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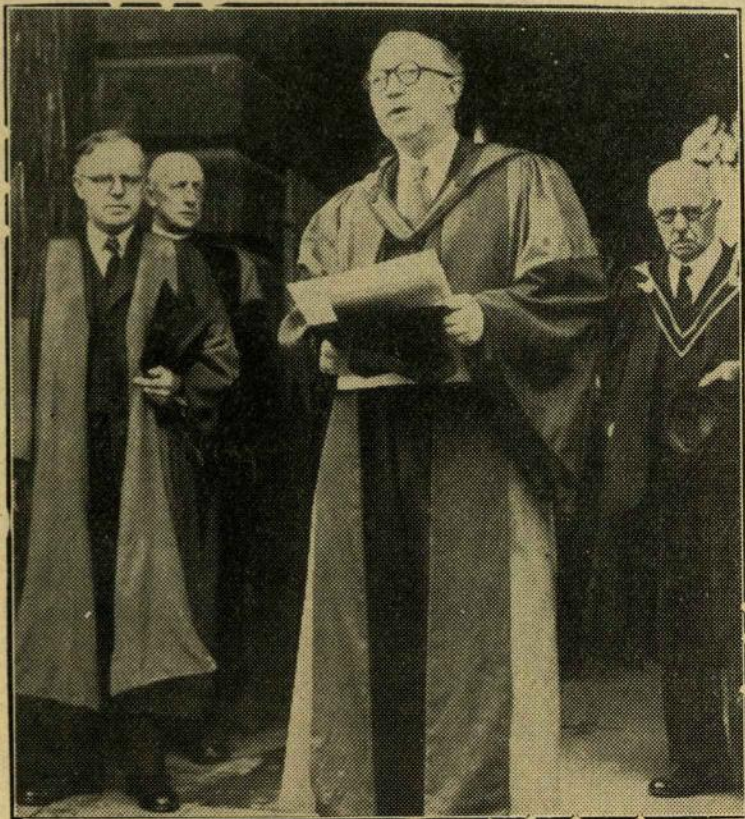
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SCHOLARS GALORE



The Provost announcing the new Scholars.

New Fellows and Scholars

The hard working and the curious gathered outside the Examination Hall to hear the Provost announce the newly-elected Fellows and Scholars at 11 o'clock last Monday morning.

The first name to be applauded was that of Dr. Cyril G. Delaney, M.A., Ph.D., who was elected Fellow in Experimental Physics, and was followed by Mr. Thomas C. Griffith, M.A. (Oxon.), B.Litt., who received his Fellowship in Italian.

Dr. Delaney is a Dubliner and came up to Trinity from the High School, Harcourt Street. He graduated with double first-class moderatorships in Mathematics and Experimental Science. Barely thirty, he has already had a distinguished career as a lecturer.

The other Fellow, Mr. Griffith, went to Queen's College, Oxford, from Neath Grammar School in Glamorgan. Before he came to Trinity he lectured at Leeds University. He has published a book on Mattheo Bandello entitled "Bandello's Fiction," and has served on the editorial committee of the Cambridge Italian Dictionary.

Sixteen foundation and two non-foundation Scholars were also elected. One of them, Jeremy Taylour (Classics), from St. Columba's School, is only a Junior Freshman. The other seventeen are seven Senior Freshmen, eight Junior Sophisters and two Senior Sophisters. The High School can boast of four Scholars—Gordon Clarke, S.F., Maths., who received the highest marks of all (66.2); Ian R. McAulay, J.S., Exp. Sc.; Bryan Wilkinson, J.S., Anc. and Mod. Lit., and John R. Hautz, S.F., Econ. and Pol. Sc.—and "Trinity News" two, Colin Tite, J.S., History, from Solihull School, Warwick, and Anthony Tomlinson, J.S., Econ., from the City of London Freeman's School. Paul O'Higgins, S.F., a married man, who has been in the Law School for only two terms, obtained 65.8 in Legal Science, one of the highest ever for that faculty and the second best among this year's Scholars.

Brian Wilson, S.F., Classics, is the opening batsman for Trinity.

New Scholars of Faculty:—
Mathematics—Gordon Clarke, Lionel Lovitch.

Classics—Brian Kirk Wilson, Jonathan Richard Cole, Basil Richard Powys, Patrick Jeremy Taylour.

Experimental Science—Henry William Kepper Hopkins, Ian Ross McAulay.

Natural Science:—Robert Donald Jackson.

Modern Languages—Lilac Brigid Battersby (non-foundation) (French and Irish), William Beamish Porter (French and German), Kevin Mary MacGrath (French and Italian).

Ancient and Modern Literature—Bryan Robert Wilkinson (Latin and French).

Modern History and Political Science—Stephen Ashworth Barcroft, Rosemary Marguerite Poole (non-foundation), Colin Gerald Calder Tite.

Economics and Political Science—Anthony Arthur Tomlinson, John Rudolph Hautz.

Legal Science—Paul O'Higgins.

"Great-Hearted Unbelief"

Miss Alison Kingsmill-Moore agreed with her audience that there was no apparent connection between the two personalities which she treated in her paper to the C.C.S. on "Lucretius and Pascal." However, her interesting and provocative exposition did evoke some philosophical parallels between the Epicurean prophet of the first century B.C. and the Christian apologist of seventeenth-century France.

