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AN TOSTAL FAILS

Whose Fault?

Trinity's contributions to the An Tostal celebrations were not as extensive as had originally been planned. The much advertised pageant "Trinity Throughout the Ages", had, unfortunately, to be cancelled owing to a certain apathy on the part of the students, the Board and the police.

The Tostal Ball that was to have been held in the Hibernian Hotel last Friday had also to be cancelled. It appears that owing to a most unfortunate oversight, the number of complimentary tickets exceeded the number of tickets sold.

However, the one feature which was entirely successful was the Costume Debate in the Examination Hall on Tuesday evening. The shadows of the past faded away as Trinity's most distinguished sons were recalled to life. Edmund Burke, John Pentland Mahaffy, Oscar Wilde and Robert Emmet found no difficulty in bringing to bear the massive powers of their eloquence on the motion that "This House Supports the Union". Edmund Burke (E. W. Gorton), in a great speech proposing the Union, remarked that he could not understand why Oscar Wilde was speaking in the negative. While the grave may have made Burke slightly more reactionary, it certainly had not dulled his powers of exposition.

Resplendent in white lily, Oscar Wilde (A. Garret Anderson), true to life, almost dominated the scene and denounced politicians as having the vice of corruption and lacking the virtue of charm.

Sir John Pentland Mahaffy (W. A. Payne), destructive as ever, reflected on the squabbles of the petty kings. Ireland without a union, he said, must surely perish.

In conclusion, Robert Emmet,

ENGINEERING EXTENSION OPENING TO-DAY

The visitor to the University, Justice Kingsmill-Moore, will open the new extension to the engineering faculty to-day at 4.15 p.m. The building has been built by the donation of the Educational Endowment Fund, while the machinery has been donated by the leading engineering firms in Ireland. This new extension will provide the engineering faculty with many of the latest machines, which will be of use not only to the students of Trinity but also to the industry of Ireland.

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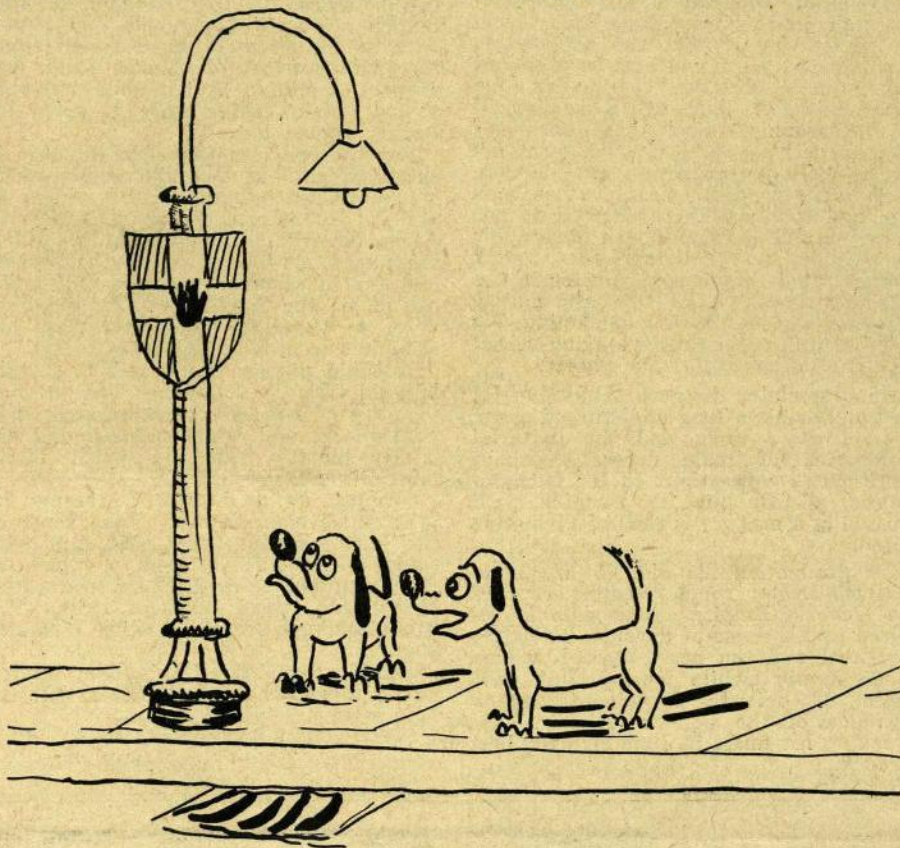
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portrayed so vividly by his lineal descendant, R. D. F. Kimmitt, gave what to many appeared to be the best speech of the evening. He could not approve of the motion and, in a mixture of Kimmitt and Emmet, he amply vindicated that heroic stand which, in a less civilised age, had cost him his life.

