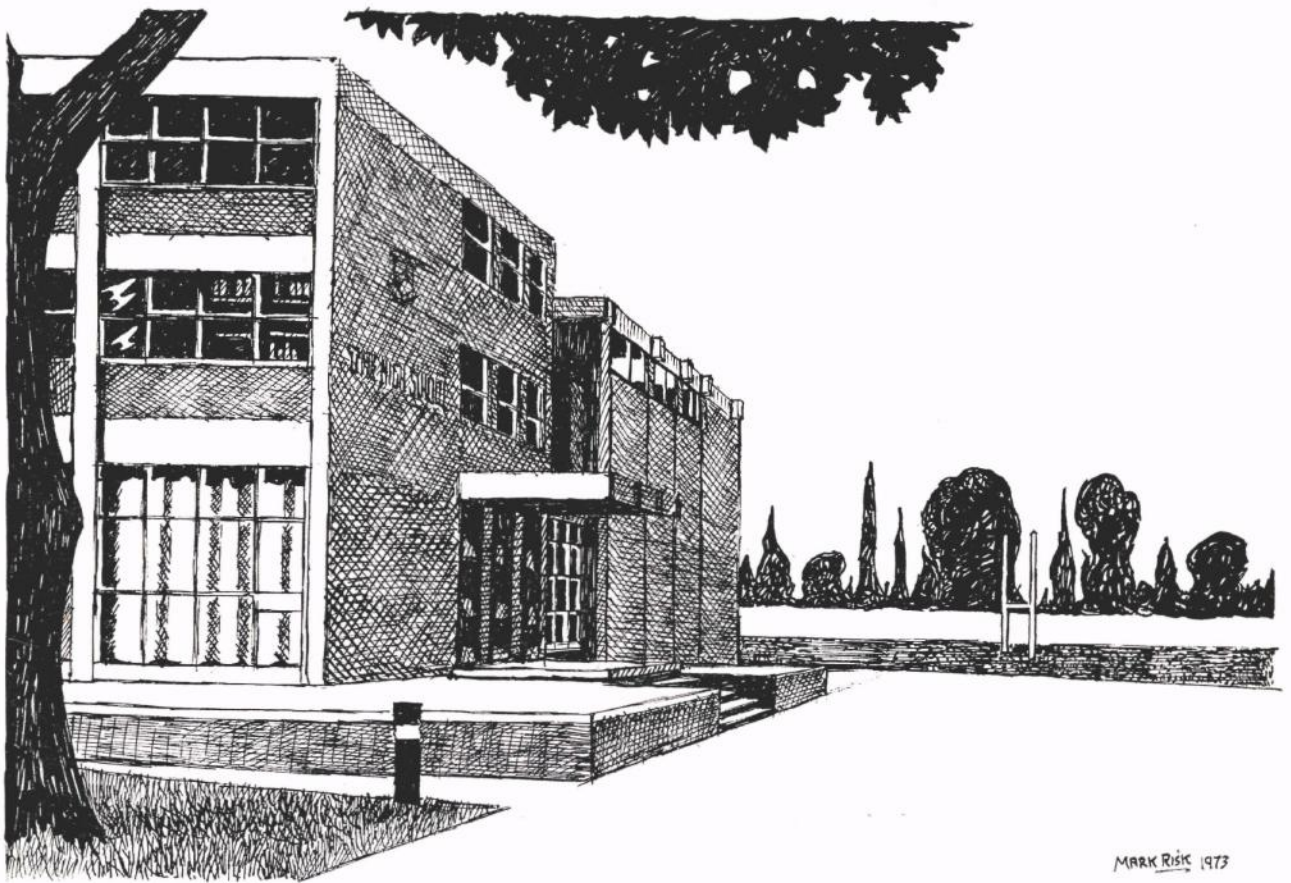


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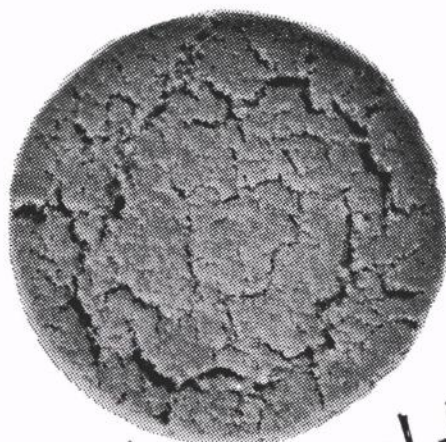
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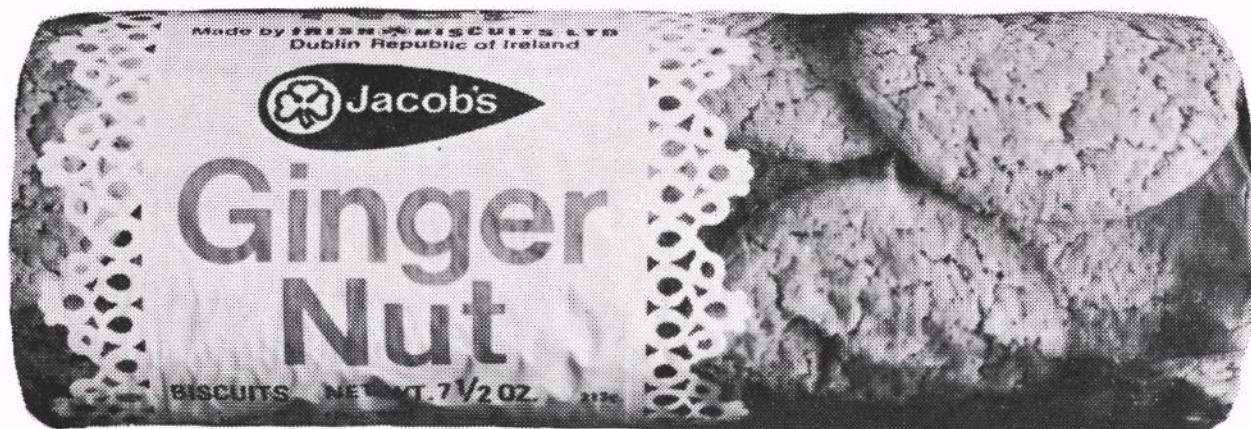


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EDITORIAL

The first reaction of the High School pupils to the merger with Diocesan School, when the Headmaster announced it at assembly, was fairly predictable — good-humoured cheering accompanied by a few whistles. Once the initial excitement and speculation died down, the pupils returned to their more normal concerns of study or rugby, and apart from some green-skirted figures at rugby cup matches, the merger has made little impact on the pupils' lives during the past two terms.

But it is clear that this is in fact the calm before the storm, as next September will obviously be a hectic, and perhaps somewhat confused, time of re-orientation, re-organization and change. What will be the reaction of the High School pupils then? Will they, upon reflection, still retain their initial enthusiasm for the merger? For some people have already remarked that the favourable reaction of the pupils was the result more of unreasoning excitement than of rational consideration.

For there are certain points that can be raised against the merger. Firstly there is the whole question of tradition; both The High School and Diocesan School have a long history, and have in that time developed their own customs, habits and traditions. Naturally both schools are somewhat attached to these, and the merger must result in the abandonment of many traditional ways. A further objection is the size of the proposed new school, which will contain over 700 pupils; while by the standards of some of the larger English schools this is relatively small, in terms of Irish Protestant schools it is indeed quite large. As it is, many prefects in High School would admit to not knowing the names of many first and second form pupils, which creates problems of discipline. How much worse would the problem be in a school of 700? This objection would, one imagines, apply even more to Diocesan, which as a small school would appreciate even more than High School the advantages of their size in terms of discipline and friendliness.

However, the inevitable retort to such complaints is that whatever advantages there may be in small schools, it is a fact that only larger ones can have the financial and educational resources to provide a wide range of facilities and subjects for their pupils. And, on such a purely pragmatic basis, there are many points

in favour of the merger. A bigger staff will mean greater variety in the range of subjects available. The range of sports which pupils can play, already wide in High School, will be further extended; an all-weather hockey pitch could provide an excellent incentive for the boys to take up the game.

But in addition to these basically utilitarian arguments, there is also the sound educational point of co-education being better than single-sex education. In a time when this is being recognised in many schools in Dublin, the merger with Diocesan clearly provides an excellent opportunity for the implementation of co-education. For the segregation of the sexes is now clearly anachronistic not only in education, but also in social terms.

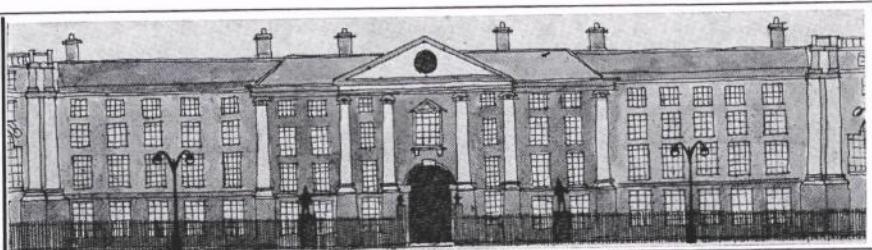
There are valid points against the merger; it will lead to certain features of both schools being altered or perhaps abandoned (this might not be bad in some cases—perhaps now boys will have some other option to compulsory rugby as the sole winter sport). There might thus be a certain loss of individuality and uniqueness; but this is the essential point about mergers—they combine two previously separate bodies. And the combination of The High School and Diocesan School does provide an impressive basis for a new school which will have excellent facilities, a large staff, and a bright future.

High School and Diocesan to Merge

The High School, in Rathgar, and the Diocesan Secondary School for Girls, in Adelaide Road, Dublin, are to amalgamate. The premises of the Diocesan Secondary School are to be sold and the 225 girls will be accommodated in extensions to the new High School premises, which were opened three years ago at a cost of £500,000.

A joint statement from the board of governors of the High School, founded by Erasmus Smith, and the Dublin, Glendalough and Kildare Diocesan Board of Education, pointed out that the amalgamation decision had been taken in the light of modern thinking in favour of co-education. The Diocesan School premises in Adelaide Road would be closed and, next September, the merged school would be carried on at Danum, Zion Road, Rathgar.

