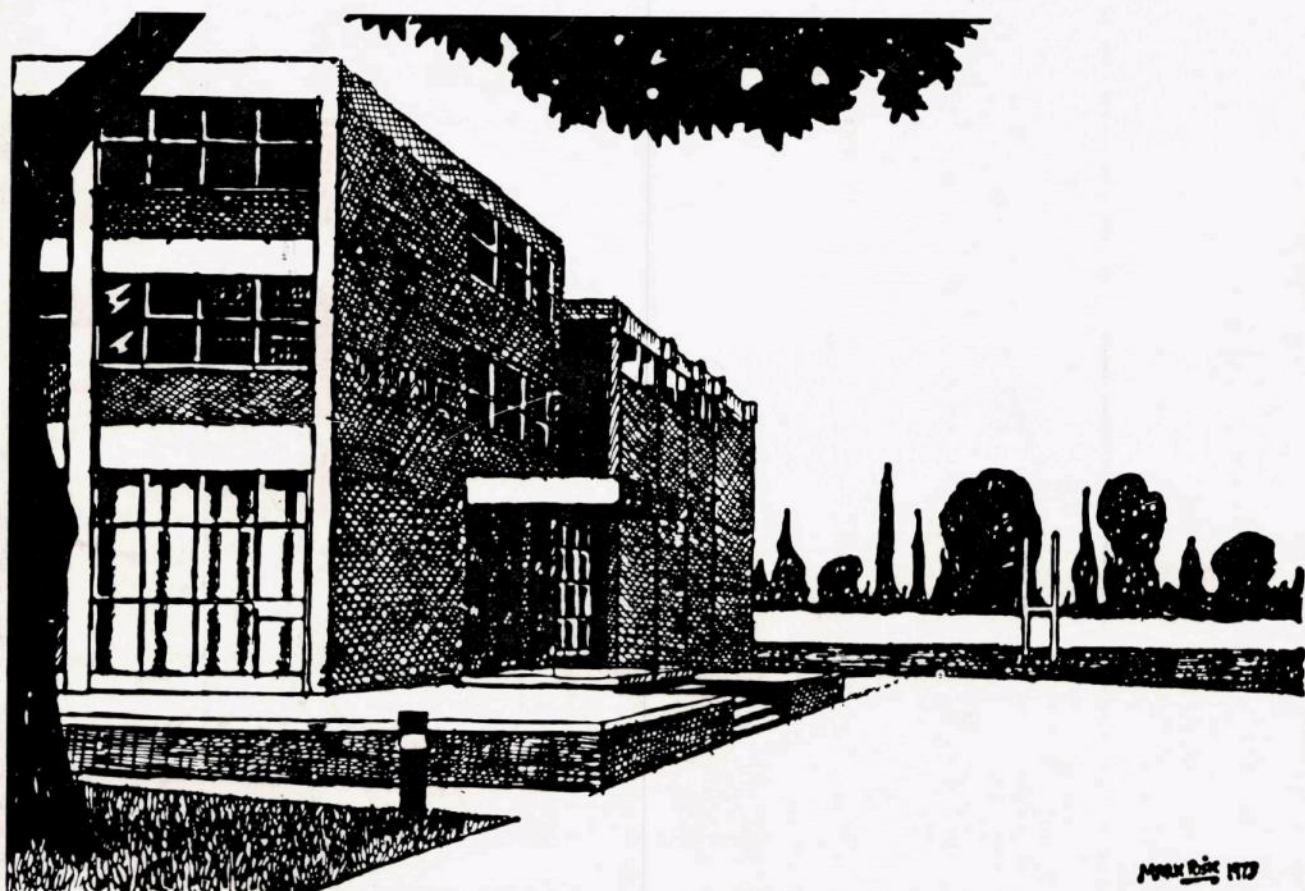


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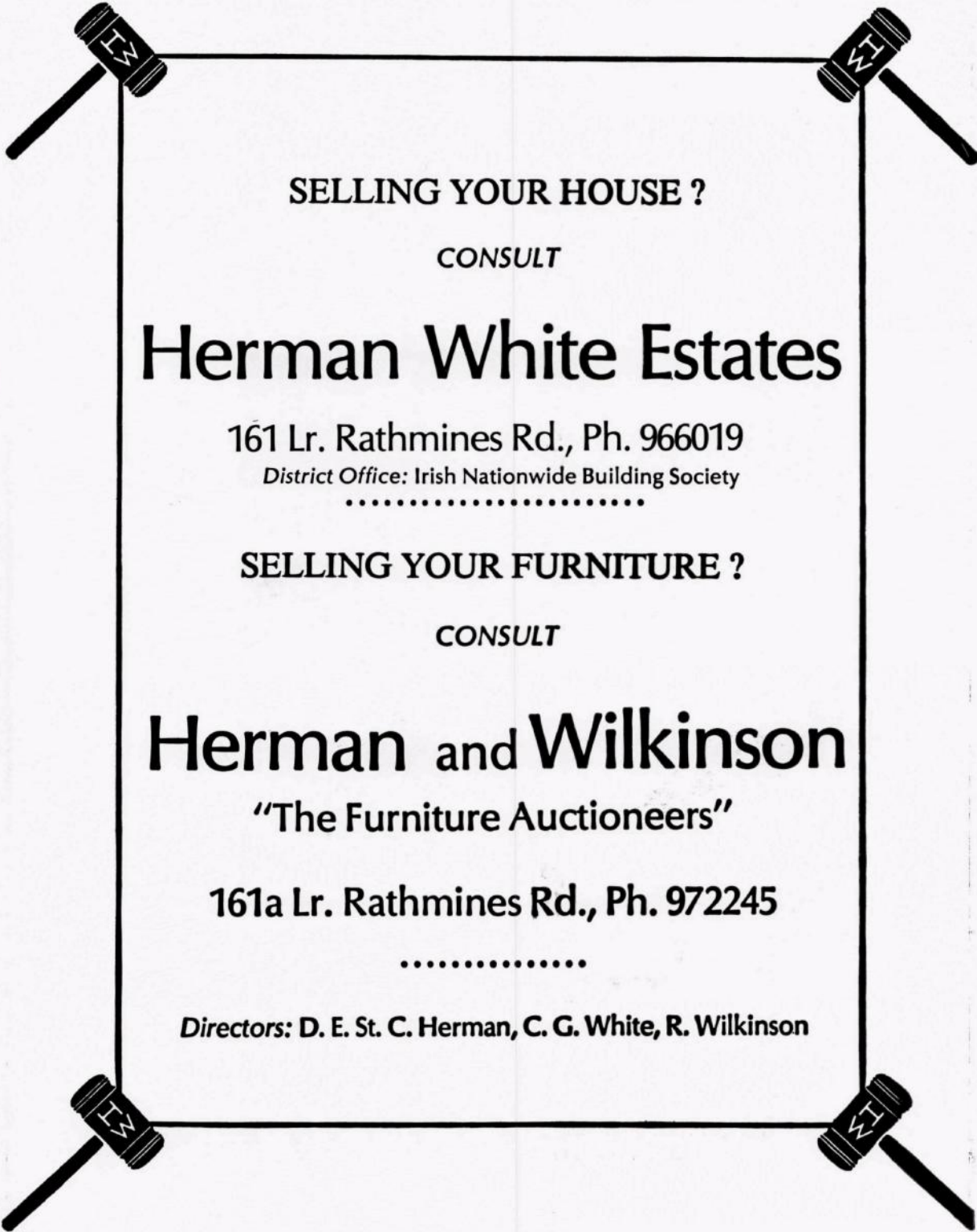
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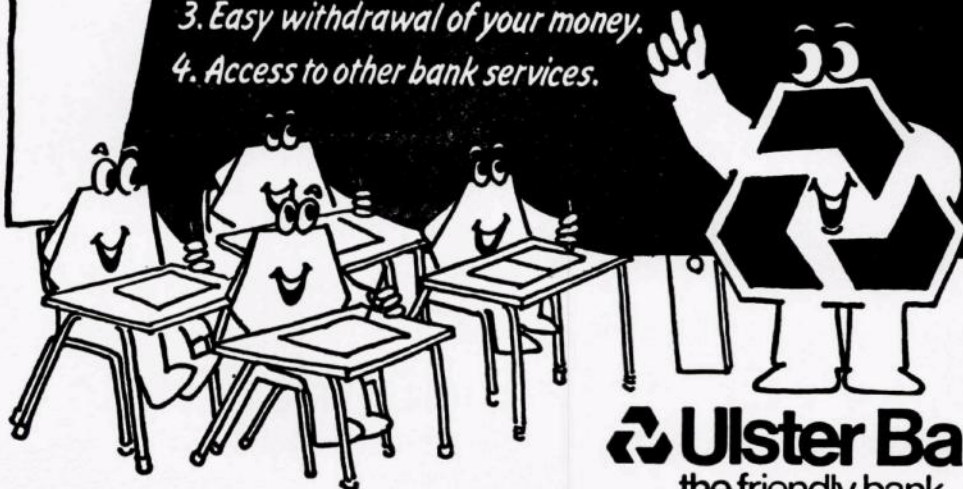
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EDITORIAL

We regret to record the death of Mrs. Anne Garvey on Sunday, May 13th, 1984. We send our deepest sympathy to her husband, John, and to her children, Stephen and Ruth.

Even the most cursory glance at the year's "Erasman" would reveal that, in many ways High School is a parallel to society. Sporting, cultural and educational activities are numerous and diverse. One might think that an education in High School is a perfect preparation for life in Irish Society, and, indeed, that has always been intended. Unfortunately, today's society is by no means appropriate to those who have a good education, mature attitudes, and a well-rounded personality. This realisation is increasingly manifesting itself in exactly the place where it is most harmful – the school.

Every school has its non-conformists. This is no bad thing. However, every school also has its rebels. Insolence is a trite manifestation of this. The modern rebel may be a criminal, a vandal, a drug addict or a psychopath, and there are modern rebels in every school in the country. The symptoms are always obvious. The rebel is usually male; he frequently chooses not to attend school; when he does attend school, he shows no hesitation in marking his disaffection violently, criminally, or explicitly. He takes no part in school activities. He often leaves after the Intermediate Certificate. Every year, schools throughout the country bid farewell to anti-social, dangerous, inadequate people.

Accordingly, we have an increasingly unpleasant society. The crime problem is no secret. Social ills thrive on unemployment. These problems are tragically fed straight back into the school system. There are thousands of pupils in Ireland who are learning what they consider to be useless facts and they are hating every minute of it. They feel sure that they will

not get a job, and so their school career becomes pointless and hateful to them. Ancient notions of knowledge for its own sake have long since disappeared: they have become more than quaint to the discontented adolescent – they have become stupid. These blackly negative thoughts are often compounded with family problems – a broken home or a drink problem will infinitely exacerbate the difficulty. No social class can be singled out for producing troublesome school children – with unemployment and family problems, class divisions become ephemeral.

How can schools deal with these cases? One obvious prerequisite is a preventative approach. The more activities that are available, and the greater their diversity, the better. High School caters well for many sports, clubs and societies, and thus the preventative approach is fully endorsed and practised. The majority of pupils can do something which they enjoy. The greatest danger comes in the classroom. It is here that teachers perform a difficult balancing act. To run the gamut of teaching children from the ages of twelve to eighteen, every day, without saying a careless, unkind or unjust word, is an impossible task. To change from teaching a class of insolent or cheeky First years to a class of bored Sixth years, in the space of forty minutes, has its dangers. A sarcastic remark that would be relished by a Sixth year, could bring a First year close to tears, and this is how a grudge is made, or bitterness is nursed. No one should be given an excuse to feel victimised. The discipline used in times when career prospects were bright, is out-moded and

dangerous now that they are not. Each pupil must be treated as an individual, no matter what their age. It is imperative that no pupil should feel persecuted. The techniques of discipline and punishment used by each teacher must be carefully examined to see if they do more harm than good. Most would now concede that it is a good thing that the cane is a relic of the past. But when a child, of any age, is branded with a cynical, bitter, resentful or contemptuous remark, the wound is likely to fester.

There is, therefore, reason to be cautious and watchful in any school community. This has always been so, but the need is greater than ever before at the present. High School is by and large a stable community. The combination of a wide extra-curricular programme with a prevailing atmosphere of justice and tolerance generally ensures a peaceful education. One would hope that the time will never be reached when something more than this combination is required.

Gavin McAulay (6th Form)

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Springtime

Springtime always causes a certain tension in Heaven. Round about March, God tends to become bad-tempered and crotchety, flinging the odd thunderbolt at wayward cherubs, stamping about and using language that, by and large, people don't associate with God. Angels start to complain and certain facetious remarks fly around such as "If I'd known it'd be like this I wouldn't have come" and "There has to be more to this Heaven lark than white sheets and harps anyway".

You see, at this time of the year, the inhabitants of Heaven tend to be overworked, trying to produce enough sunlight and flowers to scatter down on the earth for the Spring. The senior angels (those that have been in heaven for about a century) work overtime, weaving drafts of sunlight from golden threads produced by a type of silkworm that lives in the fires of hell. God decided a long time ago that it would help promote good relations with Lucifer if this silk could be imported from down below. ("Hell" is a word not used in Heaven). God prefers the euphemism to be accepted as everyday speech, if the region has to be mentioned at all).

It's very hard work weaving sunlight and cutting out patterns for Spring flowers with awkward shapes, such as daffodils and crocuses. The silken thread tends to be hot,

being fresh out of the fires of damnation, so fingers can be quite badly burned if care isn't taken. The fabric from which the flowers are made is very delicate, tending to tear easily. Apart from the difficulty of the work, people are led to believe that heaven is a sort of celestial playground, so that, when they do finally reach the Pearly Gates, and discover they must work, they tend to feel that they've been conned somewhere along the way.

Invariably production falls behind and God's temper starts to rise. The junior angels frantically play faster on their harps and sing louder, in an effort to soothe Him. But when Springtime still hasn't begun on earth by mid-March God gets into a furious fit of rage, breaks into the winter storerooms, and starts hurling things like gales and hailstones out of Heaven.

We tend to refer to this phenomenon as "Equinoxial gales" when in actual fact it's merely God throwing a tantrum.

Soon it's time to send the first bath of flowers down. The angels wait until darkness falls, then fly down to earth and start planting daffodils, crocuses and snowdrops, when they think nobody's watching. There's a distressing tendency on these nightly forays, for angels to find themselves involved in certain alcoholic activities in Public Houses (quite inexplicably, of course). Now, you could well say with

perfect truth that you've never in your life seen an angel in a public house at Springtime, or any other time. But people are conditioned to see what they expect to see. They don't expect to see men with wings dressed in funny white robes like nightshirts, so accordingly these angels pass by unnoticed. After much singing and harp playing and general jollity, they return to Heaven, rather unsteadily, the morning after, with very sore heads.

Certain so-called "fanciful" people, however, do ascertain that there is "Music" in the air and that all of a sudden they feel more cheerful and want to jump and run about the place. They explain these moods by saying that

Spring is here at last, which is true, but more accurately, it is the passage of the angels on their flower-planting expeditions. There really is nothing as effective as a merry angel for cheering you up.

God hotly disapproves of these singers and breaks into the winter storerooms once again to release His wrath, which is why the weather is so changeable during the Spring.

Finally, of course, Springtime is well and truly established here on earth. Meanwhile, up above, work on extra hot sunlight begins, so that a supply may be built up in time for July and August. Paradise has its price.

Rosemary Waugh (6th).

Borrowers And Lenders

Borrowers and lenders are the scourge of the earth. It is mainly the borrowers but lenders are also to blame because if there were no lenders there would be no borrowers.

I suppose I must give a brief account and tell you what each word means. Starting with borrow – this word comes from the word "wheelbarrow" which is found in the common garden shed. The word came into use because of the pest called the neighbour who was constantly borrowing the barrow. Of course they did not say "borrow". They said "have permission to obtain for an undertermined period of time". Unless you are weak in the old cop-on, it is much easier to say the former than the latter. "Borrow" soon became a widespread word, especially with poor people and people who have the money but not the will to spend it.

The word "lend" comes from the time of Lent when you were supposed to give up something, but only for the time of Lent. People started saying "I lent up smoking for lent" and "I will lent up smoking **next** lent". Gradually, being a popular word with young priests and saintly men, the word was used more generally until it had nothing to do with Lent. "The **t**" was changed to a **"d"** because it is much easier to curve your tongue around your larynx and produce that deep guttural sound.

Many people are against borrowers and it is not surprising because if the borrower is any good he will get his paws on hard-earned cash,

he will then go abroad for 40 years. When he returns with the borrowed money, it would not be worth enough to keep a light-bulb running for five minutes. Borrowers are found mainly on door steps with cups in their hand looking for sugar. Be warned, don't let them in or they will have the carpets and furniture with a little bit of pleading and a sad expression.

Lenders, though not found wilfully, very often can be found making speeches at church fetes and making everyone feel guilty. I must confess that many a time have I been forced to shove all guilt to the back of my mind and get away from the area as quickly as possible. Though hard, I have always been successful.

Andrew Blackmore (4A2)

A Democratic Country

Countless times this year, I have been told how fortunate we in Ireland are to live in a democratic country. We have, I am told, control over our rulers. I am assured that we, the ordinary people, are in a position to direct the administrative affairs of our country. That, after all, is what democracy is all about.

Perhaps it is because I keep meeting people who complain that the 'Younger Generation' is too cynical, pessimistic and sceptical that I am all of those things. As a cynical pessimist, I will not believe that the political power in Ireland

lies with the people of Ireland. Unless we rise in rebellion and in doing so break the law, we can exercise little political power. Take the Forum as an example.

When were we asked if we wanted such a nationalist talking shop? Alan Dukes cannot find it in his heart to leave clothes, without which we would be arrested on a charge of indecent exposure, free from VAT. However, it seems that he can find enough money in the state coffers to pay for a rescue package for the SDLP.

Our education system is an almost totalitarian institution. We are legally compelled to attend a school of some sort or other for nine years of our lives. I am not arguing against education, I just want to highlight the fact that we, as school pupils, have very little control over education policy. That is left to civil servants who are employed by the elected representatives of our elders who, due to the protection which the state guarantees to the family unit, exert a totalitarian power over us. And they say it's a free country?

Simon Jones (5th)



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Absolution

*There was a boy, son of a man and
soon to be a man himself,
He knew how to argue with a politician's
passion;
He knew how to walk with an
executive's stride
And even how to curse with a tinker's tongue.
But though he had learnt many
man-made rules
He still searched in despair for some
ethereal Image
Until he conjured up his crumbly alter ego
Which clawed at his thoughts while
he ate the Worldy Apple
And strayed deeper into his great
forest of fears.*

*He was lost and the hands of Time
kept waving him goodbye;
He was alone – an island almost
engulfed by the ocean
And his thoughts were anchored inside his
bubbling belly;
Where no worry was adjourned, but had to
be churned.
Into the slurry and eventually distilled –
as it all welled up
To the tank of tears which had already begun
To brim with each fret – spill
with each frown.
And as his gentle face tried to mask the
menagerie within
The nettle-work of needle-nerves
snaked their way out
Weaving the pattern of teen-aged
wrinkles between the eyes.
But he was a boy and was blessed
with vigour of youth,
He knew how to chase after an ambition;
He knew how to seek a way of escape
And even how to flee without rest.
In being only a boy he could easily fall
But only by falling would he learn how to stand
And, by gathered strength, become
a man
With alabaster bones to banish the bruises
of the skin
And calcified courage to toughen the
sinews of the will.
So with every breath that the boy supped in
He let them strum the beats of his heart until*

All the tunes trickled out and he began to sing
 That he had found his soul in his human being.
 And though he often dreamed his dreams of
 Paradise
 And still floated up to gloat at his castles
 in the skies,
 He knew that those wonders were worth
 more than a stare
 – That those hopes of Utopia weren't
 just youthful kaleidoscopes
 For the old men have told him that Time will tell
 And that he must drop his own coins into
 the Wishing Well.
 So he refused to let the clock clang at the
 back of his head.
 And he listened to the music of his
 own heart instead –
 Letting the Word be his rule and the
 melody his guide
 That they might in each deed and day
 be emulsified
 To fashion his person as the symbol of
 Disciplined Ease,
 Unlike the loosened float forever
 bobbing alone on the seas
 Or the weary bird's wings carried by the
 mighty breeze,
 But as one who says he lives as a man
 Because he can walk the path that his
 boyhood ran.

Darran Irvine (6th)

The Tramp

On and on I go, no where to go,
 The rain and the wind attack me,
 Everybody laughs when they see me,
 Walking, so very, very slowly.
 It's wet outside, and I am afraid;
 What can I do, oh where will I go?
 Again and again I look around, no,
 I will have to stay outside, in the cold.
 Say hello, oh say hello.
 Don't leave me here all alone.
 Please let me in and greet me kindly,
 Oh, say to me; come in, even quietly.
 A penny from you, Miss?
 God it's bliss,
 Money for me, another day
 And I will be seen on my way.