The proposer of the vote of thanks, Mr. Geoffrey Drought, maintained that Pascal revived the "Sense of Infinity" which had been lost since Lucretius' time. He also uttered a sardonic and derogatory criticism of Pascal's "Memorial," which, he claimed, was the product of an unhinged mind.

A self-confessed antiquity of the Society, Mr. David Rankin, who seconded the vote of thanks, disagreed with the implications of some of the essayist's remarks, but commended the paper as a whole.

There was no debate. The Auditor introduced the Chairman, Senator Dr. Sheehy Skeffington, who suggested, in a wise and witty speech, that it was possible to get some notion of early Man from the observation of small boys. He had put this into practice with his young sons with some success, and he hoped to obtain data about primitive Women when his eighteen-month-old daughter had come into more direct communication with him. Then with some eminently sane and humanitarian remarks on the "Problem of Evil" he brought the meeting to a close.

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FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS

At its meeting last Wednesday, the Board named the members of the sub-committee which is to overhaul the finances of the major societies and organisations in College.

The major societies are each represented by their senior officers: The Auditor, C.H.S.; the President, U.P.S., and the Chairman of the Elizabethan Society, D.U.C.A.C. are sending Dr. Chubb, Mr. J. V. Luce and Captain Shaw, and the Secretary of the Committee. The S.R.C. will be represented by its President.

The Board have elected the following to represent the Board's interests: The Provost, Mr. Godfrey, Dr. McDowell and Mr. Furlong. The Provost is Chairman of the sub-committee, but it is expected that he will be represented by a deputy at actual meetings; this will be Mr. Godfrey. Capt. Shaw has been appointed convener.

It is understood that the sub-committee will have a meeting before the end of Trinity term.

No Satisfaction for Scholars

Meanwhile, the Secretary of the Scholars has received a reply from the Provost to his letter protesting that the Scholars, the traditional intermediaries between the student body and the Board, had not been consulted before the setting up of the sub-committee; it also regretted the apparent intention that the Scholars should not be represented.

In his reply, the Provost states that the setting up of the sub-committee is a matter which at this stage only concerns the various organisations involved and the Board. At a later stage all persons and groups in College will have the opportunity of giving evidence and expressing their opinion. He does not feel it necessary that the Scholars should be actually represented.

The S.R.C. has sent a letter to the Board supporting the Scholars' claim to have a representative on the sub-committee. It is understood that similar letters are being sent by the Hist. and Phil.

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SCHOLARSHIPS GALORE

CONGRATULATIONS to all those who have won scholarships. There have been considerably more scholarships this year than last. Either people are cleverer in College or else the standard has been lowered. The standard in recent years has been very high—in fact, too high. We feel that the number of open scholarships should be increased and the number of sizarships and other closed scholarships decreased. Scholarships should be given on merit and merit alone.

SONGS OF PRAISE

ATTEendance in College Chapel this term, and indeed for some time, has not been good. We have spoken to a number of people on this subject and apart from theological reasons, which we do not intend to discuss, the main reason is that Chapel is at an inconvenient hour (10 a.m.); 11 o'clock or later would be far more convenient in the opinion of the majority of students. We do not wish to pursue this point, but there is a suggestion we wish to make. The reason for the 10 o'clock service is that the choir from St. Patrick's Cathedral have to sing at St. Patrick's at 11.30. While not wishing to decry the St. Patrick's choir, which is altogether admirable, it is rather a disgrace that College have not got a choir of their own. There is enough talent in College Singers and the Choral Society to provide one. If we could have a choir of our own and a service at 11 o'clock, College Chapel would be a good deal fuller. Furthermore, if the chants were in a key the congregation could sing, those who are less musical among us could take a more active part in the service.

FAIR PLAY

LAST Monday and Tuesday the Cricket Club had a match in College Park. After playing, if it had not been for the rain, all day in College Park on Tuesday, they would have had to have played a replay of another match in the evening for the Cup. This shows a doleful lack of consideration and fair play on the part of the Leinster Cricket Union. We hope that this sort of thing will not occur again.

RACIAL DISCRIMINATION

THERE have been complaints by African students about two articles which appeared in "Trinity News" last week, namely, "Hist. Election Surprises" and "Laurels to Poland." We wish to state categorically that no malice whatever was meant in these articles and "Trinity News" abhors racial discrimination in any form. Furthermore, we are glad to see that coloured students are playing such an active part in College life.

WANTED, BUT NOT FOUND WANTING

More employers, recruiting graduates, have visited the University this year than ever before. The scientists, in particular, have come in for a great deal of solicitous attention, and even at this stage of the year there can be few who have not had a number of offers of appointment for the autumn. The engineers have also been in great demand, and both Professor Purser and myself have almost had to resort to the duplicator to answer the flow of recent enquiries. This would be excellent news to report were at least a reasonable proportion of our technical graduates joining Irish businesses.

On the arts side the story is very much the same; there has been an increased demand this year from British employers and there is no need for a 1955 graduate to be without a job next December. However, personal problems, preferences and prevarication will combine to ensure that a large number will be looking for their first job next January, and the prospects seem to be good. If the banks in Ireland cannot recruit graduates, those in Britain afford good opportunities, and whilst the Irish insurance companies are slow to act, the demand from British companies increases. The majority of leading British industrial concerns are beginning to complain of the lack of worthwhile candidates for their training schemes, and particularly on the sales and marketing side of business there is a serious shortage.