TRINITY LETTER



Good Brother Erasmus,

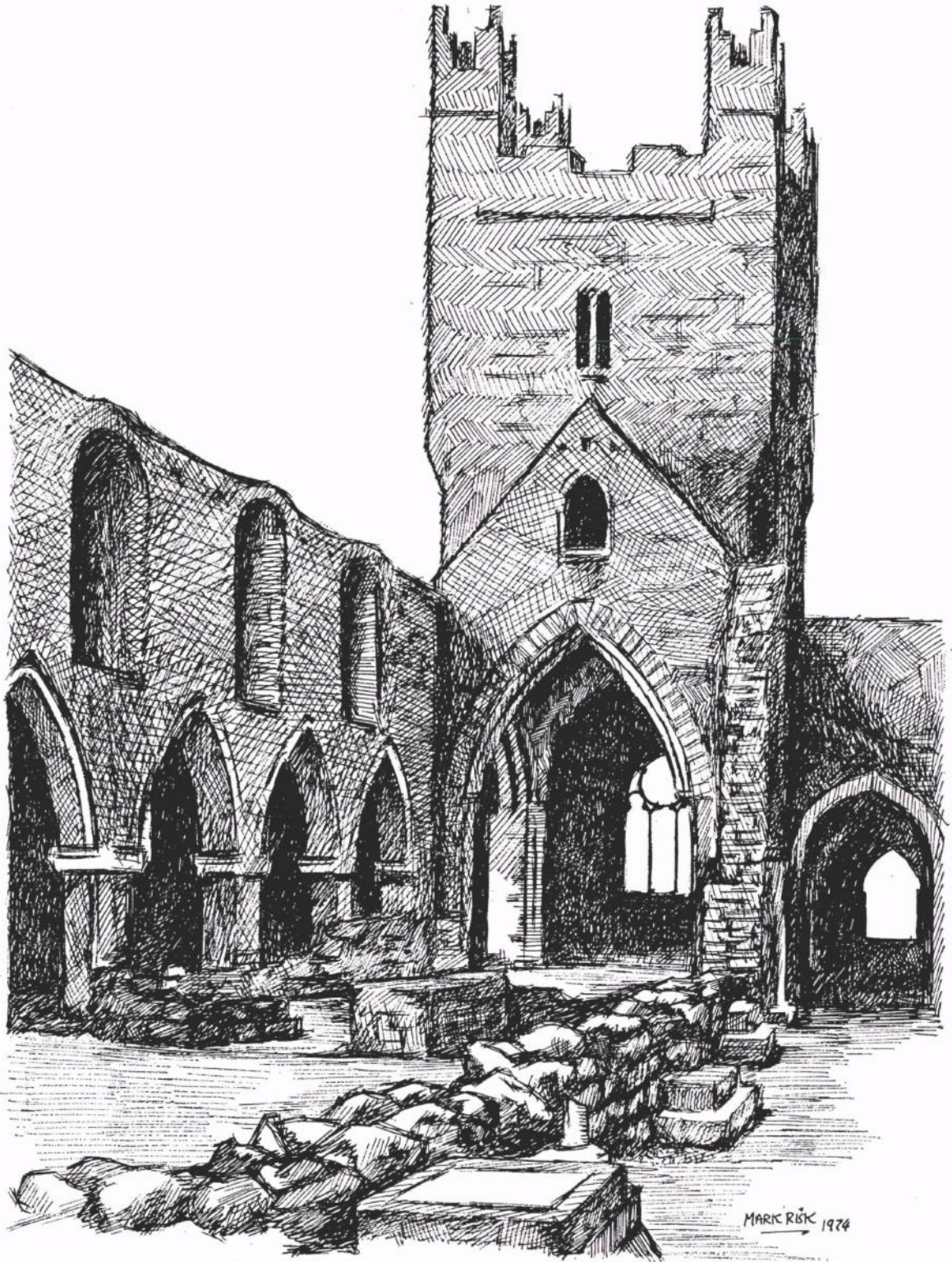
As your faithful correspondent seated himself this afternoon to inscribe yet another epistle relating to our College doings, his mind was full of the honours won by the erstwhile *discipuli Erasmi* in the months that are past. True he shed a subtle tear as he pondered o'er the committees of the Philosophical Society and the Ranters' Club, alias Historical Society, for both are now denuded of all H.S.D. men. But the goodly company of our fellows was visible in honours lists elsewhere. This scribe would have spoken of the Mathematicks Society, dense with the intellectual lucidity of men like N. Jeffares and R. Smythe, of the Classical Society and D. Kennedy, of the Chess Club and G. Fish, and of much else besides—ponds of activity full of Erasmian fauna. The sporting field would have claimed his quill (though mercifully not the Rugby pitch, for this is the Trinity term when the Football Men retreat to the Bars and Dens proper to their calling): he would have recalled the Sailing Club, knee-deep with moustachioed D. Beatties and clean-shaven G. Chadwicks, the purveyors of Squash, Tennis and such perversions, and initials would have covered my page, as D.U.H.A.C. (whereof I. Travers is a Committee-man).

Such to inscribe and thereon to dilate—these were the fond hopes of your scribe but minutes since; now all is dashed away. For here, where he writes at his Garret Window, not an hour since was his solitude shattered by the clamourings of unwashed voices. Armed with Blunderbuss, Cudgels and Gown, he descended to the Parliament Square (vulgarly, "Front Sq.") to ascertain the perpetrators of this Howling and there witnessed a most distressing Spectacle wherein the prime mover was that most famous among *discipuli*, Master D. Vipond, Esq.

It is written that the Emperor Septimus Severus had a subject scourged for merely mentioning that he had attended the same school as the Emperor: Master Vipond is a

Despot of the same principle, but his nefarious treasons must be related, painful though it be to do so. Know ye then that this was the day of the Commencement of His Excellency Master Erskine Childers (our present Viceroy of Ireland, though some style him "President"). You, Good Brother Erasmus, will con that when I write of Master Childers' Commencement, I mean not his beginning (for that was many centuries since and too far removed for it now to be averted), but use our especial College sense of his being given a Degree. Our Master Vipond did not like the Viceroy's getting new letters after his name, not, as might be supposed, because Master Childers gets them *gratis* while we poor College rats must toil and pay for the privilege, but because he (*viz.*, Master Childers) is the Notorious Enemy of the Working and Oppressed People of Ireland (*sic*). Master Vipond (who was born in the East Indies) explained this in stentorian terms, *viz.*, shouted slogans, as the begowned dignitaries processed into the Publick Theatre, adding for good measure that the Irish people would hang Master Childers had they but the opportunity (and, methought, the rope). Some say that our worthy demagogue referred to this point with especial fervour due to his own troublous times in the County Monaghan, where large forces of the constabulary were obliged to dissuade the native populace from attempting this expedient on Master Vipond himself.

Alas, few are they now who dare question the all-knowing wisdom of Master Vipond, for he was late elected our next Chief Agitator (*viz.*, "President of the Students' Representative Council") by the noisy students who trouble with such follies. Even Master P. Murtagh (late of "Trinity News") has cast away his moderation and campaigns publicly for such barbarities as 'mixed residence regulations' (*sic*). All tremble with horror on contemplation of the year to come: now must every College office have its gleaming portrait of Master Mao and its Little Red Book promin-



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ently displayed. Ere a twelvemonth has passed perchance we shall all be toilers in the revolutionary cadres. Or mayhap by then will all this schismatical and levelling nonsense have been consigned afresh to the gutter wherewith it has so marked an affinity.

On that last note of hope would your weary scribe conclude but, for fear that all this politicking will have seemed too drear, will add that our Trinity Week this year was grand and jollifactory. Never were strawberries so abundant or cucumber sandwiches so moist and delicate. Never was the Ball so riotous or

merry. Not all your alumni spent the week bent double over the Glorious Shrine of Marxist-Leninism. And a pleasant flourish was that of the Brothers Moore: Niall who was elected Scholar on the Monday and Dermot who not only ran the Marathon on Wednesday (coming a worthy second) but sang in the Choral Concert on Thursday. Of such stuff are High School men made.

With which wholesome reflection

Will your faithful Scribe

Sign Himself

Laudator Temporis Acti.



John Mayall Father of the British Blues

John Mayall, in the last fifteen years, has probably done more for the blues than any other musician. Now, at the age of forty-one, with over 20 albums to his credit, he still displays long hippie style hair and looks far younger. Mayall has become a master of many instruments including piano, organ, guitar, bass, drums and harmonica; although responsible for all the material on his many albums, he is still unable to read or write music.

His professional career commenced in 1963 with the release of "John Mayall plays John Mayall": At the same time he was fronting his own band, the John Mayall Powerhouse Four. This soon switched to the Bluesbreakers, who soon became renowned for their constant flow of changed personnel, each contributing their own distinctive sound. The album recorded with Eric Clapton in their ranks became tremendously popular and is still hailed as the classic blues album of all time.

And since 1963 it seems obvious that plenty has been happening. A look at the list of musicians who have played in the changing patterns of the band personnel reveal this.

These include both Eric Clapton and Jack Bruce of the late Cream. Bass guitarist John McVie was Mayall's first and he later joined forces with Mick Fleetwood and guitarist extraordinary Peter Green for the original Fleetwood Mac; bassist Andy Fraser of Free; drummer Hughie Flint of McGuinness Flint; drummers Aynsley Dunbar, Keef Hartley, Colin Allen of Stone the Crows, and more recently the Dutch group Focus; Jon Hiseman, Dick Heckstall-Smith and Chris Mercer of Colosseum. Other musicians include Steve Thompson, Larry Taylor, Jimmy McCulloch and Harvey Mandel. Jon Mark and Johnny Almond became the well-known and respected Mark-Almond and a move that caused headlines was Mick Taylor joining the Rolling Stones.

Each Mayall band—and there have been over fifteen—has had its own distinct style. From 1963-69 the bands generally had a pure blues sound with loud guitars and organ. Then suddenly in June '69 Mayall changed his whole style. Dropping drums and the usual battery of amplifiers—accepted essentials for a blues band—and reduced to bass, acoustic

guitar and flutes, John explored a whole new avenue of blues. With this format he recorded three albums and then progressed yet again in '72. This time he combined famous blues and jazz players and succeeded in achieving a brilliant fusion of the two. Two live albums highlighted this style.

In 1973 Mayall released a double album, "Ten Years Are Gone" to celebrate his ten years as a successful professional musician. Right now he is on the road again with a new line-up and style! And John Mayall will continue to bring pleasure to his large audience and followers for years yet.

Words: Desmond S. King.
Artwork: Philip Davison.

Nobody Knows

*That person drones on without pause,
The smoking windows begin to wheeze,
My streaming droplet wins its race
While my thoughts drift to a different place.
The sky is soft, no need for clouds,
A prayer for strength in that ring,
At that moment a fat man drinks, he laughs
While prayers are said by non-believers.
The fighter smiles and smells the air,
Crosses the lines, looks down on himself;
A child visits the zoo with her grandfather,
And the president waves that white cloth.
He gazes at the distinct toril door open,
Why do people have to stare?
The picadores have returned to the tunnel
And the banderillas have been placed;
He unfolds the muleta while the bull breathes
blood,
His sword sculpts a shadow on the red-
dened sand,
A ring is placed on a pale finger
As he nears the giant.
Dark clouds speed to the lonely man,
He spreads out his life
And tempts it like the devil,
The innocent mass is diverted.
A derechazo and both are one,
A right horn changes colour
Darkened in the faint brightness,
He knows nothing and crumbles.
The caudrilla stiffens,
The arena turns colour,
People laugh somewhere not knowing,
The sand is swept.*

*A dark few are gathered,
Is there really a God?*

Irwin Johnston (6th)

Co-Education

*When the girls come to High School
There'll be females everywhere,
Giggling in the classes
And perfume in the air.*

*When the girls come to High School
There'll be blondes and brunettes for all,
Hand holding in the classrooms
And kissing in the hall.*

*When the girls come to High School
We'll all make out a list
Of the things that won't be wanted
And the things that won't be kissed.*

*So when the girls come to High School
— won't give the fist,
— won't use his bopper
— These things won't be missed.*

*When the girls come to High School
They'd better be aware
Of a school rule
That states "No Long Hair".*

*So when the girls come to High School
You'd better be prepared
With a short back and sides
Like you ought to have been reared.*

*When the girls come to High School
Bad language will have to cease,
But as we speak no other language
We'll all be as quiet as meece.*

Owen Matthews (3B2)

Echoes

*They dwindle gently on your mind,
Though said many moments before
The words, like arrows, pierce
The relaxation of gentle thoughts:
Running lightly through Autumn fields,
Or fishing on the lakes of solitude,
Or floating high on a Summer cloud,
Or reflecting life on a pinhead,
Or . . . alas, I can think of no more,
For now the words are pouring
Like echoes on my mind. D. Green (4B2)*

Summer

*Nothing is so beautiful as summer
When peas in pods look green and mean and
gruesome
And the sea is as blue as the sky
The days are long and lovely
And the nights are short, squirt small,
And people sit sun-stroked on the baked
beach. Alan Browning (1B2)*

My Electric Dustbin

(Chapter 2)

A continuation of the thrilling saga what was wrote in the last ERASMIAN.

Having discovered that the instructions for assembling my electric dustbin were written in Arabic, I resolved to travel to Arabia. I sold my collection of Biggles books to raise funds for my expedition. I searched everywhere (including Rathmines) for a camel and finally discovered a camel farm outside Cork. I strapped on my toothbrush, bought a packet of polo mints, told my mother I might be late for tea and set off. We galloped into Dundrum after an hour and a few minutes later saw the Arabian border (patrolled by the Arabian Knights of course). We stopped at the red and white barber's pole and handed over our passports. My camel had some trouble as he had grown his hair since the photo had been taken but we finally got through.

On the road to the capital city, my camel contracted a whooping cough which caused me great embarrassment everytime he coughed, especially when we were entering the city through the low main gate. Well, at least I made my mark.

I took out my pocket phrase book and asked the policeman, who had stopped me for speeding on the main street, if he would translate the instructions. After a stream of vulgar obscenities, I was passed on to a learned gentleman by the name of Alfonsis who took a delight in repeating the words "Ah So". Half an hour and 342 "Ah So's" later I left, leaving my camel and packet of polo mints behind in payment.

