terence Pentland, 27th December, 1977.

Grace Evans to George Kenny, 26th March, 1977.

Julie Franklin to Edward Chaprian on 25th February, 1978.

Births

Tennant, June, 1977, to Karen (nee Durham) and Gary — a son.

Wilkins, August 5th, 1977, to Gillian (nee Rogan) and David — a daughter.

Preistman, August 17th, 1977, to Averil (nee Gargan) and Norman — a son.

Eager, September 6th, 1977, to Averil (nee Gray) and Mervyn — a daughter.

Clarke, January 26th, 1978, to Siobhan (nee Kelly) and Frank — a son.

Stanley, February 12th, 1978, to Barbara (nee Maiden) and Ken, a daughter.

Young, February 22nd, 1978, to Jane (nee Hamilton) and David — a daughter.

Lipscomb, February 16th, 1978, to Hazel (nee Giddings) and Michael — a son.

Orr, March 28th, 1978, to Simeon (nee Vine) and David — a son.

Landsman, March 23rd, 1978, to Lynda (nee Cornick) and David — a son.

Acton, April 4th, 1978, to Gillian (nee Drake) and Robert — a son.

McNamara, April 6th, 1978, to Susan (nee Patterson and Roy) — a son.

Neill-Watson, April 6th, 1978, to Elizabeth (nee Motyer) and Stewart — a daughter.

Engagements

Hazel Rankin to John Davies.

Barbara Freeman to Neil Rankin.

Linda Matthew to Jim Ennis.

Ann Graham to Harry Finney.

Diana Gillian Turpin to William Fullerton.

Liz Mahon to Les Richards.

Glynis Ensor to Rowland Cox.

Jackie Doyle to Ian England.

Yvonne Dawson to Leo Traynor.

Ruth Blake Knox to Raymond Gilmartin.

Sally Noble to Stephen Smith.

Isobel Atwell to Derek Johnson.

Rhona Glass to Michael Jacobs.

Helen Fincher to Wayne Duffy.

Shirley Eades to Robin George.

Sandra Moore to Colin Hodgins.

Deaths

Sept. 14th, 1977 — Adams (nee Thompson), Elizabeth Amelia Edith, 1977.

November 20th, 1977 — Baldwin, Vera Florence.

Mrs. Vera Baldwin

Diocesan Secondary School was privileged to have had the services of Mrs. Vera Baldwin for eleven years, teaching Singing, Musicianship and Verse-speaking to Junior classes.

Mrs. Baldwin brought cheer to the Staffroom and the classpoms, and always, we looked forward to her presence with us on Mondays and Thursdays. Often, on a wintry morning, she came bringing a bunch of *iris stylosa* from her garden, and their beauty seemed to illustrate the beauty in music and poetry which Mrs. Baldwin brought to the girls.

She was most talented in introducing her classes to music of quality and enabling them to participate enjoyably in performances of works such as "The Carnival of Animals" (Saint-Saëns), accompanied by percussion instruments of many kinds. All children would have a part, skilfully chosen according to their abilities — conductors, announcers, soloists, players of glockenspiel, triangles, home-made rattles and combs, all combined in harmony under Mrs. Baldwin's direction. Her knowledge and love of English literature, and her elegance of expression in the English language

were at the disposal of her pupils in verse-speaking classes, and, at all times, her delightful sense of humour illuminated her work.

Mrs. Baldwin was a wonderful person—practical, kind, sympathetic, gifted and good-humoured. During her lifetime, she must have brought warmth and light to many circles in Dublin. We who worked with her in "Diocesan" are grateful to have known her, and the School was enriched by her charming personality.

M. M. Jagoe.

Ivy Hadden

Ivy Hadden will be sadly missed in the world of Irish women's sport, for she was a founder-member of Hermes Hockey Club; gained an Irish cricket cap against New Zealand; was one of those responsible for the initial growth of women's squash in the Dublin area and was a top-class golfer who, but for illness, would surely have played, if not for Ireland, at least for Leinster.

Wherever Ivy went, she spread cheerfulness and happiness and even when illness prevented her from continuing her loved sports career she was never heard to complain but looked to the future and planned for participation soon — something which sadly did not happen.