W.A.F.

It's Raining

Look out at the rain,
 Rattle, tattle goes the hail
 On the window pane.
 The rain never fails,
 Falling and soaking and wetting.

Puddles here and there,
 Everything is drowned.
 Down it runs through my hair,
 Down, down, down.

Incessantly pouring,
 Plants and flowers are
 given growth.
 Inside the old man snores,
 As the river around him,
 Forms a moat.

W.A.F.

A Handicapped Teenage Person looking at life

I look around, I see no friend,
 I only want to have some fun,
 But people always seem to tend
 to look and stare and call me dumb.
 Sometimes I feel so much alone
 I wish that I had someone to love,
 and share my life as I grow up.

When I get onto a bus
 People seem to move away;
 I wonder why they must,
 It makes me want to cancel every day.

As I go into school,
 The other children pass and call me fool.

Tarah Jones
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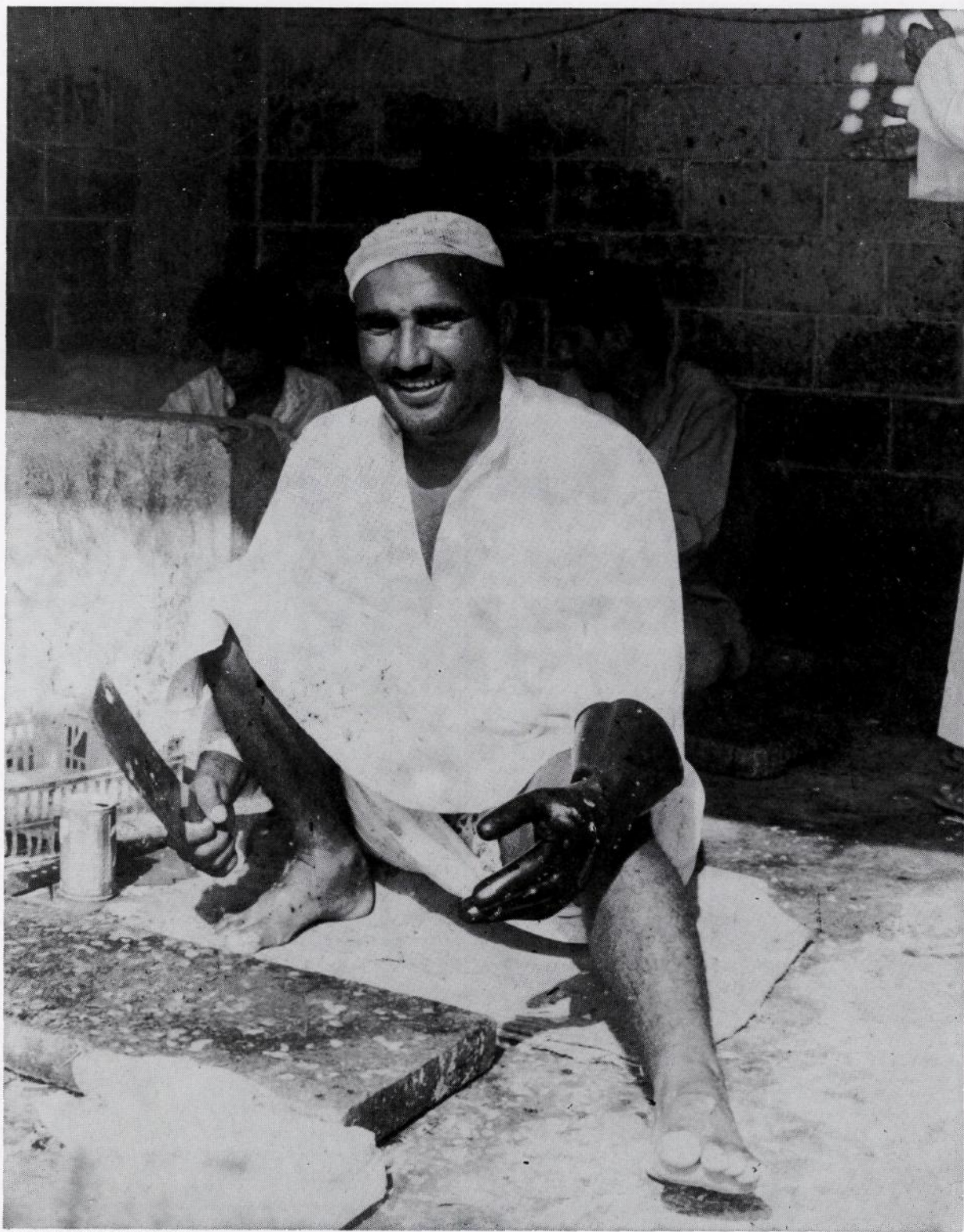


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SCHOOL RECORD

In June, 1983, we were sorry to say goodbye to Mrs. Doreen Meagher, Miss Pauline Moore, Mrs. Barbara Morrow, Miss A. Carson and Mrs. C. Gray.

In September, 1983, we welcomed to the staff Miss Joyce Williams, Miss Anna di Renzo and Mrs. King.

In April, 1984, Mrs. Doris Murphy retired from her position in the school office. During her years as secretary she was a popular figure with pupils and staff, who appreciated her efficiency and kindness. We wish her every happiness in her retirement.

We congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Mellon on the birth of a daughter, Mr. and Mrs. McCartney on the birth of a son, and Mr. and Mrs. Ward on the birth of a daughter.

Congratulations also to Miss Valerie Parkill on her membership of the Irish Ladies' Hockey XI; to Linus Murphy (5th year) on being chosen to represent Irish Schoolboy cyclists in Yorkshire, and to Sandra Veale (3A2) who was a member of the Irish Schoolgirls' Gymnastic team.

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Designing.
ANDREW V. L. STYLES – Motor Industry
Management D.I.T.
SIMON H. F. THOMPSON – 6U H.S.D.
GEOFFREY W. TUTTY – 6U H.S.D.
NICOLA S. M. TYRRELL – 6U H.S.D.
IAN L. WALSHE – Institute of Education.
JOHN D. WANN – Rathmines Senior College.
ROGER C. WELSH – Salesman A. E. Phillips Ltd.
ALED WILLIAMS – Naas Vocational School.
FIONA M. WILLIAMS – Secretarial Course.
DEBORAH J. WILLS – Fairfield Secretarial
College.
MARK J. WILSON – 6U H.S.D.

Appreciations

Dorothy Blakeney

When Dorothy Blakeney retired at the end of the Summer Term 1983, we knew that the Junior School would seem very strange without her. She had given years of dedicated service to the High School, and the pupils who passed through her classes came to realise that she was a very special person indeed. She was totally committed to her task of teaching and guiding her pupils, and her patience and gentleness encouraged the affection and trust of the boys and girls in her care.

She created such a happy atmosphere in the Junior School that even the most difficult child blossomed. She looked for good in everyone. No child was so bold, that Miss Blakeney did not discover that he was good natured; no child was so lazy that she did not find him helpful and polite. Her sense of justice and her sympathy ensured that no child was frightened to bring his troubles to her and have them sorted out. No wonder that, in their turn, her original pupils sent their sons and daughters to be taught and trained by her.

Of course, she was cross at times! "I really lost my temper with my class", she would say ruefully to us all in the staff-room, but for the wrong-doers, her disappointment at their behaviour was often punishment enough, for they all wanted to please Miss Blakeney.

Her particular interest was biology and her enthusiasm was infectious. Her classroom shelves were filled with plants and twigs, odd shells and bones, dead beetles and butterflies – even as one pupil described it: "Miss Blakeney's brain in a jar". A hazard of teaching in A6 during the Spring was the emergence of frogs from the jar of tadpoles beside the blackboard. Many a lesson broke up with shrieks of delight as a frog hopped out and along the shelf.

It was impossible to withstand her charm. Those of us who worked with her, whether back in the 'old days' in Harcourt Street, or more recently, appreciated her courtesy and kindness. She never failed to compliment and praise, and was meticulous in thanking people for any small service. We all miss her cheerful presence in the Staffroom, and are delighted when a School Function brings her back among us.

I taught with Dorothy for five years and feel very fortunate to have had her as a colleague and mentor, and to continue to enjoy her friendship. At prayers in the mornings, she often reminded the Juniors of the School motto. Her excellence as a teacher and her goodness as a person are fine examples of how faithful she is to the trust put in her.

D.L.

Dorothy P. Blakeney

Another former pupil of Miss Blakeney once remarked that if Miss Blakeney were ever to leave the High School, then the Junior School would cease to function. Now this observation takes on a somewhat prophetic touch, as Miss Blakeney's retirement has coincided with the phasing out of the Junior School.

To attempt an appreciation of Miss Blakeney as teacher, head-mistress and friend figure is very hard, as one runs the risk of being seen merely to list achievements and good points. However, few, if any, ex-Junior School pupils will disagree with the observation, that a few years in the Junior School amounted to an achievement of the best variety.

The dominating memory of A6 for pupils of Miss Blakeney will have been the Nature table. Miss Blakeney took a great interest in Nature, but it was not purely knowledge to be com-

municated to her pupils, rather it was a great desire on Miss Blakeney's part to interest those she taught. To this end, she kept a very well-stocked and interest-provoking nature table, with contents ranging from infant bluebottles to pickled brains. Many will recall Miss Blakeney performing autopsies on cows' eyes with gay abandon, but having to refrain from further butchery in order to comfort three rows of green-faced children, completely unused to such goings-on.

On the few occasions when Miss Blakeney was compelled to discipline her budding scholars, there was never any acrimony, nor was there any breakdown in the excellent pupil/teacher relationship that existed in the Junior School. The young offender was set some task, usually constructive, such as writing a letter of apology to the offended member of staff.

Under Miss Blakeney's supervision, the Junior School developed an atmosphere akin to a family. Ill classmates were sent informative, albeit scrutinised "get-well" letters. Classmates were not the only people to receive Miss Blakeney-induced compassion and sympathy: following his unfortunate motor accident, the late Ralph Walker was dispatched quite a number of sympathetic epistles.

The loyalty felt by pupils to the Junior School in general, and to Miss Blakeney in particular, is very strong indeed. Some ex-pupils of hers crowded into the Demonstration Theatre last June to be present at one of Miss Blakeney's last assemblies; other former pupils were present at the last Junior School Carol Service. There is no reason to think that this loyalty will not continue.

In conclusion, I would like to mention the often-quoted observation about Miss Blakeney, namely that she possesses an ability to see only the good in her pupils. This is perfectly true, but it can be carried a little further, because Miss Blakeney has an ability to draw out the good qualities in all whom she has taught – as both an educator and as a friend figure.

A. R. Pierce (6th).

*BEST WISHES TO ALL
OUR READERS*

Mr. F. Peters

When Mr. Frank Peters retired from full-time teaching in June 1983 he had completed forty-three years in the profession – the first eight at Primary Level. He joined The High School in January, 1956, after eight years in Wesley College. In his twenty-seven years of service in this school, Mr. Peters made great contributions in his different roles – as Head of the Irish Department he set an exemplary high standard; in charge of discipline he was looked up to with respect; he was stage manager of the concerts and on one occasion assumed the role of Playwright. His work with the Boxing Ring always attracted active support. As Year Head of Sixth Form Mr. Peters has left many happy memories.

In extra-mural activities Frank was a dutiful and active participant. I enjoyed playing golf and cricket with him. To be in his company on sporting occasions was both rewarding and educational. Always a keen gardener, Frank has now added fishing as a new-found hobby. His landing of a ten-pounder lately led to an uncharacteristic Archimedes reaction! Mr. Peters also was an active member of the Church of Ireland at both Parochial and Diocesan level. To complete this summary of a distinguished career, mention must be made of "Temple-michael", Frank's home, where he was "given to hospitality". As a sage, counsellor, gentleman and friend, We thank F.T.P. for his years of service and wish him well in the years ahead and presently as he sets off for his annual visit to Killarney and Canada.

J.W.W.

Mr. F. Peters

Mr. Peters has been a vital part of High School for 27 years. In that time many aspiring Gaelic students have passed through his hands; many of you will perhaps fall into this category and for you this article will prove unnecessary.

In these days of increasing academic pressure and the scramble for "points" the subject of Irish is usually the first to fall by the wayside. It was against this rising tide of apathy and disillusionment that Mr. Peters had to struggle and it is in this area that his greatest contribution was made. Every year he won friends from foes and created passes where once there had been failure. The way in which he surmounted this

problem was to give his pupils a sense of hope and direction instead of resignation to the inevitable. With this hope came friendship, a bond that remained through a system of continuous testing in such volumes as "Peig" and "Scoitscealta", something a lesser teacher would have found difficult if not impossible to maintain.

Those who refused to participate out of a stubborn unwillingness to learn, and persisted in devising elaborate methods to "cog" and otherwise, were labelled "hooks" and even they soon realised the error of their ways. There are few who have studied under Mr. Peters that would not have a lasting fondness and respect for the man. It is of great loss to the school in general, and prospective Gaelic scholars in particular, that Mr. Peters has chosen to retire. It is true to say, however, that there are many who are the better for having known him.

T. Garrett (6th)

The Rev. Canon R. H. Dowse

The Diocesan Secondary School for Girls in Adelaide Road, Dublin, 2, had many friends in its life of seventy-two years, but none kinder or more loyal than Mrs. Dowse, and the late Rev. Canon R. H. Dowse. Mrs. Dowse gave very valuable service as a member of the Committee of Management from 1965, and the Canon was the School Chaplain for many years.

For much of his chaplaincy, he came once a week to conduct prayers at Morning Assembly. He shared, too, in Religious Education classes, until his numerous duties and wide-spread city parish made that impractical. But even if he was no longer able to be present at a fixed time on a set day each week, Canon Dowse continued to be concerned for the true welfare of all pupils and those who worked in the interest of the School.

His was an impressive figure – whether striding along from Earlsfort Terrace in his fine cloak, or riding his bicycle through the city streets, but his sincerity and kindness were even more impressive. He was always a welcome visitor in the School, and we were made very welcome in St. Peter's Church for

the Christmas Carol Service. On cold December days, Canon Dowse always made sure that the heaters were turned on in good time in the large church. Then, at the Service, the girls were given the opportunity of participating fully as choristers, as readers, as collectors and as stewards, making it a memorable Service for many – young and old.

Canon Dowse was a most approachable pastor, always ready to listen and advise if consulted about a problem. Perhaps he had a knack of making problems shrink in size, but those who sought his advice knew that it would be given thoughtfully and with wisdom, and were re-assured. We are grateful for his friendship, his sense of humour, his influence in the life of the Diocesan School, and his unfailing goodness. *M.M.J.*

The Senior School Prize Distribution

The Annual Senior School Prize Distribution was held on Wednesday, November 16th, 1983, at 7.30 p.m. in the gymnasium. Miss Susan Parkes, member of the Board of Governors of the Erasmus Smith Schools, presided, and the guest speaker was Right Rev. S. G. Poyntz, Bishop of Cork.

In his report on the School's work during the previous year, Mr. Brook spoke of the impact made by the School on the lives of many different groups of people. He began by recording the successes of the school teams in many competitions and individual pupils' sporting achievements. He went on to list the academic results for the year, noting in passing the unsatisfactory nature of the statistics produced by the Examination Branch of the Department of Education.

The Headmaster then turned to the role of the staff in the School and regretted the Government 'cuts' in educational expenditure which had meant the loss of one incremental teaching position in the school. He paid tributes to Miss Dorothy Blakeney who had retired from the position of Senior Mistress in the Junior School, to Mr. Frank Peters who had retired from the teaching staff in the Senior School, and to Miss Una Nic Aogain.

Mr. Brook ended by considering the role of parents and Governors in the life of the school.

He spoke of the problems of rising fees and the difficulties in obtaining employment for those leaving school. To help those pupils who needed higher entrance qualifications for Third Level courses, the School had increased the size of the Upper Sixth. He reported on the work being done by the Commerce staff to provide improved preparation for work, in the third year and fifth year. He paid tribute to the work Mr. W. S. Cunningham had done over many years as a Governor. He spoke of the developments which could be expected from the establishment of the Curriculum and Examinations Board.

AWARDS

Old Boys' Cup: Simon Thompson
Jean Scott Trophy: Lynne Ringland

Form 6 Upr.:

Bessie Bury Prize for English: Coralie Peard.
Simon Eppel Prize for Science: Andrew Trayler.
Class Prizes: Peter Boles, Kit Yoong Chye, Colin Hodgins.

Form 6:

High School Exhibition: Ian Elliott.
Glorney Exhibition: Poon Seet Lai.
Abraham and Charles Spiro Prize: Jillian Godsil.
Victor Graham Prize in Mathematics: Rosalind Briggs.
John Bennett Memorial Prize: Derek Maltby.
B'nai B'rith Scholarship: David Dockrell.
Alan Peters Memorial Prize: Stephen Rennicks.
Dr. Warnock's Prize for Irish: Ruth Maybury.
German Government Prize: Terence Dixon.
Casserley Memorial Prize for English: Lynne Ringland.

Miss Latimer's Prize for Geography: Fiona Smith.

S. S. Evans Prize for Commerce: Stephen O'Riordan.

Dr. Maurice Anderson's Prize for Home Economics: Bronwyn O'Halloran.

Miss Mitchell's Prize for Art: Kingsley Meldrum.

Class Prizes: Leonard Abrahamson, Dermot Carmody, Gerald Haskins, Andrew Herman, David Kronn, Patricia Medcalf.

Form 5:

Mitchell Scholarship: Richard Davies.

Dr. Stuart's Prize for Chemistry: Leonard Sheahan.

Parents Association Prize for English: Gavin McAulay.

Miss Mitchell's Prize for Art: Virginia Chipperfield.

Class Prizes: Stuart Blain, Carin Bryans, Gillian Fogarty, Alexander Fraser, Stephanie Free, Jennifer Hill, Bennan Murphy, Feargal Supple, Wooi Kiang Tan, David Wilgar.

Form 4:

Rogers Memorial Prize: Mark Heaney.

Dr. Olive Purser Scholarship: Ailsa Prideaux-Mooney.

Mildred Latimer Bursary: Caroline Shaw.

Dr. Warnock's Prize for Irish: Brian Adams.

German Government Prize: Colin Hautz.

Dillon Prize for Mathematics: Mark Heaney.

Foster Memorial Prize for Mathematics: Hazel Rea.

Carpenter Memorial Essay Prize: Richard Boyle.

Emily Latimer Memorial Prize for English: Rosalyn Dixon.

Miss Latimer's Prize for Geography: Ailsa Prideaux-Mogney.

Casserley Memorial Prize for History: Sharon Cole.

S. S. Evans Prize for Commerce: Mark Heaney.

Dr. Maurice Anderson's Prize for Home Economics: Judith Watson.

Miss Mitchell's Prize for Art: Conan McCabe.

4A1: Morgan Meldrum, Colin Sheil.

4A2: Andrew Killeen, Anthony Rodgers.

4B1: Benjamin Watson, Linda Kilbey.

4B2: Brian Haskins, Penny Alexander.

4B3: Iain Power, James Scally.

Form 3:

Evelyn Riley Memorial Prize: Janet Dawson.

McNay Prize for English: Carolyn Senior.

Parents' Association Prize for English: Jonathan Wright.

Parents' Association Prize for Mechanical Drawing: Daniel Helme.

Miss Mitchell's Prizes for Art: Abigail Chipperfield, Nadia Hutchinson.

Wilfred Lowry Progress Prizes: Norman Clements, Graham Cleary.

3A1: Ruth Hunter, Sophus O'Flanagan.

3A2: Brian Sweeney, Priscilla Goldby.

3B1: Tonya Glover, Hugh Page.

3B2: Stephen Doak, Daryle Singh.

3B3: Paul Lyons, Malcolm Doak.

Form 2:

McNay Prize for English: Mair Davies.

Parents' Association Prize for Woodwork: Gary Hooper.

Miss Mitchell's Prize for Art: Ivan O'Brien.

Wilfred Lowry Progress Prizes: Carlyn Rumgay, Theresa Rumgay.

2A1: Deirdre Lloyd, Melanie Sheppard. 2A2: Graeme Knowd, Patrick Browne.

2B1: Aaron Deveney, Kendal Mooney.

2B2: Shane Egan, Jennifer Lynch.

2B3: Trevor McCormack, Judy Davis.

Form 1: Etheline Brady Prize: Catherine Brosnan.

Jellett Memorial Prize for Irish: Sarah-Jane Mitchell.

1A1: Stephen Gray, Michael Jones.

1A2: Tracey Conway, Lucy Klitz.

1B1: George Hawkins, Cheryl Fannin.

1B2: Addrianna Fitzgerald, Susan Gibson.

1B3: Heather Fitzpatrick, Duncan Cole.