I caught a No. 7 bus home in time for tea. After tea I started constructing the electric dustbin. As it took shape, my excitement and dahlias grew. At last it was finished! I plugged it in, threw the master switch, regulated the oscillator, turned on the jelodum, put it into gear, ate a mars bar, fed the cat, read the newspaper, ordered the milk, let out the clutch and . . . Nothing happened.

"Not another Power Strike," I yelled at the cat.

"Meow," he/she replied.

Colin Day (4A)

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The Asgard

On the 15th May, 1974, Mr. Hickmott led 4 boys from the High School on to the "Asgard" sailing boat. They were myself, R. Patterson, D. Taylor and O. Matthews.

The Asgard, as you know, is famous for the gun-running in Howth some 50 years ago.

Once on board, we were introduced to Captain Healy, and we were given oilskins to put on. Several other people joined us, and we were taught the "ropes" by some more proficient members of the crew. We were split up into two groups: one group to deal with the fore (the front end) and one to deal with the aft (the end!).

We were shown how to erect the sails, and how to make a secure knot, and how to switch the direction of the masts. There were four sails on the boat: (from aft to fore) the jib, the genoa, the main sail, and the bell mast.

At last, we set sail. Captain Healy steered us out of the harbour (by use of an engine) and from then on it was non-stop work: taking down sails, switching sail direction, etc.—we all had a 'go' at steering the boat, which was marvellous fun.

There was one thing that surprised us all about the "Asgard"—it is as modern as any boat you will see, yet it is far older than most.

It is in perfect condition, and sails as swiftly as any other boat.

When we arrived back in Dun Laoghaire, we were all thoroughly exhausted, and we finished off by thanking our host, and returning home.

Before I finish, I would like to thank Mr. Hickmott on behalf of all of us, for arranging this trip. We all had a marvellous time.

D. Green (4B2)

Letters to the Editor

Dear Sir,

As a pupil in this school, I would like to put forward a question to the "hierarchy". Why is it that prefects and head-prefect are chosen solely by the teachers? (That is how it appears to us pupils.) I am not asking that pupils should be given the total choice of who should be prefects, but that they might be allowed give their opinions or choice, and the final decision be left to the authority. After all, the original system of choosing was done by the pupils and teachers. I am sure the original idea

was that the most popular boys, but at the same time the most capable boys, be chosen.

Yours, etc.,

D. Green (4B2)

Dear Sir,

OUR SCHOOL COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT

Number of meetings—One.

Length—80 mins.

Present — Mr. Keegan, Mr. Peters, Mr. Hilliard, Miss Barcroft, Mr. Brook, plus seven powerless student representatives.

Achievements—None.

Impression—Artificial attempt at democracy.

Future—Bleak.

Pupil response—None.

Hopes — Response and demand required from students. Will females add new spark?

Future requirements — Total re-organisation and selection of staff representatives.

Here dies our chances of becoming prefects:

Yours, etc.,

Desmond S. King.

Philip Davison.

JUNIOR SCHOOL

The Boat Show

Yesterday I went to the boat show with my father. We saw a large number of boats—yachts, trawlers, speedboats, lifeboats and rowing boats. We also saw an exhibition of canoeing and underwater diving. The dearest boat was made in France and cost £8,000. This boat was a luxury one with nice sleeping apartments. I also saw the boat which was used by James Bond in "Live And Let Die". This was a speedboat, red and white in colour.

There was an interesting section on rescuing. It showed lifebelts, ropes and lifejackets. It gave advice on swimming and breathing under water.

The most interesting section was on how to build a trawler. Stage one showed the trees growing. Then we saw the timber cut up. Then we saw the vessel being made. I then saw the launching of the trawler. The final stage showed the trawler fishing.

Stephen Willoughby (J2)

Birds in Kenya

There are many more birds in Kenya than there are in Ireland and England. These are some of the common birds in Kenya: sparrows, robins, pigeons, weavers, fire-finches and purple backed starlings and many yellow billed kites. In our garden in Kenya we put out a bird table with food on it. Most of the birds like to eat seeds. One day we thought they should have some water so we made a bird bath, and they liked it. When a kite flew over our house, when the birds were there eating, they made a strange sound because they knew

the kite was around. When a snake was around the bulbul would make a sound, and that would be the warning to the other birds if they had not seen it. The fire-finch is very small, it is the size of a ping-pong ball and I used to call it a ping-pong ball. The weaver makes a very neat nest, it is like a straw bottle with two entrances. Some nests are not like a bottle, they are like a straw football. When I was in Kenya I wished I could have had a bird cage with a nice friendly rosses turaco in it. In Kenya one day my father was going somewhere and a bustard was in the road, and my father ran over it, and when he looked back it was not hurt because it had coiled its neck down. I like birds and I miss the African birds very much.

Simon Bocket (J1)

Sounds I Can Hear

At the moment I am writing an essay about Sounds I Can Hear. It really is surprising, if one listens, the sounds one can hear. Here are a few I can hear.

There is Theo kicking the ball against the wall. I hope he does not burst it, because we only bought it on Friday.

That must be the paperman because Rufus, our dog, is barking very loudly. I hope he does not tear the paper like he did yesterday morning.

Oh bother, that's the second time in half-an-hour that old noisy car has gone by. It certainly needs a good oiling and fixing up.

That is my sister riding her bicycle. That bell makes a frightful noise.

Now I can hear my mother calling me for my lunch. The lunch smells lovely and I know it will taste nice.

Now I can hear Ben, that lives across the road, barking fiercely. I wonder what he is barking at.

You must agree with me now, that if you really listen it is surprising all the sounds you can hear. Oh yes, I nearly forgot, the one sound I could hear the whole time I was writing my essay—the sound of my pen.

Mark Lyttle (J3)

blowing through the tumbled-down huts and the sound of an owl in the distance.

Suddenly there was a sound of flapping wings, and, up above, a flock of vultures wheeled around getting nearer and nearer the ground until they landed. Then they began to peck at the flesh, screeching loudly if one took a bit another wanted.

Two hours later when every bit of meat had been pecked away from the bones, the vultures took off and flew far away into the distance and all was left quiet again.

Alex Schultz (J4M)

The Cruel End

When the natives left the village it was still and quiet. The fire which the natives had lit was still smoking and the bodies of the warriors were strewn around with blood splattered all over the place.

An old man with a hump on his back and a long crooked nose hobbled around the bodies taking from them anything of value and putting it in his pockets. When he left, all was quiet again except for the noise of the wind

My Motor Car

*When I was a little boy
My car was my favourite toy,
But now that I am older
I prefer something bolder,
Something long and sleek and smooth,
Something that can really move
Up the hill around the bend,
Down the valley and through the glen;
These are the things which I ken
Are the joys of motoring for young men.*

Robin Cole (J4J)



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SCHOOL RECORD

School News

We congratulate Ian G. Burns on winning the Old Boys Cup for 1974.

We congratulate Mr. Wallace on his appointment to the Public Examination Evaluation Project set up by the Intermediate Review Committee based in Trinity. Mr. Wallace is co-ordinator of the work of history teachers with the project in devising new techniques of examining.

We congratulate Mr. Fennell and his wife on the birth of a daughter.

We congratulate Shane White whose study of freshwater crayfish in Lough Derravaragh was highly commended in the junior biology section of the Young Scientist Exhibition.

We congratulate Glen Styles on winning the All-Ireland sailing championships (under 15) in the "Measle" class of boat.

We congratulate Clive Ingram on winning the Rev. Ambrose Cup and the gold medal for boy sopranos at the Dublin Feis.

We congratulate D. Taylor who won six events at the B.B. Sports at Santry Stadium on 6th June, 1974, and was presented with a plaque for the best all-round sportsman of the evening.

We congratulate Chris Bishop, who is Irish Karting Champion for 1973.

We congratulate Tyrone Parfitt (6) on being highly commended by the judges of the Leinster Schools Photography Competition 1974 for his photograph called "Infinity".

We congratulate Professor F. S. L. Lyons on being Provost-elect of Trinity College, Dublin.

We congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Rose on the birth of a baby girl.

Mr. Cornish

On his retirement at the end of this term Mr. Cornish will have completed over forty years in the teaching profession. In this period of time he has worked in three schools and under five Headmasters. From 1933 to 1938 he was attached to Ranelagh School, Athlone, and from 1938 to 1948 he taught in Kilkenny College. Since 1948 he has been on the staff of the High School. Forty years' service is almost unique for teachers but it becomes a record when it is devoted without interruption, as in Mr. Cornish's case, to the



teaching of English and the coaching of cricket and rugby. With the help of some of his international friends I would like to record a tribute in our magazine to this remarkable achievement.

In 1948, Mr. Cornish came to the High School, Harcourt Street, with an established reputation as a teacher of English and a rugby and cricket coach. His status in Kilkenny College is admirably summed up for us by his rugby international friend, Bill Tector: "He has enlivened the lives of countless pupils both on the field and in the classroom. His generosity was outstanding. He gave generously of his time four days a week to cricket and rugby." Those connected with Mr. Cornish in High School over a period of twenty-six years would re-echo these words. One such is Wally Bornemann, who, after his initial rugby coaching at Belgrave Square from 1948 to 1952, went on to play for Wanderers Club for thirteen seasons and in the course of that time gained four international caps. The older readers of this article will recall with pleasure or pain the trek from Harcourt Street to Dartry, Palmerston, Milltown, Templeogue, Belgrave Square and the Phoenix Park to play or attend High School games. The move to Danum ended this "toing" and "froing" and allowed Mr. Cornish to organise rugby and cricket within the school grounds. As an organiser he was ruthlessly efficient—his notes to games masters required no replies, his teams had to be ticked off carefully, the matches had to be run in the best possible manner, teams had to tog out immaculately and captains had to report back after each match. J.C.'s motto was always "Get on with it!" This applied equally to learning poetry or writing essays or

winning matches or even holding staff meetings. The winning of the Leinster Schools Rugby Cup in 1973 for the first time by High School was the climax of the Cornish era. The quality of the win will long live in the memory of those who saw it. It was indeed a tonic provided by C. and C.! The letters and telegrams which poured into A7 bore evidence of this. At the time of writing I have not had access to these documents so I cannot quote from them.

May I end by wishing Mr. Cornish a happy and well-earned retirement on behalf of all his pupils and colleagues. We hope the words of the psalmist are not uppermost in your mind on the 28th June: "Forty years long was I grieved with this generation"! J.W.W.

A Dean's Medal

Why does the Dean of a Cathedral wear a medal when he is robed? A seal is an emblem of life. The medal worn by the Dean of a Cathedral has on it a reproduction of the seal of the Chapter as a symbol of the livingness, the life, the continuity of worship in the Cathedral.

After Disestablishment from 1st January, 1871, by the English Prime Minister, Gladstone, the Church of Ireland became a voluntary body, left to husband her own resources. This proved to be a blessing not at first recognised as such. General opinion on the matter was gloomy. Queen Victoria wrote in her diary: "Mr. Gladstone has destroyed the Irish Church." The

Alan Peters

1956—1974



At an early stage in his career in High School Alan Peters' worth as a pupil and a person was recognised. In 1968 he was the first winner of the newly-donated S. S. Evans Cup, an award that goes to the pupil of the Junior School who

best represents its fine tradition of involvement in and service to the school community. This was the first step on a ladder that led to success on the cricket and rugby fields, and a position as a School Prefect for the year 1973-4. But Alan will be remembered by all of us in High School, and his many friends outside, not for the successes in any particular spheres that came his way, but for what he was, a very reliable, unassuming, loyal friend who did what was right naturally, and did it with a kindness and good humour that never failed.

A.P.R.B.

Alan Dukelow Peters, known to everyone as P.J., was a great loss to his family, his relations and friends when he lost his life on March 10th, 1974. To everyone who knew him he has left happy memories of times well spent in his company. His placid, easy-going way of life and a wonderful sense of humour made him a very popular boy both in school and outside of school.

On the sports field he performed extremely well. He was gifted at rugby and cricket. He gained his 1st XV colours for the season just ended.

His loyalty to the school was rewarded when he was made a Prefect in his final year. He had a very good relationship with prefects and boys alike.

One of the many lessons I learnt from Alan during our years of friendship was that he was always quick to praise and slow to criticise. May we all learn this lesson for it is one well worth learning. Alan was a kind and true friend and I was privileged with his friendship. He will be remembered by all who knew him with great affection.

