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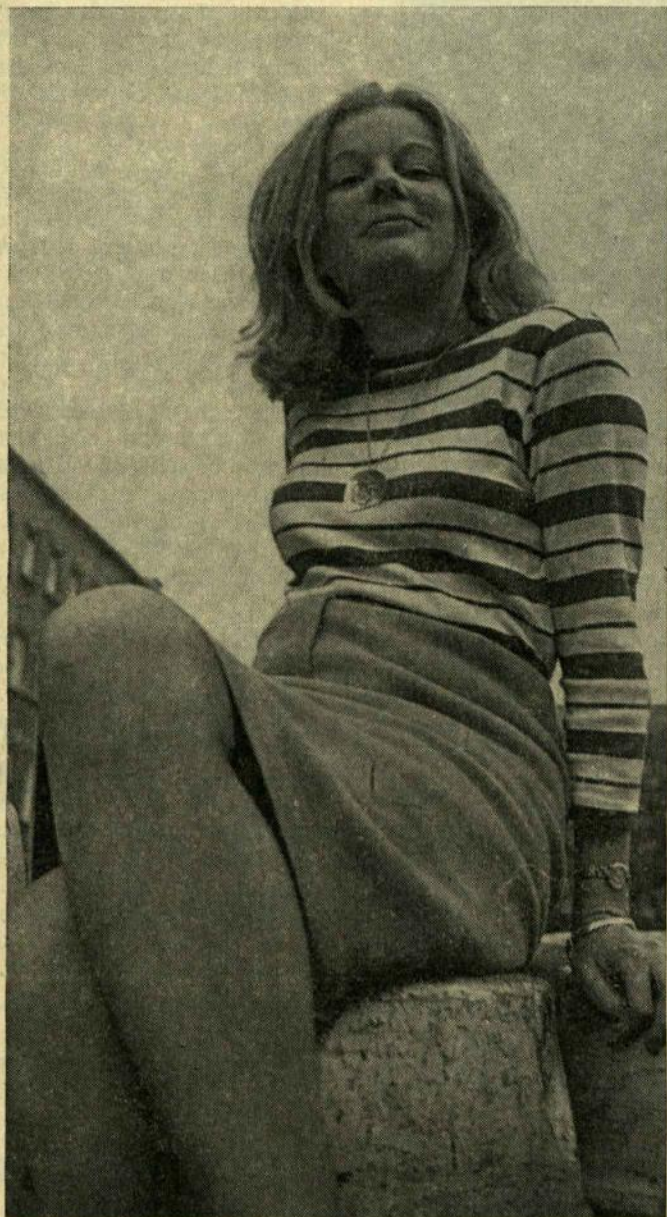
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Nicola Winmill, taken on empty Guinness barrels in true Daily Express style, by a dwarf photographer. With a Pic. like this, this caption should be "she is particularly interested in real people, French impressions, two tone textile designs and is taking a civil service exam sometime as well". For further details turn to Profile—page 8.

YES taking action against alleged libel "T.C.D." IN HOT WATER

T. C. D. Magazine celebrated its 79th birthday in the last two weeks by bringing on itself not only complaints but a pile of solicitors' letters. The porters, "YES" Charity Magazine, Peter Reed, and the Clerk of Examination's Office have all registered their complaints about articles in T.C.D., most of them in the 'Round and About' Column. Any one of these could develop into a full-scale libel case.

The porters, according to a reliable source, have contacted their solicitors concerning remarks made in the first issue. Yesterday they declined to comment, saying that the affair was out of their hands.

We are also told that Peter Reed has contacted his solicitors concerning a remark made in "T.C.D.'s" bogus personal column.

The greatest offence, however, has been taken by the syndicate of "YES" Charity Magazine, and its Chairman, Simon Morgan. He told *Trinity News* that "Yes" had not taken at all kindly to the "Round and About" story entitled "Make the Whatsit Your Target." "We did in fact realise £2,029 0s. 4d.," he said, "which figure was contained in the accounts which we submitted to the Commissioner of Police some months ago." "Yes" has taken legal advice, and when questioned as to the possible outcome of the legal process, Chairman Morgan declared: "Eighty years seems to me to be an adequate life-span for a magazine of this calibre."

All this follows a rather shaky start to the term when "T.C.D." wrote an editorial on examinations. The Clerk of Examinations apparently wants an explanation of it as is allegedly cast doubts on the conduct of his office. "T.C.D." magazine staff are keeping quiet.

Police deny "Scrutiny" on Prostitutes

According to the *Sunday Telegraph's* Irish correspondent last Sunday, the Dublin police have not agreed with the *Trinity News* scrutiny on prostitutes' activities in the Merrion Square area.

Despite this denial, however, our reporters have noticed increased police activity in the centre of the city, and the report seems to have alerted the police in their lookout for "prostitutes and for gutter-crawlers accosting women." At Pearse St. Garda Station, one of our reporters who tried to find out more about police reaction was met with a non-committal "We haven't heard anything about it."

End of B.Comms.

The conferring of B.Comms comes to an end at this term's commencements. Mr. Packenham Walsh, apparently unwilling to bring to light again the controversies which attended the death of B.Comms, declined to comment on their passing.

Pop Graduate

Ian Whitcomb, the Trinity man with the Midas touch, who made £20,000 this summer with his recording of "You Turn Me On," has just completed his years of undergraduate study and gained a second in his finals in the School of Modern History and Political Science.

Hist. at Phil.

To-night, Michael Cameron is reading a paper to the Phil entitled "Nehru," at 8.15 p.m. in the G.M.B. The Distinguished Visitor will be the Indian Ambassador. This is the first time in the history of the two societies that an Auditor of the Hist has read a paper to the Phil.

Beermats thrown at J.D.

The "Con" man, alias Edward Robinson, after a vocal period in the Buttery on Tuesday night to celebrate his 21st birthday, proceeded into Commons armed with a pile of beer mats. After a few ranging shots at Hist. Committee members he fired a warning shot across the J.D.'s bows. We understand the J.D. has met him since.

MIDNIGHT DEADLINE FOR WOMEN

"Women are now permitted to remain in College until midnight, and the Front Gate will, therefore, be locked at 12 midnight instead of 11.30 p.m." This decision, which came into effect at the meeting of the Board yesterday, was declared in a circular issued last Friday by the Agent. This circular, concerning the porters' duties at Front Gate, goes on to state: "... no record of persons leaving College after midnight will be kept, except in the case of women or persons about whom the porters are doubtful or suspicious."

This development, along with some other minor changes in routine at Front Gate, has been received with mixed feelings. The Dean of Women Students, Mrs. E. R. Denard, stated: "... this measure should be welcomed by women students who, up to now, have often to leave clubs and activities early in order to be outside by the time the College closes." This remains to be seen, but the extension might only result in clubs prolonging their activities by half an hour. Anyway, most last buses around College leave at 11.30 p.m.

Ken Smyth, a Junior Sophister, commented: "Assuming for a moment that a woman has to get out of College for a certain part of the twenty-four hour day, it seems ridiculous to say that giving her an extra half hour's 'grace' is a great step forward."

Calendar Delayed Faculty Elections

Owing to the printing strike, the University Calendar has been delayed, and will appear in early December. Mr. Pyper, who is its editor, told *Trinity News* that he was surprised that anyone should be worrying about it. "Trinity students never read the Calendar—otherwise they would be fined less," he said. It will cost 10/-.

THE PHIL

MICHAEL CAMERON
is reading a paper entitled

"NEHRU"

Distinguished Visitor
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TO-NIGHT: 18th NOVEMBER

at 8.15 p.m.

Tea 7.45 p.m.

All students welcome

Nominations for the S.R.C. faculty elections close next week, and voting will take place on Monday, 29th November. Howard Kinlay, director of the elections, told *Trinity News* on Monday that he was hopeful that there would be plenty of competition. He was, however, upset by the new publicity arrangements which among other things forbid handouts in the Buttery and Buffet. "Last year those who had the largest advertising spread tended to be the winning candidates," he said. The S.R.C. will compensate by duplicating 50-word "portraits" of the candidates which will be displayed on special noticeboards around College. At the special meeting on the 29th November the S.R.C. hope to have Professors Chubb and Dawson to speak, as well as David McConnell and U.S.I.'s Secretary Denis Hanrahan. Asked whether he thought faculty representatives were useful to the S.R.C., Howard Kinlay said: "Let's get people to nominate themselves. We'll see about their efficiency later."