Senior Music Prizes: Caroline Senior, Lesley Edge.

Junior Music Prizes: Melanie Brown, Mark Wilkes.

University Entrance Awards

Trinity College Dublin:

Leonard I. Abrahamson (Natural Sciences) – 6th Place Entrance Exhibition (£400).

Andrea Dowsett (History) – 9th Place Entrance Exhibition (£400).

Terence A. Dixon (Natural Sciences) – 11th Place Entrance Exhibition (£150).

David F. Kronn (Natural Sciences) – 13th Place Entrance Exhibition (£150).

David H. Dockrell (Natural Sciences) – Abbey Prize.

The Junior School

The Junior School re-assembled in September, much reduced, but determined to be just as active as ever. We missed Miss Blakeney very much, but were pleased to welcome back Miss Joyce Williams as Form Mistress of J3, and Miss Anna di Renzo to teach biology.

At the beginning of term, several Juniors joined the seniors to represent the High School at the Service of schools at Christ Church. Soon we were preparing for the prize distribution.

Mr. Bill Tector of Sandford Park School, was the Speaker and his humour and good advice delighted us. After the distribution of prizes, each class entertained the guests with musical items produced by Mr. Wisener and several pieces of Choral Singing organised by the form teachers, Mrs. Larkin, Miss Parle and Miss Williams. Several soloists, who were a great credit to Mrs. Galloway, the piano teacher, also performed.

In a very short time, we welcomed back the parents and friends to the Junior School Carol Service, an occasion always very much enjoyed.

We took part in many of the events of the Association of Independent Junior Schools. Early in the first term, our quiz team were very successful, coming joint first in the competition, and were very unfortunate to end up in second place after a tie-breaker question. Later that term, our table-tennis team came third in their competition, and chess team also did well, winning several of their games. Eighteen people also attended the Ecumenical Service at Terenure College.

The second term seemed to be occupied mostly by games. A team of girls played in the A.I.J.S. Seven-a-side Hockey Tournament; a team of swimmers competed in the Swimming competition, bringing back a second prize, and the Junior School beat the first years in a Swimming Relay Race. Before Easter, the Hanley Cup provided great excitement, being eventually won by Niall Rennick's team. We are all very grateful to the Games Staff for their help and enthusiasm.

As usual, during Lent, we collected for a charity, and this year, we chose Dr. Barnardo's. Miss Leach came along one morning to tell us all about the history and work of Dr. Barnardo's, and, fired with enthusiasm, we set about raising money, which is still coming in, so our final figure is as yet unknown, but we hope to have broken all previous records! We are grateful to the many parents who provided cakes and other goodies for the Sales, and who so readily sponsored the various events.

Our happy, busy, successful year is almost at an end, and I would like to thank the pupils and staff who made it possible, but most of all the parents who so willingly bring their children to and from the various functions, and support us in every way.

D.L.

Junior School Awards

S.S. Evans Memorial Cup: Diane Lowe.

Mitchell Prize (£40): Simon Ridley.

J4(L) - Melanie Brown, Joanne Cooper, Sandra Mahon.

J4(C) - Simon Ridley, Alison Blackmore, Victoria Singleton.

J3 - Jennifer Jackson, Alison Jacobs, Caitriona Armstrong.

J2 - Jason Kilroy, Avril Harris, Ian Rowell.

Prize in Art: Derek O'Shaughnessy J4(L).

Prize in Scripture: Gary Bunker J4(L).

Prizes in Biology: Dermot Brosnan J4(L), Abby Feldman J4(C).

Danum Enterprises

We hope that most of you will have heard of Danum Enterprises. This was set up in the summer of 1983 by Mr. Hickmott and Mr. Sheridan. Mr. Hickmott hoped that by forming Danum Enterprise, that this would give the pupils practical knowledge in the running of a business and enable them to set up in business on their own if necessary.

At the beginning of the Christmas term, a group of interested fifth formers were told that for the idea to work, it was necessary for a capital pool of at least £1,000 to be raised. After lengthy discussion it was decided to raise the required amount by selling Christmas trees to parents and friends of the School. It was hoped that this would provide good working experience in a true-to-life business situation. Areas of responsibility were allocated and people went to work at their various tasks. The whole operation was a tremendous success and with a high level of organisation the goal was achieved and more.

Now comes the reason why we needed the money: the research projects. This was where pupils were asked to think up business items and research them in small groups. Each group was given the amount of money which they thought they would need to research their ideas in full and away they went. On completion of this research, pupils must submit a report on the feasibility of the idea which will be marked out of cash prizes. These prizes were donated by several merchant banks.

Other ventures within Danum Enterprises in-



Arrival of Christmas Trees.

cluded investing in the stock market; a cultural fund, which encourages pupils to attend places such as the National Concert Hall, and the Mini Company run by Mr. Sheridan in third year with similar ideas to Danum Enterprises.

As a conclusion, we would like to thank most sincerely the Ulster Investment Bank, Guinness and Mahon, The Allied Irish Investment Bank and especially Douglas, Newman and Good, who all donated cash prizes for the Research Projects. We would also like to thank the Governors for their permission and help and many other Firms and individuals who have assisted Danum Enterprises to be such a success. Finally, last but not least, many thanks to Mr. Hickmott who has been the living force behind the scenes and whose advice and dedication to the scheme have been invaluable.

We hope that many of next year's fifth years will participate in the scheme.

*Stephen Brown (5th)
Ival Powell (5th)*



Organising sales of Christmas Trees.

High School Industries

At the start of the Autumn term a group of 3rd year commerce students joined up to form a company which we named "High School Industries". We raised £80 capital by selling shares, then we elected a board of directors to manage the company. We spent some time discussing a product which we could manufacture and sell ourselves. We decided upon the idea of woolly toys for children and then we did market research to see how great the demand would be. It proved to be quite favourable so we went into production. Due to pressure of Christmas examinations the company only managed to manufacture and sell 22 of these toys. The students found the project very time-consuming.

When the Spring term began, we elected a new board, so that all the students of the group could have an opportunity to hold a managerial position. After some discussion we decided to change our course and to supply a service instead. We agreed upon the idea of showing films in the school every second Friday. We asked the Headmaster if he would allow us to use the Demonstration Theatre for the showing of films and he gave us permission. We then set about the task of allocating jobs amongst the group, i.e. researching films, investigating legal aspects, advertising and the training of projectionists which was undertaken by Mr. Blackmore.

Our first film 'Fort Apache - The Bronx' was quite successful but our choice of the second film was not so good and it had to be cancelled due to lack of interest. We have yet one more film to show. The company will be liquidated at the end of the Easter term, and shares and dividends, if any, will be given to shareholders.

We would like to wish the company future success under new management and hope that the students will benefit from our experience.

We would like to express our thanks to Mr. Sheridan, who helped us to co-ordinate our ideas, and we are also very grateful to our three advisors, Mr. Conor Cunneen, Mr. Aiden O'Mara and Mr. John Shannon from Nokia.

Heather Dawson (3rd Year Commerce)

Aer Lingus Young Scientist Exhibition: High School Prize Winner



Stephen Doak with his prize-winning entry.

The twentieth Annual Aer Lingus Young Scientist's Exhibition was held in the R.D.S. from 4th - 8th January, 1984. I was one of the fortunate 600 young scientists to enter the exhibition. The projects were divided into individual and group entries in the following categories: physical and mathematical, social and environmental sciences and biological science. My project was in the biological category.

I started my project, "The Study of Plant Hormones on Growth", in February 1983. I set out to demonstrate how the different plant hormones affect the growth of plants using synthetic hormones. This led to other aims, the extraction of a natural growth inhibitor and a growth stimulator from plants and a demonstration of the activity. Lastly, the examination of the commercial implications of plant hormones.

A wide variety of plants was used in the study. Tests included showing the effect of synthetic Gibberellic Acid on the elongation of stem internodes, seed dormancy, precocious growth and parthenocarpic fruit development. The role of Auxins in seed and bud dormancy, root initiation and leaf fall were examined using synthetic Indole Acetic Acid. Abscissic acid

was extracted from seed and shown to be a growth inhibitor while extracted Gibberellic Acid was found to initiate growth.

The project took up a lot of time both after school and during the holidays. By November the tests were complete and the Christmas holidays were spent typing a written report which must be submitted, and preparing the project for display.

On the first day of the exhibition I assembled my project on my allocated stand in the R.D.S. The next day all competitors had to remain at their stands from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. for preliminary judging except for a lunch break. Final judging took place the following day and at 5 p.m. the exhibition was officially opened by Mr. Jim Mitchell, Minister of Transport. The prize winners were then announced.

I received first prize in the Intermediate Biological Sciences and a Best Display Award. My prize money amounted to £110. The Exhibition was open to the public for three days, and during that time I answered many questions from interested visitors.

I enjoyed the exhibition and hope that other High School pupils will enter in future years. I would not have done this successful project if it was not for the hard work of my science teacher, Mrs. Geoghegan, to whom I express deep gratitude. Thank you once again, Mrs. Geoghegan.

Stephen Doak (4B2)

Library Report

The School Librarian is always busy with students studying, checking in and out books, also searching for anything from information on Shangri-La to Computer Science.

Since I started here last September, 1983, nearly two thousand books have been borrowed. As W. Somerset Maugham once said "Reading does not make a man wise; it only makes him learned". I personally think it does both. It certainly seems like that here in the library, from the suggestions of books to buy, and indeed the wide selection of authors we have on the shelves. In the past year over 400 new books have been assessed, classified and catalogued. Of these, about half go into the non-fiction category, especially adding to Irish History section. I would like to give more

priority to the Fiction category, both Junior and Senior, but the old story is the cost of books here in Ireland. This gives me the opportunity to thank the Parents' Association for their generous donation towards funds and again thank you to everyone who sent donations, and also to those who donated books.

The General library use continues at all levels and we have a very wide range of readers. One student told me he had completed reading all the volumes of War and Peace. Another young student had read nearly all the Biggles collection. Perhaps we should have a library prize for the best reader. On second thoughts it might not be a good idea as there are so many "book worms" it would be impossible to choose.

In my recent occupation as Librarian I have been so impressed by the thirst for knowledge from my day to day friends, ranging from Enid Blyton to Computer Science. The library has given me a forum of friends and I am sure the favourite books will be life long pals to the readers.

V. E. King

School Choir

The School Choir took part in the Carol Service held at the end of the Autumn term in Zion Church. The choir performed five carols on their own, "Es Ist Ein Roi Entspyungen", "Personent Hodie", "I wonder as I wander", "A maiden most Gentle" and "Ding Dong Merrily". Mr. Dungan played the organ and Mr. Wisener conducted the choir placed at the front of the church.

In the Spring term the choir were invited to sing at the annual Sportman's Service in St. Patrick's Cathedral which was attended by the President. Some members found the combined forces of the Steadfast Band and the Cathedral organ rather overpowering. The School Choir also took part in the annual Choir examination held by the Department of Education and they were congratulated on their fine singing by the examiner.

Ingrid Blain (2A2)

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Fifth-form project on Mental Handicap

The mental-handicap project was set up by Mr. Miller with a group of about 20 fifth-formers who were eager to learn more about mental-handicap and to gain experience in dealing with, and relating to, mentally-handicapped people. To do this, it was necessary to put ourselves into the position of a mentally handicapped person and try to imagine the problems these people face to do everyday things which we take so much for granted, like travelling on a bus, or stopping, or most of all, fitting in with people their own age.

The group met once a week, regularly, and in these meetings, many topics were discussed, for example, the causes of mental-handicap, how it can be prevented, its history in Ireland, and many more but the main topic of discussion was why mentally-handicapped people are rejected so easily by people who, for their own reasons, do not want to know or get involved with them.

Mr. Miller obtained a huge number of fact-sheets from the CARA project organised by the Eastern Health Board, and most of this information answered a lot of our questions and settled whatever doubts we might have had about mental handicap, but the main object of these discussions and fact-sheets was to prepare us for meeting a group of people from St. Michael's Home. This was to be the highlight of the project, and it proved to be just that when on February 8th, a group of about 15 people came from St. Michael's House with their group leader, Noel Devitt, to meet us over tea and biscuits and to chat or play games. The visit was a tremendous success and everybody enjoyed themselves (including the kitchen staff). As a result, we were invited to visit them at their home-ground a couple of weeks later and this we did on February 28th.

When we arrived at St. Michael's house, we were split up into small groups; some of us visited the class-rooms and joined in with whatever was going on there. Others joined in on the P.E. classes which the younger children seemed to enjoy most. We were then shown around the house by Noel, treated to tea and biscuits.

A small number of us also went swimming

with a group from the house and that was a great experience because communication was so much easier away from the school atmosphere. Both outings were so successful that we decided to end off the project by treating some of St. Michael's House to an outing to the Zoo. To do this, we needed money and a cake-sale seemed to be the ideal solution, so we got together yet again and organised Bring and Buy Cake Sale for March 26th. The cakes were on sale before and after the Parents' Association meeting and the response to this was terrific because we made the enormous sum of £173.22., so the trip to the Zoo is destined to be another great success. It will take place during the Easter Holidays and we all hope everything goes well.

Finally, we would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr. Miller and Noel Davitt for the hard work they put in to get the project off the ground and without them it might not have existed.

*Linda Kilbey,
Sally Moore (5th)*

Debating Society

This season, September to April, the Society has enjoyed a very good series of debates. The committee was chaired for the first term by Mr. Wallace, to whom we owe our thanks for his support and encouragement. It consisted of three sixth formers, Neil Williams, Bennan Murphy and Trevor Garrett and three fifth formers, Richard Boyle, Simon Jones and Ros Dixon, who was elected secretary in September.

The topics for the debates were varied and interesting based mainly on political and social ideas.

One of the best debates of the season, which deserves mention, was "This house approves of Women's Lib". We introduced a new idea that girl speakers should speak against the motion and boys for. We had a record attendance of almost two hundred pupils and were pleased to see an increase in staff interest and attendance at this particular debate.

In January we welcomed back Mrs. Conway and she took up the position of Chairman again. Unfortunately during the second term, due to the pressure of examinations, we were unable to have quite as many debates as we should have liked.

Another highlight of the season was the Past Pupils v. School debate held on the 2nd of February in the Demonstration Theatre on the motion "Preserving Our Heritage is a Luxury we can no longer afford". This debate was most enjoyable and successful with very impressive, informed speeches from both sides. The school team consisted of Andrew Pierce, Darren Irvine, Jonathan Shankey and Jonathan Wright. Rory Montgomery, Colin Jelley, Alison Gardner and Gillian Large spoke for the Past Pupils. They lost! Mr. Alan Shatter, T.D., chaired the debate.

I should like to take this opportunity of thanking the Past Pupils, on behalf of the Debating Society for their support and their donation of prizes to speakers and committee members.

This season we decided also to revive the tradition of the Old Boys' Debating Medal, which is awarded to the best speaker during the season. This year it was won by Andrew Pierce and we extend our congratulations to him.

Ros Dixon (5th), Secretary

Burren Trip 1983

Wednesday, 4th May, saw the beginning of the 5th years annual trip to the Burren in Co. Clare, a new experience in life for many of the participants. Everyone had heard of limestone pavements, fens and turloughs but few had ever had the opportunity actually to see them.

With the coach packed to full capacity, we moved on our first stop towards Burrenland. Without haste the teachers handed out notebooks and question sheets. Throughout the journey the teachers spoke at length to us about the many towns and surroundings of interest that we passed through. Relevant facts were helpful and before reaching the Hostel at Durrus we had the chance to stop at Leamaneh Castle, Poolnabrone Dolmen and Ailwee Caves.

Thursday began with varied sketches of the geological surroundings with special notice



The Burren, 1983

given to the clear divisions between shale and limestone. Fieldwork proved to be fun and limestone pavements, clints and grikes became reality. Fens and sand dunes were examined in depth with close study on their structures, flora and animal life, Springcliffs for the geographers proved to be on the wet side. The Cliffs of Moher were fascinating. Poolnagollum Cave, a swallow hole of 200 ft. in depth gave pupils an opportunity to explore one of Ireland's most beautiful caves. Ropes and ladders and Mr. Swan's strong arms proved to be a life saver.



The Burren, 1983 – Mrs. Geoghegan teaching
Right to left: John Faull, Mel Cathcart, Conor Pyle, Anne Woolfson, Nicola Jackson, Graham Matthews, Heather McCormack.

Sadly we had to say "Goodbye" to the Burren on Friday, leaving behind us a remarkable landscape. After pushing the coach around a hairpin corner and a quick look at a turlough, we welcomed our arrival at Thoor Ballylee the home of W. B. Yeats. A great experience and new understanding was had by all. Credit has to be given to Mrs. Dowsett, Mrs. Geoghegan, Mr. Swan and Mr. Wright who made the trip most enjoyable as well as interesting. Thanks again, but without us, the pupils, it wouldn't have been possible.

Gillian Frost (6th)

A Visit to the Irish Livestock and Meat Board

It was a very cold icy morning on the 20th January, 1984, as a small group of fifth and sixth formers from the Home Economics Department set off on a visit to the C.B.F. After a relatively short journey we were deposited in front of the Clanwilliam Court, Lower Mount Street building. Led by Mrs. O'Donoghue we entered the building and were shown up to a nicely furnished demonstration room with comfortable seats. There was a kitchen unit for demonstrations. We were handed leaflets with recipes, diets and information on meat cookery, by a woman called Alison (who, we later discovered was a general helper).

We were then shown a video tape by Georgina O'Sullivan, a home economics teacher, of all the various parts of the meat in a bullock. We were told which cut of meat to buy for whatever dish you might be making and which were the cheapest cuts and of best nutritional value. This was very educational because we learnt that the dearest meat is not always the one with the most nutritional value. Cheaper cuts can be just as good.

After the film the demonstrator, Georgina O'Sullivan, began preparing a dish relating to the meat in the film.

She made meat-balls in tomato sauce, Bolognese sauce, also steak in a garlic sauce which smelt delicious and very appetising. She was very efficient and she continued talking all the way through the demonstration. Then we were shown a film of the different cuts of meat from a sheep.

As the food was then cooked we were each given a sample to taste. They were all very tasty. It proved to us that with imagination meals can be just as nice, made with cheaper cuts of meat.

We thanked the two ladies and departed. After a few trips to the shop and a relaxing wait for the school minibus to return from dropping off the first half of the group, we were bundled into the mini-bus. We returned to High School just in time for lunch after a very enjoyable and educational trip.

*Deirdre Smith
Tarah Jones (5th)*

B.I.M. Fish Competition

The B.I.M. Fish Competition was held in High School in November, for Third and Fourth Years. The winners were Janet Clothier (4B1) and Adele Moody (3B3). They went on to the Semi-finals, which were held in the Presentation Convent, Terenure on the 14th of February. The dishes were taken to Jury's Hotel to be judged at 7 o'clock. All the girls were presented with a plaque. This year the dishes were of a very high standard.

Janet Clothier (4B1)

Fish Cookery Competition

In the first year, two classes competed in the B.I.M. Fish Cookery Competition. These were third and fourth Years, and two girls – Adele Moody and Janet Clothier – got through. They were driven to the Presentation School in Terenure, where the dishes were cooked and judged. Presentation, originality and good taste were to be found in all of these dishes. Before the prizewinners were announced in Jury's Hotel they were treated to a supper of hors d'oeuvre, cocktails, tea or coffee, which they enjoyed very much. Next the exciting moment came when the winners were announced, but to their disappointment they were not successful, though each collected a nicely designed plaque. A very fine effort was made by the two of them.

*Adele Moody (3B3)
Jennifer Lynch (3B2)*

Gaeltacht Tour 1983

The 1983 Kerry Trip took place between the 13th – 15th June. A party of about twenty-five fifth-formers took the train from Dublin to Tralee, where they were collected and brought by coach to the lovely Dun an Oir hotel. That evening, we walked to nearby Ballyferriter, where Mr. O'Connor showed us the church in which Peig was married.

The weather conditions being unsuitable for a crossing to the Blasket Islands, the next day was spent in Dun Chaoin, the village in which Peig was brought up. Here we visited the house in which she spent her early life and were shown her old schoolhouse and grave. We also saw Dun Chaoin's small cove — used during the filming of "Ryan's Daughter". As the day progressed and the weather began to improve, a small group led by Mr. Kelly continued along the coast to see the historic wreck of the Ranga, while the less energetic of the party stayed to look around Dun Chaoin.

The culmination of a long day's trek and plenty of fresh air left the group exhausted and the last evening was spent inside the hotel. Early the next day, a tired but happy party boarded the bus en route for Dublin, after having spent a very interesting and enjoyable weekend in Kerry.

On behalf of those fifth-formers who went on the trip last year, I would like to thank Mr. O'Connor, Mrs. Cummins and Mr. Kelly (who organised the catering, and even provided us with his own cake), for all their work and co-operation in making the trip an enjoyable event.