"He was faithful to his trust."

I.G.B.

newly-independent and financially disinherited Church set about planning her future, helped by tremendous devotion and self-sacrifice on the part of many of her members. Taking the opportunity to embrace a low church style of worship in deliberate contrast to the Churches of England and of Rome, she hastily discarded many things retained by them, as, for instance, copes and mitres, a cross on the altar, or a Dean's medal. We now, a hundred years later, and becoming more balanced in our attitudes, have restored the cross to the altars of our churches, and the Deans of St. Patrick's and Christ Church Cathedrals wear their medals every time they appear robed.

The late Dr. R. W. Reynolds, Headmaster for almost twenty years of the High School, had a deep affection for St. Patrick's Cathedral. The beauty of the choral services, the sense of history, the perfect architectural symmetry, the majesty yet homeliness (one could call it the Irishness) of the Cathedral all combined to make a profound impression on one acutely sensitive to the spiritual and transcendent, and evoked a devotion which found practical expression in active participation in many Cathedral activities such as the Council of The Friends. It is fitting that he is remembered to-day in St. Patrick's. The handsome silver-gilt and enamel medal now worn by the Dean is modelled on the Chapter Seal with the figure of St. Patrick set in relief against a background of St. Patrick's blue, and was given in June 1973. On the transverse it bears this inscription: "Presented for the use of the Dean of St. Patrick's in grateful memory of Ralph Wallace Reynolds (1910-1970) by his wife Dirney, as a mark of his profound love for the Cathedral and its long testimony to things of eternal value."

Careers

Careers Librarians:

D. Baker, A. Gray, R. Singleton, I. Slattery, R. Walshe.

Careers Talks:

High School is most grateful to the following people who gave up their time to talk to members of the 5th Form:—

Courses and Careers for Graduates:

D. Montgomery, Esq., Trinity College.

Department of Posts and Telegraphs:

M. Fenton, Esq.

Hotel Management:

C. Fennell, Esq., C.E.R.T.

Accountancy:

A. M. Molony, Esq., Craig Gardner & Co.

Architecture:

W. K. Hunt, Esq.

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F. O'Donovan, Esq., Allied Irish Banks.

Surveying:

M. Webb, Esq., Patterson & Kempster.

Computers:

F. P. Cremins, Esq., I.B.M. (Ireland) Ltd.

Merchant Navy:

Capt. M. Langran, Irish Shipping Ltd.

Advertising:

B. O'Broin, Esq., Collett, Dickenson, Pearce Ltd.

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B. Coyle, Esq., James Adams & Sons.

Business Studies Course:

Dr. F. Drechsler, Trinity College.

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M. de Renzy, Esq., Sedgwick Forbes (Ireland) Ltd.

Engineering: Dr. R. C. Cox, Trinity College.

Question Time

The annual Question Time, organised by the Old Boys' Union, was held in the Assembly Hall on 22nd November, 1973. Despite the electricity strike (which High School, fortunately, never suffered from) there was a good audience of parents and boys. Rather than the inter-schools question times of the previous two years the format reverted to the normal one of an inter-house and then an inter-schools section. The guest school this time was Sandford Park.

For the first part of the evening the houses gave us an exciting battle, with good answering from all teams. The feature was a new innovation for the youngest member of each team, where he was asked to mime a certain job or task for his opposite number to guess. The efforts of the boys to convey their job were often both mystifying and amusing; one boy's frantic circular motions were, it appeared, a man digging! After five rounds the score stood as follows:

Abbey — 24; Belgrave — 20; Galway — 30; Harcourt—26.

Subsequent rounds were tight, though they were enlivened by some novel answers. We learned that the Punjab was in Spain! Q.—Who was the Roman god of war? A.—Em, ah, er,

Caesar? A round involving tape recordings was very successful. Boys were offered a variety of questions, from identifying well-known (?) voices—skilfully disguised (one suspects accidentally) by the tape recorder, to putting a name to T.V. Signature tunes (the problem of one contestant not having a T.V. was not considered in this era of mass communications). Certainly, if the contestants were none too comfortable during this round, neither were the audience, as the front rows were bombarded with noise in the worthy cause of letting those at the back hear the recordings.

The final round of the contest was suitably close and exciting, and the result was:

1st, Galway—72; 2nd, Harcourt—69; 3rd, Abbey—68; 4th, Belgrave—58. The individual prize went to James Gibson, with the remarkable performance of answering all his questions correctly.

The contest with Sandford Park followed immediately, High School being represented by Roger Armstrong, Peter Mack, Rory Montgomery and Alan Ford. The questions for the first round were hardly formidable, as the questionmaster ensured that the teams settled down ("When is St. Patrick's Day?" "Er! Aah! Mmm! March?" "Yes! Did I hear March 17th? Very good! Well done!").

The musical round was more audible this time. As usual it was composed of 1950's musicals (which, if one is to judge by the standard of the answering, are favourite listening for High School pupils), and classical music (inevitably two questions, one on Handel's "Messiah" and the other on the Trumpet Voluntary). After eight rounds the score was as follows:

Sandford—58; High School—55.

The contest really heated up after this, with the partiality of the audience being displayed to the utmost. Universal groans met the failure of High School's competitor to discern the inevitable logic behind Tommy Docherty having the sobriquet "the Doc". A round of picture slides was inconclusive: no one, it appears, had the slightest knowledge of art, either modern or classical. The penultimate round left the score at 75 all with, as the cliché puts it, everything to play for. But Sandford inexorably pulled ahead, and finally triumphed by 83 marks to 79. Mrs. Keegan presented the cup to John Gregg, the Sandford captain, and the individual prize was shared by two Sandford boys, Brian Espey and Perry Share.

In conclusion one must congratulate the Old Boys' Union for such an enjoyable evening, and thank Mr. Keegan and Mr. Gardner and, most importantly, Dr. Bryan Wilkinson, the questionmaster, for the work they put into the evening. The unanimous opinion of all present was that the questions were of a very high standard, not only in their fairness, but also in their novelty and variety.

A.F.

The High School Concert 1974

The thirty-first annual concert took place on Friday and Saturday, 22nd and 23rd February, 1974, in the clockroom. It marked a change from the previous years, with the programme being wholly musical, rather than a combination of plays and music.

The evening began as always with the First Year Choir, conducted by Miss Barkley, who started with a pleasant rendering of Handel's "Where'er you walk", followed it by a lighter piece, "Bessie the Black Cat" and ended with the "Pilgrim's song" by T. Dunhill. One particularly pleasing feature of the choir was their good diction, a tribute to Miss Barkley's training throughout the year.

A pianistic interlude was provided by Alfred Potter, who gave a confident rendering of the third movement of Mozart's Sonata in F, and followed this by the familiar first movement of Beethoven's Moonlight Sonata. As always, he gave a pleasant display, despite the efforts of the audience to drown the music in the noise of coughing, sweet-paper rustling, etc.

The main part of the evening was taken up with the Choral Society's presentation of a Gilbert and Sullivan light opera. This year they performed "The Mikado", and under the direction of Miss Barkley they again fully held the attention of the audience for the rest of the evening.

This, of all Gilbert and Sullivan's operas, provides great scope for both acting and singing, and in both these fields the production had an outstanding performer. The acting of Graeme Murray as Ko Ko was outstanding, and the role enabled him to give full rein to his considerable histrionic abilities; every time he made an entrance he brought new life to the performance. His rendering of "I've got a little list" and "Tit Willow" went down particularly well with the audience, and such gems as "Self-decapitation is an extremely difficult—not to say dangerous—thing to do" were amusing

both because of themselves and the way they were put over.

The star singer of the evening was indubitably Carl Smyth, who, in the role of Yum Yum, captured the audience's hearts. Along with Peter Mack and Harry Campbell he gave a delightful performance of "Three little maids", a highlight of the evening, which was deservedly encored by the audience. Charles Wheeler's elaborate courtship of Yum Yum as Nanki Poo was a model of delicacy and Victorian romance. Other performances of note came from Brian Lewis as the Mikado, Gordon Bell as Poo Bah, and Philip Blom, who managed to bring a wonderful sense of repulsive hauteur to the part of Katisha.

The singing of the chorus, as well as the cast, showed the many hours of hard work that went into the evening, and the well-earned applause at the end was a suitable tribute to the work of the Choral Society and Miss Barklie.

Finally we must express our thanks to all those who worked so hard behind the scenes. Mr. O'Kane organised the concert as always most efficiently, and Mr. Peters and his stage hands saw to the setting up of the stage and the smooth running of the performances on the two nights. The applause was for them as well as the cast, for without them it would not be possible to produce the concert.

The Choral Society

The high point of our year came, as usual, in February, with the performance of Gilbert and Sullivan's "Mikado". It was well received in the school and when performed in St. Paul's Parish in Glenageary.

The Society has already begun to rehearse for next year's production, "H.M.S. Pinafore", which will be performed under somewhat different conditions than previous operas. Co-education is certain to revolutionise the Society.

Our thanks is due to Mr. Peters, the costume makers, and especially Miss Barklie herself. Our success and almost our very existence have depended for many years on her invaluable work. For her enthusiasm and, at times, her perseverance, no praise is too high. On behalf of the Society I should like to express my sincere thanks for her constant devotion throughout the years.

Graeme Murray (6th)

Drama Workshop

CHRISTMAS CONCERT 1973

On the last Thursday of Christmas term a concert of music and plays were performed by various groups of boys. This concert grew out of the original Drama Workshop which had given concerts for the previous two years and again the main requirements were that the various productions should be to a very large extent the work of the boys themselves with the help of Mr. Blackmore, Mr. Lewis and Mr. Broad wherever necessary. The concert turned out to be extremely popular and enthusiastically received by an audience which completely filled the main Assembly Hall and overflowed into the Entrance Hall. As well as providing a noisy and successful end to the term, the evening also showed that many boys have the ability to write, produce and perform works of a surprisingly high standard.

The concert opened with the first appearance of four boys from 3B2 (calling themselves "Mime of the Century" — Brian Beardsley, David Taylor, Jonathan Harte and Eric Boyle—who before the end of the evening had established themselves as the star performers in the sense that their act was received with such excitement and enthusiasm, although other groups perhaps showed more originality and dramatic talent. The boys performed on four different occasions, miming current pop-songs which ranged from the wildness of Slade to the sentimentality of Donny Osmond and the professionalism of The New Seekers. The dedication and hard work that had gone into the rehearsals made their act so convincing that some of the audience were persuaded that they were singing and not merely miming the numbers. Dressed in different clothes for each number, they provided continuous excitement whenever they appeared, although it was a pity that some of the audience, in their eagerness for the group to reappear, made it difficult for some of the other plays to be heard clearly. Special mention should be given to Brian Beardsley, who gave a most convincing performance that showed real acting ability in roles ranging from pretty girls to long-haired men.

The group's first appearance was a performance of a current hit record, "Merry Christmas", and this got the audience thoroughly warmed up for the plays that followed, the first three of which were all based on school-life and all written by the boys themselves,

which shows the dominant part school plays in their lives and thoughts even if some of the action in the plays was of a nature which, it is hoped, will never take place between 9 a.m.-4 p.m.! Two of them, performed by 1B2 and 2B1, showed teachers coming off second-best to some very unusual schoolboys. In the former the teacher got pelted with apples and one felt sympathy for Peter Herman and Brian Lewis, the two teachers, in their predicament. Perhaps the play could have contained more dialogue as it tended towards repetitiveness, but it was nevertheless well acted and easy to follow. The second play, performed by 2B1, centred on two well-portrayed toughs, Billy Sheridan and Guy Kilroy, being sent to the headmaster, Mr. Nigel Reid, for refusing to obey orders very convincingly given by Michael "Mr. Dawson" Baker. Here again some of the scenes were spoiled by too much noisy action rather than convincing dialogue and, as in the previous play, it was the lack of material which slightly hampered the good acting.

The third play featuring school-life was somewhat different. Produced and performed by 1B1, it consisted of a visit by the school inspector, David Wright, to a remote Kerry school dominated by a well-portrayed teacher, Alan Bolton, and his odd collection of pupils ranging from Harry Campbell as the son of a poor pig-farmer to Brian Dunlop who appeared to be an expert in everything. This play was well acted and was better received by the audience than the other because the dialogue was more convincing, although the second part, which showed the inspector being taken to a school football match (with commentary by Malcolm Hunt of 4B2), where the action consisted of various articles being produced on stage in response to the commentary was perhaps over-long and slightly under-rehearsed.