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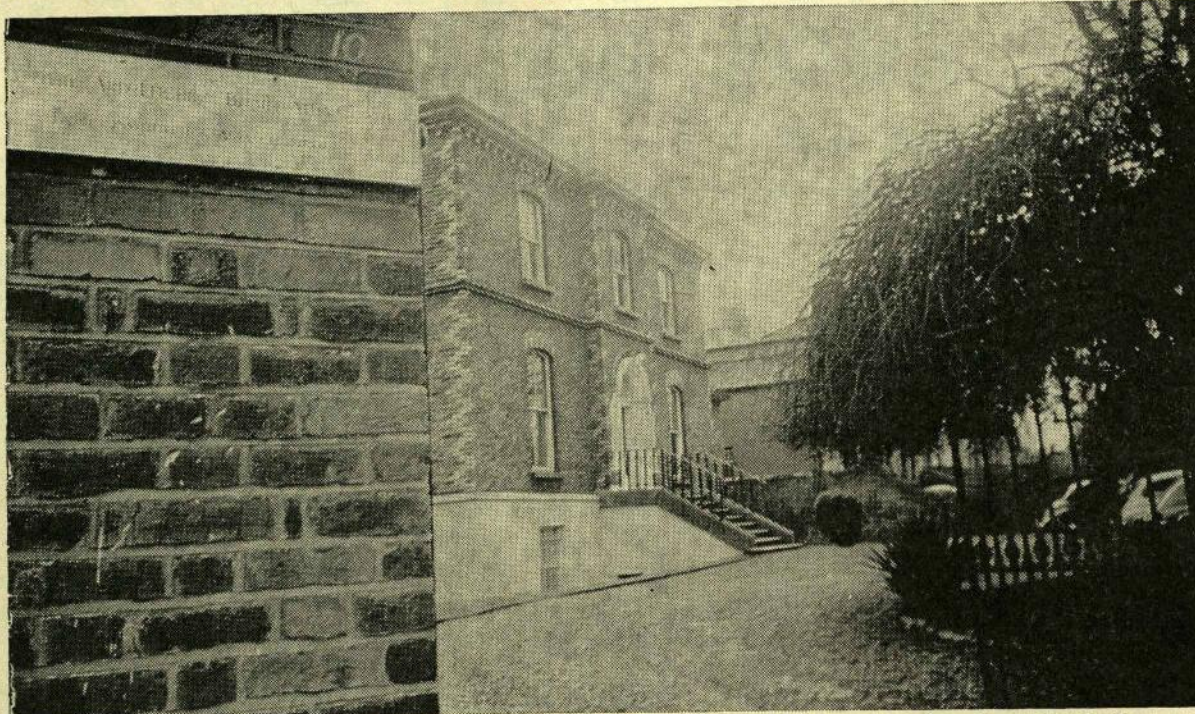
Well, for a start I would sell Trinity, its buildings and its land — Prof. Dirac

Professor Dirac, at a mathematical congress in Dublin last month, you expressed the view that two university colleges in Dublin were unnecessary, leading to duplication of lectures and general loss of efficiency. Do you find the present system of higher education in Ireland unsatisfactory?

It is not satisfactory to have two university colleges in Dublin, and four in the Republic of Ireland. The two Dublin colleges should be amalgamated, and a new university formed out of them. It is ridiculous for me to lecture to a handful of students here, and my counterpart in U.C.D. lecturing to a similarly small number. The same is true of Cork and Galway. There should be one university outside Dublin, fulfilling the functions of both Cork and Galway, and the other should be turned into a specialised college with a high standard in, say, agriculture and allied subjects. That would leave us with two universities in the country. At the moment there are too many institutions for higher learning here; the four colleges, the Royal Irish Academy, and the Institute for Advanced Studies.

What are your views on the Academy and the Institute for Advanced Studies?

It is hard to take the Academy seriously; it is quite farcical, yet it spends a lot of money. Among our institutions for higher learning only the Institute for Advanced Studies is well organised, well run, and respected. The others are all



—Photo Mike Walsh

The Institute of Advanced Studies — "the only institute of higher learning in Ireland that works properly." So says Professor Dirac of the School of Mathematics. He spoke mildly at a Mathematical Congress last month about redundancy of lectures in U.C.D. and Trinity, but when our reporter Bryan Rose spoke to him last week he let fly on the position of all the places of higher learning in Ireland.

a shambles. While we certainly have not enough money for all our present institutions, we should have enough for two universities and the Institute.

What form should these new universities you envisage take?

Ireland should have state-run universities on the Continental system. It is a paradox that so nationalistic a country should adhere so fanatically to the English Protestant tradition. All institutions of higher learning should

have complete religious freedom in fact as well as in theory.

How would you set about founding these new universities?

Well, for a start I would sell Trinity, its buildings and its land. It is situated in the heart of Dublin, and should realise about £4,000,000. As well as that, the College has assets of about £2,000,000 in shares and property. All this money could then be put into the new foundation. Earls-

fort Terrace and the Academy building would also be sold. One should try to keep all the new University and also the Institute of Advanced Studies on the same campus, along with the halls of residence for the students.

How large should the new university be?

That depends on how many graduates the country needs. A study should be made to find out what will be necessary.

Do you envisage much opposition to your proposals?

Yes. The two universities in Dublin at present have their origins in historical circumstances. Both are run by cliques—in Trinity that clique is the Senior Fellows. In neither does there exist any concept of responsibility to students. I have no patience with people who, for the sake of convenience and nebulous idealism, are not willing to look the facts in the face.

In your own department, for example, what is wrong at present?

It is completely unsatisfactory at present owing to lack of funds and overwork on the part of the staff. Salaries are low here. The maths department, for the entire teaching and research in pure and applied mathematics and in theoretical physics, has eight full-time members and one part-time member of staff, and the result is as one may expect. Within the last three years alone, three professors of the mathematics school have resigned. I am leaving at the end of this year.

Surely your proposals, if put into effect, would cause considerable disruption and hardship.

The initial tribulations of the new university will be only chicken-feed compared with the undignified, sub-standard set-ups now in existence. The Institute for Advanced Studies is a shining example of an excellently-run, state-maintained institution of higher learning, the only one in Ireland that works properly.

Lecky Library

Changes in the size and layout of the Lecky Library during the summer have enlarged the scope and altered the emphasis of its operations. Largely due to the work of Eileen Roche, the new Librarian, the cataloguing of the books has been changed over to the Dewey system, in order to cope with the 7,000 books which the Library, now engulfing the old law seminar room next door, offers for loan to almost all undergraduates who want them.

Although the library can now seat more (about 60), its major function is as a lending library, with readers' tickets instead of forms, but despite all the hard work that has gone into it, final year Historian Bryan Rose commented: "It's bloody chaotic. In the old days the Lecky Library was comprehensive, now it is quite incomprehensible." He claims that books have disappeared, that the catalogue is insufficient, and that nobody knows what is happening.

PERSONAL COLUMN

All advertisements for inclusion in the Personal Column must be given in to the Advertising Manager, c/o Trinity News, Regent House, by Saturday, 1.00 p.m., prior to date of issue. Prepaid, 2d. a word; minimum, 2/6. We reserve the right not to include advertisements.

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SKIERS MAY LOSE CREDIT

Over sixty Trinity students are liable to lose credit for the term by joining the Ski Club trip to Zurs in December, according to a recent ruling of the Board.

For many years a Trinity group has combined with Oxford and Cambridge Ski Clubs in this pre-Christmas holiday. But since 1963, Michaelmas term has ended here one week after it has ended in Oxford and Cambridge. Trinity skiers have thus been forced to miss up to one week of lectures in order to have the full fortnight in the snow.

In a letter sent to the Board last summer, ski club organisers pleaded that the December dates could not be changed. The club existed in order to compete officially for the College. Any attempt to run an independent holiday in January would fail. Firstly, be-

cause of higher prices; secondly, because without the attraction of the University race, good Trinity skiers would prefer to organise their own small parties. The club would really have no further function as a College sporting body.

The Board sympathised with these arguments, but did not think they could be applied to the many who did not race but joined the holiday for pleasure skiing only. Credit will, however, be granted to all members of the official racing team.