Bhaineamar an-taitreamh as an turos.

Stephanie Free

Armagh Planetarium Trip

One mild Saturday morning a group of enthusiastic High School pupils, and equally enthusiastic teachers, set out on the annual visit to the Armagh Planetarium, led by Mr. Kelly. The journey didn't seem too long and had its funny moments, for example when a couple of first years decided they must be in Northern Ireland when the bus passed an Ulster Bank!

We were given a short time to explore Armagh. Unfortunately due to a minor explosion the previous day most of the main street was blocked off, so the shoppers had to limit themselves to the sweet shops.

We ate lunch in the grounds of the planetarium and immediately afterwards were ushered indoors by Mr. O'Connor. There were posters, postcards and numerous other souvenirs to be bought. We were then shown a film on a dome shaped screen. The programme traced the history of discoveries in the

astronomical field and also brought us on an interesting, imaginative voyage to the various planets of our solar system and through the Milky Way.

I would like to thank Mr. Kelly for arranging this most enjoyable trip and hope that next years trip will be as successful.

Ailsa Prideaux Mooney (5th)

S.T.V. Asgard II

This year again several fifth year pupils were lucky enough to get places on board S.T.V. Asgard II, thanks to Mr. Miller. These cruises are specially reserved for schools at the end of the season before the boat is docked for the winter.

We boarded the Asgard II at two o'clock one Saturday afternoon in November. A quick exploration of the boat was in order, marvelling at the vast quantity of rope and as each face looked aloft along the rigging expressions of anxious doubt and horror appeared as everybody thought 'we don't have to go up there, do we?'

Even so, all remained aboard and soon we were called to an introductory meeting in the 'trainee mess' where we were all introduced to the permanent crew, each other and the rules of the ship. We were divided into three 'watches': Port, Middle and Starboard, and spent the rest of the afternoon learning all the safety drills and each 'watch' was shown how to handle various sails. A hot dinner was followed by a quick walk on shore and then it was off to bed to sweet dreams of the "Onedin Line" and/or nightmares of 'Castaway'; but not for long as each watch has to do four hours watch duty each night.

After an early morning rise and a good 'fry' for breakfast we soon set sail out into the depths of the Irish Sea. By the time we returned to berth that night we were all tired, sore but happy, except for a few unfortunates who had lost a slight amount of weight! Over the next few days we sailed many miles across the Irish Sea to Holyhead where we spent a day resting. Some people went ashore, while I and a few other idiots braved the winter sea to do some windsurfing. As the days passed, our knowledge and courage increased and by the end of the week the crew couldn't keep us off

the rigging and we knew how the ship 'worked'.

Another important aspect of Asgard II which I feel should be mentioned is that, as well as being a 'sail training vessel', it also has a great psychological effect (for the better) on its trainees in that it makes a person more outgoing, or it can bring a person 'out of their shell' so to speak. This effect is achieved by the fact that a person boarding Asgard II for the first time finds themselves with about fifteen to twenty people whom they have never met before. Now they are working, eating, sleeping and laughing (a big part of Asgardian life) in a very small place together. Hence there is little else a person can do except to be yourself, make friends, work and have fun. These last four elements, I think sum up a cruise on Asgard II in a nutshell.

A cruise on the Asgard entails work, from scrubbing the 'hands' (ships lavatories), to washing up, to hauling ropes. A cruise on the Asgard might sometimes mean you will only get three to four hours sleep a night. But a cruise on the Asgard is great fun and you can be sure, no matter how tired or sore you are, you'll always be sailing on board the 'Supreme Brigantine'.

Ross Ardill (5th)

The Careers Library

The Careers Library in Room C12 is open to all pupils at Break Times. Here they may consult and borrow folders giving information about careers, prospecti giving details of courses in different educational centres – in fact, as much printed information as we can get about the options open to all school leavers.

Mr. Miller will always be glad to hear from any parents or past pupils with information about courses, career prospects, or activities of firms, which can be put in the Library.

CAREERS LIBRARIANS 1983/84

Simon Jones, Gordon White, Karl Bovenizer, Richard Boyle, Lorraine Lawson, Debbie Heggie, Iain Power, Peter Sainsbury.

CAREERS TALKS

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

SUMMER TERM, 1983

Biology: Dr. Richard Grainger, Fisheries Research Laboratory.
Company Structure: Mr. J. Hoblyn, Irish Distillers Group Ltd.
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Languages: Ms. C. Hughes, Terenure.
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MOCK INTERVIEWS

This year 35 pupils presented themselves for interviews.

They took advantage of the opportunity to have a trial run and also to receive advice from professionals engaged in this field. These interviews are available for all pupils in 6th Year and it is surprising that only a small number avail of this chance. To the interviewers we extend our warm thanks: Mrs. Heather Wilkinson; Mr. Chris. Carty; Mr. John Ellis; Mr. Brian Herman; Mr. Jim McCaughey; Mr. Neville Murdock; Mr. Charles Watson; Mr. David Wilkinson.

R.J.M.

6th Form Dance

This year's annual 6th Form Dinner Dance was held on Thursday, 26th April, at the Gresham Hotel in the centre of town. A good meal was served up by the hotel staff and the Hotel's resident band entertained us all till the

early hours of the morning. Many people, I'm sure, would like to thank Eve Ramatour and Debbie Davis who set the ball rolling with light refreshments before the hotel activities. David Wright performed to the best of his ability as master of ceremonies and added sparks to the night with a number of well-earned spot prizes.

Adding to the fun, Simon Burbridge performed his views of school life, Mrs. Cummins taught us how to sing our National Anthem and Andrew Brown taught many what cheats were all about. The hardliners took to Zhivago's Nightclub and were not disappointed with good lively music, comfortably surroundings and many snooker tables. Jury's Hotel and The Pink Bicycle proved popular for the very much needed coffee and tea that morning, and the conversation of moans and groans was a good indication of a great night.

The committee would like to thank all those who generously donated the spot prizes, the attending 6th along with their friends and those teachers who all contributed in making this Deb's Ball a very enjoyable night. Special mention must be extended to our Chairman, Mr. McMullen, who shouldn't be too worse off for this experience – thanks for making everything possible.

Stephen Whitehead (Head Boy).

The High School Parents' Association

The Parents' Association started off the year with a most interesting talk by Staff Members on active societies within the School. The subjects covered were: Caving, Mr. Wright; Drama, Mrs. Crowe; Canoeing, Mr. Swan; Photography, Mr. Gardner, and computers, Mr. Hilliard. It was a very informative evening and thoroughly enjoyed by all present.

In January, the Rev. Canon Donald McClatchie, Psychologist, gave a talk on "Adolescents in Stress", which was of particular interest to parents of students taking exams.

Our Annual Beer, Wine and Cheese Party was held on Saturday, 18th February. It was a most enjoyable evening although numbers were down on last year's record attendance.

At the April Meeting, Mr. Hickmott ably assisted by students, outlined the activities of

"Danum Enterprises". The standard and content of all the presentations made was exceptionally high and the Parents' Committee were delighted with the interest shown by the many attending parents.

The annual Cricket and Tennis matches are now being arranged with the School and the Committee are hoping to field strong teams for both events.

The following Committee Members were elected: Chairwoman, Mrs. C. Fraser; Hon. Secretary, Mr. Godfrey Taylor; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. D. Bockett; Mrs. M. Herman, Mrs. Knowd, Mrs. S. Hillis, Mr. A. MacWilliam, Mr. R. Powell, Mr. R. McNeilly and Mr. D. Sykes.

Inter-House Quiz

On the evening of April 12th, 1984, teams of pupils representing the Houses, Abbey, Belgrave, Galway, Harcourt took part in a quiz organised by the Old Boys' Union. The question-master was Dr. Bryan Wilkinson, President of the O.B.U. As well as general knowledge questions, there were novelty items which included recordings of household noises to be identified, some objects to be recognised by taste, others by smell. The mimes presented by the 1st Form team members had both audience and competitors amused and mystified. The teams were evenly matched, and after a tie-breaker the winners were the Harcourt team: Richard Boyle (5th Year), Arlene Blain (4th Year), Rachel Smith (3rd Year), George Hawkins (2nd Year), Sarah Dawson (1st Year). Our thanks to all the competitors, to the Old Boys' Union, to Dr. and Mrs. Wilkinson for the many and varied questions, and to Mr. Gardner for looking after the slide projector and tape recorder. The evening was enjoyed by the pupils, parents and staff who attended and contributed £65 to help buy new equipment for St. Luke's Hospital.

R.J.M.

The Christian Union

The Christian Union is a group meeting at Senior Lunch Break on Tuesdays, to read the Bible, discuss relevant topics, and listen to visiting speakers. During the past year these have in-

cluded the Rev. Ken Todd, Kingsley Prescott of Scripture Union (who showed a film strip), Myrtle McMullen, Rev. Ken Clarke and Gary Strong from Zimbabwe, who brought his guitar and sang to us!

We have had general discussions on topics such as Peace, and small study groups to read the Bible and consider subjects like the Holy Spirit, and "What is a Christian?" This is one question we hope to be able to answer for anyone who comes along.

The numbers have increased since September, which is very encouraging and we hope that this trend will continue. Everybody from third form and upwards is invited to come to the C.U. at 1.20 at lunchtime on Tuesdays to find out more about Jesus Christ and his purpose for our lives.

Virginia Chipperfield (6th)

Shannon Trip

On 9th April, under the supervision of Mrs. Davin, Mr. Wright and Mr. Swan a group of second year pupils set off on a trip to Shannon by plane. Meeting at High School we left for Busarus where a coach brought us to Dublin Airport. After boarding the plane at 12.30 p.m. the Jumbo took off. We were very lucky that the sun was shining, and that there were few clouds to be seen in the sky. This enabled us to see from the window the countryside beneath us. Within twenty-five minutes we were safely on the ground and we were making a mad dash for the canteen.

On the way to Ard na Crusha power station we stopped to take photos of Bunratty Castle. Our next stop was the power station. We were brought around by a guide who showed us the four generators where the electricity is made using water from the River Shannon.

We then went on to Limerick where we visited St. Mary's Cathedral and saw the Treaty Stone.

After a most enjoyable day we had a two and a half hour journey home by train. On behalf of the second years who went I would like to thank Mr. Swan, Mrs. Davin and Mr. Wright for a most interesting day.

Tracy Lew (2A2)

Christmas Hampers 1983

Many people in society today find it hard to relate to people who are less fortunate than themselves. Loss of a job, marital breakdown and social problems in the family can all lead to a lower standard of living and even poverty. We find it hard to believe that there are people in life who can afford little but the bare essentials. They live in poor conditions, sometimes without running water or proper sanitation facilities, and often large families live together in cramped conditions. What can be done to help these people, especially at Christmas time, a season of goodwill?

After a lot of thought, hampers proved to be an answer. Posters and notices were pinned up around the school and representatives from each class informed their own particular form about what was involved in preparing hampers for the different selected families. Within days the response to hampers proved valid. Packets of soup, tins of peas and children's clothes and toys began to fill the Home Economics room. Boxes and bags were filled. A social worker with the particular families collected the hampers from the school and delivered them to the particular homes.

Credit has to be given to the parents, teachers and pupils who all contributed to the cause so generously bringing a little more light into a few more homes over Christmas.

Gillian Frost (6th)

The Carol Service

The annual carol service was held in Zion Church. The readers were selected from each year. This year they were Graham Campbell, Ingrid Blain, Abdul Bichey, Sylvia Macken, Colin Hantz, Steven Whitehead, Melanie Cathcart, the Headmaster and Very Rev. Archdeacon Warke.

The choir changed place this year and they were seated at the front of the church while the organist, Mr. Dungan, remained in the customary place in the gallery. Traditional humns were sung by the congregation while the choir, conducted by Mr. Wisener, sang 'I wonder as I wander', 'Ding Dong Merrily on high', 'es ist ein Ros' entsprungen', 'Perconent Hodie', and 'A maiden most gentle'.

The collection was given to the Simon Community. It was a happy and fulfilling way to end 1983.

Melanie Cathcart (Head Girl)

Dublin By Night

It was a dark, cold evening on February 7th, at about seven o'clock, when a small group of chattering third years began to gather outside the entrance hall. Within fifteen minutes, the whole of 3A had gathered and were getting into the minibus, supervised by Mr. Swan, Mr. Ryan, Mrs. Garvey and Miss Parkhill. Soon we set off and after a short trip we arrived outside the Garda Communications Centre in Dublin Castle. After getting a whiff of the hops from the nearby brewery, we went inside where Garda Morley, our guide for the evening, explained what was going on. Soon we were listening in on emergency phone-calls and chatting with the men on duty. After having a look at their telex machines, we set off once more, this time



Left to right: Avril Johnson, Karen Cogan, Susan Harris (2A1).

for the glass-bottle factory. The sheer noise and heat from the furnaces, which we all had a look into, was overwhelming but the clinking and clashing of the bottles and machines seemed even louder. Garda Morely was a dab hand at making all of us a souvenir from a whiskey bottle and a circular saw. Once again, we left in the minibus, this time to go to Dublin Airport. We soon arrived at a large hangar where we were led to an enormous 747, which was in for servicing. Excitedly, we ran on board, climbing



Left to right: Mary Bichai, Mia Kutner, Hilary Phillips (2A1).

into the cockpit, relaxing in the first class lounge and exploring the cargo hold. It didn't seem at all long before we were back on the ground fighting against a gale as we walked up the runway to the airport's fire brigade. Once again, we were shown around by a very friendly fireman who then took us speeding down the runway in a fire engine – siren and all going!

It was a quarter-to-one when we arrived back at the school, but everyone had thoroughly enjoyed themselves (although we did suffer the next morning!). We would all like to thank Garda Morely for being our guide, but especially Mr. Swan who organised the whole trip. It was certainly a night to remember!

*Deirdre Lloyd
Joy Hanlon (3A1)*

Sponsored Walk

More than 100 pupils walked 10 kms. on 15th April last to raise money for St. Luke's Hospital. This walk was one of many on that day promoted by Muintir na Tire and the Friends of St. Luke's, but the organisation, marshalling, stewarding and refreshments were most efficiently carried out by members of the 5th Form – well done to all those involved. Thank you to the Matron who was on stand-by for that afternoon, and to McDonalds in Rathmines who supplied orange squash and disposable beakers. The total raised has now passed £750. A fine effort.

R.J.M.

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SPORTS REVIEW

Rugby Report 1983-'84

S.C.T. 1st XV

At the beginning of the season, the 1st XV had high hopes of enjoying a successful year, but in a disappointing first match, were defeated 3-0 by St. Pauls.

The months of October and November brought mixed results with victories gained against Templeogue (9-8) and King's Hospital (11-0). However the varied results of this period were due largely to injuries sustained by Stephen Jones, John Miller and Stephen Whitehead whose skills were greatly missed by the forwards. By December the team under Alan Miller's leadership, consisted of an effective possession winning pack and a back line with much try-scoring potential.

Clive Restan and Derek Fish excelled in the back row situation in matches, while Rodney Boles had developed his line out skills to great effect. Stephen Jones and Gavin Davey showed mobility in the second row position. In the backs the team, possessed great attacking potential in wingers Sandy Fraser and Eugene Flanagan who, as well as having endless resources of pace, were also defensively sound. Martin Ridgeway showed his ability and judgment at out-half, linking up well, with centres Stephen Rennicks and Brian Carson who penetrated oppositions' back lines on many occasions.

After the defeat of Gonzaga (6-3) attention was turned to the tour which this year brought



S.C.T. 1983-84

Back row: Mr. R. McMullen, A. Tackaberry, M. Ridgeway, W. Dawson, G. Hopkins, J. Donoghue, R. Boles, J. Godsil, B. Carson, A. Killeen, E. Flanagan, J. Miller, A. Graham.
Middle row: Mr. A. P. R. Brook, C. Restan, G. Davey, D. Fish, S. Rennicks (v-capt.), A. Miller (capt.), S. Whitehead, S. Jones, S. Fraser, Mr. D. Cole. **Front row:** T. Burns, C. Chiel.

the team to Edinburgh. The first match resulted in a defeat for the school against Stewart's Melville, one of Scotland's finest sides, and the following day saw the school narrowly beaten by Preston Lodge School, a match which took place in bitter weather coupled with a gruesome ten o'clock kick-off. Apart from the disappointing results the tour served to unite team spirit and the Senior XV looked forward to the cup campaign with great optimism.

Preparation for the cup matches began at the start of the new term in January and a rigorous fitness programme was introduced. The day now began with a half hour's "Physical" before school and this resulted in a high standard of fitness. Two fine and very encouraging results were to follow, as the school defeated C.B.C. Monkstown, convincingly (12-4) and soon after crushed cup-holders De La Salle, Churchtown (13-9).

High School drew St. Gerard's, Bray in the first round of this year's cup competition and



Senior Cup: High School v. Blackrock College.

with the team in sparkling form they routed Gerard's 30-3. The pack were in complete control with fine performance by Stephen Jones and John Donohue. The backs played well and tries were scored by Eugene Flanagan (2) Stephen Jones, Clive Restan (2) John Donohue and Brian Carson with a conversion by Stephen Rennicks.

After this victory the school faced Blackrock in the second round, which turned out to be a formidable match. The venue was a packed Donnybrook which was to erupt after five minutes as High School took the lead through a brilliant try by left-winger Eugene Flanagan. After a fumbled possession Carson broke through the centre, passed to Flanagan who ran half the length of the pitch for an unforgettable score. However, Blackrock levelled the scores with a try. Full-back Greg Hopkins defended very well and the pack were excellent against their heavier opponents often out-scrummaging the 'Rock' forwards. Props Alan and John Miller were impressive against their opposite numbers and Jones and Whitehead were outstanding in the loose. Unfortunately Blackrock increased their lead in the second half with a penalty goal. Time was running out for the school and with 'Rock' pressurising, some brilliant defence was required by Fraser and Hopkins. Rennicks cut the deficit with a penalty goal. However Rock succeeded in breaking through to score again and the match ended in a 14-7 defeat for the school.

With this disappointment the team played the touring Stewards Melville side but, weakened by injury, were defeated in a closely fought game. The season closed with a fast flowing match, against a strong Old Boys' team which resulted in a 14-3 defeat.

Congratulations to S. Fraser, A. Miller and M. Ridgeway on gaining first trials and to S. Jones, C. Restan and S. Rennicks for achieving second Leinster trials.

Finally I would like to thank Mr. Cole and Mr. McMullen for their training and for providing a very enjoyable season.

Colin Sheil (5th)

2nd XV

This year began on a high note with the team winning the majority of their matches. Notable victories were recorded over Blackrock, Clongowes, St. Mary's and Templeogue College.

Due to this, the team and their coaches were confident of success in the League. Fate was not on our side, however, with the team being drawn in one of the hardest sections of the competition. The four teams who joined us in the section were Castleknock, Belvedere, C.B.C., Monkstown and Columba's 1st XV. Throughout our league campaign a great sense of team spirit was built up, in the pack especially where Colin Sheil proved himself to be a good motivator. We beat C.B.C. Monkstown and were unlucky to lose to a strong Belvedere side. The other two matches were drawn, but we can count ourselves unlucky not to have won both of these as they were both well within our capabilities of winning.

Our top scorer was our captain (out-half) Barry Corr whose brilliant place kicking abilities were a contributing factor in the success of the team throughout the season.

Ivan Powell (5th)

3rd XV

This year proved to be quite a good season for the 3 XV. They started the season losing narrowly to Blackrock 15-10. After a few more defeats, the team eventually began to find their feet with two convincing wins over C.B.C. Monkstown, 40-0 and St. Andrew's 2nd XV 16-4.

Coming up to the League the team's spirit was high and this was proved with convincing wins over Castleknock 20-0, King's Hospital 10-0, St. Mary's 34-0, Templeogue 18-0. They were unlucky to be held to a 3-3 draw by De La Salle the Final of their section, unfortunately losing in an exciting replay. All in all it was an enjoyable season for everyone.

M. Freemantle (5th)

J.C.T.

This year J.C.T. were again at a disadvantage in the sense that they frequently found themselves smaller and lighter than the opposi-



J.C.T.

Back row (left to right): Russell Fennell, Trevor Young, Sophus O'Flanagan, Tony Mitchell, Alex Fraser, Gareth Rennicks, John Hagan, Ernie Kane, David Young, Andrew Blackmore, Neil O'Broin. **Sitting** (left to right): Mr. McClure, Arron Deveney, Andrew Miller, Eoin O Maolchoille, Stuart Wilson (capt.), Jordan O'Sullivan, Paul Lyons, Peter Glynn, Mr. Wright. **Kneeling**: Dian Winder, Mark Latimer.

tion. They learnt, however, to make the best of what talent was at their disposal and by the end of the season they had become reasonably efficient.