These plays were followed by the second appearance of Mime of the Century performing with rock numbers, as well as a performance of *Puppy Love* by Brian Beardsley that brought continuous screams of delight from the more youthful (presumably!) members of the audience. This was followed by one of the highlights of the evening, a superbly-acted production of a mime, "Park Bench", which mainly consisted of an objectionable tramp (Paul Willoughby) attempting to have a complete park bench to himself despite the protests of Peter Foss, Malcolm Shaw and Philip

Katz. All four boys showed a deep insight into the necessity for convincing movement and timing in a mime and they succeeded in holding the audience completely while they were on stage. The quality of the performance obviously reflected the amount of work that had gone into it and the boys deserve great praise for its success. Another performance of mime was given by John Mills of 3A who, in between acts, performed various athletic feats in mime, the most convincing of which showed him as a weight-lifter. John deserves special mention as he only came in at the last moment owing to the illness of David Meredith (3A) who was to have performed.

The next play was also the work of 3A which was unfortunately received in a disappointing fashion by the audience. The play was written by Alan Kelly and centred on an evening of television entertainment which consisted of advertisements, news-reading and a play. The play concerned the return of a rich American, Alan Kelly, to his ancestral home now occupied by "typical" Irish countrymen, Richard Godsil and Trevor Sargent. The acting was good and the idea well-conceived but the action was too slow for the audience's taste. This was mainly due to the excessive changes of scene and number of acts, a technical fault which, when remedied, will allow the writer to develop his obvious talent for play-writing more successfully.

The second singing group of the night followed consisting of a folk group led by Colin Fallon. The three boys had not played together before and could have done with more rehearsal, and also suffered by being compared with Mime of the Century, which was unfair to both groups. It would be interesting to hear the same three again after they had practised together more.

Perhaps the most popular and best received play was performed next. This consisted of a sketch by four sixth formers, Gordon Bell, Geoffrey Reeves, Irwin Johnston and Colin Mahon, and Karl Daly of 4B2, called "Old Moore's Almanac". This was a play within a play, performed at the last minute with "inappropriate" costumes and "impromptu" lines. All the cast acted with great gusto and because of their age, had the ability to dominate the audience with their large voices. This meant that every word could be heard clearly and none of the jokes was lost. What a pity more of the senior classes do not involve themselves in these productions, as this group

showed great stage presence and command of timing and a considerable ability for "real" impromptu lines and set an excellent example to the younger groups.

More television advertisements followed, this time performed by 3B2 and consisting of satirical and often highly amusing rehashes of well-known advertisements. This was a lively interlude featuring, among others, Stuart Kevelighan and Owen Matthews, who were particularly amusing, and provided a contrast to the two 4th form plays which followed the third riotous appearance of Mime of the Century.

The first of these was an extremely well-rehearsed and acted version of a story in which a man (John Hick), being arrested for making illegal whiskey by a lawman (David Green), finally manages to convince his captor that he should be allowed to go free. The play lasted for 30 minutes and as it mainly consisted of a conversation between the two in excellent American accents the boys both deserve great credit for their mastery of their lines, the clarity of their diction, and their ability to make a play which was so lacking in action so popular to the whole audience.

The final play again showed the producing talent of Colin Day and it was unfortunate that the noise of the audience often made it difficult to follow. It was a well-conceived and very amusing farce called "The Vicar's Birthday Party" in which noble ladies of an obviously upper-class parish decided to surprise the vicar with a birthday present and the resulting scenes were full of very enjoyable comedy. Among the very competent set of actors, Keith Willis, Colin Sainsbury and Stephen Mercer deserve particular mention.

To close the evening, Mime of the Century reappeared to mime "Merry Christmas" and this very catchy tune caused almost the whole audience either to sing along, get up and dance, or simply cheer. This was certainly a very noisy and hectic end to an evening which was enjoyed hugely by the audience and, more important, by the large number of boys (over one hundred) who took part. The main idea of the concert was to persuade and encourage boys to appear onstage in their own production, and the large number of boys who responded make it imperative that this sort of production become an annual event. Again it was disappointing that there were so few actors from 5th and 6th year onstage and it is to be hoped that they will

join in more fully next year. Four fifth form boys—Michael Gill, Brian Ross, Brian Abbott and Robert Dunn—do, however, deserve great thanks for the very hard work they put in to help with the lights, sound and general help back-stage, which was a very important contribution to a very successful evening.

The Music Society

Although we had other successful evenings during the Easter term, the highlight of our programme was a concert performed by the Dublin Symphony Orchestra, leader Colin Block.

After introducing the audience to each of the instruments in the orchestra by briefly describing it and having it played, the programme started with Schubert's "Unfinished Symphony" (1st movement only). Sibelius's "Finlandia", which followed, being a very lively piece, was much enjoyed by all. The third piece was "Concerto for Flute and Orchestra" by Telemann, and the last was Arnold's "Little Suite for Orchestra", another lively piece well suited to finish the programme.

Our thanks to the Dublin Symphony Orchestra for their concert, and to Ken Shellard, who introduced the records for one of our meetings. His choice of music, in particular "Captain Noah", sung by the King Singers, was much admired by all who attended.

Finally, our thanks to Mr. Hilliard, without whom our meetings would not be possible.

The Chess Society

I am pleased to report that the Chess Society has had a great inflow of supporters, bringing the membership up to 48, but attendance has been inclined to fall off with the approach of good weather.

The highlight of this term was the match played against the Old Boys. Although we fought to the last pawn, age and experience won the day.

Next year we hope to attract many female members to our Society.

The Chess Club meets every day at Big Break in C.5, where new members are adequately catered for. We would further like to thank Mr. Hilliard for the use of his room and invaluable experience.

Jonathan Caplin (Treasurer) (5th)

Debating Society

The Debating Society had one of its most successful years for a long time. In addition to the normal school debates, the Society held an Inter-Schools Debate as well as jointly sponsoring an Inter-Schools Oratory Competition.

In the regular school debates attendance was low, but not disappointingly so, and the standard of debating was generally quite high. Among the motions debated were that "It is the duty of every High School pupil to attend rugby cup matches", and that "The Coalition Government has failed". Not surprisingly the latter motion was defeated, thanks to the impassioned advocacy of Hayes Dockrell for one of the governing parties. Mr. Dockrell also won the Debating Society Medal for the most consistent orator and debater for the 1973-74 session.

The Inter-Schools debate which the Society held on 22nd January in the Library, turned out to be a greater success than was thought possible. Well over one hundred people were crammed into the Library, and six schools debated the motion "That Religion is Bunk", with Rev. James Hartin in the chair. After a long, sometimes impassioned, and always interesting debate the motion was finally defeated by some 40 votes.

The success of this debate encouraged the Society in a more ambitious venture—an Inter-Schools Oratory Competition. Thanks to the very generous sponsorship of the High School Parents' Association, who provided £10 towards the expenses of the competition, the Society were able to organise it on a north and south Dublin basis, in co-operation with the Mount Temple Debating Society. In the High School heat of the competition, ten south Dublin Schools debated the motion that "This house prefers monarchies to republics". Held in the clockroom, there was again an attendance of well over one hundred, and the High School pupils were treated to a brilliant performance from their representative, Graeme Murray, whom the adjudicators from the Historical Society of T.C.D., and the Literary and Historical Society of U.C.D. had no hesitation in placing first; along with four other competitors he proceeded to the final of the competition, held at Mount Temple on 19th March. Here, speaking on the motion that "Trade Unions have outlived their usefulness", with Mr. John Carroll of the ITGWU in the chair,

Graeme Murray was beaten into second place by Miss Lucy Coakley of Our Lady's Grove convent. Miss Coakley received a trophy presented by the Mount Temple Society as well as a £3.50 book token, and Graeme Murray received the runners-up prize of a £2 book token.

The final matter which the Society has had to consider has been the merger with Diocesan School and its effect on the Debating Society. At an Extraordinary General Meeting held on 4th April, 1974, the Auditor, Secretary and Committee tendered their resignation to enable the Society to elect new officers and a fresh committee, all of whom would be present in school next year, so that the matter of amalgamation with the Diocesan Debating Society (if such a course is decided upon) can be organised as smoothly as possible. The new Auditor elected at the meeting was Stephen Hinds, while Rory Montgomery was elected as Secretary. The Committee chosen was: Graeme Murray, William Fullerton, Philip Sterne and Stephen Malkinson. In conclusion, it seems appropriate to wish this committee and the officers every success in the future year. With the basis of support which has been discovered over the past year, and the influx of new support which will inevitably come with the Diocesan Debating Society, the success seems to be assured.

The Library

As the Library expands and diversifies into many fields of study, we find that it is being used increasingly by students and staff, both in lunch breaks and after school. This is a very pleasing trend. During the year many new, expensive and interesting books have been added to the Library. At this point I, on behalf of the committee, would like to take this opportunity to express our sincerest gratitude to the Old Boys, who in the 1973 appeal raised the sum of £101. This is a record amount. Our gratitude goes to the Parents Association who helped towards the purchase of the Encyclopædia Britannica (New Ed.) and to Mr. Dungan for his gift of the book "Land of Nicholas Copernicus". This purchase consists of 30 volumes and is in two sections—a small one for quick reference and a larger one for more comprehensive articles. This addition to the Library is already proving to be a very useful asset. Many thanks also to Dr. and Mrs. N. Smyth for presenting "Rugby under Pressure".

Committee: M. Cann, A. Cole, N. Couse, S. Dowds, D. Faulkner, C. Gray, K. Harris, S. Hinds, E. Meredith, N. Monaghan, A. Moore, E. Moss, G. Murray, S. O'Brien, G. Reeves, M. Risk, P. Roberts, P. Ross, S. Rowe, S. Slager.
A. Cole (6th)

Hobbies & Projects Exhibition

Class Project

1st—3A.

Group Projects

1st—Dublin Bay (5); 2nd—Food.

Individual Projects

1st—K. Duncan (3); 2nd—G. Colclough (3); 3rd—P. Negus (3).

Science

1st (Under 14)—Shane White (2); 2nd (do.)—I. McMullan (2); 1st (Over 14)—E. Lee (5).

Art

6th Form—G. Spendlove, I. Epstein; 5th Form—G. Richards, P. Davison, D. Dockrell; 4th Form—T. Turner; 3rd Form—B. Beardsley, V. Malirish, T. Sergeant; 2nd Form—S. White, L. Grossman.

Craft

Best overall entry at Exhibition—I. Jackson (5), M. Gill (5); 2nd—R. Mossop (6); 1st (Under 14)—P. Morrison (2); 2nd (do.)—A. Borton (1).

Models

1st—C. Moore (2); 2nd—G. Kilroy (2).

Working Models

1st—B. Sheridan (2); 2nd—K. Moore (3).

Collections

1st—D. Lowe (5); 2nd—P. Herman (4); N. Chambers (2).

Photography

1st (Over 14)—T. Parfitt (6); 1st (Under 14)—T. Sergeant (3); 2nd (do.)—J. Lawson (3).

Cookery

1st—H. Chaloner (2); 2nd—M. Baker (2), B. Glass (2); Special (Sweets)—J. Nicholls (1).

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Cookery

1st—Julian Khan; 2nd—G. Hand.

Art

1st—R. Foley; 2nd—M. Jenkins, G. Willis.

Craft

1st—Gary Hunt; 2nd—Phillip Burrell.

Models

1st—D. Jones, L. Blom, M. Lyttle; 2nd—P. Boles; Special—D. Garret.

Number of entries, 102. Number of projects, 17. Total prize money, £36.

Parents' Association

The strength of an Association is dependent on its Members and the support it receives. We are very fortunate in having received considerable support over this last year from our Associates and friends for the various functions we have run and would be pleased if Parents, who are not Members, would join this coming year.

Through subscriptions and other fund-raising activities, we are able to provide finance for extra curricular activities in the School and this year subscribed to the Canoe Club, Orienteering Club, Sub-Aqua Club, Chess Club, Debating Society, the School Library, and Junior Library and helped to finance the prizes for the Hobbies Exhibition. We were also able to help the School buy a record player and a long carrying lens for their projector.