There are, however, some signs of a change. Some scientific subjects are in

less demand than others, some companies can afford to take only Firsts and Seconds, some prefer to maintain standards and go short handed. Many concerns will only recruit the under-24's, and others insist on men who have fulfilled National Service liabilities. Companies operating overseas are usually quite strict about their age-limits, preferring the young and unmarried man.

Whilst there are difficulties about being available for interview for a school post in Britain, it is still extremely easy to find a first job, although, admittedly, it were more satisfying to be free to start the school year in September instead of January. Whilst employment prospects are so good, however, the date of Mod. can be said to be of only minor importance. Unfortunately, there are a number of such minor points which serve to make the new graduate's problems more difficult. Not being available at the best time of the year is frustrating, not being as free as one would like, to go for interviews means a little more forethought, and the question of National Service is to some a baffle which exhausts their ideas, but these are mere growing pains and part of the price of independence.

The graduate of to-day is in an extremely happy position; he or she knows there is interesting, exacting and rewarding work ahead. It is simply a question of studying the market, of making one's choice and, above all, of not being found wanting.

A. H. B. McCLATCHEY,
Appointments Officer.

College Observed

"What's this carry on about?" asked Calchas.

The scrubby little boy whom he addressed spat respectfully and said: "Them ould cods in the fancy clothes have just been electing Scholars."

"I thought everybody here was a scholar."

"Jays, away and get yer hair cut, ye ould goat. Do ye know nothing?"

"Now, my child, be patient or I'll give you a riser that will leave me bare-foot and you with a sore ear."

"Don't mind me, mate, my name is Parrhesias, or 'Free Speech' in the Bearla."

"How long have you been about?"

"Hell of a time, but I'm leaving soon. It's getting too hot for me here. There is, however, some hope that I may stay a while longer—till the enemies of Light extinguish 'Trinity News.'"

"Now what's the use of these Scholars you're telling me about?"

"Damned, mister, but you're the right stupid ould sod, no harm to ye."

"Maybe, but go on."

"The purpose of Scholarships is to teach the ambitious and occasionally talented young that 'Glory' in itself is not worth such a lot of hard work."

"Ah, it teaches them wisdom."

"By an indirect and painful method, yes."

"But they may in their cups this week forget their hardships."

"Ay, I suppose you'll be soured to the lugs with all the rest."

"I sincerely hope so."

"There again you may be wrong. It is only a privileged minority that gets drunk in Trinity Week."

"God help us."

"But see in any case that you don't get too drunk and fall down on your Erse like the merry Gaelic Scholar."

"Or the poor undertaker who tripped on to his hearse."

"Well," said the child, "command of Erse will get you a job, but command of English only gets you hauled up before the Provost."

"Yes, the editors stood on the mat."

"So it says in my yellow lesson book."

"Well it's near ten o'clock, so I must go."

"At the other side of the world, Calchas."

"Well—rules are rules. When Big Round Brother says go, we must go."

"Balls and hooleys this week will suspend all that tripe, surely?"

"Not on your life, it will intensify it."

"The porters have to live too, I suppose."

"Ay, but why should the people that make the rules for them?"

Calchas.

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The following have honoured College with a visit:

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The Rev. Dr. Hanson.
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John Pearson and Bill Chinn have come to an arrangement over Rosemary Brown.

Miss Lilac Battersby has now decided.

"REVENGE MOTIVE"

The Dublin University branch of the Student Christian Movement will produce the play, "The Just Vengeance," by Dorothy L. Sayers (by kind permission of the author), in St. Andrew's Church on Sunday, 12th June, at 8.30 p.m.

First produced as the Lichfield Festival play for 1946, it deals with the doctrine of the Incarnation, introducing through the medium of chorus, Biblical characters from Adam to Christ. The plot centres around a soldier, an unbeliever, who returning from the war, finds himself in church, and is brought to see the truth as he watches the portrayal of the Life of Christ from His Nativity to Resurrection.

Written in blank verse in a modern style, this is the first production in Ireland.

METAPHYSICAL SOCIETY ELECTIONS

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Early arrivals at the Underwood-Studdert party found worried host Vass confused about the colour of his sherry. Co-host Don Erdberg, having had an incontrovertible argument with a motor car, was unable to greet the milling guests, but otherwise all went smooth. American to her core, Ann Spinks upheld the Yankee college system to bewilder Billy Waterson, who waved his cigarette holder and disappeared in a cloud of smoke. Reprehensibly sober Scholar, Colin Tite, departed early to assume his laurels, and collided with large Henry Blackburn who was filling the door. The Sligo-man excused his late arrival by proving that he had shaved and put on a tie for the occasion. Chris. Raphael's green tweed excited comment, and aesthete Dennis McDonnell felt quite faint when confronted by the clash of colours with his sherry. As Michael Knight hurried away to bring Danae Standford yet another tomato-juice, Nick Bailey could be widely heard on the subject of party-crashing.