Open in the New Year

John Ryan, owner of the famous Bailey Pub in Duke Street, told us on Monday that he expected that business would be as usual early in the New Year. "I'm looking forward," he said, "to having Trinity undergraduates back again with us. We are preserving the famous back room, and we think they'll be very pleased with the job." The Old Bailey was completely demolished recently and its reconstruction is taking longer than expected. Working in confined spaces has made the renovation particularly difficult.

Joseph and Gordon Walker coming

Two well-known politicians will be visiting Trinity next term, in the persons of Sir Keith Joseph and Patrick Gordon Walker. Sir Keith Joseph is speaking at a meeting of the 1964 Committee on Friday, 11th February, whilst Mr. Gordon Walker will be partaking in a debate in the Hist. on Wednesday, 9th March.

"Abbey Theatre"

An Cumann Gaelach's inaugural last Friday night had to do without one of the principal speakers, Michael MacLiammoir. He was actually making a record in England at the time, and told our reporter that he "would have given a good deal to be there," but regretted that he could not let the Society know earlier.

There were still several distinguished guests there, who gave the auditor, M. O'Siadhail, a good hearing for his address entitled "The Abbey Theatre Yesterday and To-day." Ernest Blythe, Director of the Abbey, talked of the lack of money affecting the scope of the theatre's plays. The Countess FitzGerald thought that nationalisation of the Irish theatre was "a very good thing." The Chief Justice reckoned that the public got the theatre they deserved, but that the New Abbey would live up to its challenge.

Lecturers against South Africa

As part of the campaign against Apartheid in South Africa, the Irish Universities took an unprecedented step last week by lobbying Dail members. Kadar Asmal, the Trinity Lecturer and Vice-Chairman of the Irish movement, told our reporter that the interest shown in the movement by Trinity undergraduates was about the same as that shown by English students, but had not as yet set up a fund-raising organisation as Queen's, Belfast, has done. Mr. Asmal went on to say that monies collected had already been sent to the National African Congress—a body believing in peaceful remedies of non-white grievances—for the purpose of giving legal aid to victims of Apartheid, and to support their families.

No Parties on Platform 2

One of the best ideas for a party was stifled a few days ago when C.I.E. suddenly discovered that their licence did not cover parties given on Platform 2 without a meal to support it. Hostesses Pepeta Harrison, Angela Durand, Vivienne Yelland and Anastasia David were planning to have their

party at Amiens Street Station on November 25th, but received a message from the Catering Manager there to the effect that unless they changed the party to a dinner, they couldn't have Platform 2. The girls have now found another venue, which for obvious reasons is being kept secret.

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You're trespassing! Never, always was Youell. You're trespassing here! Here or anywhere, always the same.

Such esoteric argument yields no understanding, but then in any normal discussion do we understand each other? I suggest most of us in College are unreliable characters by virtue of our incompatibility and I advocate some more interospection.

Writers in the past three weeks in College think there is something wrong. Dead right, "Full stop." Don't polish the social climbers, camp followers who are the trappings of College life. They are just normal, a committant by-product with our society. Baggage! Help us to proselytize in our journals.

Think? How many of us are normal—between the two extremes of acid and placid personality, of balanced judgment, middlemen like the left-wing Conservatives today, partial towards our girlfriends in sexual matters with strong bias for beer-with-the-lads, members of Hist and Phil, S.C.M. and C.U. Remember, well men, it is possible to have tea in the Eliz. on Wednesdays without subscribing!

Now, to sit on my own hat. Though I passionately believe in normality and have faith in people finding transcendental awareness of the world through the machinations on conformation I am not going to preach. I have yet to let myself be amused by normal. Drink with some, teetotal with others, scrounge, lie, savage, love and, above all, act like I cared about my position in College—I am lovable and smilable. R. YOUELL.

ROMULUS RITES

Impossible

The New Statesman, that venerable organ of the left, is in trouble. Listen to their wretched editorial, "There are times when I feel the whole country is drowning in a maelstrom of muddle and inefficiency..."

"... Here is an opportunity for him (Mr. Fraser, the Minister of Transport) to hit back with a limited but realistic piece of Socialist planning." Picture the tears running down Mr. Freeman's face in the heat of New Delhi as he sees the power he has built up dwindle almost as rapidly as the circulation. There he is impotent, politically castrated. Banished like a prodigal from the

Socialist family. Who has ever heard of limited, let alone realistic, Socialist planning?

Après le Deluge?

Scene: A narrow cobbled Paris street.

Date: During one of France's Presidential troubles. One tramp cries to another: "What will happen when the great man dies?" The other replies: "He will rise again on the third day." As long as that?

The Cost of Lecturing

My fees are £112 a year, mainly because Sein Fein wanted my family to live in England, and I have to pay another £60 or so because I want to do an LL.B. Yet according to Dr. Thaker it would be too expensive for General Studies to have a proper and instructive Tutorial course. Text-book lectures are enough for G.S. students; Trinity has no time to waste with them. It seems that Trinity is intent on producing mediocrity, but also most of its students must go out into the world ignorant. A request by students of the G.S. economics faculty was met with bland smiles and refusal. This university must not be a temple of whitewashed towers and ivory-plated walls hiding a hideous mire of muddled thinking and a gethemene of wasted years for those in General Studies.

Turkish Vice

Seen in an Istanbul shoe shop, "Sleepers with turned noses for sale."

Pseud-on-him

Intellectuals have been given a remarkably uncomfortable life, yet the Pseuds are praised, admired and copied, but never castigated. "Oh, remote, ineffective, don," cried Hilaire Belloc. "Intellectuals are people educated beyond their capacity," said Winston Churchill. The Pseud was even complimented by Oscar Wilde; he found they were more interesting than the real thing. A curious form of eroticism. However, there is always Mr. Williams Burroughs. Trinity manages with her usual deft apathy

to have neither. Her dons are fine conservative beings, never seen and little read. There are, however, one or two respected in the academic world and accepted in every club in London. Let's have some pseuds. They might at least promote some thoughts in the arid wastes of this —university? Ad.

For those who are interested this is a literal translation of the ad. which appeared in our Personal Column last week:

Gaelic Society, To-morrow (Friday): "The Abbey Theatre, Yesterday and To-day. — Micheal Siadhal. Speakers: Michael MacLiammoir, Judge), the Countess FitzGerald, Edward Blythe, Brendan O'Carroll O'Daly. (Principal Hare 8.30 p.m. in the G.M.B.

The "T.N." Irish speaking proof reader was not available.

"Just Good Friends"

Extract from U.S.S.R. student information bulletin just reached us: "The 900 French youths and girls and their 200 Soviet hosts of the same age became really great friends when they met in the Moscow suburbs last summer. Language was no barrier, because they overcame this obstacle by means of gestures, smiles and handshakes."

Pot800000000's

Faltering, wobbling and weaving, he drove his bicycle down Baggot Street, an excruciated look on his face and a hundredweight sack of potatoes over his arm. His devotion to duty and his religious zeal were to go unrewarded for as he crossed himself at the church he forgot the potatoes. His machine collapsed, and the bag of potatoes burst, cobbling the street with fine Irish produce.

The ways of God are beyond human understanding.

Quench Your Lust

This was seen on a notice advertising a night club in Venice: "First Consummation: 400 lire. Successive Consummations: 100 lire."

Russian Breeding

From a recent Komsomol (Young Communist League) information bulletin: "At the call of the Komsomol, nearly two and a half million young men and women went into cattle breeding in recent years."

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Sticks and Stones

On the 4th November "Trinity News" published a story explaining the difference of opinion between the Agent and the Porters. The rights and wrongs of this dispute do not concern the undergraduate body; but we hope that it will be settled amicably and speedily. A strike would be awkward for all.

However the next day "T.C.D." printed a note about the Porters which directly involved undergraduates. Though light-hearted in tone, it did assert that: "the state of the Porters is generally deplored by students."

The porters took umbrage and are now threatening to sue the magazine, but more important, their attitude towards students has tended to be unfriendly.

We cannot agree with "T.C.D.'s" statements that the porters are deplorable. Surely most of them are both respected and liked. It seems sad, therefore, that harmonious relations should be upset in this way. Whatever the outcome of the dispute with the Agent, we hope that the drunk coming in Front Gate at 3 a.m. will still be assured of his cheery welcome.