A trophy for the Basketball Competition has also been presented to the School and we hope that this will stimulate further interest in the game.

We are most grateful to the speakers who came along to give us talks on a variety of topics during the year and would be interested to hear of any suggestions for future meetings.

The Wine and Cheese function which was held in February once again proved to be an outstanding success both socially and financially and we understand that many Old Boys renew acquaintances at this function.

The Parents v. Masters Golf outing was held in May and proved once again to be a very enjoyable event particularly as the weather was favourable.

There are still two fixtures to be played off this term: the tennis match between the Mothers and the Boys and the cricket match between the Parents and the Masters, and it is understood that several Parents have gone into training for the encounter.

We hope you all have a most enjoyable summer holiday and look forward to meeting you again in the new school year.

W. K. Hunt, Hon. Sec.

SPORTS REVIEW

Masters v. Boys Soccer Match

On the 3rd of April, 1974, the Boys played the Masters in a soccer match. It was tense, exciting, full of action, and it ended 5-4 to the Masters, but the Boys were unlucky.

In the first 15 minutes, the Masters put tremendous pressure on the Boys, forcing Speller to make two fine saves, but the goal had to come. Blackmore ran down the centre of the field, leaving two players spreadeagled behind him; he passed to Hickmott, who lobbed over the goalkeeper's head to the on-coming Beere, who had an open goal in front of him. 1-0 and play restarted, but almost immediately the Masters grabbed another goal. This time it was Lewis, who passed it to Hickmott running down the left wing. Hickmott beat Sheridan and hit a shot (which he denies was a centre) into the goal and it was 2-0. But the Boys didn't give up.

After attacking the Masters' goal for 10 minutes, the ball broke to Whitehead, who beat Cole for speed, and Hilliard, and he shot it into the top corner, leaving Fennell, in goal, with no chance. At the tip-off, the ball was lobbed by Taylor (the man of the match), into the goalmouth, the Masters failed to get it away and it fell to Matthews, who made no mistake. The Boys were now confident. Lewis hit the ball to Kavanagh, who beat two players but Speller was superb. He threw the ball out to Green. Green slipped past McMullen, a high ball to Morrison, who gave a precision pass to Whitehead. Whitehead, on the half-volley, shot it into the far corner to make it 3-2 to the Boys. The Boys, however, became too incautious and with every man in the Masters' half, the ball broke to Beere, who ran 30 yards to score just on half-time, 3-3!

The football in the second half was just as good. Ten minutes after the interval Taylor grabbed a goal after a mix-up in the goalmouth—4-3, and all to play for.

With 15 minutes to go, the Boys were pressurising. Toomey appeared to handle in the area but no penalty was given, but instead a free kick to the Masters. The ball was played out to Hilliard. He played a one-two with Kavanagh and chipped it over Farrar's head to Hickmott. A bad ball. Hickmott raced to the ball against Sheridan. It appeared that

Sheridan had won it, when he was pushed off the ball and Hickmott streaked in to hit the ball past Speller—4-4. The Boys now pressed for a goal. Cormack played the ball to Cottell. A fine ball from him to Belford. Belford centred and Farrar just missed. With all the boys in the Masters' half, the atmosphere was electric. The ball broke out to Lewis in the dying seconds; he played it to McMullen, who was surely 20 yards offside but the ref. said play on.

The Boys couldn't believe it (neither could the Masters) as McMullen made no mistake. Seconds later the whistle blew for full-time and the Boys trotted into the dressingroom, beaten and wondering.

Masters—Fennell, Cole, McMullen, Blackmore, Hilliard, Richards, Lewis, Beere, Toomey, Hickmott, Kavanagh.

Boys—Speller, Belford, Sheridan, Taylor, Green, Morrison, Cormack, Cottell, Farrar, Whitehead, Matthews. *D. Green (4B2)*

Rugby Report

Team	P	W	L	D	Pts	
					F	A
S.C.T.	19	10	9	0	196	203
2nd XV	15	4	11	0	127	271
3rd XV	4	1	3	0	42	86
Form IV Seniors	2	0	2	0	15	46
J.C.T.	22	8	12	2	253	224
J.C.T. 2nd XV	7	1	5	1	43	156
Under 14	24	7	16	1	208	436
Under 14 2nd XV	4	1	3	0	25	158
Under 13	18	11	7	0	213	251
Under 13 2nd XV	4	1	3	0	42	48
Under 12	17	2	14	1	114	328
Under 11	11	4	6	1	52	126
Under 10	14	3	10	1	90	224

S.C.T.

This year's S.C.T. unfortunately were not as successful as last year's team.

They had a fair season up to Christmas with good wins over Terenure, 7-6, and St. Columba's, 18-3. The forwards had plenty of height and weight but they could not combine together as a pack. The backs were all strong runners and had an excellent out-half in the captain, Ian Burns.

On the English tour at Christmas the S.C.T. had two magnificent victories, over Wycliffe College, 16-6, and King's School, 23-0, whom we sincerely thank for their hospitality. This was followed by wins over St. Mary's and Newbridge.

In the first round of the Cup, High School met St. Columba's at Anglesea Road. This match was played in very bad conditions. In ruck, loose and line-out, the pack was outplayed. But the S.C.T. survived, thanks to Ian Burns and some fine running by the backs. With 16 minutes of the second half gone Burns scored a great try, beating several defenders. Seven minutes later, Burns kicked a penalty goal and then Guy Burgess scored from blocking a clearance. In the last minute, a beautiful back movement saw the ball travel right across the line, with Peter Robbie scoring. This stretched the winning margin. High School won 15-0.

In the next round High School met Castleknock at Donnybrook. In the first half Castleknock were leading 3-0 from a penalty goal, with both sides being evenly matched. But in the second half things began to change. The pack showed a dramatic improvement, winning possession everywhere. Immediately High School went into attack and scored a great try. From a ruck the ball came back like a flash, being fed out to O'Kelly, who scored.

Throughout the game High School had several near misses from penalty goals and drop-goals. Then, five minutes from the end, Molloy, the Castleknock centre, scored a brilliant try by sprinting 65 yards. A further attack was of no avail, and so, although they won everywhere except on the score line, the S.C.T. had to surrender the Leinster Schools Cup, losing 7-4 to Castleknock.

2nd XV

The 2nd XV also had a fair season. They started the season well by beating Templeogue and St. Andrew's, but these successes were followed by a line of defeats.

The tackling was bad and there was a bad link between the forwards and backs. The mobile pack deprived their backs of possession in many matches.

However, the team played extremely well in the League. They lost two of their matches very narrowly to Blackrock, 3-15, and to De La Salle, 3-4. But they ended on a good note by beating Belvedere, 22-12. Blackrock, in fact, were the eventual winners of the League.

The 3rd XV won one of their four matches, beating C.B.C., 28-10. A couple of matches were arranged for a Form IV Seniors side.

J.C.T.

This year's Junior Cup team had quite a good season. They had a very big pack, which proved to be the strong point of the team.

The tackling and passing were poor, and the backs tended to waste the forwards' possession. They had, however, good place-kickers in Young and Farrar.

The J.C.T. had some very large victories during the season and they drew with Belvedere, 12-12, and lost narrowly to Campbell College 9-16, Terenure 7-14, and to St. Mary's 0-8.

The team had a tough assignment in the first round of the Cup against Blackrock at Donnybrook. The team defended well while the pack were slow to start at first. Blackrock took the initiative by scoring with a penalty goal and a try. After this, the High School pack began to get more possession. This, however, was wasted by the backs. High School never recovered, missing with several penalty kicks. Blackrock ran out eventual winners by 9-0. The pack played very well, winning most possession from rucks and scrums. Peter De Lacy and Paul Farrar were the best backs.

UNDER 14

The Under 14 team was a small one this year. They started the season very badly with several heavy defeats, due to bad tackling and handling. However, after Christmas they improved rapidly with great determination. Their better results were a 6-4 win over Templeogue, a 14-0 win over St. Mary's, and a 22-3 win over Castleknock.

This team should do well next season, when most of them will be on the J.C.T. The Under 14 2nd team had an excellent 18-8 victory over Terenure.

UNDER 13

The Under 13's played quite well this season. The backs and forwards linked up well together, but their forwards were the strong point of the team. In fact the pack scored most of the team's points. Most of their wins were at the end of the season; these included victories over Gonzaga 18-6, Carlow 4-3 and 24-10, and Wesley 20-4.

UNDER 12

The Under 12 team had a poor season. The tackling and defence was bad, but improved

rapidly as the season went on. Cottell proved to be a very capable out-half. They won only two of their matches, a 7-0 win over Wesley and a 36-0 win over Sandford.

UNDER 11

The Under 11 team played well. Unfortunately they had very few matches, but their improvement was shown by winning their last three matches. The three victories were against St. Andrew's, 12-4 and 6-0, and against Carlow, 18-8.

UNDER 10

The Under 10's had more matches than usual this season. This team shows great maturity and skill. They were unlucky in losing some of their matches by a point or two. They had victories over Terenure 12-8 and Gonzaga 18-12. The team finished the season well with an 18-6 win over Carlow.

Once again we thank Carlow for inviting teams down and receiving them so well.

G. D. Willoughby (Hon. Sec.)

Cricket

STATISTICS

	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn
S.C.T.	7	2	3	2
2nd XI	1	—	1	—
J.C.T.	3	2	1	—
Under 14	4	1	3	—
Under 13	1	1	—	—
Under 12	—	—	—	—

Unfortunately, due to the bad weather and the bus strike, the younger teams have not played as many matches as they would have liked. However, the enthusiasm is still very high.

S.C.T.

The S.C.T. started off the season disappointingly due to the lack of practice. The team suffered three bad defeats by Belvedere, Masonic and St. Columba's. The team improved steadily and drew with the Leprechauns. In this match H. Block took 7 wickets and H. Dockrell carried his bat making 51 not out.

In the first League match, batting first, the team declared at 120 for 6, of which G. Burgess scored 54 not out. In reply, King's Hospital made the rather low total of 48, due to the bowling of I. Burns, who got 6 wickets for 20 runs. Against St. Mary's, who were the main contenders in the section, again batting first, the team reached the useful total of 118 for 8 (I. Burns 61). In reply, St. Mary's defended

and reached the total of 79 for 1 at the end of play. The other League match was against Masonic, who were all out for 29, A. Ford taking 7 wickets for 8 runs. The team now has to play St. Mary's in the play-off, the winners of which are in the final against Wesley.

2nd XI

The 2nd XI have only played one match to date. In this match, the team was beaten by St. Mary's, who had several 1st XI players on. In the near future, the 2nd XI will be playing St. Columba's, St. Paul's and King's Hospital in the League.

J.C.T.

This year's J.C.T. has great potential and should do very well in the League. They have played three matches, winning two and losing the other by one wicket to St. Columba's. The J.C.T. have only played one of their League matches and that was against St. Andrew's, who were all out for 48. The J.C.T. reached that total for the loss of 7 wickets. The team now has to play Wesley and Mount Temple in the League.

UNDER 14

The Under 14's have only played four of the eight arranged matches, due to the postponement of the four other matches. Their only win was against St. Columba's in the League, in which Cole hit 25 out of the total of 63. Against Wesley, B. Motyer scored a fine 31. In the other League match, the team was beaten by St. Mary's.

UNDER 13

The Under 13's have played one match so far, but they have five or six arranged for the future. Batting first, St. Andrew's made the rather low total of 29. The team replied by making 32 for 6 without difficulty.

UNDER 12 and UNDER 11

Neither of the above teams have played any matches so far, yet they are looking towards the arranged matches with enthusiasm.

Derek Dockrell (Hon. Sec.)

Boxing Club

Captain, Paul Ross; Vice-Captain, Stephen Shera.

This was the Boxing Club's most successful year for a long time. It was highlighted by the championships, held in the Main Hall on 28th March, 1974. Throughout the year there has

been a consistently large attendance and this was the first year that there hasn't been a problem getting senior members of the school to participate.

We were very unlucky not to have more bouts in the championships. Stephen Shera, the vice-captain, broke his collar-bone and Y. Paddayachee was declared unfit by Dr. Smith, who very kindly gave us the medical inspection prior to the championships. This was a great pity as these two are very prominent members of the club. Also M. O'Brien was sick so his bout with P. Finn was cancelled.