It took a long time to find a settled team and we were very disorganised in the early games. The tour to Bandon and Midleton provided us with our first two wins of the season and there was a new sense of purpose after this trip. A heavy defeat by St. Mary's did nothing to improve morale but it was perhaps a measure of our improvement that in the Easter Term in the return fixture we only went down narrowly and offered spirited opposition. The best result during the first term was a 9-3 win over Newbridge but injuries to key players and a problem with the front row meant that we didn't really have a settled team until after Christmas.

The Cup match against Belvedere was closely fought but we lost 6-9 with the winning penalty being kicked just before the final whistle. The team had few opportunities to attack but they defended with great resolution. To lose by a penalty in the closing minutes was disappointing when we hoped we might be able to force a replay. Jordan O'Sullivan scored a good try in this game, but we found it difficult to work the ball out to Rennicks on the wing and he was undoubtedly our most dangerous player.

Stuart Wilson captained the side very sensibly and, ably assisted by Owen O'Maolchoille, whose steadying influence was invaluable, they created a good team spirit. Paul Lyons deserves special mention for his bravery and consistency, especially in the early part of the season.

L. McC.



U-14 XV

Back row (left to right): J. Ridgeway, S. Clayton, S. Gray, S. Robeson, S. Egan, R. Giltrap, C. Gray, N. Douglas. **Front row** (left to right): Mr. J. W. F. Ryan, W. Hill, D. Marshall, C. Davey, D. Roche (capt.), P. Heaney, D. Nixon, R. Hagan, Mr. B. Walsh. **Seated** (left to right): D. Sheahan, J. Forrest.

Under 14 Rugby

The Under 14A XV suffered some heavy defeats at the beginning of the season. They were, of course, short of five players who had joined the J.C.T. Squad training in September. However, this did not affect the spirit and the morale of the team: this remained good. There were some very closely contested matches v Wesley College, King's Hospital and Kilkenny College, and one comprehensive victory over St. Columba's College.

The Easter term saw a change in fortune. The team was by now more organised. Good victories were obtained over Castleknock (13-10), C.U.S. (22-9) and St. Andrew's (10-6). Close defeats by Stuart Melville, Edinburgh, Terenure College and C.B.C. Monkstown could all so easily have been victories.

Denis Roche, who played the early part of the season at centre-three-quarter, and latterly at out-half, was the leading points scorer, and also the best player on the team. Steven Gray was our outstanding forward and was head and shoulders above the rest. David Nixon is developing into a very stylish centre-three-quarter. Richard Hagan, although slack on the tackle at times, scored some fine tries during the season. Darren Sheahan, Carl Gray, Paul Heaney and Jonathan Forrest also had their moments.

William Hill performed most creditably as hooker. Conal Davey was the most improved player in the squad. He scrummaged well and his 'driving' and support work were a feature of the season. The return of Egan, Ridgeway and later on: Deveney, Glynne and Winder certainly boosted the team and improved its performance towards the end of the season.

The team's morale has remained good, and there is definite potential here. The Under 14 B XV had good victories over Wesley College, King's Hospital, C.U.S. and Gonzaga. Most promising among the backs were Neil Douglas, Mark Bailey, Alan Millar and Conor Sweeney. Among the forwards, Simon Robeson, Robert Harris and Graham McCarthy were most prominent. Three Under 13 XV players who helped us at times – Duncan Cole, Daithi Neligan and Roger Young also showed great potential.

J.R.

U-16 Seven-a-Side

On a bitterly cold and windy Saturday morning, the U-16 sevens team arrived at St. Gerard's, Bray, to take part in the sevens competition. This is an annual event with over 25 teams participating.

In the first round we were beaten 6-4 through a lack of practice at seven-a-side rugby. We thus entered the Plate competition and defeated Newpark 10-0, C.B.C. Monkstown 20-0 and St. Conleth's 12-0.

With a big front row of Sykes, Wilson and Donohue, with Wilson winning many heels against the head, we had a majority of possession with all the backs Killeen, O'Maolchoille, Barron and Burns scoring tries, the latter amassing six tries.

We met King's Hospital in the final and led 10-0 at half-time and the score remained the same till full-time and thus we retained the Plate for the second year in succession. Finally I would like to thank on behalf of the team, Mr. Cole for training us and giving us encouragement on the day.

John Donohue.

Junior School Rugby

This was another enjoyable rugby season in the Junior School. In spite of reduced numbers (thirty-six players), we still fielded three teams – our best XV, 'under 11' and 'under 10'; of the fifteen matches arranged only nine were played – six had to be cancelled. 'Our best XV' lost 7-6 to C.B.C. in their final match. The 'under 11' drew 8-8 with de la Salle – and like the 'Under 10' lost their matches against Sandford Park by narrow margins. Our more senior players played regularly for the 'Under 12' team, as is reported elsewhere, so they had a full season.

As usual, our season ended with the Hanley Cup Competition; this year it was played on a league basis by teams captained by Niall Rennicks, Derek Harris and Patrick Donald. In a splendid final, watched by a surprisingly large crowd, Niall's team was victorious by fourteen points to ten but only after two periods of extra time. Niall is the fourth member of this sporting family to play in the Junior School.

The parents entertained the three teams and friends suitably after the match. To all my helpers and friends I extend sincere thanks; a special word for the boys from Zion School for playing throughout the season – Mark Harris and Joanthan Walshe won medals. The kicking competition was won by Patrick Donald, Stephen Douglas and Peter O'Leary.

J.W.W.

Hockey Report 1983-'84

First XI

Goals for		Goals against	
35		37	
P	W	L	D
28	11	18	4

The beginning of the new hockey season brought many new faces to senior hockey. Unlike other years, it was possible to field four quite strong teams. The 1st XI underwent

numerous changes with players unable to keep their places and new players filling in their positions. When the team was finally chosen, we took a while to settle down but under the guidance of Mrs. Mellon and then Miss B. Green we began achieving good results. The team was captained by Maureen Barron this year. In November, we began our great Leinster Cup run by beating Cabinteely in a replay. Next we met our close rivals Glengara, who had previously beaten us 2-1 in the League. The match was played in High School and we took great delight in winning 1-0. In the quarter-finals, we beat Santa Sabina 2-1 with an excellent goal by Gilliant Frost in the dying minutes of the game. Our Lady's, Terenure, were our opponents in the semi-final; the match was at the Templeogue Hockey grounds, with tremendous support from all the pupils and staff, but the final result after extra time was 0-0. The replay was marred by an unfortunate incident from which the Our Lady's team scored the winning goal. Nevertheless, we were delighted with our challenging cup run and with the recognition received from the



FIRST XI SEMI-FINALISTS 1983-84

Standing (left to right): D. Smith, J. Delaney, L. Cooney, A. Black, G. Frost, J. Kevelighan.
Seated: Mr. Brook, N. Lett, K. McCready, M. Barron (capt.), W. Jackson, M. Cathcart, Mrs. G. Mellon.

school. In the League, we were not so successful, losing to Rathdown and Glengara, but beating St. Andrew's and Sion Hill.

There were many outstanding performances from each player, but Melanie Cathcart and Jane Kevelighan deserve a special mention being the backbone of the team's defence.

Our annual hockey trip to Chester was quite eventful, as we arrived to find that the Guest House had been closed by Bailiffs the previous week. Accommodation was found and we played two matches there, losing to Queen's College 2-0 but beating Queen's Park Grammar School 7-0. All in all, it was a very successful season for High School, and I would like to thank Mrs. Mellon and Miss Parkhill for their constant help and encouragement. Our hockey secretary Nicky Lett deserved credit for diligently supplying matches for most teams each Wednesday and Saturday, which wasn't an easy task! Congratulations to Maureen Barron and Nickey Jackson who both received Leinster Trials, with Maureen going on to regain her

place on the Leinster team. She played in the Interprovincial Tournament held in Kilkenny this year.

The 2nd XI

The 2nd XI captained by Lynne Ringland this year, enjoyed a very successful season, reflecting the upward trend in the standard of Hockey in High School. Having won their League section in convincing style by beating Our Lady's Terenure, Teresians and Manor House, they then qualified to play Santa Sabina, Sutton, whom they beat 2-0 (thanks to Richelle Flanagan, their super sub!) In the quarter finals however, they were narrowly beaten by Loretto Beaufort 1-0; thus ending their League Cup campaign. Nevertheless the season was enjoyed by all, with the cheerfulness and the enthusiastic spirit of the team prevailing through thick and thin (ups and downs) of the season. It was this spirit that was as much an at-



THE INTERMEDIATE A, 1983/84

Standing (left to right): Cheri Asuni, Ruth Hunter, Heather McCormack, Mrs. Mellon, Adrienne Huggard, Mary McCaughey, Wendy Kilroy. **Seated** (left to right): Susan Cashell, Penny Alexander, Lynne Ringland (capt.), Sally Tector, Nadia Ramoutar.

tribute to the team's success as any match victories. Every player contributed to the game their own personal style and commitment with notable performances from Mary McCaughey and Lynne Ringland.

The 3rd XI

The 3rd XI was captained by Susan Chambers. The team entered in the Inter A. League; they did quite well, winning one match and drawing the other match. Unfortunately, it was often very difficult for team to practise as a full team. However, they all enjoyed playing and there was a good team spirit throughout all the hockey season.

The 4th XI

The 4th XI was captained this year by Judy Smart. An enjoyable season was had by all, although the matches were few and far between. The highlight of the season was when the team won a tournament for Inter C's held in Wesley College. They received medals for this fine achievement and next season looks promising for many of the players to move up into higher teams.

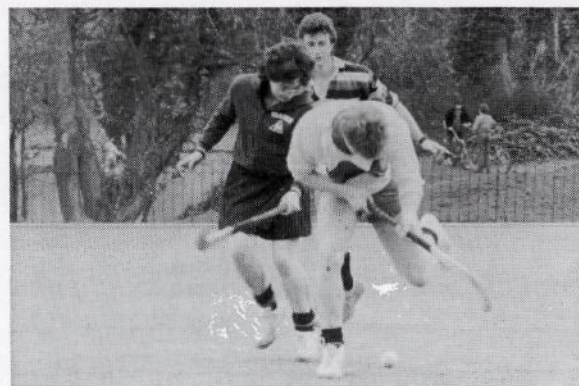
The Junior A

The Junior A captained by Richelle Flanagan had a tremendous season this year. They won 17 matches and lost only 8 out of 30. In October, the team went to Bandon with the J.C.T. They beat Bandon Grammar School 3-0 and Midleton School 3-1. It was a very enjoyable and successful trip. Bandon came to Dublin in February; it was a much better match but High School won again 4-1!

The team, throughout the whole season put in a lot of time and effort as well as enthusiasm in their games. The two full-backs, Heather Dawson and Niamh O'Broin contributed a great deal by their reliable defensive play as did the goalie Yvonne Gould. The forwards fought hard and well with Richelle Flanagan and Karen Watson creating some marvellous goal scoring opportunities. In the cup, the team played Killester beating them 10-0, next was Glengara which they beat 3-1. Loreto, Bray and Mount Anville both fell at the hands of the Junior A. In

the semi-final their opponents were Loreto, Beaufort. The game ended in a draw. The replay was more rewarding with the team beating Loreto 1-0, thanks to a beautiful goal by Nicola Kilroy who came on as substitute at half time.

Then, predictably, in the final their opponents were Wesley College. It was a very nail biting game with High School in control during



the first, and Wesley controlling the second half. The replay was played in terrible conditions at the Templeogue Hockey Grounds. The game was hard-fought by both sides but Wesley managed to snatch the game by one goal.

On behalf of the team, Richelle wishes to thank Miss Parkhill for her work and enthusiasm throughout the season.

Junior B

The team was captained by Nicola Pelley this year. Although the Junior B were an enthusiastic team, they lacked the ability to do well in the league. They played their best in most of the matches but the opposition was always that little bit stronger. But it provided valuable experience for those who will gain places on next year's Junior A.

The Minor A.

The Minor A, captained by Nicola Kilroy had another excellent season. This success was due

to their tremendous keenness and enthusiasm to play the best hockey they could. During the season, they played over 30 matches winning them all except for 8, of which 4 of these were draws. In the Cup, the team received a bye in the first round and in the second round they emphatically beat St. Columba's 9-0. Their next opponents were Loreto Beaufort, the subsequent winners of the Cup, but the team was to take them to a replay, which they unfortunately lost 1-3. The Minor A's reputation for goal scoring was kept up by the captain, Nicola Kilroy, and Sarah Lamb with the rest of the forward line not far behind these two. Also the defence should be given credit for their strength and consistency when under attack by the opposing team.

On behalf of the team, Nicola wishes to thank Mrs. Mellon for her work and enthusiasm throughout the season.

Minor B

This year the Minor B hockey team was captained by Susan Haines. Out of their 20



JUNIOR A XI: FINALISTS 1983-84

Back row (left to right): H. Fitzpatrick, W. Medcalf, C. Siggins, H. Dawson, K. O'Siochain, N. O'Broin, Miss V. Parkhill. **Seated** (left to right): K. Watson, E. McCready, Yvonne Gould, R. Flanagan (capt.), V. Needham, R. Smith.

matches, the team only lost four and drew three. The main scorers were Susan Harris and Tracy Lew, who were well assisted by the rest of the forward line. During all the matches the defence played very well and this was one of the main reasons the team did so well.

In the first round of the Cup the team were given a walkover and in the second round they drew with Loreto, Dalkey, but went on to win the replay 2-0. Our Lady's, Terenure, were their next opponents in the third round; unfortunately after a hard fought match they lost 0-1. The team would like to thank Mrs. Mellon for coaching the team throughout the season.

Minor C.

The Minor C. had an enjoyable season; although they were not quite as strong as the Minor A. and B., they managed some good results during the year. It was an enthusiastic team with plenty of determination displayed; many of the team should do well next year in higher teams.

The First Year Teams

An enjoyable season was had by the 1st Year teams. They played matches regularly from the beginning of November until the end of the season. Although the majority of girls were beginners, there were quite a few promising players who should do very well at minor level. Each team was bubbling with enthusiasm and keenness to learn which all senior teams should note!

Finally, I would like to congratulate Miss Valerie Parkhill, on behalf of all those involved with hockey. She is now a regular member of the Irish team, which has just won the Home Countries Championship. We all hope that she will remain a permanent member of Ireland's Premier team.

Maureen Barron (6u)
(Hockey Captain)



MINOR A(XI

Standing (left to right): Gillian Rea, Diane Lowe, Mrs. G. Mellon, Tracey Conway, Alison Blackmore. **Seated** (left to right): Deirdre Lloyd, Fiona Sheil, Katie Brosnan, Niada Kilroy (captain), Sarah Lamb, Avril Hartford, Cheryl Fannin.

Cricket Report 1983

Senior XI

In 1983 the S.C.T. played seven matches, winning four and losing three. Their performance in the league was disappointing, being successful in only one of their three games, but they contrasted this with a memorable victory over the Old Boys.

In the opening match of the season, High School contained Wesley to eighty runs, but in reply, after an opening half-century stand, our batting collapsed and we were dismissed eleven runs short of the target.

The following match against Sandford demonstrated the team's potential. Batting first, High School amassed 134 runs for 4 wickets. Jonathan Garth scored 54 not out. Excellent bowling from Alistair Blair and Jonathan Garth

dismissed Sandford for 34 runs. High School won the next fixture against St. Andrew's. Jonathan Garth (89) and Martin Ridgeway (30) contributed to the substantial total of 152, while the consistently accurate bowling of Leonard Sheahan ensured a school victory and earned him five wickets.

The first league match was at home to Belvedere the eventual winners of the competition. After an initial batting collapse High School reached a creditable 92 runs thanks to Jonathan Garth (36), Howard Danker (21) and Derek Maltby (15). Unfortunately our bowling was not good enough on the day to contain Belvedere's batsmen. It was a resolute S.C.T. that went out to the King's Hospital to play the next match. Electing to bowl on the artificial wicket, High School routed the opposition for 36. Alistair Blair and Jonathan Garth took 5 wickets



SENIOR CRICKET TEAM 1983

Back row: Richard Davies, Martin Ridgeway, Jonathan Garth (capt.), Leonard Sheahan, Ian Walshe, Feargal Supple. **Front row:** Derek Maltby, Cuan Hanley, Alastair Blair, Peter Motyer, Andrew McCracken; Michael Kirby. *Simon Burbridge, Gregory Hopkins (missing).

each. The total was passed for the loss of only one wicket. This victory put High School back in the running for honours. On one of the few sunny days of the Summer Term the S.C.T. played St. Columba's, who, winning the toss and electing to bat, scored a formidable 184 in the allotted 35 overs. High School's reply totalled a commendable 142 with noteworthy contributions from Alistair Blair (37), Jonathan Garth (30) and Gregory Hopkins (28).

In the annual fixture against the Old Boys the school batted first, scoring 167 for 2 wickets. Jonathan Garth stroked his way to an undefeated 109 and was excellently supported by Martin Ridgeway who scored 54 not out. Cuan Hanly bowled with great accuracy throughout the Old Boys' innings and took 6 wickets and hence sealed a memorable victory for the school.

Congratulations to Jonathan Garth who captained the Leinster and Irish School cricket teams and represented the senior South Leinster side in the Guinness Cup inter-provincial competition, and to Alistair Blair, Martin Ridgeway and Richard Davies who gained Leinster trials.

2nd XI A's

Played	Won	Lost
5	3	2

The season for the 2nd XI turned out to be more a social event than a sporting one. It commenced with a good victory over Wesley with everyone performing well, especially S. Burbridge (56 n.o.) Our next opponents were Sandford Park in a league match. High School made 81 with good performances from P. Cole



JUNIOR CRICKET TEAM 1983

Back row: Jonathan Rowe, Turlough O'Siochain, Darryl Lamb, Mr. Fennell, Nial O'Broin, Dian Winder, Rober Donald. **Front row:** Jonathan Ridgeway, Russell Fennell, Mark Heaney, Robert Love, Andrew Miller. *Stuart Wilson, Alexander Fraser (missing, ill).

(26) H. Danker (22); some fine bowling by G. Lawson (6 for 16) and P. Motyer (2 for 11) restricted Sandford to 41 runs in their 20 overs. Against Stratford College we made 81 (L. Sheahan 25) and bowled them out for 33 (L. Sheahan 3 for 4). With this victory some enthusiasm was shown by the team upon the realization that they had a chance of winning their league. However, on the artificial pitch in King's Hospital we were beaten by 30 runs. In the final league match of the season, we bowled out of the league despite making our highest score all season — 91 with S. Thompson (34) and S. Rennicks (29) contributing well. Our bowling attack was not strong enough to prevent St. Columba's making the runs with 4 wickets to spare.

On the whole we all enjoyed the season and we would like to thank Mr. McMullan for his

dedication, and in some cases his patience with the team.

2 XI B's

Played	Won	Lost
6	0	6

Although not a very successful season, if one judges by results, it was a thoroughly enjoyable year for all concerned. The results were, to say the least disappointing — the team having lost all six matches played. The first match started off well with a good High School score of 62 although this was beaten by St. Mary's with an easy 128. The following week they were beaten by the St. Columba's 2nd XI despite good bowling figures from L. Sheahan and A. Jacobson (1 for 0 and 2 for 7 respectively). A very close match against Gonzaga was lost at the last mo-



UNDER 14 1983 CUP FINALISTS

Back row: Darren Sheahan, Alan Hood, Andrew Blackmore, Mr. Fennell, Nial O'Broin, Dian Winder, Martin Oakes. **Front row:** Darryl Lamb, Jonathan Ridgeway, Russell Fennell, Robert Love, Andrew Miller. Stuart Wilson [capt.] (missing from photograph, ill) Alexander Fraser.

ment when one of our bowlers bowled a wide, the other team needing only 1 run to win. In our last match before the league, against St. Andrews, B. Corr scored a quick 30 runs.

Our league performances were much the same as those in friendlies; we lost to both Wesley and Clongowes. In the Clongowes match, however, superb bowling by B. Corr and good catching were to be seen despite the fact that some of the team had had a somewhat nervewracking journey to Clongowes Wood in the captain's car!

On behalf of the whole team I would like to thank Mr. McMullan, Mr. Fennell, Mr. Kirby and all those who helped to make this season a most enjoyable one.

J.C.T.

	P	W	D	L
J.C.T. "A"	9	2	1	6
J.C.T. 'B'	2	1	1	—

Although the J.C.T. possessed skill and talent their early results did not reflect this. There were fine individual performances in the friendly matches, notably T. Burns 8 for 23 against Belvedere and O. Clarke 5 for 45 and 32 runs against St. Andrew's. However, these were not enough to win the matches.

In the league matches with a stronger side, the team as a whole began to play better. The first league match was won comfortably against Wilson's Hospital by 43 runs, S. Wilson (28) and O. Clarke (31). The next match against St. Mary's was narrowly lost by 11 runs. The following match saw the team beat King's Hospital. These results meant that the team needed to beat Sandford Park in their final league match to tie for their section. The match was very close, and only decided in Sandford's favour near the end. This was due to good bowling by J. Ridgeway who took 4 for 12, all of the 4 wickets coming in his fourth over.