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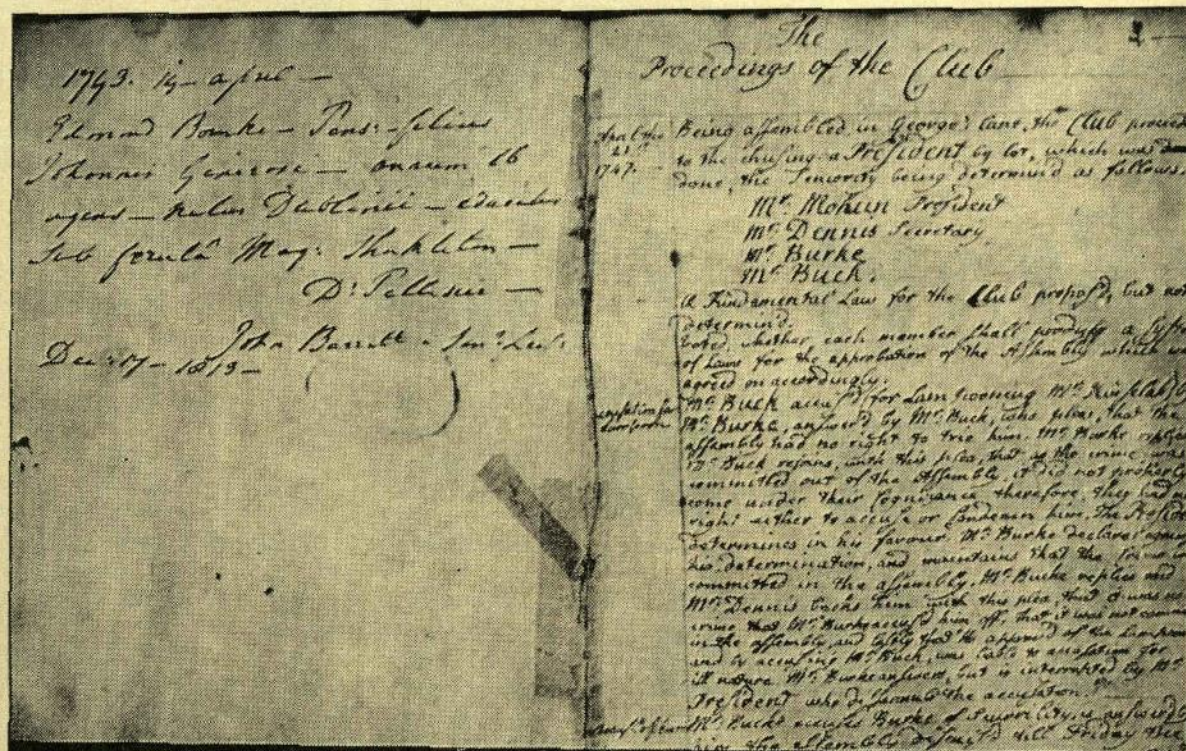
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THE BURKE CASE

... the loss of one of Trinity's
most valuable manuscripts — was it
carelessness or fraud?

Anyone who has ever attended a Hist meeting cannot fail to realise the awe with which that illustrious and ancient society regards Edmund Burke, their founder. Scarcely a Wednesday night passes without at least one reference to the great man who founded the oldest debating society in these islands. Under the circumstances it is difficult to imagine how the minutes of the original Hist, "Burke's Club", could have been mislaid, but that is exactly what has happened. The



—Photo Robert Bolam.

Detrimental Ditty

(With apologies to Rudyard Kipling).

Take up the student's burden—
Send forth the best they write;
Go bind your copy carefully
To last till Friday night;
Then sell the issue, if you can,
For readers make it plain
Once having bought, that they will
never
Pass this way again.
Take up the Tutor's burden—
(The savage wars of peace)
And guide the students safely
safely through
And bid the failing cease;
So when your finals come to you,
Whose courage made men
happy,
Fear not the issue is in doubt—
There's be no want of copy.
Take up the College burden—
Have done with childish days—
Be mindful of her policies,
Her rude and ancient ways;
Come now, to purge her errors,
That Silent Sister band,
And beat her to submission
With unrelenting hand.
Take up the student's sixpence—
Ye dare not stoop to less,
Nor call too loud upon the Board,
Because you're penniless;
By all the space you advertise,
By all your sales can do,
Beware the bank, for they shall
weigh
Your overdraft and you.
MALCOLM BENSON.

THEATRE: Malcolm Benson.

Players Please

Congratulations to Mirabel Walker for an excellent, balanced production of "Lady Windermere's Fan". Mind you, the praise is not hers alone: Judy Patterson and her helpers provided the gay and colourful costumes; Robert Buick arranged a delightful set which made the cramped stage look enormous; Joey Pirie furnished it appropriately with period furniture.
As for the play itself—Maire Messenger, as the Duchess of Berwick, dominated the first half, giving the vitality which the part needs. After that, the plot is sufficiently interesting, but Ann McFerran deserves special mention for a superbly sympathetic understanding of the chameleon-like part of Mrs. Erlynne. Philippa Tulitt as Lady Windermere should have been more conspicuous in the early part of the play; she lacked presence, and was eclipsed by the Duchess. However, she made up in the second half what she lost in the first, and ended as a most convincingly sadder and wiser heroine. Robin Clarke, Richard Stephens and Patrick Gray are obviously witty, late-Victorian, Wildean gentlemen by instinct, and gave most entertaining renderings of their

respective parts. What a pity this show is not running for longer. Also began on Monday: "The Horse Dealer" (Gate), a trite and disappointing musical comedy; loud snoring was heard.

"The Country Boy" (Abbey)—knit your own Irish country play, given family living ten miles from nowhere

Rathmines & Rathgar (Gaiety)—tremendous show, if you like Gilbert & Sullivan.

FILMS: Alistair Brown

Hell for Jelly

Fred Quimby, a name that turns the true "aficionado" of film to a quaver of anticipation, a veritable jelly of expectancy. The genius of Hitchcock may wane, the invention of Godard may repulse, but Quimby goes on forever. His latest "chef d'oeuvre", slipping past a nodding censor, disguised as family entertainment, blossoms to reveal on repeated viewings a bitter criticism of death, a parody of hope. The nihilistic message of the director and sparse dialogue is infused by vital camera work and brilliant use of colour to reveal a complete work of art. One re-enters the crowded street hushed but refreshed. Yes indeed "Sylvester in Hell" (Funnies) is true poetry of the screen!!

minute book, written in 1747, consists of one hundred and ten pages of closely written manuscript, much of it in Burke's own handwriting. It measures seven

"Hist security arrangements were appalling."—Michel Shiels, Hist. Record Secretary.

and three-quarter inches by six and a half inches, and is about three-quarters of an inch thick. It was bound in a dark brown cover.

Jeremy Craig, records secretary of the Hist from January to May, 1963, is quite sure that the minutes were in the society's possession when he handed over to his successor. That is the last occasion on which the book was seen. As the book was normally kept in some cupboards and seldom looked at, no one realised the book was missing until April of this year, when a statutory sub-committee under Michael Shiels, now record secretary and then senior ordinary member of committee, realised that the book was missing. A search was instituted at once, and a sub-committee was set up "to investigate the disappearance of the minute-book

"The pity is that members did not appreciate the value of the Society's records until these minutes had disappeared." — Michael Cameron, Hist Auditor.

of Burke's Club; to recommend means of its recovery, and to prevent the recurrence of similar

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misfortunes." The sub-committee, under the chairmanship of Brian Williamson, reported within a week, on April 28th. It could not discover how the book had disappeared, nor exactly when it had disappeared, severely castigating the society for its security arrangements. The sub-committee recommended that the book trade be notified of its loss. It also stated that Hodges Figgis had promised to put an advertisement in 'Clique', a book trade magazine with an international circulation. In fact this had not been done at the time. It was not until last month that Hodges Figgis were at last asked to insert the advertisement. When they were app-

"The Hist's first priority now must be that nothing of this sort can ever happen again."—Jeremy Lucas.