All her myriad friends in the sporting sphere will remember her with fondness and sympathise with her family in their loss.

"Biology Today" Schools Conference

The annual two day conference was attended this year by a large number from the 5th and 6th Forms and a few from the Upper 6th. The conference which is organised by the Institute of Biology of Ireland, is concerned with up to date views, ideas and changes in Biological Science. The talks were held on Friday 2nd and Saturday 3rd December in the Main Exhibition Hall of the Royal Dublin Society.

The conference began at 9.45 a.m. on Friday morning with a talk on Immunology. This was followed by a talk on how enzymes are expressed in animals. An absence of certain enzymes in a child will cause abnormalities and this shows how important enzymes are to the body. The final talk of the morning was on Biological Control. The lecturer related to us, with the aid of slides, about the constant struggle between war and nature in each trying to control the environment. When this lecture was over everyone was given a chance to question the lecturers. The conference resumed at 2 p.m. after lunch with a talk on food poisoning and in particular Salmonella. An increase in

food poisoning in the last 30 years has been due to the changeover from eating home produce to commercial food. The next talk was on Rabies and was very interesting. This subject is very topical at the present time as the disease is rapidly spreading across Europe. It affects the peripheral nervous system of carnivorous animals and causes acute inflammation of the brain and there is great pain until the time of death. Humans bitten by an animal having rabies rarely recover once clinical signs are exhibited. Anti rabies serum and vaccinations can be given and these being repeated may be effective. Animals can be vaccinated with live vaccines to prevent them catching rabies. The final talk was on "Rats and other friends". The possibility of keeping rodents as pets was considered. The conference ended for the day at 4.30 p.m. after a short time had been spent asking the lecturers questions.

On Saturday the lectures opened up by a talk on "Plants from the Bible" given by Mr. David Tusky. This was followed by an interesting talk on "Diseases and Plants from History". Mr. Jim Kavanagh talked on how we recognise diseases in plants and in what year particular diseases were discovered. The final talk on "The Great Elk" told us when the elk lived, its nature and its struggle for survival. In the afternoon after a 2 hour break, the audience had a chance to have their questions answered on Biology by a panel of nine experts from the Biology and Medical World.

The talks were interesting and valuable to those who attended. We thank these people who came and addressed us and we also thank Mrs. Geoghegan, Mrs. Massey and Mr. Toomey for arranging this outing for us.

Linda Seymour, Loraine Hughes
5th Form

Annual Sixth Year Dinner Dance

On Thursday, 30th March our annual sixth form Dinner Dance was held in the Montrose Hotel, Stillorgan. The compere was Wayne Sheridan an "Old Boy" and the music was provided by Harvest Research.

The function was attended by members of sixth year, their friends and members of staff. There was a large attendance. There was a draw for raffle prizes and several spot prizes.

The Committee wish to thank Mr. and Mrs. Cooke, Crampton's, Jamison's (donors of spot and raffle prizes), the Pupils and Staff for their support and co-operation. A very special thanks must go to Mr. Peters for his help and hard work in organising the Dance.

Paul McElearney
Sixth Year.

The 6th Form Centre

Do you ever wonder what goes on in the 6th Form Room? Do you ever try to imagine what goes on behind its closed doors? Washington type intrigues? – breathtaking decisions of school-shaking significance?

There it is, above the Assembly Hall, in a prominent position, able to look down on teeming activity below.

I'm sorry to disappoint you, but there are no orgies and little scandalous behaviour.

It is however, an appreciated asset by its users, somewhere to relax in, after classes and at lunch.

We can make music secondhand, with the help of our prized possession, our tape-recorder – Mark II, gratefully replacing with the help of money raised by a sponsored twelve-hour series of football matches, under the direction of Mr. Peters – Mark I, which was stolen. Paul McElearney is its guardian and keeper.

We can congregate and chat, we can sit and think or we can just sit.

It may not be a political power-house, although superciliously we like to think so, but we do recommend the Governor's wisdom for making it available and thank them on behalf of the present 6th Form, and all those others who will come after us.