In general the year was enjoyed by all. Two J.C.T. "B" fixtures against Gonzaga meant that almost everyone got a match.

Under 14

The season started off with a draw against St. Mary's and St. Andrew's, followed by some

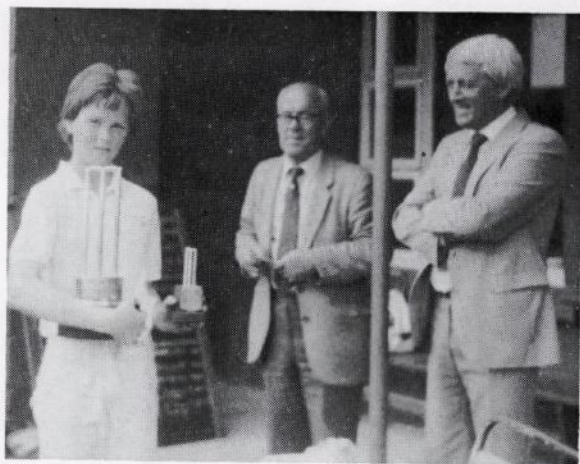
good wins over Wilson's Hospital, King's Hospital, Sandford and St. Columba's.

The first league match was against St. Columba's which High School won by six wickets. Alex Fraser scored 32 runs, Jonathan Ridgeway took 3 wickets for 6, and Stuart Wilson 3 for 14. Next we met Wesley which resulted in a draw with Russell Fennell hitting 24 runs, J. Ridgeway 17 runs, and Stuart Wilson scoring a match century of 102 not out. This saw High School reach the final against Belvedere at Sandford Park. This match produced some poor batting by both sides. High School could only round up a 26 runs total. Belvedere finished on 44 to win by 7 wickets. Even though some good bowling by J. Ridgeway (2 for 13) and D. Sheahan (3 for 10) High School could not dismiss Belvedere for less than 26 runs. Although the school came to a disappointing end the cricket played was enjoyed by everyone, both on and off the pitch.

S. Wilson (Capt.)

Under 13

The under 13 XI had a very good season. They won 10 matches out of 12. Robert Donald and Aaron Deveney batted well during the season, while Alan Hood and Darren Sheahan bowled well.



LEINSTER UNDER-13 "SINGLE-WICKET TROPHY" 1983

Winner: Robert Giltrap. Also in photograph: F. Morrison (Hon. Sec., L.C.U.), I. Lewis (President L.C.U.).

In the first round of the Cup, we played Castle Park at Castle Park. High School batted first and made 110 for 4: J. Ridgeway (26) and Robert Giltrap (28) had good scores. Castle Park ran out of overs and made 37 for 9.

In the second round of the cup we played Aravon at Danum. High School batted first. We got off to a bad start, but we ended up with 77 runs, Aaron Deveney getting the only effective score, 33 not out. Aravon got off to a good start, but failed to make enough runs.

In the Semi-Final we met King's Hospital at Palmerstown. High School again batted first. We got off to a bad start but Duncan Cole made 14 which brought the score up to 54 for 9. King's Hospital batted well and scored 56 for 6. They won by 4 wickets.

Overall it was a good season and I would like to thank Mr. Quinn for the hard work which he put into the success of the team.

Junior School Cricket

A total of 46 turned out for the Junior School in another enjoyable term's cricket. Our best XI had victories over Aravon, St. Andrew's College (twice) and Rathgar Junior School. We were beaten by Belvedere College by 4 wickets in a closely contested match. A number of these players should figure prominently on future school teams. I strongly welcome the encouragement and help clubs are giving to these young players. As usual, our season ended with a very competitive Final in which Michael Taylor's team beat Patrick Donald's by two runs. An equally pleasant fixture of the occasion was that three girls – Diana Lowe, Anne Jackson and Colette Segrove – were on the winning side. Sincere thanks to parents and helpers for their support and hospitality.

J.W.W.



UNDER-13 1983

Back row: David Nixon, Dian Winder, Duncan Cole, Brendan Quinn, Paul Heaney, David Marshall, Darren Sheahan. **Front row:** Jason Henderson, Alan Hood, Aaron Deveney, Jonathan Ridgeway (capt.), Robert Love, Robert Donald. *Beaten in cup semi-final by K.H. (cup winners).



SENIOR GIRLS XI 1983

Back row: Elaine McCready, Nicola Lett, Sally Moore, Sally Tector, Arlene Blain, Karen McCready, G.M. **Front row:** Nadia Ramouter, Melanie Cathcart, Nicola Jackson, Gwen Smith (capt.), Gillian Frost, Diane Lowe.



1983

First ever Old Girls Cricket XI v. H.S.D., DANUM

Back row: Janet Rogan, Helen Ryan, Diane Jacobs, Susan Hudson, Carolyn Burges. **Front row:** Janet Mogerley, Dorothy Smith (capt.), Linda Seymour, Wendy Frith, Freda Harbron.

On behalf of every cricket player in the school I would like to thank Mrs. Fennell for preparing the teas and Mr. Hughes for preparing the wickets. During the season, two very successful internal competitions were held for the first and second forms. They were enjoyed by everyone and were won by teams captained by Russell Fennell and Robert Giltrap. Thank you to Mr. Dawson and Mr. Davies for their sponsorship and initiative in providing an extra dimension to the school's cricket which did only good for the promotion and enjoyment of the game.

Richard Davies (Sec.)

Girls' Cricket

High School got off to a good start early in the season beating Wilson's Hospital. However, the other two league matches against St. Andrew's and King's Hospital, were lost marginally in two, twenty over matches. The team also played a game against the Old Girls, a match which we hope will become an annual event in the cricket season.

Congratulations to Gwenneth Smith and Nicola Jackson for gaining places on the South Leinster team — which rounded off the season.

On behalf of the team I would like to thank Mrs. Mellon for all her time and effort spent coaching the team throughout the season.

Nicola Jackson

Athletics 1983

The 1982/1983 athletics season saw the continuation of the trend in improvement for the cross-country team. An early season victory over St. Columba's and a later win over Newtown, Waterford, reflected the full potential of the team. However, our greatest achievement was in bringing two teams, the Senior and Intermediate teams, through to the Leinster Cross-County Finals. The Intermediate team had won the West Leinster Zone team trophy, and narrowly missed qualification for the All-Ireland Finals. David Richardson reached the Finals as an individual, however, and his 15th place in this, and his later 9th place in the trial for the Irish international schoolboys' team, indicate that he was the team's greatest asset. Gavin McAulay, Damon O'Shea, Philip O'Brien

and William Dawson also performed well for the Intermediate team.

The Senior team saw notable running from Stephen Whitehead, Gavin Davey, Roger Goldby and Matthew Rudden. It is credit to William Dawson, Stephen Whitehead and Gavin Davey that they can compete in athletics events and play rugby of a high standard, as it is unfortunate that many of High School's rugby players neglect their considerable athletic potential, especially during the summer months. Hopefully, this trend will change with the growing awareness of the benefits of athletics, especially running, to both health and performance in other sports.

Some fine races were run during the track season, especially at the West Leinster Zones. David Richardson produced some very good 3,000 metre times, and he reached the Leinster Finals in that event, as did Gavin McAulay, with the 800 metres. Hazel Hughes reached the All-Ireland Finals in the 200 metres, and her sprinting was very valuable for High School in several competitions during the season.



Intermediate Cross-country Team 1983

Back row (left to right): Mr. Toomey, David Armstrong, Gavin McAulay. **Front row** (left to right): Damon O'Shea, David Richardson, Ben-nan Murphy.

War Memorial Cup (Senior

Athletics) Gavin P. Davey

Cunningham Cup (Junior

Athletics) Guy J. Molyneux

Stuart R. Wilson

Cornick Cup 400m Senior Gavin P. Davey

Walker Cup (1,500 metres)

Senior) David K. Richardson

Southam Cup (800m Senior) . Gavin E. McAulay

Moore Cup (200m Senior) Keith Marshall

Taylor Cup (100m Senior) Keith Marshall

Magill Cup (100m Junior) Stuart R. Wilson

Sloan Cup (Senior Long Jump) .. Gavin P. Davey

Travers Cup (Senior High)

Jump) Benjamin Myers

Staff Cup (Intermediate)

Athletics) Hazel J. Hughes

Diocesan Cup (2nd year girl with

most points) Richelle M. Flanagan

Mathers Cup (Junior School girl with

most points) Catherine Heaney

Belgrave Cup (200m Senior) ... Hazel J. Hughes

The Whyte Cup (Field

Events) Benjamin Myers

Taylor Cup (Senior girl with most points) Gwynneth Smith

Frazer Cup (1st Form and Junior School)

Class Relay) 1A2

Evans Cup (Senior Relay) Galway House

Finally, all the athletes are indebted to Mr.

Toomey, for helping us with his time,

knowledge and encouragement. This year's

good results could not have been achieved

without his guidance.

Gavin McAuley (6th Form)

Athletics Captain.

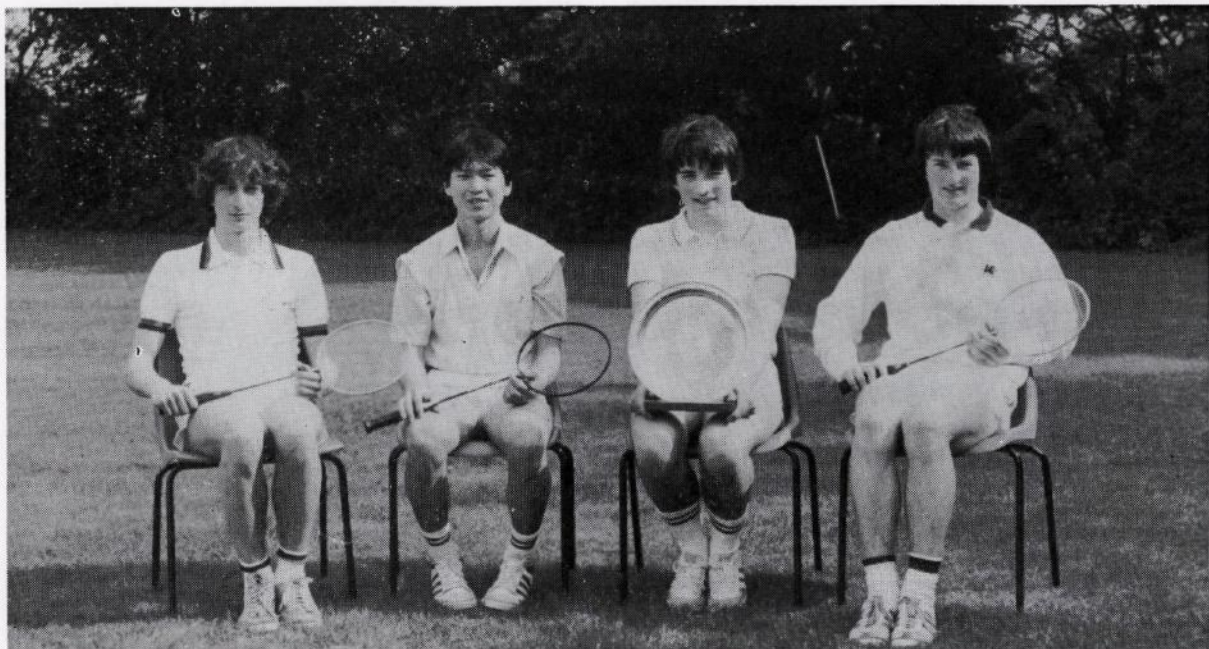
Badminton

GIRLS' BADMINTON

This year the School entered 4 teams in the Inter-Schools competition. All of these teams did well in their sections.

The Under 18 were a strong and enthusiastic team who did well in their section. Unfortunately they didn't win their section but a good season of fun and hard badminton was had by all.

Congratulations go to the under 16A team, captained by Sally Tector, who won their sec-



LEINSTER SENIOR CUP WINNERS 1983

Peter Killeen, Ling Wen-Ang, Ian Walshe (capt.), Derek Maltby.

tion to go through to the quarter-final. They were beaten by a strong team, but it was a fine effort. The Under 16B team were a good side but sadly they came up against strong opposition in their section and didn't get the result they might have hoped for.

The Under 14 had a good season, but like the Under 16B came up against very good opposition, despite their efforts.

BOYS' BADMINTON

The 1983/84 season proved to be an enjoyable, if not highly successful, season. There was quite considerable interest from the more senior end of the school resulting in occasional overcrowding on practice days.

Four teams were entered in the Leinster Branch Inter-Schools League, two Under 16 teams, one Under 18 and one Under 14. Of the four teams the Under 16 "A" team produced the best results, winning three of their matches very comfortably. Unfortunately, the other three teams had a slightly worse time. These teams all suffered from lack of experience, being a year younger than their opponents in their respective sections. However, we look forward to more encouraging results next year.

I would like to thank, on behalf of all the players, Mrs. Turpin and Mrs. Kelly for their invaluable coaching and encouragement, and also Mr. Sheridan for his important role in the organisation of everything this year.

Julie Pelley (Girls' Secretary)
Mark Heaney (Boys' Secretary).

Basketball

BOYS' BASKETBALL

For the first time in many years High School fielded a Basketball team, which competed in the 'C' section of the Leinster Schools' Basketball League. While the record of played 4, lost 3, won 1 may not appear very impressive at first reading, the fact is that the team had improved beyond all recognition by the time the league had finished. The single victory was achieved by one point over St. Michael's in a thrilling match at Danum, and provides great hope for next season.

A lot of valuable experience was gained by the players involved, and the fact that the bulk of the team came from the year's 5th form gives ground for optimism.

At present an internal league is being run, and this has been an ideal opportunity to introduce a lot of interested 4th formers to the game.

The outstanding players during the year were Peter Killeen, John Barron and Andrew Killeen, while Willie Walshe was a popular and talented recruit from Wesley College. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Miss Di Renzo who gave great help as a scorekeeper during the season.

GIRLS' BASKETBALL

Since the beginning of the school year in September, 1983, Girls' Basketball has progressed rapidly, in parallel with British basketball which is presently considered to be that country's fastest growing team sport. As the girls would not have received enough coaching in time for the league it was decided not to enter teams this year and instead a series of friendly matches was arranged.

In the early stages it was apparent that High School's girls lacked the experience of the game that teams from other schools had; many schools teach basketball from first year level whereas the earliest High School girls start the



Basketball Team

Back row (left to right): Tracey Citron, Elizabeth Beattie, Elaine Sunderland. **Front row** (left to right): Beverly Thompson, Wendy Makepeace, Gillian Crampton and Miss A. Di Renzo.

sport is at third year. However, what they lacked in game experience was made up for with enthusiasm and the end of the season showed the teams to be playing a well organised, confident game.

It is unfortunate that many schools have not yet recognised that basketball is essentially an indoor sport. We ourselves are fortunate that we have excellent facilities in the gymnasium. Hopefully, indoor courts will become a common feature in school, as the sport grows in popularity; in the unpredictable climate that we have, basketball should become a very popular option with spectators as was indicated by the support received at home matches. Now that basketball has established its roots in High School I hope very much to see it progress as quickly as the interest and keenness amongst the present players suggests it should.

The outstanding player on the senior team was Lorraine Lawson who had brilliant scoring accuracy, while in the 3rd form Terry Rumgay showed great potential. It must also be mentioned that Wendy Makepeace made an excellent senior captain.

M.K.
A.Di R.

Tennis, 1983

GIRLS' TENNIS

All those taking part thoroughly enjoyed the season, although there were no major wins. The senior team played well but came up against some very tough opposition including Wesley College and Mount Sackville – both matches were lost narrowly.

The Junior team, captained by Sally Tector, were eager to do well and having beaten St. Louis, Rathmines, they were unlucky to lose to Rathdown by a very small margin. Our minor team this year was entered in a knockout competition and although they had a good win over Wesley College, they lost against Muckross.

In conclusion, I would like to thank Mrs. Mellon for her support and encouragement throughout the years.

Melanie Cathcart (6th)

BOYS' TENNIS

Interest in tennis during the summer term remained at a high level and there was plenty of enthusiasm during games days. A large



GIRLS – SENIOR 1983

Back row: Nicola Jackson, Melanie Cathcart, G. Mellon. **Front row:** Nicola Tyrrell, Patricia Medcalf, Gillian Frost.



MINOR TENNIS TEAM, 1983

Standing (left to right): Sheena Brown, Heather Dawson, Gillian Rea. **Seated:** Cheryl Fannin, Heather Fitzpatrick, Niada Kilroy, Mrs. G. Mellon.



JUNIOR TEAM 1983

Front row: Mark Barron, Andrew Killeen, Alastair Gray, Colin Sheil, Bruce Burgess. **Back row:** Mr. McClure, Warren Singh, Daryle Singh, Hugh Page, Andrew Ellis, Ivan Powell.

number of people entered the school tournament and seemed to enjoy the competitive aspect of the game.

The Senior Boys' team got off to a good start in their Cup competition by beating Belvedere 4-3, but Terenure ended further progress in the next round. The Junior Team, however, got through to the final of the competition after two hotly contested matches against C.U.S. and St. Conliths. In the final we lost narrowly (3-4) to Gormanston but the players will have benefited from the experience and they are to be congratulated on taking High School to their first ever final.

Peter Killeen was an enthusiastic and helpful captain of the senior Team and his brother Andrew organised the Junior Team in an efficient manner. Daryle Singh deserves special mention for he had an outstanding season, winning every match as the Number One on the Senior and Junior teams and he also won the School tournament in impressive style. He has also distinguished himself playing outside school and deserves congratulations.

L. McC.

American Tennis

Around Christmas I went to a tennis camp in the United States.

I went for two reasons: firstly to improve my ability at tennis and, secondly, to see why exactly the Americans produce such good tennis players.

The first days of my stay in the camp were the most difficult for it was some days before I got used to the harsh lifestyle.

Breakfast was at 7 a.m. It usually consisted of high energy foods such as doughnuts, syrups, frosties etc. We reported to the courts at about 8 a.m. where we stretched (touching toes, rotating torso etc.) and jogged around the courts for about 30 minutes; then we were assigned to a number of different courts, depending on our ability at the game.

On the court we first started drilling (hitting backhands for about an hour and then forehands for an hour). All the time an instructor fed the balls to us until we stopped at about 11 a.m.; then we jogged and stretched for 45 minutes.

We ate lunch at 12 noon and at about 1.30 p.m. we made our way towards the courts again, where we stretched and jogged and following this were assigned to different courts again.

We drilled until about 5 p.m.; however we played quite a few matches in the afternoon. We jogged and stretched until about 6 p.m.

We ate dinner at 7 p.m. and if it was a Wednesday or Saturday we had the choice of going to the shopping mall or not, where we could see films, eat pizza, buy things, etc. We had to be in our rooms by 10 p.m. as the lights were turned off at 10.30 p.m.

I stayed there for about 4 weeks; some people stayed there year round, having holidays to go home much the same as we have holidays here in Ireland. However, they miss the morning session of drilling to attend any one of 3 schools.

I think 4 weeks was enough for me for one reason. Most of the counsellors (people who manage the place) are very demanding towards the students, discipline is of the essence and punishment is severe if anyone steps out-of-line.

The American's idea of tennis is quite different from that here. In Ireland we do not realise that to become a world class tennis player takes years of the training I have described above – harsh discipline and a mind toughened for professional tennis pressures by the pressurised atmosphere created by disciplinarian counsellors. Even serious tennis players in Ireland would only, on an average, hit the ball around for a maximum of 2½ hours a day, whereas in the States, 6 hours is considered satisfactory, yes, only satisfactory! I remember many a time stars such as Jimmy Arias, Fritz Buhening, Pam Casale, Aaran Krickstein, Carling Basset would stay on the courts for an extra 2 to 3 hours, under lights, drilling!

We really do have a long way to go in Ireland before we can ever expect to produce stars of American calibre. Tennis is an expensive sport, facilities and equipment cost a lot but until these facilities are built I think that the plentiful but dormant talent in Ireland will remain dormant!

Daryle Singh (4B2)

Soccer Report 1983/84

This year was the Soccer Team's most successful yet in terms of results: 10 matches in all were played, resulting in 5 wins, 1 draw, and 4 losses. The goals tally was 35 for, with 18 being conceded. The main goal scorers were Barry Corr (9), Wayne Leitch (8), Jack Walshe (7) and Howard Danker, with 5 goals.

While singling out the goal scorers for their achievements, it would be unfair to ignore the other members of the team who performed so steadily throughout. In particular, Brian Williams in goal was deserving of special mention while others such as Allen Fox, Mathew Rudden, Andrew Skelton and Peter Smith made very useful contributions.