roached by David McConnell, then auditor of the Hist, they were asked to suppress the news, as was TCD Miscellany, so as to give the sub-committee then sitting full freedom of action. When the sub-committee's report was published, no immediate steps were taken. The police were not con-

tacted, nor were the bookshops. Only the Junior Dean, as vice-president of the Hist, was told of the loss. Though there were no attempts to keep the news of the book's disappearance a secret, neither were steps taken to ensure its recovery. The outgoing committee still had a week in office—only apathy can explain and nothing can excuse, their negligence and lethargy. With the

"Quite frankly, general carelessness and slackness is to blame. I think it has been lost, not stolen." —Patrick Evershed.

installation of the new committee and the impending long vacation, no action was taken until the beginning of this term. Then the police were notified, and through TCD Magazine the press heard of the loss. Articles appeared in the "Irish Times", the "Times", the "Sun", the "Daily Telegraph", both Dublin evening papers, Telefis Eireann, Radio Eireann and the B.B.C. news service. Mr. O'Sullivan, keeper of the manuscripts in College, believes the missing book to be extremely valuable. Working on the fact that one of

Burke's letters was sold recently in London for £75, he believes the value of the book to be between three thousand and four thousand pounds, though these

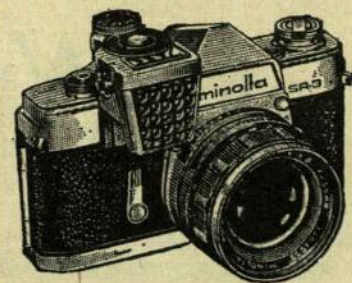
"Somebody must have taken them, that's that; it can't be helped."—Ronnie Hay, ordinary member of Hist.

figures are, of course, only an approximate estimate. The book could only find a ready market in America, but even in Britain, where it could not be sold on the open market because of recent publicity, there are private collectors who would pay considerable sums to possess so valuable a relic of Burke.

One happy consequence of the society's loss is its increased awareness of the value of its records. From now on all the more valuable books in its possession will be lodged with the College manuscripts, where they will remain under the auspices of the records secretary and keeper of the manuscripts. Here they

"I'm sure it has gone to Communist China, it's just the sort of thing they want." — Chris. Knox, J.S. Economics.

will be safe and can be insured. Perhaps this sad and bungled affair will ensure that the society's records will not further be depleted through incompetence or negligence.



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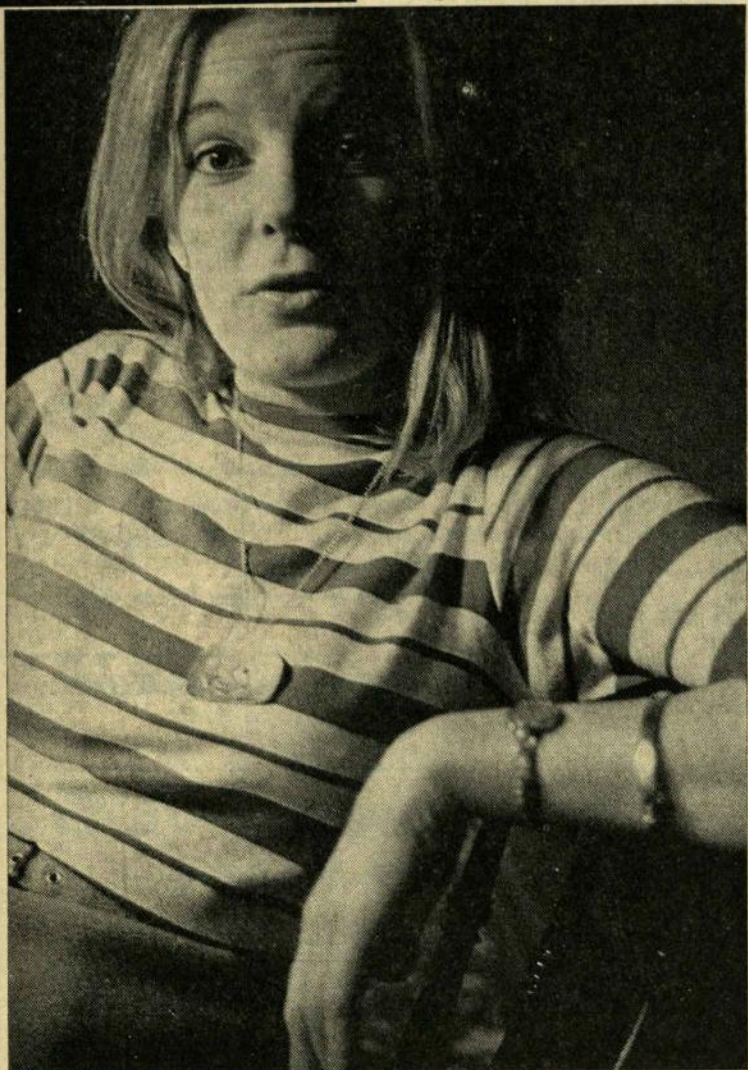
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even with the old deaf-aid switched off. It is prancing about in this class that we find Nicki Winmill.

"Women are terrified of me." Protesting noises from your correspondent.

"No, really they are. I think Glo is the only girl I know really well in the whole of Trinity."

"Was it that she had a feeling of superiority to most other undergraduates?"

"Yes—but please do not print that." Pondering the impression conveyed by that statement, she volunteered:

"Actually I'm terribly tactless—act without thinking. It makes people think I'm awfully insensitive."

More protesting noises.

There is, however, something very purposeful about Nicki. She knows what she wants in most fields worth considering. Also, as one-time member of Trinity Week Committee and present Secretary of the Ladies' Tennis Committee, she has her finger in the organisation pie.

—Photo Tom Chance.

Extremely straight-forward, she is the interviewer's dream, with ready considered answers on anything from campus morals to Mr. Smith and all points west.

"What about men?"

"Well, in my first three weeks in Dublin, I went out with 29 different ones. Wasn't that awful?" Gustly laughter. "I'm mainly attracted by looks, but they must be witty too."

Did she prefer the arty or the athletic? Definitely the athletic—and cricketers best of all. Um—yes

Even after three full years (she work hard, too) Nicki still adooores Trinity. I don't think it would matter much to her if it was in Glasgow or Birmingham, since she has seemingly little contact with Dublin itself.

What advice would she give to a fresh-girl who wanted to get as much enjoyment from the University as she has done herself?

"Oh, get to know lots and lots of people—yes, quite definitely."

I thought that it was perhaps also necessary to have Nicki's sympathetic nature.

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LOWDOWN

The mists of pessimism are thinning and I feel almost interested in this coming week. Last week-end Spotty McGoo threw a hand-warming party for bachelor friends. Spotty's poppies and plastic blackberries are not the greatest in decor, but Spotty tried hard and several friends won't have cold hands much longer. Meanwhile, as the ancient misogynist citadels totter, I can begin to hope for a few stimulants to stir my lethargy. Spotty's thaw could boost the circulation and who knows, Dear Diary, I may even lose my innocence like the man in T.C.D. says.

LUCINDA LOW-DOWN.

After a break for ads., it was back to Part Two of Shirley's Laird's "Perpendicular Party for Perpendicular People." Shades of Rhodesia brought out the Machiavelli in most, with Bill Jacques telling Angela (I wanna hold) Durand of his telegram to Ian Smith, and Brian Williamson still boring voters by asking them where they stood in relation to Salisbury (Marquess of). Charles Dutton, who's rapidly becoming a property-owning democracy, hurried round the crowded and smoke-filled rooms with Campaign Manager Pepita Harrison, but Declan (I'll sue you if you mention me) Budd preferred the grass roots approach and bonked bonces with a bog-brought bull-rush. William Garner brought his own loudspeaker and toured the rooms shaking hands in accompaniment to shaking heads in a desperate attempt to stop the drift to Sean Crabtree. Richard Weston (Parnell Square East) had trouble too, in keeping his block vote for the Adelaide committed, and Debbie Selway's white muslin socks failed to attract anyone except the Liberal Mr. Corbett. Simon Hewett and Gill Hanna managed to get a pair for the evening and so when all the results were in, only surprised candidate was Al McDowell whose safe seat collapsed under party pressure.

Later same night, I made my way to Andrea Ryan's call-up for D.J.s; some fresher brought his ten-gallon boots as well. I came after closing time at Sean's to see Mary Kirby get her fashionable white net over Patrick Brennan. He's really too big for that, Mary. No-one tried netting David Harrington, who seemed in love with a glass. Antony Collins charmed Pip Chance in his own peculiar way, but Kevin Kenny and Simone Judd should know each other well enough for the mutual attraction to have worn off. Arthur Quinlan again did his bouncing Ballyslat-maguttery Bob Dylan impersonation, with mouth organ, shrieks and all. Richard Douglas commuted from one end of the

sofa to the other telling Paul Roche just what Trinity women were like in his day.