Stephanie Sharpe

An Alternative To Table Tennis

The first occasion on which this year's sixth upper ventured out was a visit to the Gate theatre to see Alan Aychbourn's play "Table Manners", the first in the trilogy "The Norman Conquests". The play was a rather trivial situation comedy, very obviously based on "The Good Life". The acting was passable, with the notable exception of the actor (name forgotten) who played a very convincing role as Tom. We were fortunate in having the opportunity to compare it with an (arguably) superior television version, starring the real Penelope Keith. All in all a rather superficial evening.

Next we visited Rosc '77, exhibited in the Municipal Gallery. We were very interested in a sculpture in front of the gallery until we were told that it was the door. Still there were very many freak gyrating shapes and picturesque dinner plates and left-overs "decorating" the walls. The "musical sculptures" provided great amusement into twanging strings and grunts. It was indeed an education to perceive what is acceptable as art in our society.

"Travesties" was sixth uppers first visit to the Abbey

Theatre. The original idea was good, a meeting between Lenin and Dadaist and James Joyce in Zurich during World War I. However, the acoustics were terrible, and despite the dead silence, his oblique jokes were lost in the auditorium. We left the theatre that night with a sense of disappointment and a realisation that this play was principally for the aspiring intellectuals.

The furthest afield we travelled was to Glencree Peace and Rehabilitation Centre, which is a lovely place, we were told, but unfortunately it was raining very heavily when we arrived, so that the natural beauty was hidden by a mist. We were quickly shown into a roomy Conference Centre, by the volunteer workers (including Malcolm Hunt, an old boy of the school), and had a discussion on the problems of the North with a Mr. Ferguson from the Corrymela Youth Organisation in Belfast. This we continued over tea and biscuits, kindly provided by the centre. Then we launched into a deeper discussion on the problems of peace and its maintenance with the director. This was followed by a slide show on Glencree and its reconstruction. Finally we were shown around the parts where work was still continuing. We would have liked to return for a working weekend, but unfortunately time is against us.

Equus which was presented in the Gate Theatre, was perhaps the most interesting and enjoyable play we experienced. It contained all the qualities that a good play needs, it was well acted, dynamic and had an excellent script, but most important was its heart-felt theme. The dilemma that exists throughout the play was how should we value our individuality and how far others have the right to interfere. Do we define a good citizen as one who plays an active and constructive role in society or one who has a mind of one's own and refuses to conform? Of course, the impression that each person obtains from the play is different, but, nonetheless, we agreed that it was educational as well as memorable and entertaining.

Our latest trip to date was an architectural trip around Dublin conducted by Mr. Broad. We concentrated on the less publicised aspects of Dublin's heritage. First we visited Kevin Street Garda station to see the old bishop's palace. This is the only medieval residence surviving in Dublin. Other places of interest which we visited were the old King's Hospital, Henrietta Street, the City Wall, and the church of St. Nicholas of Myra in Francis Street. We compared these more classical structures with the more modern architecture of the Stephenson-Gibney offices. We rounded off the trip by looking at the demolition scene in Molesworth Street.

We wish to express our thanks to Mr. Wallace, Mrs. Crowe, Mrs. Geoghegan and Mr. Broad for accompanying us on, and arranging our outings and also for kindly providing transport. Our thanks also go to Mr. Hickey for permitting us to miss Chemistry classes.

"La Creme de la Creme"

Sixth Year's Visit To Stratford-Upon-Avon

On the evening of the 1st of November, a party of 4 teachers and about 40 pupils set off on the journey from Dunlaoghaire to Stratford-upon-Avon to see the Royal Shakespeare Company's production of "Coriolanus". We spent that night in various boarding houses in Holyhead after a rather rough crossing.

The following morning we embarked on the long coach journey across Wales. We arrived in time for dinner at our guest houses and then we made the short trip to the theatre. The next couple of hours made all the discomfort of the day's travelling worthwhile. To begin with, the sheer size of the auditorium with its seating transcending towards the roof at the rear was breathtaking; yet the acoustics were perfect. The stage, too, with its immense array of powerful lamps and dense banks of spotlights, was equally impressive. And, of course, the production itself was unsurpassable. Following the performance, we returned to our guest houses for some much needed sleep.