The team only lost one home match to a very strong Old Boys' team, a most enjoyable match. We look forward to more such encounters in the future.

M.K.

Swimming

Once again, swimming was held throughout the year, every Tuesday evening, at Terenure College pool. There were two sessions, the first from 6.00 to 6.45 p.m. for Junior School, first and second forms, and the second session from 6.45 to 7.30 p.m. for the remainder of the school.

As always, the year started off very well with a large attendance at both sessions, but, as in the previous years, the senior pupils tended to drop out as the term progressed. It is, indeed, a great pity that so many excellent swimmers do not continue with the sport and use the facilities provided, after form 2.

The annual Swimming Gala was held in April and the major awards went to Stephen Scott (Boys Senior championship), Gillian Crampton (Girls Senior championship), Daithi Neligan (Boys Junior championship) and Juliet Sim (Girls Junior championship).



SOCCKER SQUAD

Back row (left to right): Jack Walsh, James Scally, Peter Smith, Brian Williams, Benny Myers, Nicky Price, Andrew Skelton, Stephen Brown. **Front row** (left to right): Norman Ryan, Wayne Leitch, Alan Fox, Howard Danker (capt.), Bepi Gaidoni, Darran Irvine, Matthew Rudden, Mr. Kirby.

At the Leinster championships, Robert Wheelan and Juliet Sim both qualified for the Irish championships – congratulations to these two most promising young swimmers.

J.S.

Table Tennis

The School Table Tennis Club has had its usual enthusiasm throughout the year. This year we have seen some excellent play by Ian Wooi Kiang, Brian Adams and Brian Reynolds. We would also like to thank Mr. Sheridan; without his support and constant vigilance none of this would have been possible. Finally we would like to thank Evan Rothwell and Conor Doyle for their coaching and all the time and effort they put into the Club.

Brian Reynolds (6th).

Canoeing

This years, as others, canoeing has been the most popular adventure sport in the School. There are 105 pupils doing canoeing from Forms 1, 2, 3 and 5. To cope with the increasing demand, Mr. Swan has been increasing the stocks of canoes and other equipment steadily. At present we have 12 canoes which will be used on the Dodder for canoeing during school hours and 10 canoes which will be kept for races or trips so that they will be in mint condition, as the canoes used on the Dodder inevitably get damaged.

As usual, the main event of last year was the Schools' Liffey Descent. The results were as follows: Dominick Heagerty and Brian Haskins came 5th in the K2 section. In the singles Ivan Powell came 7th followed by Ross Ardill and Dermot Farrelly. Unfortunately, no prizes were won but we hope we shall have better success this year. The Canoeist of the Year Trophy was awarded to Brian Haskins, the K1 Cup to Jonathan Guthrie and the Liffey Cup to Mark Barron. As in the past, girls have been taking an active part in canoeing during Games Period but when it came to trips and races they were sadly missing. Let's hope this will all change this year and that we will see some results in the girls' section of the Schools Liffey Descent and other Schools Races.

Finally, I would like to thank the Parents Association for their continued support of the club, also all the parents who gave lifts to and from events. I would especially like to thank Mr. John Swan for his immense help and commitment – it is appreciated by everyone involved.

Brian Haskins (5th).

Caving Club

In the efforts to avoid hard work, the pupils of the High School have been known to go to extremes, but the most absurd seems to be caving. A typical trip to the caves begins with a mad rush on a Friday evening to ensure restful sleep, before the rigours of the following day. These self-inflicted rigours involve charging into a hole in the ground, which all the locals have been avoiding for years, and following its passage with zeal as far as possible. Complete saturation with water is a must, and exposure usually strikes at some stage. Water is not the only threat, however, as the infamous carbide lamps tend to explode into flame at the slightest encouragement and, of course, attacking the person in front with your jet of flame in a narrow passage, always gets a laugh. On vacating the cave, those able to walk carry the rest to bed, in preparation for a better hole-in-the-ground the next day.

Since Christmas '83 the club has attempted many such holes under the guidance of Mr. Wright and Mr. Gardiner. Trips to Fermanagh and The Burren, Co. Clare, have brought great enjoyment to many pupils, who will also leave the school with fond memories of such caves as Inm, Fornavusca and Marble Arch. The vast dedication of the teachers involved is warmly appreciated by all who banged their heads off the pot-holing wall and felt good when they stopped.

Sandy Fraser (6th).

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Diocesan and High School Old Girls' Association

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear Member,

As a past editor of the Diocesan Times, I am delighted to renew my link with the school magazine at the end of my first year as President of our Past Pupils' Association.

During the year I have had the opportunity to see behind the scenes in many school activities and I appreciate each contact that strengthens the relationship between past and present pupils.

It has been decided to publish a history of the Diocesan School and we urge any past pupil with photographs, mementoes or clear memories of their time in Adelaide Road or Danum to contact our Secretary – Mrs. Ruth Farrell.

This year marks the tenth anniversary of the amalgamation of Diocesan with The High School. We plan to hold a joint celebration with the Old Boys Union, in the form of a social evening on Friday, 28th September next.

We particularly invite those who have left within these past ten years to come along, meet old school friends and perhaps join our active and friendly association.

Heather Boate.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

1983 – 1984

President: Mrs. Heather Boate.

Chairwoman: Mrs. Iris Beatty.

Hon. Treasurer: Miss Judith Wilkinson.

Hon. Secretary: Mrs. Ruth Farrell.

Committee: Miss Heather Bowen, Asst. Secretary; Mrs. Daphne Bell, Mrs. Ruth Carnegie, Miss Karen Eppel, and Mrs. Irene White, Asst. Treasurer.

These months have gone by very quickly and once more we are at the end of a very successful season.

We began in October with a Fork Supper,

after which we had an illustrated talk on the 'train journey from Vancouver to Toronto – through the Rockies', filmed by Miss Elizabeth Oldham as she journeyed around Canada.

In November, we held our Autumn Fashion Show in the Reynold's Hall, and this time we were kindly lent the clothes by The Fashion Centre – Rathfarnham, and to make the evening more interesting, we had a children's show as well – the clothes for which were kindly lent to us by the Little People's Boutique, Terenure Road. Again the models were our own members and members' children, who perfectly modelled the beautiful young styles. Mrs. Sheelagh O'Donoghue opened the evening and all the proceeds for the night went to the Royal Hospital, Donnybrook. Once more our good friends from Wesley and Alexandra College past pupils joined us, and over our 'cuppa' we renewed our friendship with these Association.

On Tuesday, 6th December, we went to town! and enjoyed an informal evening in Bewley's Cafe which included a talk on tea, a raffle, and a wonderful supper of all their cakes, bracks, etc.

January meeting was a "Dutch Auction" and our auctioneer was Mrs. Vicky Large, who helped to raise some money for our own funds.

We usually hold a demonstration on food each season – so in February it was the turn of 'Roma Foods' showing us 3 delicious dishes, which we were all allowed to sample and then we followed this with our own excellent supper.

We all know how important it is for us to keep fit, so in March the League of Health came along both to give us a talk on general health, and also to demonstrate some very graceful exercises.

We have just had our Annual Dinner, held as usual in the Zoo Restaurant. This was a very happy night with Senator Catherine McGuinness as our Guest Speaker, and our entertainer was Miss Bernadette Ruddock, the Feis Ceol winner. The evening was well attended and enjoyed by all who came.

Our end of season meeting is in May, when

we are having a talk on the care of houseplants, followed by our A.G.M. We look forward to a large attendance, as once more we say cheerio to our friends till we meet again in the Autumn.

Each season seems better than the last, and I am happy to write that we were delighted to see many new friends join us, and once more if you have not become a member, do join the very happy 'Old Girls'.

*Ruth Farrell
Secretary.*

Diocesan Hockey Club

Yes, the past pupils hockey club is still going strong – training every Monday and Wednesday evening and playing home matches on Saturdays in Danum.

Last season we fielded four outdoor teams and two indoor, including one for "vintage" players which boasts a couple of school mums! Outdoor results are not to hand yet but all four teams are placed well up in their respective leagues. Indoor results are out and we are delighted that our A team, under the captaincy of Janet Dalby, won the Indoor Intermediate League and have been promoted to Senior League for next season.

A team from the club entered the Corinthians six-a-side tournament last September and won the Intermediate section. Later on a team comprising some first team players won the Clontarf mixed tournament.

Recently we held a seven-a-side tournament in Danum, when we were joined by girls from the first four school teams. It was a huge success and we hope to repeat the performance when the season starts in September.

Next year our chief aim is to have our outdoor first team promoted from Intermediate to Senior League. To achieve this we need your support, so to those leaving school this year – don't forget if you would like to keep playing hockey our club needs you! For information about joining, ring 983377 any time.

*Ethni Seymour
Chairperson.*

The High School Old Boys' Union President's Letter



Dr. Bryan Wilkinson

Dear Member,

It is a great honour and pleasure for me to write this letter as president of the Old Boys' Union.

So far it has been a most enjoyable year of office. I have represented you at a great number of functions run by our kindred associations. One theme common to all these occasions has been the concern expressed by the Old Boys with regard to the appalling problem of unemployment, particularly among our young people. At our dinner in January many of you will have heard me ask Old Boys present who are in a position to give employment to please consider a High School boy or girl. I repeat the plea here. They ask no favours, just the opportunity of an interview. Then it is up to them to compete. The man to contact at the school is Mr. Robin Miller, the Careers Adviser and

Guidance Counsellor. He would be delighted to hear from you.

At our A.G.M. in October we welcomed some members of the very praiseworthy venture "Danum Enterprises" of which you will read more in this issue of the "Erasmian and Diocesan Times". These 5th year pupils were promoting the sale of Christmas trees. We in the Old Boys Union would like to congratulate the staff and Board Members involved and the Boys and Girls themselves. We wish them every success in the future, and feel sure that the experience gained in running this "business" will be of immense value to many of them later on. The Union will help when we can, though too much assistance could take away some of the purpose of this entrepreneurial scheme.

It is our constant concern that not enough boys join the Union on leaving school. Cyril Craven and I were delighted to meet those of you who are in your final year recently and we look forward to a large number of you wanting to join us and making your presence felt in the union.

This year is going well. Our dinner in January was most successful and it was a great pleasure to meet so many of you there. Then, a few weeks later, we had a most enjoyable and well attended London Dinner. I am extremely grateful to all the speakers and entertainers at these functions, in particular to Mr. Pat Lyndsay S.C. our guest of honour in Dublin and Mr. Jimmy Hill in London, as well as Maurice McDonagh who contributed so well to the entertainment at both.

In February a team of Old Boys and Old Girls took part in a very interesting and lively debate against the school debating team. We were pleased to have Mr. Alan Shatter as chairman. In April we ran an inter-House Quiz for the school. The proceeds taken at the door were added to the contribution which the School Pupils are making to St. Luke's Hospital to help them purchase a very expensive men's Cancer Unit. In rugby the Old Boys just about defeated the School in an enjoyable but hard fought game recently and as I write we are about to have our annual Golf Outing in Rathfarnham.

For all those interested in tennis, I am very pleased to be able to tell you that the school tennis courts will be available for use of Past Pupils, Old Boys and Old Girls and their friends on every Tuesday and Thursday evening from

5.30 to 10.00 p.m. starting on the 15th May and going on to the 20th September. We are very grateful to the Board of Governors of the school for offering us this facility and hope that many of you will show your appreciation by availing of the courts.

On September 28th, 1984 the Old Boys Union and the Old Girls Association are jointly organising a Beer, Wine and Cheese evening to which we will be inviting all who have left the school over the last ten years. We hope this function will be enjoyed by a large number of younger Past Pupils and that you will be pleased to have the opportunity of renewing some old acquaintances.

Members often wonder why they do not receive any communications from us. If anyone remarks that to you, please explain that it is possible that they have not paid their mailing subscription of £5 per annum or £20 for 5 years. Suggest that they should contact Mr. Derek Leach, the O.B.U. Registrar, by writing to him c/o the School. He will put them on the mailing list immediately.

In conclusion I should like to express my sincere thanks to the officers and members of this year's committee, whose support and encouragement have been invaluable and in particular to George Keegan who as Honorary Secretary, bears the main brunt of the work involved. I also thank you, the members for your support, and wish you a very pleasant summer.

Yours sincerely,

Bryan Wilkinson (President)

Report of the Honorary Secretary for 1983-'84

The Annual General Meeting was held in the School on Friday, 21st. October, 1983. The President, Mr. Mervyn Kearthland, was in the chair and 26 members attended, apologies for absence being received from 12 others.

The following Officers and Committee were elected:- Patron: W. S. Cunningham; President: B. R. Wilkinson; President-Elect: C. B. Craven; Vice-President: A. P. R. Brook; Hon. Secretary: G. W. Keegan; Hon. Treasurer: G. Balmer; Hon. Registrar: F. J. McC. Leach; Sports Secretaries: J. D. Ridgeway (Cricket); G.

Burleigh (Rugby); M. O'Sullivan (Golf); Committee: D. W. Goodey; D. C. Haine, N. Kerrison, M. F. McDonough, R. Miller, M. Pratt, N. C. Smith, W. F. Wilson and the winner of the Old Boys' Cup – Simon Thompson. During the year Mr. Dáthí Ó Maolchoille was co-opted as Acting Auditor.

Annual Subscription. Membership of the O.B.U. is Life Membership, but an annual subscription of £5 or £20 for 5 years, is payable by members who wish to be on the mailing list and to receive a copy of "The Erasmian" Annually. The Committee decided this year that boys joining the O.B.U. on leaving school would be required in their first year to pay £2 only, which would cover life membership and their first annual subscription.

Annual Dinner. The Annual Dinner was held in the School on Saturday, 28th. January, 1984. The attendance was 285. The Principal Guest, Mr. P. J. Lindsay S.C., replied to the toast of 'Our Guests and Kindred Associations', proposed by David Rowell. The President proposed the toast of The School with response by the Headmaster. The musical programme, up to its usual high level, was provided by Brendan McShane, Fred Graham, Brian Hoey and Maurice McDonough, accompanied by Billy Dungan. As this was the 50th O.B.U. dinner provided by the caterers a drawing of the old High School in Harcourt Street was presented to Mr. and Mrs. O'Brien.

London Dinner – The London Dinner was held in the Gloucester Hotel on Friday, February 17, 1984. The Principal guest was Mr. Jim Hill of Philips Petroleum and there was an attendance of 95.

Debate – A debate between a school team and a team of 2 O.B.U. members and 2 O.G.A. members was held in the School on Thursday, 2nd. February, 1984. Mr. Alan Shatter, T.D., was in the Chair. It was very interesting and the School team won.

Quiz – A quiz, organised by the O.B.U. and compered by the President, who did most of the preparatory work, was held in the School on Thursday, 12th. April, 1984. It took the form of an Inter-House Competition. The questions were varied and there was a series of ingenious tests of sound and smell. It was won by Harcourt House.

Tennis Club – The President of the O.B.U. and the President of the O.G.A., along with

committee members, have obtained the agreement of the Board of Governors to the use of the school tennis courts by past pupils during the period from mid-May to mid-September from 5.30 p.m. on. A club is being organised to avail of this permission.

Golf Outing – The annual Golf outing was held at Rathfarnham Golf Club, by kind permission on Friday, 27th April, 1984. The weather was splendid and 39 members and guests took part. As usual, a splendid supper was served by the Club caterers and musical entertainment was provided by Brendan McShane and Ted Ryan, accompanied by Billy Dungan. The Old Boys' Cup was won by Derek Maltby, the Harry Bunbury Cup by Dick Shiel, the Club Captain, and the S.S. Evans Cup by John Howe.

The annual Rugby match against School was played on April 7th and resulted in a win for the O.B.U. team. At the time of writing, the annual Cricket match against the School has not yet been played. On Friday, 28th September next a Beer, Wine and Cheese evening will be held in the School. All pupils who left school in the last ten years will be invited and it is hoped that those who have not yet joined either of the two past pupil organisations will do so.

In conclusion, the O.B.U. congratulates its longest-serving Past President, Mr. H. E. P. Anderson, on having celebrated his Golden Wedding Anniversary and wishes him and Mrs. Anderson many more happy years together.

G. W. K.

OBITUARY F.S.L. Lyons

It is now nearly three months since Leland Lyons died, but time has done little to affect the astonishment with which I first heard the news that he was seriously ill. I find it very difficult to believe that I am now standing in the place where he stood just over a year ago, to commemorate another founding father of the University of Kent, Guy Chilver. On that occasion, Leland began his address, by reminding us that we had come not to mourn a death, but to celebrate a life. And I am sure that is the mood he would have wished for us, as we gather today to honour his memory.

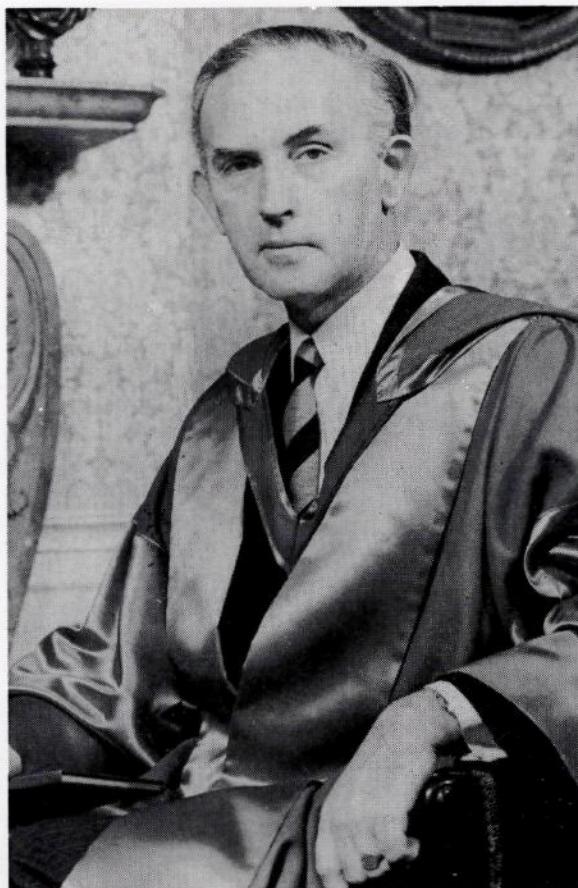
In having the great privilege of speaking about him in this Cathedral I am acutely conscious that I am not a scholar in the discipline which Leland practised with such outstanding distinction; I can only talk about him as I knew him – a great personal friend, a teacher and a colleague, and a founding father of a university which meant so much to him.

My friendship with Leland began in the earliest days of the University and grew with the years. It is hard now to recall the mood of those first days, they were exciting certainly, but there was also a feeling of apprehension and rawness. We needed calming influences.

In the Faculty of Humanities, Leland was chosen to give the first lecture – and it was an occasion for strong nerves. The first lecture in a new university; we all crowded, staff and students, into the steeply-raked rows of the Physics Lecture Theatre, suddenly feeling the risk of the new venture. Leland introduced the arts course, ambitiously titled, 'Britain and the Contemporary World', with a lecture on 'Edwardian England'.

Within minutes, whatever our anxieties were, they had been dispelled; he completely captured the attention of his audience and never let it go, either then, or for the next eighteen years. He was a masterful lecturer – lucid, analytic, and with a great feeling for narrative drive (in addition to his gifts as an historian, Leland had, it always seemed to me, a keen literary imagination). And then suddenly, there would be a switch of tone – his eyebrows would arch, he would look quizzically at his audience, as if the impish irony of a particular observation could not longer be contained and he was trying (but not really succeeding) in keeping it at bay. It was always a pleasure to listen to Leland lecture, this was largely because he was so much at ease with himself. Although his manner was formal, he had learnt how to relax in public. The effect I think incalculable in encouraging us to think of ourselves, as a university, no matter how 'new'.

'The idea of a university' was a concern which remained of absorbing interest to him. He often told me that the collaborative teaching he did in a Part 1 topic, 'Education and the Idea of Culture', was one of the things that gave him most satisfaction in teaching at Kent. Certainly, it was to have an influence on his increasing interest in the agencies of cultural



Dr. F. S. L. Lyons

change, and it lay in the background of his prize-winning book, *Culture and Anarchy in Ireland*.

It was very much in the foreground of the last lecture I heard Leland give, in May of this year. The occasion was the 400th anniversary of Edinburgh University. Leland had chosen as his topic, 'The Idea of a University: Newman to Robbins' and had he known this was to be the last lecture he was to give, I do not think he would have wished to have the theme altered. It was a massive subject and Leland had spent several months reading for it, but when the occasion came he was, as always, in complete mastery. Let me give his conclusion in his own words:

'... at the end of the debate about the nature of universities, the independence of enquiry will depend upon the up-

holding of standards of integrity and excellence by individual scholars in individual institutions. Even if society at large has no common culture . . . there is still a common academic culture embracing the methods and the style by which knowledge must be preserved, transmitted and advanced, and the maintenance of this common culture remains the highest function of the university'.