The assembled assemblage stood amazed at the sheer courage of Noel Brodrick; beyond the call of duty he tried to enter into a semi-detached relationship with lovely Liz O'Driscoll, the Rita Tushingham of "the Country Girl".

Francis Gilbert confessed to me that he had actually been asked, and brought Roddy McDowell along to prove it. Redmond Morris showed his Aristoscratch origins by dancing with almost everyone in the room except Simon Broadhead and me. Kevin Sheridan and Poppy Lyons had gone to earth elsewhere.

But the greatest breakthrough into artistic creation was halted when Tom Chance failed to throw his action palate filled with the House's cuisine, at the dining-room wall; he slipped and caught sight of Geraldine Broderick instead.

On Saturday, I trotted down the tow-path to the Boat Club dinner disguised as a maiden oar. I slipped into the Long Room to be met by a shower of Grapefruits on their way to Tony Gray's ear and an equal quantity of bad language going the other way. John Cary yelled "duck" as Howard Schotter tried to throw another bench into the river, but Tim Lennie was much more amusing in his attempt to sit in everyone's food. George Wynne-Willson tried to pull my skirt off—but he's only first year and needs more practice. Altogether an evening in the best traditions and I was in bed by 3 a.m. with a cup of Ovaltine and a poppy.

A young lady of Merrion Square Found the "Trinity News" people there.

This filled her with horror
And not a little sorrow,
And forced her to vanish into thin air.

GRAHAM MARTIN.

Low Budget Fish Dish

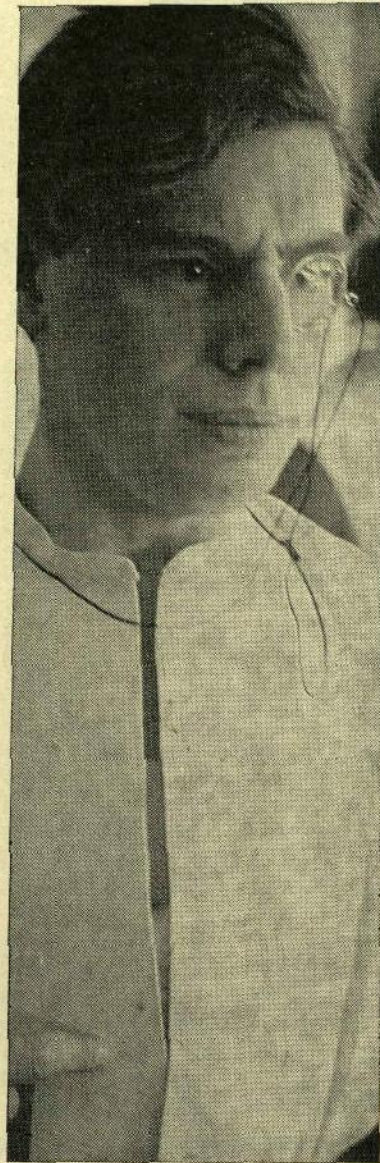
Everyone knows the joke about why the lobster blushed, but few know how easy and cheap it is to actually dress a delicious crab. Open the crab by inserting knife under its apron front and levering, and then remove all the pernicious grey pieces that seem neither flesh nor bone. All the rest is edible.

Dressed Crab

Make a French dressing by beating one tablespoon of vinegar to two tablespoons of olive oil, with a pinch of salt, pepper and mustard. Thoroughly mash the meat of three crabs, and stir in the dressing. Clean the upper parts of the shells and put the mixture back into them. Serve with green salad and brown bread and butter.

Ronald Farmalo, who appeared as Augustus Lorton in Mirabel Walker's production of "Lady Windermere's Fan" during the first half of this week — "you ought to try it, it's such fun."

—Photo Tom Chance



A Letter

To the Editor, Trinity News
Sir,—We would like to thank you for your unsolicited advertisement in "Scrutiny" (November 11 issue of Trinity News) with the reproduction of our front door in the photograph. We are extremely grateful as we now no longer need to maintain our beat in Merrion Square.

We should like to point out that ours is the only establishment staffed entirely by Trinity women, and that special reductions are available to Trinity men.

During the Christmas vacation, special arrangements have been made to operate business from Zürs. Some beds are still available in the Trinity party. Enquiries through T. Schwarz (Ski Captain), No. 11 (22), T.C.D. — Yours sincerely,
Patricia Porter, Deborah Trenerry, Anne Rudnitsky, Libby Boyd, Maureen Donelan, Catherine Bell.

This is not, in fact, true—Editor.
We also received this:

Undressed Crab

Melt an ounce of butter or margarine for each large crab in a saucepan over a low flame and put in the flesh. Add salt and pepper. A little tobasco brings out the flavour, a little thick cream improves the texture. Served with toast as an hors d'oeuvres, one large crab is sufficient for three people. As a meal in itself, more is required.

Crabs cost as little as sixpence each in the market, and the cut of lamb I mentioned last week costs only 3/6, and serves four or five people.

AMYGDALUS PERSICA

An aspect little recorded but of great interest to most of us is that of the undergraduate appetite. Stimulated by a natural curiosity and a consciousness of a duty to keep our readership informed, we selected a team of investigators, chosen for their extortive ability, and ventured into the treacherous domain of the attitude survey.

Our field centred round the Persian apple, or peach, which we chose, not for any obvious reason, but as in fulfilment of some compelling urge to justify its general desirability and soft fresh beauty.

You see, peach eating is like tackling a plate of spaghetti, because once you start you cannot stop. The point of no return is reached on biting deep into the luscious flesh and from that moment, until the last stone is licked clean, you experience only a delirious pleasure.

We found by sophister years the majority had partaken of its sweetness; and those that had, to the question were had it first been tried, answered:

Rooms, flats, digs	61%
Home	0.4%
Car	6%
Park (Phoenix), rural	8%
Others	4.6%
Don't know	20%

"It happened on a field expedition," said a perplexed natural scientist noted for his clinical approach to life.

The lack of such incident during Commons gives rise only to vague speculation, and perhaps these are, after all, places where peaches just shouldn't be eaten;

it has been rumoured, however, that on certain evenings the delicacy is available. The truth of this rumour has yet to be disapproved.

On a more intimate line, though, we asked these people why they had started peach-eating, and received the following reasons:—

Appetite	20%
Curiosity	40%
Drunk	15%
Others	5%
Don't know	20%

"I can't think what came over me," ex-committee member, Hist. "I can never find the opener now," confessed senior sophister.

The high proportion of "Don't know" here sets one thinking. One wonders if the situation is really as bad as it seems. For above all, peaches must not be eaten indiscriminately; they must be eaten as peaches and as such should not be subject to the abuse showered upon them by these unknowing fools, who think that for satisfying the appetite a peach is as good as an orange.

Of the people who tried the peach, over half liked it: 10% were afraid of repercussions, and only 3% were disappointed. This surely indicates a growing leniency in the general attitude towards peach-eating; and the writer is sure that within the next two decades admission of such tendencies will cause the raising of only the most puritanical of eyebrows.

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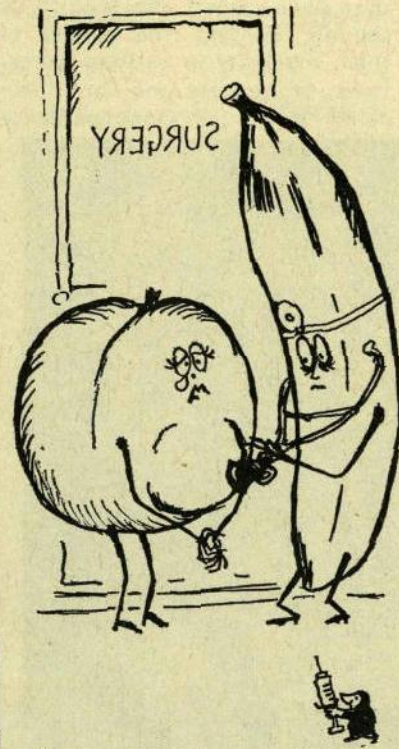
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Men's Hockey

WASHED OUT!