Come-Back

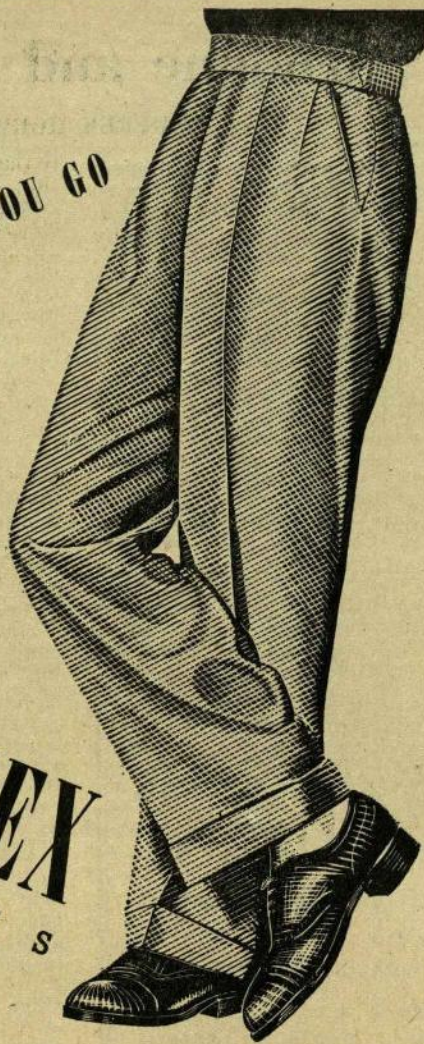
Leaving the hazy atmosphere of Matt Smith's, Riccardo Tomacelli and Michael Dere supported wavering Bambos David, suffering from "a lumbago," in the direction of Mount Street, and pushing

past the invited guests, attained the celestial heights of intellectual Nick Westby's more vest-than-shirt-party. Frenzied Meryl Gourley tried to discover the origins of Byron's Hungarian mistress, while steady duo Stephanie de Renzie and Paddy Burges-Watson adopted a more practical approach. Avoiding that fellow Srigley, who lay enjoyably on the floor, Mike Charity gave a dancing exhibition which was appreciated by all in one way or another. When Jay eventually reached the eyrie, most of the other birds fled.

Sweet Margaret Anderson came-of-age last Tuesday at Ross's Hotel, and was toasted endlessly by the Cambell crowd, who kept up the traditions of the History School by carrying their drink manfully. Darina Coffey, an equestrienne come to grief, watched Dennis Bernstein and Jill Robbins winning a piggy-back race against Nick Medawar and romantic Eve Ross. Sociable Rosemary L'Estrange danced with glamorous John Ralston, who has not recovered yet, while not-so-naive Jill Kirwan dithered between Bill Deane and Angus Allen. Suave Noel Harkness directed the proceedings as usual, but the occasion will be remembered longest by Richard Davis, who smoked his first cigarette.

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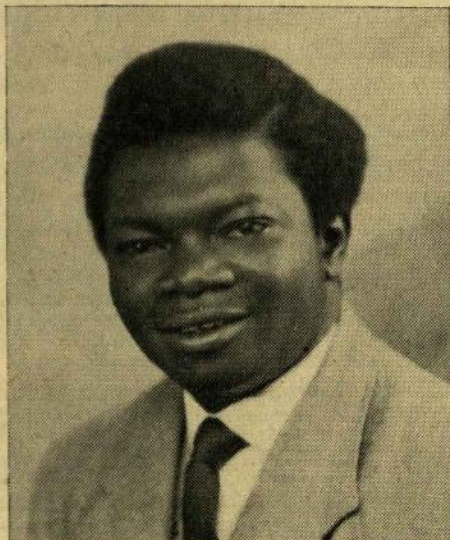
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SCHOLARS APPOINTMENTS

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CAPTAIN OF THE CRICKET CLUB



Mr. O. O. Coker

This year's captain of the Cricket Club, Mr. O. O. Coker, is not only a very good cricketer but a brilliant all-round sportsman. Born in Nigeria, he was educated at King's College, Lagos, where he was Senior Prefect and obtained his school colours in cricket, hockey, soccer, tennis and athletics, a truly remarkable feat. He played cricket for Nigeria while still a schoolboy.

After he left school he worked for a while in the Civil Service before coming to Trinity to study medicine. He is now in his fourth year and has obtained his B.A. degree. When he leaves Trinity he is returning to his native country to take up an appointment at University College Hospital, Ibadan.

Amongst his many activities, Mr. Coker (who is affectionately known as Kiki to his friends) finds time to collect gramophone records. He prefers light music and is particularly fond of the Calypso. He is also fond of dancing and is a member of the Phil, but does not find time to do much speaking there and he cannot be blamed for this.

Since he has been in College, Mr. Coker has made many friends. Easily approachable, quiet and amiable, all those who come in contact with him find a warm welcome. In particular, he is a most popular captain of the Cricket Club, which has been most successful so far this term under his leadership.

His attitude to cricket typifies his good humour. Mr. Coker is an all-rounder, a forcing batsman and fast-medium or slow off break bowler. He says that if you're an all-rounder you can bat badly and make up for it by bowling well, but if you can only bat and are bowled first ball there is no way by which you can save face. For Mr. Coker, cricket is a game to be enjoyed, an attitude which permeates all his numerous activities.

A T.C.P. STAFF MEETING OR A COLLEGE CALUMNY

Scene: A Raphaelite garret in the Rubrics. A carved mahogany tap (very tasteful) goes drip drop. A rumbling noise is heard and the door falls in. Enter Jerk Spytell, followed by numerous Hugh Bevans, etc.

Omnes:

Oh we are the staff of T.C.P. Our minds are pure as pure can be. Of thoughts and other devilry. Every Sunday you can see Our anaesthetic galaxy. Fa Fa Riddell Riddell Ree.