<i>Green</i>	<i>Red</i>	<i>Wt.</i>
R. Love (B)	bt P. Milofsky (H)	7-0
M. Aherne (A)	D. Connor (B)	7-7
P. Morrison (G)	lost to E. Boyle (B)	8-0
A. Sherwood (A)	lost to D. Meredith (B)	8-0
C. Fallon* (H)	bt C. Motyer (A)	8-7
S. Kevelighan (A)	bt M. Shaw (H)	9-0
P. Alexander (B)	lost to J. Gibson (A)	9-7
D. O'Brien (H)	lost to D. Packham (B)	9-7
P. Ross (H)	bt I. Burns (B)	10-0

*The Jackie Stafford Shield was awarded to Colin Fallon.

Officials: M.C.—Mr. K. Gregory; Referee—Mr. A. Myles; Judges—Mr. R. Miller, Mr. G. Keegan, Mr. B. Gregory, Mr. M. Hilliard; Seconds—Mr. J. Fallon; Timekeeper—Mr. C. Richards; Coaches—Mr. A. Myles and Mr. W. O'Connor.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr. Myles and Mr. O'Connor for their tremendously hard work in arranging the championships and coaching us during the year. We are greatly indebted to them.

I would also like to thank the officials and Mr. Peters and his crew for erecting the boxing ring.

Paul Ross

Athletics

This has been a very successful season for the Athletics Club. The interest in athletics has doubled this season; boys of all ages throughout the school have taken an interest. This season we had an inter-schools match against St. Columba's. A good standard was achieved all round and although we were beaten by 128 pts. to 100, every competitor gained valuable experience at a competitive level.

Shortly after this match the school entered its team for the Leinster zone track and field championships. The school achieved the best results that it has had for many years with 8 boys qualifying towards the Leinster finals.

Qualifiers in Track Events

Senior—David Harrison, 100m Hurdles; Tom Wren, do.

Intermediate—Wayne Duffy, 1500 metres; Jan Huissoon, 800 metres; Charles Wheeler, 800 metres.

Junior—David Taylor, 1500 metres.

And in the Field Events

Senior Discus—John Caplin.

Junior Long Jump—John Lawson.

In the Leinster finals all of these boys gave great performances and of the above 8 five received medals; a tremendous achievement by any standards. Even though three of the boys did not qualify they performed very well indeed. Special mention must go to Charles Wheeler, who, although he did not qualify, clocked his fastest time of the season.

Another person who deserves mention is Jan Huissoon, who is along with Charles Wheeler in his first season in athletics. Jan ran into a very good third place to qualify for the All-Ireland Championships. It is interesting to note that this 800 metres event was won in a new record time.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish the five remaining boys, D. Harrison, T. Wren, J. Huissoon, D. Taylor and J. Lawson, the very best in the All-Ireland Championships in Belfast on the 8th June.

The Annual School Sports will be held on Saturday, June 22nd.

On behalf of the athletes in the school I wish to thank Mr. Toomey, Mr. Rose and Mr. Myles for their time in coaching and advising us throughout the season.

David Cornick (6th)

The Swimming Club

This year the Swimming Club began the term very successfully. There were large attendances every Tuesday night. Unfortunately, the Church of Ireland Training College had to close their pool, due to circumstances beyond their control, for the Easter term.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Church of Ireland Training College for the use of their pool, and thanks to Mr. Myles and Mr. McMullen for their help and sound advice.

The school swimming gala was held on Tuesday, 28th May, and it was a great success. The Senior Championship was won by Denis O'Brien and the Junior Championship was won by G. Thompson. I would like to take this

opportunity to thank all the staff who gave their invaluable assistance on the evening of the gala, and all those who made the evening a great success.

This year the school swimming committee consisted of H. O'Keeffe (Captain), J. Fitzgerald (Vice-Captain), W. Campbell (Hon. Secretary).

I hope that more senior boys will avail of the facilities provided by the Church of Ireland Training College next year.

H. O'Keeffe (6th)

Badminton

The teams this year did well but not well enough to gain any honours. The first team won their section of the League only to be beaten in the final by Gormanston. The second team were runners-up in their section. The Junior firsts missed getting into the final by one point, and the second Juniors were runners-up in their section. The school tournaments are running well with finals to be played in both. Mrs. Kelly ran a very successful class for boys in the Junior School for which we are grateful.

Captain: Richard Gray; Secretary: Michael Gill; Committee: R. Mossop, P. De Lacy.

Michael Gill (5th)

Snorkling Notes

Since Christmas the Snorkel Club has had no pool; this is due to the energy crisis as the Church of Ireland Training College's pool had to be emptied. Nevertheless, some members have kept to the water, diving either on their own or with other clubs. It is hoped that next term we will again have the use of the pool and also £50 worth of equipment, masks, fins and snorkels, which we hope to buy during the holidays.

Many thanks are given to all who have helped us during the year, especially Mr. Meade and Mr. MacMullen.

C. Mahon

Tennis

This year saw the entry of a team into the Leinster Senior Schools Tennis Championships. We were unfortunate in being drawn against last year's semi-finalists, Newbridge College. Their team was just as strong this year and High School, represented by T. Wren, B. Crowe, J. Turner, G. McCoy, R. Grey and A. Cormack, lost by 4 matches to 1.

The annual Mothers v. Boys match will be played on the 25th June. The Boys hope to

avenge the defeat suffered at the hands of a strong Mothers team last year.

There has been a keen interest in the School's own Tennis Championships, with a large entry in both Senior and Junior Cups. We hope this interest in tennis will be maintained when the school becomes co-educational next year.

I would like to thank Mr. Wallace for his valuable assistance and the Brookfield Tennis Club for allowing us to use their club facilities.

Last year's winners of the Tennis Championships were as follows: P. Rungasamy, who beat J. Turner in the final of the Senior Championship to win the Sealy Cup; P. Negus, who beat P. De Lacy in the final of the Junior Championship to win the Harcourt Cup.

B. Crowe.

The Canoe Club

The HSCC has got off to a good start this year. It is the second year of the club's existence and has now approximately 85 members. New officers were elected at the AGM: W. Hughes was elected Chairman; J. P. Huissoon, Secretary; M. Hunt, Equipment Officer; W. Lee, Treasurer, and J. Dowds.

There have been four river trips to the Liffey since the AGM and all these have been fully "booked out". River trips to the Boyne, the Nore and the Avonmore have been proposed and are being organised. The Club has been training on the Dodder River during the week, those interested going down to the river on the days they normally have games.

Some of the boys have been participating in canoe races, seven entering in the Leixlip-Palmerstown schools' race. Over 300 competitors from various schools took part in this race so the competition was very great.

It is hoped that a K1 boat will be purchased as soon as money is available. This type of boat is very long and narrow and is used for racing, and it would be a great asset to the Club to own one. Three new boats have been bought: one from funds of the S. S. Evans Memorial and two from money supplied by the Parents' Association. Slalom gates have been made by N. Monaghan for use on the Dodder River.

Great thanks are due to Mr. Broad, who has accompanied each river trip, and also to Mr. Hilliard, who, along with Mr. Broad, has provided transport to and from the Liffey and without whom the Club's river trips would not be possible.

J.P.H.



OLD BOYS' UNION



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Cricket—Mr. J. C. Robbie.

Joint Golf—Mr. D. Lewis and Mr. T. Bates.

Badminton—Mr. S. Wright.

Dance—Mr. R. McConnell.

COMMITTEE:

G. A. Chadwick, H. L. Drew, M. H. Gault, T. W. R. Meates, J. D. Ridgeway, F. E. Sowman, B. R. Wilkinson, D. Went.

Annual Dinner

The Annual Dinner held in the school on 19th January was very well attended and most successful. Our President was in the chair and his speech in proposing the toast to the guests will go on record as being one of the most amusing and interesting ever heard at an O.B.U. Dinner. His Grace The Lord Archbishop of Dublin, Dr. Buchanan, replied on behalf of the guests. The Guest of Honour was Senator M. B. Yeats, who proposed the toast to the School, to which the Headmaster replied. Our good friends Jack Cowle, Robert McCullagh, Brendan McShane and Maurice O'Sullivan provided excellent entertainment and a most enjoyable evening was had by all.

Members should note that a break with tradition has to be introduced as and from next year. Because of the new arrangements regarding Rugby International fixtures, the Irish team will be involved in a match either at home or away on the third Saturday every January and the Committee has agreed that as and from 1975 the Annual Dinner should be held on the fourth Saturday in January. The

Annual Dinner in 1975 will therefore be held on January 25th at the School.

London Dinner

The London Dinner was held as usual on the eve of the Ireland v. England Rugby International at Twickenham. On this occasion the venue was the London Tara Hotel, which proved most successful. The attendance was somewhat lower than usual but those present enjoyed a most successful evening. The toast to the School was proposed in a most witty and interesting manner by Mrs. R. J. Fitzgerald to which the Headmaster replied. Our President proposed the toast to the Guests and Mr. Ivor Boden replied. The musical entertainment in the capable hands of Mr. Bob McCullagh, Brendan McShane, Mrs. Derryl Gilfeather and Billy Dungan, was very much appreciated by all.

It is regrettable that more Members of the Union who reside in the U.K. do not make an effort to attend the London Dinner. The costs involved have now reached such a level that the future of this function can only be guaranteed if adequate support is received. It would be a great pity to see such an enjoyable social occasion lapse because of lack of interest from Old Boys, who, after all, are only asked for their support once every two years.

Golf

The decline in the support for the Golf activities of the Union was once again evident at the Annual A.S.U. Golf outing. High School with considerable difficulty managed to enter a full team which finished 13 out of 14. This is not a reflection on those golfers who turned up and gave of their best, but rather a reflection on those Golfing Members who did not support the Union and compete. This apparent disinterest may well be due to a general lack of understanding of the A.S.U. and what it represents. However, as far as the Golf outing

is concerned full details are available and Members who would like to be involved in this event next year should give their names and addresses to either of the Golf Secretaries or any Committee Member and they will be circularised with full information.

The Annual Golf outing of the Union will be held at the Grange Golf Club on Thursday, 29th August. A circular giving details is enclosed herewith and full support, particularly from the younger Members of the Union, is requested.

News of Old Boys

DONALD L. W. BECK, A.C.A. (1957-63) is currently President of the Dublin Chartered Accountants Student Society.

REV. W. SYDNEY CALLAGHAN (1936-44) was the Special Preacher at the Morning and Evening services and at both children's services on Sunday, 26th May, 1974, on the occasion of the Centenary Year of Rathgar Methodist Church.

RONALD A. J. CARSON (1957-64) is a Polymer Technologist with Irish Ropes Ltd., Newbridge.

H. R. TIM CHILLINGWORTH (1961-68) is a Civil Engineer with R. M. Douglas Construction Ltd., Birmingham, and is at present employed as Sub-Agent on a factory construction site in Worcester.

DEREK G. COBBE (1957-59) has been appointed Editor and Joint Managing Director of The Longford News newspaper, Longford. Formerly Director and General Manager with The Longford Leader newspaper in the same area, he devised and designed the publication "75 Years of Longford"—an historical magazine to mark the paper's 75th anniversary.

DAVID K. CONN (1963-70) has been awarded his colours for Squash for the 1973/4 season by the Dublin University Squash Rackets Club.

DAVID T. DEANE (1966-73) has won a Technician Level Scholarship from Kevin Street College of Technology of annual value £150. The Scholarship will last till he completes his course.

PROFESSOR CYRIL F. DELANEY (1936-42), a former member of the Board of Governors, has been appointed by the Government to the Nuclear Energy Board.

NORMAN S. DUNGAN (1960-67) is now Audio Assistant with the B.B.C. in Belfast.

ALAN J. DUNN (1960-66), with Mowlen Construction Co., is in Dar-es-Salaam in connection with a harbour project.

C. MERVYN HENDERSON (1938-45) is President of the Dungannon Rotary Club for 1973-74.

JOHN R. HOLMES (1964-73) has obtained his 1st XV Rugby Colours at The Royal Grammar School, High Wycombe.

ALAN W. HUTCHINGSON (1963-70) is currently manager of an Arnotts' factory.