A rain-soaked pitch at Londonbridge Road was deemed unplayable on Saturday, so Trinity will have to keep their plans for beating St. Ita's in the second round of the Irish Senior Cup in cold storage for a little longer.

It is hard to say which side will be most affected by the delay, but one cannot help feeling that it would have been to TRINITY'S advantage to have played on Saturday. Most of the players had performed very effectively in similar conditions on the previous Sunday, and their extra fitness would probably have told against a St. Ita's side that had just completed a four-match MILLS CUP marathon with AVOCA. In a fortnight's time a refreshed St. Ita's will find that experience a benefit rather than a disadvantage.

TRINITY must not allow the postponement to upset their morale for they have the potential to win this match. Extra spirit will be needed, however, and it is essential that the forwards maintain the drive they showed in the match against NOTTINGHAM UNIVERSITY.

Before the cup-tie takes place, S. McNULTY will be leading the LEINSTER Under 23 team in the deciding match of the series against ULSTER. This match will be at Londonbridge Road on Saturday and should be well worth seeing. McNULTY has four Trinity colleagues with him in the Leinster side: P. STIVEN, R. MELLON, T. KING and D. BUDD. As a result of Ulster's 4-1 win over Connacht, Leinster must win to take

the championship, so much will depend on KING'S ability to circumvent fellow Trinity student E. McALLISTER, Ulster's left full-back and captain. If he can do this, and if BUDD gets more of the ball on the left wing, the goals should follow; if not, the initiative will rest with ULSTER. They will not relinquish their title easily.

Incidentally, R. SMYTH, a Trinity full-back, made his debut for CONNACHT'S Under 23 team against ULSTER on Saturday.

Ladies' Hockey

Girls Perform

The Ladies' hockey teams showed far more hardihood than their male counterparts on Saturday: three of their sides braved the elements, while all the men sheltered shamefully in the pavilion. The only exceptions were JOHN DOUGLAS, who very kindly umpired the ladies' 1st XI match, and STEWART McNULTY, who offered helpful advice from the touchline.

The 1st XI lost 0-2 to Maids 1st XI, but the forward line showed more cohesion than previously and the link between defence and attack was much improved.

Beagling

Bunnies, Nags etc.

D'ye ken John Peel? Neither do I, but if you know someone with a car it helps when you want to go beagling.

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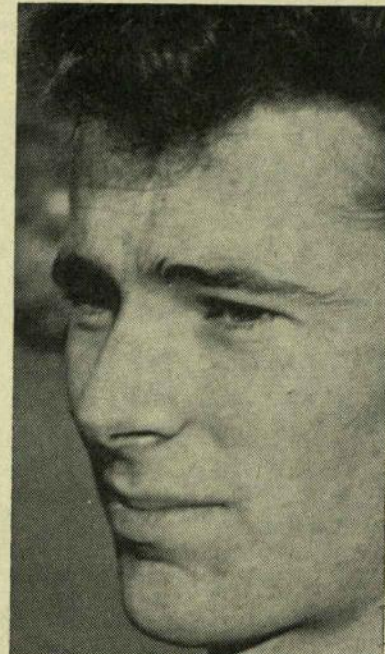
The meet (time and place) will be designated in most morning papers and, at any rate, you'll know you're there when you see two hundred or so other elite and elegant persons also out taking the 'air. Further, when you see two or three bowlegged and bloodshot-eyed gentlemen chasing in your direction after forty or so equally bowlegged and bloodshot-eyed hounds, you'll know its time to run.

Opportunities for the smart and speedy are endless, varying from the chance of a free rabbit (beg pardon! Saved by a hair's breadth)—hare pie to an ideal opportunity to ensnare upon a barbed fence the lady/gentleman of your choice. Possibilities of pleasure or advancement are no less for the fairer and frailer members of society and a timely fainting fit might be used to advantage.

Sports Personalities—3

IAN POINTER

An elusive man, both on and off the field, this season's Association Football captain comes to us from Earls Colne Grammar School and a soccer tradition of proficient Pointers in Colchester, Essex. At present a Junior Sophister Natural Science student, Ian must be one of the youngest captains of the sport, which is, itself, a great achievement.



—Photo Tim Cullen.

His worth as a sprinter must not be under-estimated; during the vacation he travelled to Germany with Trinity's athletes and received his colours for this sport also.

By nature, Ian is quiet and unassuming; in short, an ideal person to profile, for he would never tell you personally of his achievements, and just the man to bring the Collingwood Cup back to Trinity next term.

Sports Review

'On the Ball'

Lo! Three more engagements with which to head our sporting gossip column this week. TONY CROOKS, last season's junior rugby secretary, is engaged to JOANNA WALMSLEY; Leinster Under 23 and Trinity hockey star PETER STIVEN to BRONWEN SYMES; last year's Auditor of the Hist and present Lions scrum-half DAVID McCONNELL to JANET OVEREND. Our congratulations are extended to the respective couples.

To continue on a hockey note, it appears that the Irish Hockey Union does not possess sufficient capital at present to send both the Senior and Under 23 Irish hockey teams to London in April. This is a return fixture, as the English sides visited the Emerald Isle last year. At the moment, Trinity have five players in the Under 23 side and it seems only fair, therefore, that hockey fans in College should support the cause which will enable our representatives to cross the water.

Last year's rugby captain and No. 8, AUBREY BOURKE, who fractured a leg in the Instonians match towards the end of last season, has made a complete recovery, but his doctor will not allow him to canter yet. As a result, Aubrey will miss the annual Colours match versus U.C.D. on November 27th.

Trinity centre PADDY HILLYARD flew home to represent Wilts and Dorset in their county match versus Bucks last Wednesday. His team narrowly lost 9-10, but Paddy distinguished himself by engineering one Wilts and Dorset try and scoring another.

The following were elected Knights of the Campanile recently: J. ST. P. BUNBURY (golf), T. R. G. KING (hockey), J. MALONE (Gaelic football), C. C. M. MORRISON (rugby), G. F.

MURPHY (cricket), A. P. PIKE (rugby), R. RICE (swimming).

It was CHARLES HALLIDAY'S match at Santry on Saturday when Gaels recorded a 13-0 victory over Lions in an evenly contested game. In the other internal league match, Barbarians defeated Springboks 16-3.

The Rifle Club 1st and 2nd VIII's are shaping well; an excellent batch of Freshers have arrived, including STAN GREER, Ulster junior .22 champion for the past two years. All the beginners have now completed coaching classes, and shoulder to shoulder matches versus Queen's and Dublin Rifle Clubs are planned for the team apart from League postal contests. To cope with expanding numbers, the Club is to purchase two more match rifles.

Gaelic Football

Wet Victory

TRINITY—1-10
RATHMINES COLL.—1-5

Trinity recorded an impressive 5 points win over a star-studded College of Commerce side at Santry on Saturday. In a wet, muddy encounter, Trinity's defence took the honours, with full-back COSTELLO and wing-halves REGAN and O'BOYLE particularly effective. Midfielders HANAHOE and McHUGH received a liberal supply of that elusive commodity, the ball, and all six forwards combined intelligently to notch vital scores. McHUGH (1-4), MORAN (0-2), D'ARCY (0-2), CREGAN (0-1) and CARTON (0-1) compiled Trinity's total.

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seemed the correct way to do the job. This task was difficult, and I learned a tremendous amount from tackling it. Technically, the work I had begun was successful, and although the filtration trials did not meet with any measure of success, modifications to the process enabled the plant to achieve economies in steam amounting to some £40,000 per annum. This, of course, was a team effort, but I was conscious of my own contribution and derived great satisfaction from it."

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1st XV Rugby

YET ANOTHER WIN

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TRINITY, 8 pts.

Freshers' Rugby

Trinity 1st XV celebrated their first game out of Dublin with a fine victory over N.I.F.C. in Belfast on Saturday.

The club's fortunes rose considerably this week, as neither the 2nd nor the 3rd XV's lost, all this coming close on the heels of the Freshers' great win over U.C.D. last Wednesday. Critics and others take note.