The next morning was warm and sunny and we spent it seeing Anne Hathaway's Cottage and Shakespeare's birthplace and then looking around the town itself. We dined in an exquisite restaurant above a quaint old shop and then made our way once more to the theatre for a matinee performance of "Henry V".

We emerged into the cold dusk of the evening and boarding the coach, we departed immediately on the long journey back to Holyhead. Dining en route in Chirk, we persevered and eventually reached Holyhead around midnight and then Dun Laoghaire early the following morning. It was a very enjoyable expedition as well as being an enlightening one and our thanks to the four teachers who accompanied us and organised such a memorable trip.

Stuart N. Stein. 6th Form.

Sixth Form Field Trip To Seapoint

The field trip took place on Friday, 18th November. The members of Mrs. Geoghegan's, Mrs. Massey's and Mr. Toomey's biology classes met after assembly and boarded the coach specially hired for the occasion. On arriving at Seapoint we got off the coach and proceeded down to the beach, surprising an unwary bather who was taking his morning swim! We then got down to the serious business of the day. We were split into groups and assigned various jobs to do;

some to collect specimens, which were brought back to school and identified, and some to take a line transect. Each group tried to do every job before leaving. One member of the party decided the water looked so very inviting that he went for a swim!

At 11.45 a.m. the group returned, by coach, to school, arriving there at 12.30. Then began the task of correlating results and identifying specimens. This was completed by 1.15 and the pupils rejoined their classes.

Fifth Year's Trip to The Burren — 1977

This combined Biology, Geography and Geology expedition to the Burren in Co. Clare was an unforgettable experience for us all. The excursion started on April 27th as the bus set off from Danum, packed full with provisions, equipment and fifth formers.

During the journey down we made numerous stops to examine geographical and geological structures, such as end moraines and the Curragh. We were also given a general history of the towns along the way. As we reached the Burren it rained, in keeping with the local character. We saw Lemanagh Castle and Aillwee Cave, both very interesting. When we arrived at Doorus Youth Hostel we were greeted by some members of the party who had gone ahead to prepare a stew.

The next day was spent examining a limestone pavement near Poulsallagh, viewing the magnificent Cliffs of Moher, and finally walking up Slieve Elva, led by a very enthusiastic member of the staff, to search for innumerable potholes. At last we came to Pollnagollum Cave — a tremendous geological feature. Though most of us were exhausted after this strenuous day, we still found the energy to go strolling in the area around the hostel that evening.

The following Friday the Biologists were supposed to examine a turlough. Unfortunately the level of the water was too high and so we could not study it, much to our chagrin!!! We also climbed another hill to collect samples of fluorspar. On the way home we called to see Mr. Miles, an ex-High School teacher now at Kilcornan, a training centre for the mentally handicapped, where we were allowed to use the swimming pool and badminton courts.

During the trip the fifth formers were greatly amused by the antics of one of the staff who visited countless female friends, armed with a hammer — for breaking up walls in order to collect samples of rock.

On behalf of the present sixth form I thank the Headmaster, Miss Williams, Mrs. Geoghegan, Miss Stevenson and Mr. Toomey and especially Mr. Miles, for making our excursion a success.

Petrina Armstrong — 6th Form

Outing To The Theatre

On the 1st December Mrs. Crowe's and Miss Torrans's English Group went to Rathmichaels Parish hall to see "Twelfth Night". Before going to see the play we were all invited to Mrs. Crowe's house where we enjoyed an excellent meal. We were then driven to Rathmichaels Hall by Mr. and Mrs. Crowe, Mr. Collins and Mr. Brook who also brought us back again. Everyone appreciated their kindness.

The play was well performed by Rathmichal Amateur Dramatic Society and it was enjoyed by all of us who found it most interesting and entertaining.

On behalf of all the group I would like to thank Mrs. Crowe for her magnificent meal and indeed for the entire evening, not forgetting Miss Torrans and all others who helped to make the evening such a success.