The Junior Dean is never mean, His cheques will never bounce, And H.O. will smile And run a mile To settle our accounts. Fa Fa Riddell Riddell Ree.

Jerk Spytell aims at the chair and the meeting commences.

Bevan: Have I permission from yer honour's genius to be after opening me out gob in this august assembly?

Spytell: Yer have not.

Bevan: Mister Srigley and meself is just now after committing an assault on the Mews.

David Spytell Miller: Really, I say, was this in No. 6? Loud laughter genteel and squeaks from Menace McDonald.

A Voice: Get me my hate jacket.

Bevan: Ochone! Ochone! For me outstretched Ears have heard a grievous tale this Crispins day. The Newshounds now have sniffed yous out. Your tales of Balls and social louts are soon to be dismembered As swingtime's lust fades swiftly away

I think I'll have another stout.

John Jay: By the Beard of Bolchover . . .

Bevan: And who would that be, pray?

Jay: My great ancestor. Can you tell is this modern verse?

Spytell: No, it's classical, like what, I write.

The shade of Senator Professor O'Dyssus here enters and announces in stentorian tones:

There is verses and verses in it, and this stuff is as blue as my hair.

Omnes: Who the hell is this?

Senator Professor O'Dyssus: I am your father's ghost.

The shade here vanishes, leaving shreds of blue hair.

Bevan: Don't you think my poem is fine and shows my transcending genius.

Omnes: Indubitably.

Spytell: It is the intricate and spherical piling of its metaphors that makes it so delightfully repellent.

Omnes: We are at one in this.

Raphael: Gentlemen, a very high authority in this University has said that "Trinity News" is "nothing but tripe from beginning to end." As a result of it, the College is round the bend.

Omnes: Who was that, your father?

Raphael: I do not think so.

Hack-Beresford: Nice people like me say that "Trinity News" is not quite quite. It is not the sort of thing that a nice girl should read in bed.

Omnes: How do you know?

Menace McDonnell begins to walk backward in ever-decreasing circles.

Spytell: Before you disappear, kindly bow three times at the shrine of fellow genius R.B.D.

Omnes: R.B.D. and so say all of us.

McDonnell: I have here an epigram that I can't complete:

"Oh we are all the flower of wits And what is more we are a silly lot of ———"

I am still at a loss for a rhyme. Can anyone help me?

Here three minutes' silence is observed.

Mr. Druncan Arson: Oh to have studied ornithology instead of other things.

At this stage Michael Mouse enters and Menace McDonnell jumps on a chair, screams, and disappears. The meeting adjourns in a state of chaos and the tap stops dripping (very tasteful).

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The Sorbonne and Latin Quarter

By DEREK HORWOOD

The hub of the very cosmopolitanism which makes up Paris is that enigma so beloved by tourists—the Latin Quarter. It is an enigma in that no one really knows where it starts or where it ends. You could perhaps trace it out by the famous landmarks on the left bank of the Seine. But how can you precisely gauge the carefree spirit of the Quartiers in terms of geographical boundaries?

If we were to take a look around the cross roads by the entrance to the Jardins de Luxembourg at about 11.0 o'clock in the morning we would see some of the many students from the nearby Sorbonne milling in the streets or

perhaps quietly sipping an aperitif in the "Capoulade" or "La Source." Some would be waiting for that elegantly dressed elderly gentleman who appears every day to argue about his latest policy for the Government. Others would be strolling in the Jardin towards the boating lake with their girl friends, and the rest hurrying to the libraries to work for exams. Soon will start the Vespa parade. Nine out of ten students ride motor scooters and they are quite a menace on the roads.

A stroll up the Rue Soufflot brings us to the Pantheon, and just around the corner there is the fabulous little street market in Rue Mouffetard. In the market almost anything can be bought and many students patronise the little chip shop there, buying a bagful of chips to eat for lunch. Everyone is rushing about, trying to get their purchases done, and the vendors are shouting the worth of their goods at the top of their voices.

Eating is a difficult thing for the student in Paris. There are many student restaurants where by holding the card issued by the student organisation "Co-par," he can eat for as little as 75 francs, and when the price of an average meal in a Paris restaurant rarely falls below 350 francs, these cards are very valuable. By far the most popular one is the restaurant in the Cité Universitaire, about 10 minutes from the Sorbonne in the Ligne de Sceaux Metro. Here about 4,000 students eat lunch. Wine may be bought at an extra charge of 25 francs a quarter litre, and milk at 35 francs a litre. The restaurants in town vary as to quality, but the Foyer International is reckoned to be the best of the bunch. A good little restaurant is to be found in Rue Soufflot, called "Julian." Here one may have a well-cooked quarter of a chicken for 180 francs.

For entertainment in the Latin Quarter, one may choose between a "cave," a "bistro" or a couple of avant-garde theatres. One of these, "Theatre Huchette," is located in Rue da la Huchette off the Boulevard St. Michel. This street is one of the oldest in the Quartier and is well worth a visit. Next door to the theatre is a bizarre kind of a "bistro," where the seats are like church pews. A waiter will bring round your drink while you watch the cabaret show. Nearby is the famous "Storyville," where the only entertainment is listening to jazz records. The proprietor has a fantastic collection and no matter what your choice is he's sure to have it. There are many other caves and bistros in the Quartier, but quite a lot of them are what the Americans call "clip-joints." The days of the old-style, intimate, darkly lit cellar are almost over.