PROFESSOR A. NORMAN JEFFARES (1930-39) gave this year's Trinity Monday Discourse in T.C.D. His subject was "Oliver Goldsmith (ob. 1774)".

IVAN B. KING (1955-62) has been promoted to the grade of First Secretary in the Department of Foreign Affairs.

DR. IAN R. McAULAY (1943-52) published an article, "Should we build a nuclear power plant" in the *Irish Times* on 19th December, 1973.

REV. H. G. W. MACDONALD (1934-38), a Chaplain in the British Royal Navy, has been appointed an Honorary Chaplain to Queen Elizabeth. Mr. Macdonald graduated from Trinity College in 1942 and obtained a first class divinity testimonium in 1943. He was made a deacon in Christ Church Cathedral in that year, and served as curate assistant to the late Canon J. Purser Short in the parish of St. Thomas and St. Barnabas, Dublin. In 1946 he received his M.A. and B.D. degrees. He joined the Royal Navy in 1947.

PROFESSOR G. F. MITCHELL (1922-30), following the death of Francis La Touche Godfrey, has been co-opted by the Provost and Senior Fellows of Trinity College Dublin to the vacant Senior Fellowship.

DERMOT MOORE (1961-70) came second in the 26 mile marathon race in the Trinity Races. He has also won the Association of Old Adelaide Students Travel Award (£100) from the Adelaide Hospital.

PROFESSOR ALAN C. NEWELL (1952-58) of Clarkson College of Technology, New York, has been on a lecture tour of the Irish universities concerning himself with the topic "The Inverse Scattering Transform Method—An Extension of the Fourier Transform to Nonlinear Problems."

STEPHEN L. ODLUM (1972-73) was first in the javelin competition in the Trinity Races with a throw of 134 feet.

ALAN K. POPE (1951-60) is the Financial Controller of Technico (Communications) Ltd.

BRIAN RANALOW (1963-73) has been appointed General Manager, APV DESCO, Dublin.

JOHN C. ROBBIE (1963-73) obtained an International Schoolboy Cap when picked to play cricket against Wales.

JOHN D. SILVERSTONE (1962-64) is an accountant in London with the firm of Touche-Ross.

FRANK E. SOWMAN (1956-65) is captain of Y.M.C.A. 1st XI Cricket team for 1974.

NORMAN TOMS (1953-63) has obtained his Ph.D. from Cambridge in December, 1972. He is now in the Research Department of Electronics of Plessey, at Maidenhead.

IAN C. TRAVERS (1962-72) jumped 6 feet 5½ inches in the high jump in the T.C.D.-U.C.D. athletics meeting. In the Trinity Wednesday Athletics meeting he came second in the high jump.

DAVID VIPOND (1955-66) has been elected President of the S.R.C. in T.C.D. for the year 1974-75.

A. BRIAN WEST (1959-61) has resigned from his lectureship in Zoology in T.C.D. and will begin medical studies there next term.

ROBIN H. D. WORMELL (1956-67) was second in the 1500 metres in the Trinity Races.

Examination News

A. R. GRIFFIN, H.Dip.Ed. II, June, 1973.

STOREY, B. C., has been awarded the Edge Prize in Geology 1973 which is awarded to the Junior Sophister who obtains the highest marks at the Junior Sophister examination in Geology.

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Note on Past Erasmians

Members of the O.B.U. may be interested to know that sets of THE ERASMIAN have been lodged in the National Library and in Trinity College, Dublin. The set in the National Library was collected by Mr. Keegan in the 1950's. It elapsed for a while but has since been brought up to date. All the issues in it have their original covers. The set in T.C.D. was requested by the university and though more complete than that in the National Library, it has some issues in photo-copy. There is a bound volume of one early set of 4 issues in Marsh's Library. There seems to be one issue of which no copy has survived: that of 1916 September/October. At that period in the school's history, the Erasmian was issued four times a year and the express purpose of the September/October issue seems to have been the publication in minute detail of the results of the State Examinations. The results of the years before 1916 and those of the years after 1916 are properly recorded but the results for the year 1916 are not recorded in any of the three surviving issues of that year. From my short acquaintance with Mr. Thompson, the then headmaster, I think it very unlikely that he would allow the matter to go by default. It would be of great interest to have any factual information about this mysterious issue.

Thanks are due for donations of past (and often cherished) ERASMIANS from Messrs. Frith, Burgess, Bryson, Cunningham, Boyle, Pope, Reverend Jupe, Mrs. Murphy and the late John Bell. Thanks are also offered to the many who searched their attics and their cellars and importuned their friends which, although of no avail, did give great encouragement.

V. W. Graham

Marriages

TERENCE E. P. BATES (1948-51) to BARBARA F. PARKER on 3rd December, 1971 at St. Mary's Church, Donnybrook.

DAVID P. BURDETT (1964-69) to CARMEL O'SULLIVAN on 4th April, 1974 at Glashule Parish Church.

KENNETH T. FINLAY (1961-67) to ALISON R. OVEREND on 15th December at Abbey Presbyterian Church, Dublin.

JOHN L. GAGEBY (1958-61) to MARIA WHELAN on 15th June, 1973 at University Church, St. Stephen's Green.

N. E. (DICK) GORDON (1961-67) to RAE MERIEL SPAIN on 9th September, 1973 at Adelaide Road Synagogue.

GEORGE M. GRAY (1959-65) to DOROTHY M. WIGNALL on 6th July, 1973 at St. Mary's Church, Clitheroe, Lancashire.

JOHN P. HAYES (1955-60) to JUNE O. PHILLIPS on 5th January, 1974 at Christ's Church, Taney.

DAVID A. JACKSON (1956-63) to LYNN V. TAYLOR on 23rd December, 1973 at Greenville Hall Synagogue, Dolphin's Barn.

PHILIP H. McDONOUGH (1960-64) to STEPHANIE F. C. NOBLE on 21st September, 1973 at St. Paul's Church, Glenageary.

LESLIE R. E. McQUESTON (1958-64) to ZEPHRA L. YATES on 27th April, 1971 at St. Mary's Church, Carlow.

ALVIN H. MAIDMENT (1955-61) to MARY REID on 28th March, 1974 in Dublin.

IAN J. McMARTIN (1959-69) to JOYCE EBBES on 23rd February, 1974 at Clontarf Parish Church.

NIGEL W. deL. MURTAGH (1957-67) to DOLORES M. McINTYRE on 4th April, 1974 at College Chapel, T.C.D.

E. BRIAN NASON (1961-68) to HILARY WARING on 23rd March, 1974 at Abbey Presbyterian Church, Dublin.

RICHARD NEWMARK (1967-70) to VALERIE KRON on 9th December, 1973 at Terenure Synagogue.

DR. MICHAEL T. RICHARDSON (1949-59) to NICOLETTE C. MENDHAM on 27th October, 1973 at Ackworth Meeting House, Yorkshire.

NORMAN TOMS (1953-63) to PAULINE WALSH on 20th June, 1970 in Cambridge.

BRIAN VALENTINE (1958-61) to KATHLEEN P. DWYER on 16th February, 1974 at Christ's Church, Taney.

LESLIE WEEKES (1965-71) to MARION CULLEN on 20th April, 1974 at St. Agnes' Church, Crumlin.

PAUL WEEKES (1962-66) to LINDA B. CURRY on 4th March, 1974 at Clontarf Presbyterian Church.

We apologise to Trevor Bowen for the mistake in our last issue. The Trevor Bowen concerned was not our Trevor Bowen.

Deaths

JOHN A. BELL (1930-1942) of Belmont, Nashville Road, Howth, on 23rd February, 1974. He held the office of President of the O.B.U. 1968-69.

CYRIL F. DUNNE (1913-16) of 11 Cremore Villas, Dublin 11 on 27th October, 1973.

WILLIAM G. FERGUSON-DAVIE (1941) of Kinnaird, British Columbia, formerly of 4 Dundela Avenue, Sandycove, on 11th December, 1973.

ERNEST G. KEOGH (1959-1965) of 2 Carrickhill Road, Portmarnock, on 11th March, 1974.

WILLIAM H. B. MACK, G.B.E., K.C.M.G. (1910-1913) of Rose Lawn, Ballybrack, Co. Dublin, on 9th March, 1974.

WILLIAM W. MAHON (1928-34) of 45 Lower Kimmage Road, Dublin 6, on 15th December, 1973.

HYMAN L. MUSHATT (1911-1914) of 202 Templeogue Road, on 18th March, 1974.

WILLIAM H. C. STONE (1904-1913) of 48 Trees Road, Mount Merrion, Co. Dublin, on 9th March.

We regret the death notice of Eric G. Hughes (1937-40), who had donated his remains for research to T.C.D. Medical School, in the December issue, 1973. The correct death notice was in the June issue, 1972.

Obituaries

SIR HENRY MACK

Sir Henry Mack, Britain's Ambassador to Iraq from 1948 to 1951, and to the Argentine Republic from 1951 to 1954, has died in a Dublin hospital, aged 79.

Educated at the High School, Dublin, and Trinity College, Dublin, he served in the Royal Artillery in the 1914-18 war and entered the Diplomatic Service in 1921.

He became head of the French Department of the Foreign Office and was British Civil Liaison Officer to Gen. Eisenhower in North Africa in 1942.

Sir Henry was largely responsible for building up the Allied Control Commission for Austria in London and in 1945 he became British Political Representative in Austria and in 1947 British Minister to that country.

He married in 1921 Lilian Mary North, daughter of Mr. Frank Lonsdale North, a Justice of the Peace of Dublin and they had a son. Lady Mack died in 1971.

—*Courtesy "Daily Telegraph"*.

JOHNNY BELL

Cricket and rugby football in this country lost a great servant with the sudden death in Dublin last week-end at the early age of 50 of Johnny Bell, who all his life had been associated intimately with these two sports either as a legislator or player.

It was as a rugby referee, perhaps, that Johnny Bell achieved most sporting recognition, for he was one of Leinster's most industrious officials, as was his father, Tom, before him, and when the schools cup competitions got under way each winter, it was not unusual to see him in action with the whistle several times in the one week.

In less active days he became, in turn, honorary secretary and president (1967-68) and honorary secretary again of the Leinster Referees' Association. As honorary secretary initially, he took over from Eddie Doyle. His father had been president of the same association in 1931-32. At the time of his death Johnny Bell was also vice-president of the Clontarf Rugby Club.

Clontarf was also his cricket club after spells with the now defunct Cremore and Y.M.C.A. and, in a few days' time, he would have been appointed for a second term as president of the cricket section at Castle Avenue—a club he captained to a Leinster Senior League pennant success in 1961 and of which he was for 13 years honorary secretary.

He was also a vice-president of the Leprechauns cricket club, for whom he used to play very often, and for the past 10 years has been a much-praised honorary treasurer of the Irish Cricket Union.

A great theorist and enthusiast, Johnny Bell never really attained at the game itself representative standard either as a wicket-keeper or batsman, but he was a zealous clubman and always gave of his best, no matter what the circumstances.

Still vivid in my memory is the enormous enjoyment he gained from an eventful last-wicket stand worth, incredibly, almost 100 runs with Vinny Savino for Clontarf against Pembroke—though that event took place some 14 years ago now.

It's difficult to name a sportsman more popular or more liked than Johnny Bell. His impish sense of fun, spontaneous generosity and admirable ability to enjoy himself hugely in any company endeared him to all with whom he came in contact. He will be particularly missed in cricket and rugby circles everywhere in Ireland, and in motor sport circles as well for he was once a very keen motoring enthusiast.

S.P.

—*Courtesy "Irish Times"*

For Your Diary

Golf Outing—29th August at the Grange Golf Club.

Annual General Meeting—18th October at the School.

Annual Dance—Members will be circularised with full details as soon as possible.

Annual Dinner—Saturday, 25th January, at the School.

Register of Members

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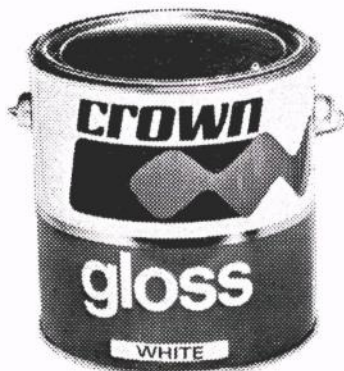
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