Ann Godsfil.

Fifth-form visit to the Cinema

In January, a group of fifth-formers accompanied by Mr. McClure, Mr. Blackmore and Mrs. Conway, went to the New Metropole Cinema to see two films, William Golding's *Lord of the Flies* and George Orwell's *Animal Farm*.

Both of these films are adaptations of the books which are on our course for the Leaving Certificate this year. The Cinema was putting on these films specially for schools at the time at reduced rates.

The film *Lord of the Flies* was very faithful to the book, the events being almost identical. I think this helped many of us a lot, as it brought the book alive. This was not quite as true for *Animal Farm* which was an animal film.

I think this was a most useful outing, and helped many of us to understand the novels better.

Kathrine McCune
5th Form.

The High School Clean-up

At the end of March, 4A1 decided to hold a sponsored clean-up of the school, in aid of Concern. We had been shown films about malnutrition and one about the Yemen.

The class split up into working parties and spread out over the school, leaving a trail of glistening radiators, notice boards, cloakrooms, store rooms etc. in their wake.

We were very grateful to Miss Barcroft for her help in organising the clean-up and for taking care of the money and sending it to Concern, and the office, for managing to print our sponsor sheets at such short notice. We would especially like to thank all those who sponsored us. We made nearly £55.

Roger Armstrong, 4A1.

Visit to 'The Oscar' by 4A1

On the night of 16th March, 1978, a contingent of twelve pupils from 4A1 went to a showing of the play *Pride and Prejudice* in the Oscar Theatre, Ballsbridge. This theatre was recently converted from a cinema, and was about half-full on the night that we went.

The book by Jane Austen is on the Intermediate English course for this year (1978). It deals with the everyday happenings during one year in the life of the Bennet family who lived at 'Longburn' Hertfordshire, England, at the close of the eighteenth century.

We thought the play was well presented and well acted and seeing it, has helped us to appreciate better the play that we had read in class.

Malcolm Fraser

4B2's Visit to the Theatre

On Friday, 21st October, we visited the Gaiety Theatre to see William Shakespeare's comedy 'As You Like It'. This play is set mainly in a forest and features Rosalind and Orlando, whose love for each other is boundless, and Celia, a close friend of Rosalind.

The play evolves around many courtships and a fitting scene with two marriages follows towards the end of the play.

By Rosalind and Celia disguising themselves as 'men', the play, when we did it in class, became a bit confusing, but due to some very excellent acting (especially the main characters), by the time the play had come to an end, it was all very clear to us. Any part of the play that we were previously puzzled about was clarified due to Mr. McClure's fine idea to bring us to see the play.

Finally, on behalf of myself and all of 4B2 we would like to thank Mr. McClure for his invaluable advice and assistance which we received throughout the play.

Alan Mullen. 4B2.

Second Form Outing to Wood Quay

This year form 2B1 has gone on quite a few outings. They were all very enjoyable and interesting, in particular the one to Wood Quay one very wet Saturday morning near the end of September.

The class met at the gates of Christchurch Cathedral and Miss Williams and Mrs. Feeney took charge of the party. We set off nice and clean in jeans and wellington-boots, but came home looking as if we had just been rolling in mud!

Wood Quay is just beside Fishamble Street (where Handel's "Messiah" was first performed) and an ancient Viking settlement was discovered there. The wall surrounding Wood Quay is about 1,000 years old.

We went down a little path and facing us was the River Liffey. Along the river front there used to be a

wooden wall, parts of which can still be seen. We then set off walking along the paths made of layers of mud, and which had to be held up by planks of wood in some places. If you looked very closely at the mud you could distinguish shells and even some bones!

At one place there was a hole, in which there were lots of bones and shells; among other things, the people of that time ate shellfish and deer. A piece of wood was found and on it was a drawing that turned out to be a ship coming out of harbour. Many other things have been found, such as fragments of vessels, knife handles, bits of combs and even bits from shipwrecks. These could be found on a table away from the rest of the site, and if anyone wanted to take some bones they could, as the museums have all they need.