And with the loss, or almost loss, of the "caves," there has sprung up a series of expensive bars like Gorden Heath's. Here you may sip Coco-Cola at 350 francs, or if you prefer whiskey at 450 francs to the tune of Negro spirituals. The once so common "artist type" has now disappeared. True, you will see many weirdly attired bearded young men, accompanied by equally weirdly attired girls, but, like as not, these are ordinary Paris students, taking a break from study.

In a stroll down the Boul' Mich to the bridge you will see about as many different types of people as there are countries in the world. It is the integration and assimilation of all these various peoples that give of their own natural character to Paris in general and the Latin Quarter, in particular, to make up this vibrant and pulsating city.

PHIL. POLITICS

This year's nominations and elections in the Phil. have occasioned much interest, annoyance and speculation. The Scrutineering Committee held many meetings and the Society has accepted their findings.

The final nominations are, therefore: Mr. T. H. Robinson (Hon. Sec.) and Mr. C. A. (Bambos) David (Council member) for the President; Mr. Bluett and Mr. Ferris for office of Secretary; Mr. Hautz, unopposed, for office of Treasurer; Mr. King and Mr. Boyden for office of Librarian; Mr. Cummins and Mr. Chapman for office of Registrar. There are at least ten candidates for six seats on the Council of the Society.

The results will be announced at a private meeting of the Society on Thursday, 16th June.

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CORRESPONDENCE

Dear Sir,—In last week's edition of "Trinity News" there was published a report on the Carnival of Nations which contained the following malicious statement: "Folklore from Africa was a fitting epilogue, whose anti-European anathemas were well applauded by the audience."

It has been pointed out in a letter received by the above Association by Mr. O'Hale, of the "Association of Students of African Descent": "These folklores, which we rendered in their purity, date much further back than our contact with Europeans and there was no illusion directly or indirectly to Europeans or any other race."

In the light of this letter we can only question your sources for publishing this statement. It reflects upon the D.U.A.I.A. as promoters of the Carnival, for among our aims of disseminating knowledge of foreign countries we also try to promote a feeling of goodwill among the students in Trinity, be they of whatever nationality. Need we say that the Carnival achieves more than a whole year of talks and debates on this topic.

To call these good-natured and humorous folklore songs "anti-European" and to label them as "anathemas" can do nothing but harm not only your reputation, but also that of ourselves.

We would appreciate it, therefore, if you would withdraw this twisted and erroneous statement. — We are, for D.U.A.I.A.,

D. N. Horwood, Secretary.

D.U.A.I.A., No. 4 T.C.D.

June 3, 1955.

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Whilst the International Affairs Association continues to do good work, it is a pity that Mr. Horwood sees fit to stir up the cauldron of racial antagonisms. The charge that our report was "malicious" is as unnecessary as it is unfounded. What we wrote was fair comment.

As their wording illustrates, these so-called "good-natured and humorous folk-songs" date from a strictly pre-Christian era. It is not surprising that they are hostile to modern European standards. That this is so is by no means a slur on the African races, as all pagan anthems suffer from the same tendencies.

It is further to be regretted that the tone of Mr. Horwood's letter suggests that the singers concerned were being victimised on account of their race. This is absurd and we hasten to assure its author that equality is a right. There can, therefore, be no question of any bias towards any creed or race.

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COMMUNISM

Can the West meet "The Challenge of Communism?" This was the question Mr. M. O. Williams tried to answer in his paper at the Phil. last Thursday. He also traced Communistic trends and ideas from ancient Greece to present-day bastard Communism in Totalitarian States. Mr. Clive Nicholls, a substitute for the distinguished visitor, suggested that Communism has a lot "to teach us," but deplored demoralised Swedish Socialism. It was an entertaining speech, but it tended at times to be irrelevant.

Following the proposer of thanks, four maiden speakers made their first but encouraging attempt at debating. Judging from their standard it is quite clear that a great deal of talent is being wasted in both major societies owing to Freshmen being neglected. Mr. E. T. Mullen, not having visited a Communistic country, considered himself unqualified to speak, but he had something to say. Mr. K. Awere-Kyre expressed admiration for Communistic ideas, while Mr. J. Hautz, familiar with its theories and dogmas, argued convincingly

against it, at the same time pleading ignorance. Mr. C. A. Chapman was agreeable.

An old hand, Mr. C. A. (Bambos) David, suggested that the Welfare State in the West was the answer to the Communistic challenge, but that the Great Powers should be more discreet and considerate in dealing with the small nations. At this point he managed to bring Cyprus and Enosis into the argument. The Hon. Registrar was full of praise for everybody, including the Communists. Mr. R. D. H. Bluett was quite sure of what he wanted to say. A fifth maiden speaker, Mr. D. O. Cummins, showed knowledge, while Mr. M. D. Boyden read his part in a play. Yet another maiden, Mr. C. B. Warren, was considerate. Mr. T. J. Dunne was concerned about economics. The perennial Mr. C. King was short, and Mr. H. Bevan, at the suggestion of his stooge, abusive. The miracle of the evening was that for once Mr. D. Bell, Hon. Librarian, failed to be controversial. The President summed up for his last time and was followed by a prolonged applause.

FENCING CHAMPIONS

The Fencing Club rounded off a very successful season with its Annual Individual Championships in all weapons. After four hours of solid fighting, during which most of the fencers seemed to be in their best element, the awards made were as follows:—

Men's Foil (Parke Cup) — James Stuart, who defended his title from last year.