His whole academic career served to underwrite those sentiments and give them substance.

Just before leaving Edinburgh, he told me, that after eight years of research, he was going to begin the narrative of his biography of Yeats, 'within the next few days'. When that writing was cruelly interrupted in the early weeks of August, by his fatal illness, he had already reached page 100. Jennifer tells me that the first page of the manuscript is headed simply, '1 June, 1983', and followed by a note, 'Cold, wet and dark – a typical Irish Summer's Day'. The loss of that biography, which would surely have been his crowning achievement, made it indeed 'a cold, wet and dark' day in the writing of scholarly biography.

When I try to make a little clearer to myself the effects that Leland made on me as a friend, and as a colleague, the lines of the hymn we have just sung come to mind:

*'Let our ordered lives confess
The Beauty of Thy Peace'.*

If anyone showed what it was to have 'an ordered life', it was Leland.

It was not just a matter of his time was the outward sign of a deep inward order, an interior calm. It would not have existed without a profound conviction about the value of the academic life in general, and the importance of history in particular. It could not have existed without the richness of his family life – and in this Jennifer, and John and Nicholas had irreplaceable parts to play. More privately, it could not have existed without his religious faith which, on so many occasions, found expression in the Christian worship of this Cathedral. It seemed appropriate that our recollections of him today should be contained within the liturgy of the day; private feelings enclosed within the public prayer of the church. His attachment to this Cathedral is to

be given renewed expression when his ashes are laid to rest beside the chapel of Trinity College, Dublin, on 29 December – a day specially chosen, as the feast day of St. Thomas a Becket.

In remembering him at this Evensong, we cannot help but feel the pain of his absence, but we know that this feeling will give way to a lasting gratitude and thanksgiving for a life which gave, in an unfailingly gentle and courteous way, such pleasure and enrichment to other.

The above address was delivered by Professor I.C.S. Gregor, Professor of Modern English Literature, University of Kent at Canterbury during the Memorial Service at Evensong on Wednesday, 14th December, 1983, held at 5.30 p.m. in the Cathedral Church of Christ, Canterbury.

News of Past Pupils

ANDREW C. BLAIR (1970-1978) has transferred from Ove Arup & Partners in London to Oasys Ltd., in Dublin. Before he left he played for Surrey in the Rugby County Championships.

J. GRAHAM BLAIR (1969-1976) who was with Cooper Magennis has joined the family firm Glamis Agencies Ltd.

ALAN N. BORTON (1973-1979) won a Class II Award of a cheque for £300 and a trophy on the results of examination of the Farm Apprenticeship Scheme. The money will be invested in a mushroom production project which will be carried out in Wexford. He received his certificate of graduation at Kildalton Agricultural and Horticultural College, Piltown, Co. Waterford.

IAN G. BURNS (1967-1974) led Wanderers to a comprehensive victory (27-4) over U.C.D. IN the Leinster Senior Cup Final at Lansdowne Road on Saturday, 28th April.

GEORGE J. CAIRD (1957-1965) who was Chief Engineer of Fruehauf Trailer Company, Canada Ltd., is now Director of Engineering, Utility Trailer Manufacturing Co., Ltd., City of Industry, California.

R. REGINALD CALDWELL (1935-1940) is Financial Controller of Glen Abbey.

GEOFFREY A. CHADWICK (1961-1972) is a

- Medical Registrar in Churchill Hospital, Oxford, where he is doing research in respiratory diseases with special emphasis on Asthma. He passed the membership in medicine before leaving Dublin.
- PAUL D. CLINCH (1978-1979) was captain of rugby at T.C.D. last season. He will also hold this coveted position next season.
- ROGER H. de S. COLE (1960-1966) is advertising manager of the magazine "In Dublin".
- RONALD R. CONDELL (1961-1969) is Senior Accident Surveyor with the Guardian National Insurance Company, Limited, in Johannesburg.
- NEVILLE F. S. COUSE (1967-1974) secured joint First Place and a Silver Medal at the primary F.R.C.S.I. Examination, February, 1982. He is on the Dublin pre-Fellowship Surgical Rotation and is presently working in St. Vincent's Hospital.
- PHILIP DAVISON (1969-1975) has published his second novel "Twist and Shout" (Brandon, 1983).
- ROGER N. DUNGAN (1952-1965) has been made a partner of Pannell Kerr-Forster, Chartered Accountants.
- DAVID F. FORD (1956-1966) spent the Autumn term of 1982 as a Research Fellow in Yale University. His book "Jubilate. Theology in Praise" written in collaboration with Daniel W. Hardy will be published by Darton Longman Todd this summer.
- G. ALAN FORD (1963-1974) is a Third Secretary with the Department of Foreign Affairs.
- DONALD W. FORSYTH (1942-1950) who was director of the Water Sewerage Board in Swaziland is currently project manager of Umgeni Waterboard, Natal, South Africa.
- MARK D. GARDNER (1969-1976) was admitted to the Order of Deacon in the Cathedral of the Holy and Undivided Trinity, Down, Diocese of Down and Dromore on St. John Baptist's Day, Friday, 24th June, 1983, by Bishop R. H. A. Eames.
- VICTOR (Pip) W. GRAHAM (1927-1932) has retired from lecturing in Mathematics. He now runs a Clinic for students with mathematical difficulties. He is an Honorary Vice-President of the Engineering Society of T.C.D.
- WILLIAM HIGGINS (1953-1955) became on 1st February, 1984, Managing Director of Roma Food Products on the Dublin Industrial Estate. He had previously been Marketing Manager and then Marketing Director since he joined in 1970.
- JAN P. HUISSOON (1968-1975) was appointed a full-time Lecturer in Mechanical and Manufacturing Engineering in T.C.D. in October 1982.
- WILLIAM A. INGRAM (1924-1930) has been elected Chairman of the Irish Building Societies Association. He was due to retire from his position as Managing Director of the Irish Civil Service Building Society last March but has been asked to stay on until the end of June. He will then have been with the I.C.S.B.S. for fifty-three and a half years as he joined on 18th January, 1931. A remarkable achievement.
- HOWARD E. KILROY (1946-1952) has been co-opted to the Board of Aran Energy Limited. He is Chief Operations Director of the Jefferson Smurfit Group.
- JOHN LOVE (1943-1950) is a Director of Zaidi Enterprises the company behind the Ballymoney, Co. Wexford, Holiday Complex.
- NORMAN V. LUDGATE (1967-1973) is Systems Manager in the Computer Services Unit of the National Institute for Higher Education, Dublin.
- BRENDAN J. McCABE (1977-1983) has joined McKenna Glynn & Co. as a trainee Chartered Accountant.
- J. T. McDONOUGH (1944-1949) became Assistant Group Manager, Nigeria, for Royal Exchange Assurance. He left Africa in 1975 on promotion to Group Manager, Singapore, becoming Managing Director of G.R.E. Malaysia in 1976. He was appointed Managing Director G.R.E. (Asia) Ltd., in July, 1983.
- COLONEL CLIFFORD McGOLDRICK (1929-1933) gave the final lecture to the Military History Society of Ireland for the 1983/84 season on 8th March in the Lecture Theatre of Messrs. P. J. Carroll and Co. Ltd., Grand Parade, Dublin. It was entitled "The Army Medical Corps 1922-1984" Dr. McGoldrick held the posts of Officer Commanding, St. Bricin's Hospital and Senior Physician to the General Military Hospital, Curragh Camps. He is a Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians of Ireland.
- RORY J. MONTGOMERY (1970-1977) is a Third Secretary with the Department of Foreign Affairs.

ALAN G. MOORE (1964-1975) is a Senior House Officer in Paediatric Surgery in Temple Street Hospital.

DAVID P. MOORE (1966-1976) is a demonstrator in Anatomy at T.C.D. He obtained Primary Fellowship in Surgery recently.

DERMOT J. MOORE (1961-1970) is living in Springfield, Illinois, where he has a two-year Research Fellowship in Vascular Surgery.

NIALL J. MOORE (1962-1972) is Registrar to the Maudsley Hospital in London. He passed the first part of the Psychiatric Membership last year.

PETER A. de Lacy MURTAGH (1964-1972) security correspondent of "The Irish Times" is co-author of the book on C. J. Haughey "The Boss".

E. BRIAN NASON (1961-1968) has recently returned from working with U.N.E.S.C.O. in Paris and is now serving in the Department of Foreign Affairs in Dublin.

SIR DAVID A. ORR (1931-1940) is British Joint Chairman of the 1983 Anglo-Irish Encounter Organisation. The idea of an Encounter Organisation was first suggested in 1981 when the results of several Anglo-Irish Studies initiated in 1980 were published.

PHILIP A. ORR (1961-1969) played in all four Home Rugby Internationals. He also played in the three Inter-Provincial matches. He is captain of Old Wesley for the season 1984/5. He has the record number of caps for an Irish Prop forward.

DAVID G. PRIESTMAN (1961-1970) is a Senior Inspector, Brokerage Division, Irish Life Assurance Co. Ltd.

RAPHAEL D. SELIGMAN (1931-1936) was appointed by the Duke of Kent, Grand Master of United Grand Lodge, to be District Grand Master for Bahamas and Turks.

DR. NORMAN S. C. SMITH (1936-1942) is President of the Society of Occupational Medicine.

MR. W. ARTHUR TANNER (1959-1966) who spent a year in Edmonton in the University of Alberta Hospital, as Chief Resident in Surgery and was then a Lecturer in Surgery in T.C.D., based in St. James', was appointed, in October, 1983, Consultant General Surgeon to the Adelaide Hospital.

BRIAN D. TAYLOR (1954-1959) currently lectures in Law at the School of Law and

Building Studies, Leicester Polytechnic. In 1983 he took a first place for Poetry in open competition at Cheltenham Competitive Festival. His first collection of poems "Strong Men Cast Shadows Too" was published by Outposts Publications in 1982.

DAVID WENT (1958-1965) who was appointed Chief Executive of Ulster Investment Bank in 1982 has been appointed (1984) to the Board of its parent Company - Ulster Bank Limited.

ROBERT (Bob) P. WILLIS (1935-1941) has been appointed a non-executive director to the Board of Guinness Ireland Ltd. From 1967 up to his recent retirement, he was managing director of the Irish Life Assurance Company. He remains as a non-executive director of Irish Life and is on the Boards of the Church and General Insurance Co. Ltd. and Banque Nationale de Paris (Ireland) Ltd. He is a partner in the firm of Consulting Actuaries, Duncan C. Fraser and Co.

ANDREW A. WILSON (1977-1981) currently a student at the Royal Ballet School in London and the recipient of the 1983 Harvey's of Bristol Theatre Scholarship was chosen with three others to represent the School at the International Dance Festival in Lausanne, Switzerland. He has danced recently twice at Drury Lane Theatre and once at the Coliseum.

JOHN F. YOUNG (1939-1943) who was Managing Director of Young Advertising is now Executive Chairman of the holding company which holds Young Advertising and Rowe Advertising.

Marriages

We congratulate the following Old Boys on their marriages and wish them every happiness. Geoffrey A. Chadwick (1961-1972) to Susan Harvey on 6th September, 1980, in Tullow Parish Church, Carrickmines.

Ronald R. Condell (1961-1969) to Daphne J. Leach on 15th December, 1983, in Johannesburg, R.S.A.

Neville F. S. Couse (1967-1974) to Hazel F. Ferns on 2nd April, 1983, in St. Patrick's Church, Dalkey.

David F. Ford (1956-1966) to Deborah P. Hardy on 10th July, 1982, in St. Luke's Church in Birmingham.

Desmond R. Johnson (1956-1969) to Penelope A. Brooks on 27th August, 1983, in St. Nicholas' Church, Dunlavin.

Gary P. Morton (1970 - 1955) to Joan R. Flood on 7th October, 1982, in St. Patrick's Church, Wicklow.

Cian Ó hÉigearthaigh (1964-65) to Aingeal Ní Chonchúir, 24th February, 1984.

Alfred E. Potter (1968-1976) to Diane S. Mewis on 20th August, 1983, in the Chapel of King's Hospital School.

David G. Priestman (1961-1970) to Helen M. Collins on 12th August, 1983, in Booters-town, Co. Dublin.

Leslie Blennerhasset and Joyce O'Keeffe.

Stuart Flood and Gillian Vanston-Rumney.

John Taylor and Diana Armstrong.

Capt. Ian Hume-Dudgeon and Valerie Cookman.

Paul Slevin and June Leach.

Golden Wedding

Henry E. P. Anderson (Harry) (1918-1924) to Eva Churchouse on 31st March, 1934, in St. Gabriel's Church, Bound's Green, London.

Engagements

Richard Godsil and Karen Poff.

Ian Johnston and Suzanne Lowe.

Kenneth Arlow and Wendy Clarke.

Howard Collins and Gail Danker.

Raymond Goulden and Jean Nolan.

Ivan Erskine and Mandy Vincent.

Padraig Hernon and Susan Kilbey.

Mark Halliwell and Lilian Wisdom.

Births

BUTLER - To Shirley (née Rafter) and David, a daughter, Sarah-Louise.

FRY - To Gillian (née Jackson) and Paul, a son, David Jackson.

McCORMICK - To Doreen (née McCann) and David, a daughter, Alison Emma.

STEPHENS - To Juliet (née Ensor) and Michael, a daughter, Wendy Rachel.

BARRINGTON - To Linda (née Salisbury) and Ronnie, a daughter, Caroline Laura.

HOURLIE - To Jasmin (née Gow) and William, a daughter, Amanda Doris Rachel.

HUSTON - To Gillian (née Campbell) and Noel, a daughter, Jennifer Patricia.

CAPLIN - To Joy (née Danker) and Julian, a daughter, Vickie Amanda.

SLOANE - To Jennifer (née Kearon) and Robert, a daughter, Carol Lesley.

WHITE - To Hilary (née Blake-Knox) and Peter, a son, Andrew.

TENNANT - To Karen (née Durham) and Gary, a daughter, Sophie Hazel.

HARRISON - To Linda (née Gow) and John, a daughter, Leonie Maud.

MORRIS - To Liz (née Twamley) and Tommy, a daughter, Jennifer.

SHAW - To Louise (née Welch) and Graham, a son.

WILLIS - To Jillian (née Wilson) and Neil, a daughter, Emma Jessica.

Deaths

Henry William Clarendon (1911-1919) on 30th November, 1983.

Hubert William Dalton M.B. (1917-1924), July 1983.

Richard Henry Dowse, Church of Ireland Catechist to the School 1951-1970, on 13th September, 1983. A Memorial Service was held in St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin, on 20th September, 1983.

David Thompson Faiers (1943-1947) on 23rd February, 1984.

Stephen Wedgewood Harris (1964-1972) on 9th October, 1983.

Ivan Ellis Jones (1912-1921) on 6th March, 1984, at his home 13 Forbis Road, Edinburgh.

Mildred A. Latimer, on 15th May, 1984, Headmistress of Diocesan Girls' School from 1928 - 1954, member of the Staff from 1912.

Francis Stewart Leland Lyons (1941) on Wednesday, 21st September, 1983, in the Adelaide Hospital. His funeral service took place in Trinity College chapel at 10 o'clock on Saturday, 24th September. His ashes were interred in Challoner's Corner in T.C.D. on 29th December, 1983.

Hugh McHoul (1917-1923) on 9th June, 1982.

Derek William Charles Maddison (1934-1938) on 3rd December, 1983.

Richard William Mason (1925-1933) on 20th March, 1984 (suddenly) at the Adelaide Hospital.

William Frederick Smith (1951-1954) on 24th November, 1983.

Richard Andrew Watson (1955-1962) (suddenly) on 11th October, 1983.

Sargent, Cheryl Hilary, 10th January, 1984.

Examination Results

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--- M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O. – Fionnuala Leddy.
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Ph.D. – M. M. G. S. Delmonte, J. P. Huissoon, J. R. Piggott.
Sc.D. – A. I. Donaldson.

DIPLOMAS

HIGHER DIPLOMA IN EDUCATION – Class I, S. W. Matthews, Class II, First Division, D. J. Lewis.
DIPLOMA IN THEOLOGY – (Year 3) M. D. Gardner.

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ECONOMIC and SOCIAL STUDIES – Class II, Second Division, Grace A. O'Halloran, P. A. A. J. Dierckens.
ENGLISH II – Class II, First Division, Jane L. Gray.
HISTORY OF ART – Class II, Second Division, Carolyn G. Earls, Class III, Alison I. Gardner.

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HISTORY OF ART – Class II, Second Division, Heather C. Davis, also awarded the William Roberts Prize in Ancient History and Archaeology.
ENGLISH II and GERMAN – P. Michaela Stahl-Aver.
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PHARMACY – Class II, First Division, Karene M. R. Moynan.
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MATHEMATICS SPECIAL HONOR – Class II, Second Division, M. Webb, Pass – C. Jelley.
BACHELOR IN EDUCATION – P. II, Julie G. M. Ingram.
ENGLISH – Class II, Second Division, F. G. Dierckens.
FRENCH – Class II, First Division, F. G. Dierckens with Distinction in Spoken French.

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AND INDUSTRIAL SYSTEMS
STUDIES

JUNIOR FRESHMEN – T. A. Lyttle.

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MEDICAL THIRD YEAR – E. L. Abrahamson (Second Hons. in Pathology/Microbiology), A. I. Bloom, Jennifer S. FitzSimon.

MEDICAL SECOND YEAR – Stella N. Aghadiuno, D. C. Borton, Kooi Saw Khoo, Eng S. Teh and obtaining Hons. J. O'Dowd, Janet F. Tyrrell. J. O'Dowd obtained Distinctions in both Anatomy and Physiology.

MEDICAL FIRST YEAR – Rosemary Coleman, Treacy Hughes, A. P. Huissoon, Chin Y. Lim.

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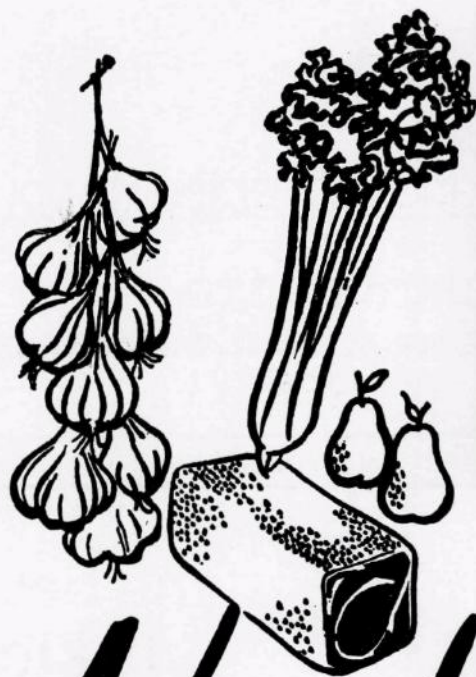
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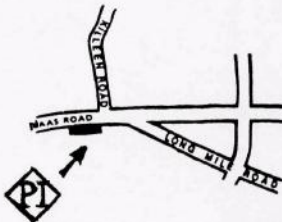
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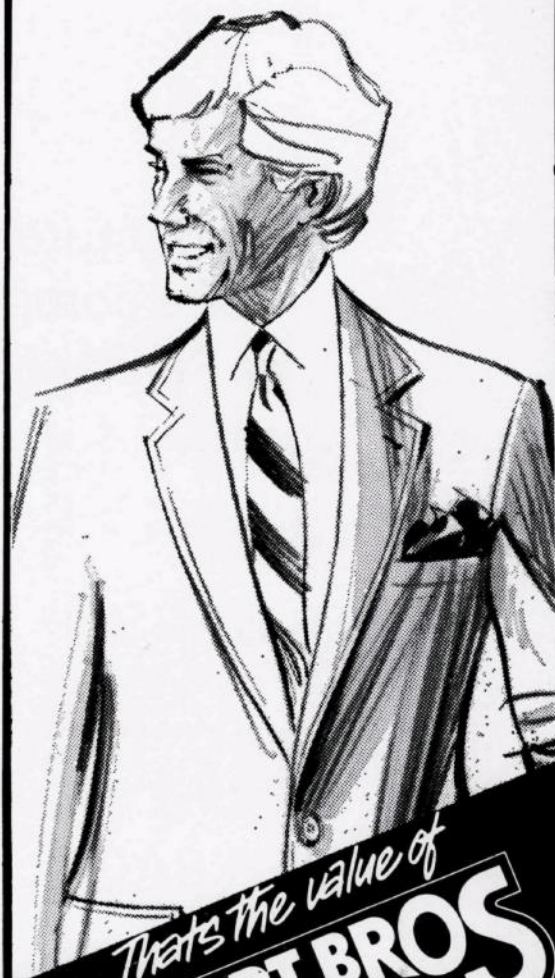
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