We also saw the remains of some closely-packed, cabin-like houses built, for protection, on the side of the hill on which Christchurch now stands. Some of the streets near the houses were made of wood, and the original marks (pieces of wood sticking out of the ground) can still be seen.

On behalf of the class I would like to thank Miss Willims for taking us on the recent outings.

Lucy Paxton 2B1

First Years Trip to Kildare

In July 1977, the First Year went on a field trip to Kildare.

We went first to the Aviary where the men in charge explained to us where the birds came from. We then went to the canal and got into the boats which was most enjoyable. We had our lunch there and then we went to the Japanese Garden after we had left the boats. When we got there, we were divided into groups, each group with a man to say what it was all about.

He told us about the Gate of Oblivion, Cave of Birth, Path of Childhood, Steps of Learning, Geisha House, Japanese Village and so on.

We arrived safely back to High School. I would like to thank the following teachers for making the trip possible and enjoyable: the Headmaster, Mr. McMullen and Mrs. Geoghegan.

Emmanuel Ebhomien
2.B3

A Right Royal Ceremony

One of the not so well known ceremonies that takes place in London is the Ceremony of the Keys. This ceremony is carried out in the Tower of London every evening at 9.50 p.m. Spectators are allowed in and are taken to Traitors Gate by a Yeoman Warder.

At exactly seven minutes to ten, the Chief Warder leaves the Byward Tower wearing his Tudor Bonnet and red greatcoat. He carries the Queen's Keys in one hand and a candle-lit lantern in the other. Following the route along Water Lane to Traitors Gate where the spectators are waiting for him, he picks up his escort of four soldiers taken from one of the Household Foot Guards. The Chief Warder hands the lantern to one of the escort and the party march to the outer gate, being saluted on their way by all the sentries. The Outer Gate is locked and the party return, locking in turn the oak gates of the Middle Tower and the Byward Tower.

At the archway of the Bloody Tower the Chief Warder and escort is challenged by the sentry.

"Halt! Who goes there?"

"The Keys".

"Whose Keys?"

"Queen Elizabeth's Keys".

"Pass Queen Elizabeth's Keys. All's well".

The Chief Warder and escort then make their way through the archway and up towards the steps. On the steps is the main guard with a bugler. The party halts in front of the steps, and the Chief Warder advances two paces, raises his Tudor Bonnet and cries: "God preserve Queen Elizabeth", to which the guard replies: "Amen", as the clock strikes ten. The bugler sounds the Last Post which echoes all around the walls and the guard is dismissed. Then the Chief Warder returns the Keys to the Queen's House and the ceremony is over for the night.

This ceremony which has taken place for over two hundred years has only once been late. This was during the Last World War, when a bomb was dropped nearby, knocking out some of the guards. By the time they had come round, and the ceremony completed, it was three minutes past ten.

This Ceremony of the Keys is a spectacular and colourful display and well-worth seeing if ever you visit London.

Diane Mewis, 5th.

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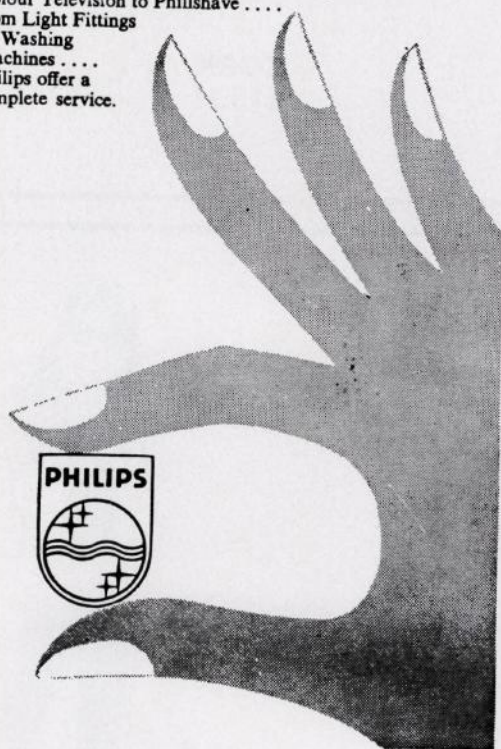
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