Epée — Wolfgang Somary, men's captain.

Sabre — John English, who excelled in the finals at Clonmel last winter.

Ladies' Foil (Weekes-Wilson Cup) — Miss Margaret Thompson, for the second year in a row, after a very close bout with Miss Gilian Seldon.

Club colours were awarded to Miss Seldon and to the two captains.

The turnout for the men's foil event was a particularly encouraging one, with several relatively new members showing great promise and giving us the nucleus of a very strong second team for the next session.

HISTORICAL HIST.

The traditional annual debate on a historical subject centred round the person of Oliver Cromwell, the Hist., by a large majority, failing to revere his memory.

A well-filled house heard a good debate. There were excellent speeches from the Record Secretary, Mr. D. V. Underwood, whose puritanical pomposity kept his hearers amused; from Mr. Vernon Young, a maiden speaker, who spoke in a style that one thought the Hist. had forgotten—without oratorical tricks, eminently sensible, with the intuition that makes a speaker worth listening to; above all, from the Correspondence Secretary, a classic oration, idealistic, sentimental, biased, but ever carrying the audience with him. From a lesser speaker his conclusions on the Drogheda massacre would have been ludicrous; from him it was compellingly magnificent. For the rest, it was the mixture much as before, but Mr. Fuge, the Treasurer, the Auditor, Mr. Gildea-Evans and Mr. Owen-Flood were all just that shade more than competent which turns a mediocre debate into a good one. Finally, after gently parrying the rumours of imminent retirement, perpetrated by a strangely ill-at-ease Auditor, the Junior Dean, Dr. Pyle, added scholarship to rhetoric in agreeing with the house's verdict, his knowledge of history both amazing and amusing an enigmatic Dr. McDowell.

MAN OR MONKEY?

In his paper on Evolution at the Metaphysical Society, Eric Young traced the progress of evolutionary theories in history, showing that all species were evolved from one ancestral stock. Contrary to popular thought, however, this did not lead to the unpalatable conclusion that man is evolved from the ape or amoeba in their present form. He concluded that not all theories of evolution are incompatible with a Theistic view of the Universe.

After a vote of thanks by Mr. R. D. H. Bluett, and seconded by Mr. K. R. Johnston, there followed a heated discussion, in which the evolution of the mind; soul and moral sense was considered. The Auditor and Chairman spoke briefly before the meeting was adjourned.

Our Guest



—Photo courtesy Evening Press.

Miss Sybil Connolly

BEAUTY AT THE RACES

There will be many beauties at the College Races this afternoon. One of them will win the prize of a bottle of champagne, which "Trinity News" is offering to the most fashionably dressed woman at the Races. We have great pleasure in announcing that Miss Sybil Connolly is coming to the races as the guest of "Trinity News" and will judge the competition. She will also be at the Trinity Week Ball this evening, when the winner will be announced, to present the prize. Remember that to be eligible for this prize you must have in your possession either this or last week's copy of "Trinity News."

WEST MEETS EAST

One of the most interesting and, at the same time, one of the most unusual exhibitions to be held in College for some time was the collection of Japanese prints from the Library of Sir Chester Beatty. Beginning with the so-called Primitives, the prints were arranged in roughly chronological order to reveal the development of the art from the uncoloured black ink prints to the work of the nineteenth century Landscapists. In this last group some of the highly-coloured prints from the series, "The 36 Views of Fiji" and "The Bridges," were shown as examples of the greatest achievements of wood-block printing, while the "Great Wave" is probably the best known of all Japanese prints, from its frequent abuse on western Christmas cards.

For the exhibition the lighting in the Regent House was altered and intensified (which, unhappily, revealed the drabness of the hall more readily than usual). The prints were intelligently displayed, and despite the general lack of interest among the undergraduate population, it is gratifying that the College is prepared to offer itself as host to this type of generosity on the part of a well-known private collector.

CHURCH IN A STATE

Mr. Graham Williams is considering becoming a part-time clergyman in addition to joining the police force. This is believed by competent authorities to be unique.

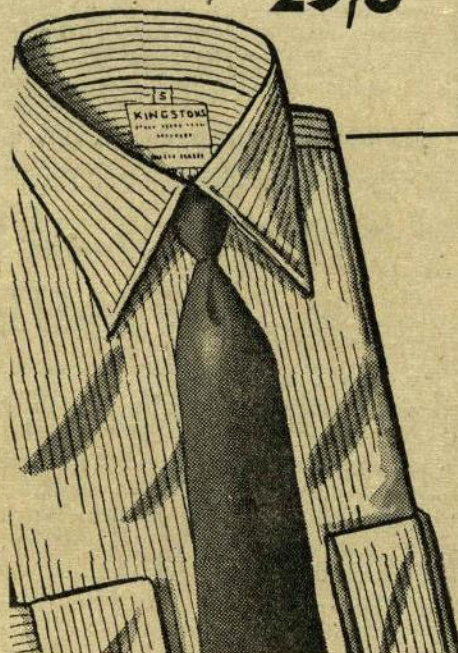
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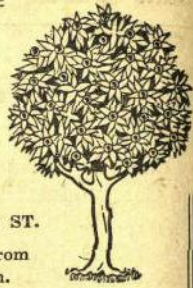
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TRINITY WEEK MATCH WASHED OUT

In College Park last Monday, Trinity were at home to the North of Ireland Cricket Club in the annual Trinity Week match. North batted first and made 152 for all out. Pollock, the Irish skipper, and Shearer, one-time Irish skipper, were the stars of their batting. Pollock made 33 and Shearer 21. At one stage it looked as if both of them were going to stay all day at the wicket, but, unfortunately, Shearer called Pollock for a quick single, which obviously was not there. Mostert calmly returned the ball to Fagan, who took off the bails with Shearer about ten yards out of his crease. Webb, who

made 27, waved his bat and fortune smiled on him.