Victory came as a result of safety-first, this proving a wiser policy than passing for its own sake. The unusual achievement of a win in Belfast was all the more noteworthy for a side without captain MORRISON (injury) and second-row man BOURKE (exams). The result speaks highly for the team's high morale engendered by BUCHANAN's example, whose performance both in the tight and the loose was superb on Saturday. Indeed, it was he who made the clinching try with a splendid frontal burst.

A well-knit, fighting pack and a tight defence were responsible for such a creditable performance. The backs tackled fiercely for a change, but their ideas in attack were limited by a lack of pace and guile in midfield.

MURPHY and LEVIS both kicked well under pressure. ARGYLE won most of the scrummages, and DAVIES and DAWSON exhibited good line-out jumping. The victory could have been established earlier if passes in the centre had not gone astray and MURPHY'S

penalties had been successful.

First blood went to the home side when ORR kicked a neat penalty, awarded for one of many stupid mistakes at the base of the scrum. With kickers of HICKIE'S calibre about, these slips must be corrected at once. Ten minutes before half-time Trinity struck back when HEYWOOD and SPENCE followed up a MURPHY drop-goal attempt to put KEANE over from the ensuing set-piece.

After MURPHY'S conversion the visitors remained on top until the final whistle, although victory was not secured till BUCHANAN burst through and kicked ahead for HILLYARD to touch down.

Despite a creditable performance all round, there is still room for improvement. LEVIS must vary his game, the centres must run straight and harder. In the pack, SHERIDAN made a welcome return at wing-forward at the cost of one black eye!

Next Saturday the 1st XV play Collegians at home; support from the touch-line is requested.

U.C.D. Conquered

It was indeed a pleasure to see the spirit and enthusiasm in Trinity Freshers XV last week at they humbled their U.C.D. counterparts in College Park by 8 points to 6, after their superb win over Greystones the Saturday before.

In paying tribute to both their fitness and their willingness to play as a team, under the captaincy of J. NIXON, one can almost forgive the mistakes they made. Though often outjumped in the line-outs, and giving weight in the set scrums, the forwards, especially R. FOX, J. PIKE and T. SMITH, were devastating in the loose. The back row covered magnificently, J. YOUNG scoring an excellent try. P. MURPHY'S value as a place kicker is obviously going to pay dividends, and in the backs, D. DONOVAN and J. ANDREWS were outstanding. K. FAZEL had a tendency to lob some of his passes, but could strike up a useful partnership with R. HUTCHINSON once the latter settles down in the side.

These successes were slightly marred by an 11-3 defeat at the hands of Blackrock on Saturday.

However, this year's team has the potential to be the best Freshman side for several years, the Selection Committee permitting, and one can see quite a rosy future ahead for Trinity rugby.

Soccer

One Point Dropped

D.U.F.C., 2; ST. BRENDAN'S, 2

Trinity 1st XI showed much improved form against St. Brendan's in College Park on Saturday. In gathering gloom, our boys eased up to concede two goals in the last ten minutes, thus depriving themselves of a point they manifestly deserved.

TOMMY NOLAN, about to bang home Trinity's No. 2.



—Photo Tim Cullen.

The game was played in almost continuous rain, but this appeared to influence control very little, and, in the early exchanges MOORE was grasping the ball confidently in the Trinity goal.

The home side revealed greater understanding and were far more co-ordinated than in previous matches. The ball was moved into

opposition territory with smooth, man-to-man passes, but for the extreme precision of St. Brendan's off-side trap, Trinity would have registered a netful of goals.

Both our goals came in the first half from TOMMY NOLAN, who marshalled the attacking forces with great enthusiasm from inside left. His first score was a peach: the ball progressed from the goal-keeper to KYNASTON on the left flank, who found NOLAN with a well-judged through ball; the inside-left banged it home in typical aggressive style.

Trinity continued to press and came close to scoring on several occasions; SOWERBY returned to his spoiling best, MACREADIE demonstrated good ball control and the wings looked dangerous. The defence played well as usual, with right-half RAE having his best game so far, and O'MOORE dominating the mid-field, aided by some magnificent covering from left-half and captain POINTER.

Poor finishing and some interesting referee decisions cost Trinity the win they so badly needed.

Tiddlywinks

"Where there's a Wink . . ."

To most lesser mortals, a wink is just something dreamt of in the Reading Room, but to rapidly increasing numbers (at present as many as twelve) this means the exciting, soul-stirring sport of Tiddlywinks.

Sunday witnessed a thrilling encounter at Trinity Hall between two line-ups of the biggest winking names in Dublin.

Dedicated all-rounder DAVID VIGAR, who had been injured this term with winker's thumb, squigged off with a long curving wink to the centre, watched by avid supporters and selectors alike, but was promptly challenged by salty veteran CELINE CLANCY whose short, sharp winks mesmerised the other half of the Vigar partnership, power thumber BEN TRAGETT.

However, David, imbued with the same spirit that helped No. 18 to retain the Secombe Cup last season, squigged himself off into an unsquabbable position and thrilled the crowd by landing a brace of pots and victory.

Do you have to be tiddly to wink? PAT STOKES seems to think so!

Harriers

Trotting in the rain

Trinity Harriers gained second place in a triangular cross-country match, involving Donore and St. Columba's College, on Saturday. Only four of our boys, T. MACEY (7th), H. GASH (8th), B. NOLAN (10th) and M. GANLY finished in the first 15.

Result—1, Donore, 28 pts.; 2, Trinity, 70 pts.; 3, S.C.C., 106 pts.

In drier but colder conditions on Sunday, great success resulted against Curragh Camp; the return of experienced names like S. BYRNE and K. MILLINGTON, who took 1st and 2nd places in times of 23 mins. 45 secs. and 24 mins. 45 secs., respectively, improved the scorecard. Other Harriers to appear in the top ten were: T. MACEY (4th), H. GASH (8th) and M. Davis (10th).

Result—1, Trinity, 37 pts.; 2, Curragh, 41 pts.

Golf

APPEAL FOR FEMALES

THE Ladies Golf Club is in a sorry state for members; any females with aspirations in this direction should contact Rosalie Auckland, No. 6, immediately.

Last week Trinity golfing males recorded a seven point win over the Leinster Ladies' Alliance at Elm Park, even though the ladies received six additional shots and a few yards' start at every hole. What was that about blowing your own trumpets?

JEREMY PILCH got the better of Irish international ITA BURKE; new boys CALDWELL, POLLINS

and TONY BLACK won hard-fought contests; as did old hands STEVEN BLACK, FLEURY and BISHOP.

This left captain ALISTAIR BOND, who proved to be the only chivalrous member of the team, in halving his match.

The interesting feature of the competition was its close finishes, five of eight encounters being undecided until the 18th hole.

CROUPIER

DIATOME having nosed his way into the winner's frame to land all sorts of Trinity money, Croupier was riding high last Monday morning. However, a grossly over-indulgent Saturday night took its habitual toll, so it was with quivering hand and a singular lack of inspiration that pen was reluctantly put to paper.

The equine action is at Ascot this week-end, where Black and White sponsors Saturday's card. The Irish invasion is spearheaded by FLYINGBOLT, already heralded as the next best thing to ARKLE by some pundits. Air travel doesn't seem to suit him though, for he has never produced his best form in England. On that rather tenuous premise, I pass him over for SOLABRA, who was going easily when a faller at Wetherby. Old-stager SANDY ABBOTT is also a course winner, so he'll do for me in the first and LOCHMORE, narrowly beaten by ANSELMO on his debut, must have an outsider's chance in the second, but I'm very

sweet on top-weight BRONZINO. THE FOSSA, 2.15, is already being talked about as next year's Aintree winner, so if the stable-talk's good, he should be spied on here. In the 2.45, EXHIBIT, RED TEARS and REAPER'S SON should be in the carve up, whilst SUNDEN'S NEPHEW is my idea of an all the way winner in the last.

Closer home, everything's happening at Leopardstown, where BLUE BLAZES and OCEAN SAILOR should do battle in the first. CROWN PRINCE looks a ready-made winner, 1.45, but the November Handicap looks like yet another autumnal benefit for the books.

BALLYHASSEN COUNTESS, WATERLOO PRINCE and TOURAINE could be the three, but I'd wait for AGINCOURT and WINNING FAIR in the next. In the 3.15, LADY LEWD should have too much experience for the good-looking JIMMY BROWN and YOUNG CHRISTOPHER but will she be able to cope with Mr. McHUGH's challenge.

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