The Trinity fielding was not up to standard, about five catches being dropped. The bowling was quite good. Atkinson and Dawson bowled very well. It was Dawson's first match after his knee injury. Atkinson bowled 41 overs, conceded only 51 runs and claimed 7 wickets. Coker should try to get out of his no-ball tendencies.

Trinity in reply made 32 for two. Wilson and Dawson batted very well.

No play was possible on Tuesday, due to overnight rain.

THE UNCOMPLETED CUP MATCH

Trinity v. Pembroke

In the preliminary round of the Leinster Senior Cup, Trinity are 115 for five.

The match was started last Thursday in the usual cup match atmosphere. Wilson and Cooper opened for Trinity, and both of them batted very well. When the score was 36, Wilson gave an easy catch to silly mid-on. Sharpe then joined Cooper, but did not last long, he was brilliantly caught by Ken Haughton at gully. Cooper all this time was watching the ball carefully and did not use his sweep shot until later on in his innings. Mostert, who went in after Sharpe, looked like making a lot of runs before he was bowled by Graham for 19. Coker went in third wicket down, and Cooper, who had batted very well, in an attempt to drive Graham was caught at extra cover. He made 40, and the total was 95 for four. Carter replaced Cooper and about ten minutes afterwards, Coker was bowled by M. Williams for 10. Harrison went in next and he is still batting with Carter. At the close of play on Thursday the score card read 115 for five.

Rain prevented play on Friday and Saturday.

Col. Tottering

Rain permitting, there are three fairly local meetings this week. To-day at the Curragh, to-morrow at Naas, and Saturday at the Phoenix Park.

At the Curragh to-day, the big attraction is the Gallinule Plate. This race is a rehearsal for the Irish Derby, to be held over the same course on June 22nd. Twelve of the final acceptors for the Derby will run; of these I like Clive Sullish, who won over the same distance, 10 furlongs, at the Park two weeks ago. He is well bred and if his stamina improves he already has the speed to become a force in the racing world. For the last race of to-day I again advise a bet on my old friend, Whirlwind Sword.

It is hard to pick a possible winner for Naas on Thursday because of the exceptionally large fields. In the Athy Handicap, I feel that Prince Aly Khan's entry, Solor, should, if the going is good to firm, overcome his handicap of 9 st. 9 lb. and win. If, however, going is softish, I must pick J. McGrath's Midontrial, which should be placed at reasonable odds.

At Saturday's Park meeting it is again hard to pick one from so many, but in the 5.30, Phyllocactus seems to be the best bet, with Dryad a possible alternative.

My safest for the week is at Lincoln to-morrow; it is Ladies First, and the odds should be large enough to make an each way bet profitable.

TRINITY REGATTA PREVIEW

The weeks of training by the Boat Club will be put to the test on Friday and Saturday of this week, when they hold their annual regatta.

This year sees a record number of entries. Fifty-nine crews will be competing for honours in the Maiden, Junior and Senior events. Resulting from this large entry is the difficulty of running off forty-seven races during the afternoons of Friday and Saturday. It has been decided that heats will have to be held on the morning of Saturday as well, if the extensive programme is to be completed on time. This will leave the afternoon free for the finals only.

The recently revived Garda Rowing Club will provide some very strong opposition for Trinity in the Maiden Eights and the Fours, and we should see them in the final. If they are successful, it has been decided that they will be rowing Junior in the next regatta.

Queen's University are sending down a very promising Junior Eight and we are expecting that the final will be closely contested between them and the Trinity Junior boat.

In the Senior Eights, Trinity meet Lady Elizabeth Boat Club in the first round and if successful go on to meet University College, Dublin. This race should provide some thrills, for the latter crew have continued to show improvement and despite their being beaten by Trinity in the Gannon Cup recently, could, over the shorter regatta course, make it an extremely close finish. On the other side of the draw, Neptune Rowing Club meet Bann Rowing Club from the North. This latter crew have in two successive years been Maiden and Junior champions. It will be interesting to see if they can repeat this in the Senior class.

To complete the programme there are the Fours' races and Sculling events. As in previous years, the inter-Club Fours' races will be vigorously contested. The Rugby Club have entered a strong crew to defend their title.

The President's Prize

The President's Prize was played at the Grange Golf Club last Friday and the winner was Brian Clarke with the excellent total of 38 points. Bob Fleury was runner-up with 35 points.

Clarke is a newcomer to the Club, and if he is willing to put in the required practice should reach a low handicap.

It should be noted that the Captain's Prize is arranged for Monday, 13th June, at the Grange, and the form of play is Stableford points. The competitions will be followed by the annual general meeting, dinner and party.

The climax of the year is the Roger Greene trophy at Killarney, which is an excellent venue for such an enjoyable competition. The team has not been chosen as there is keen competition for the last places, and the Selection Committee invite marked cards from anyone in the Club for consideration for these places.

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