So ended a debate that had certainly justified Radio Eireann's decision to broadcast. While the attendance at it may have left something to be desired, that, in the main, was due to the lack of publicity that had accompanied it.

Other functions held to celebrate the Tostal were the Ceili Mor and the Mod. Lang. play. The former was held in the Dixon Hall on Thursday under the auspices of the Gaelic Society. It was apparently a most profitable and enjoyable function for all concerned.



NEW APPROACH TO IRISH POLITICS

The "Hist" took a new approach towards the interest of its debates when in its first meeting for this term two distinguished visitors were asked to propose and oppose the motion "That a New Approach is Needed in Irish Politics."

The well-known political figure, Mr. Speakman, proposing the motion, said that a new approach to politics was most vitally needed in the young, the oncoming generation. He alleged that there was a lack of vitality and a surfeit of lethargy in the present body politic, particularly in the matter of foreign policy. "Seek to serve your country selflessly, this would indeed be a new approach for all of us" were his closing words.

Mr. Doyle, Chairman of Fine Gael, began a moving speech by saying that he had never been in Trinity College before; where Wolfe Tone, the proponent of the Irish Nationalist theories in which he believed, had been educated. On the strength of these theories Mr. Doyle would like, not a new approach, but a return to the true Irish Government form of 1916 to 1920, which held sway before the time Lloyd George's "Government of Ireland Act" was passed. He claimed that the governments since 1922 were all basically opposed to the will of the Irish people.

After these two mature and well considered addresses the debate was taken up by members.

Mr. Ershaw in a vehement series of heavily punctuated remarks attacked the opening speaker and Mr. McBride; he and Irishmen generally were well

The Mod. Lang. play was Molière's farce, "Les Fourbières de Scapin", and judging from the production, it was even more of a farce than its author had originally intended. Despite that, it was an experience to see it.

It is very difficult to analyse the reasons for the lack of enthusiasm for the Tostal. To a certain extent, it was undoubtedly due to the fact that when the Tostal began the great majority of the undergraduates were away on vacation. Also, it is to be remembered that Mr. Tommy McGloin and his able committee suffered from the fact that they were doing, in their sphere, pioneer work. However, they are to be congratulated, for they have laid the foundation of what it is hoped will be an even greater Tostal in 1955.

"GENERAL ELECTION" IN COLLEGE

In less than a week this country will go to the polls and in order to stimulate an interest in Irish politics the Commerce and Economics Society is holding an election meeting on Friday at which leading representatives from all the major political parties will be given an opportunity to explain their programmes. It is up to those who are in any way interested in Irish politics to come along and hear what promises to be a most enjoyable evening.

At the bottom of this article there is a voting slip which you are asked to fill in and send to "Trinity News" Election Officer, 3 Trinity College. Obviously, before making your choice it will be a great advantage to hear the speakers who will be expounding their respective party policies to-morrow at 8 p.m. in the Regent House.

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"Trinity News" wishes to make it clear that it has no political opinions. The results of this election will be published in the next edition of "Trinity News" on Thursday, May 20th.

IT'S YOUR BLOOD THEY'RE AFTER

A day is being arranged for Trinity students to go to Pelican House as blood donors.

Blood is always urgently needed, and it is hoped that College will support this scheme. The date arranged will be sometime in the next fortnight and full details will be given next week.

ARMAGEDDON

To-night the hydrogen bomb will be the topic under discussion at the "Phil's" first meeting of the term. Mr. F. W. B. Kenny, B.A., has assembled a formidable platform of speakers to his paper "Armageddon." Among the distinguished visitors will be Professor T. E. Nevin, D.Sc., Professor of Physics in U.C.D.; Rev. H. J. L. Armstrong, B.D., M.Sc., and Charles Strachan, Chairman of the Friends' Peace Committee. The meeting is open to the public and to ladies as usual.

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The last Little-Go of this academic year has been and gone, and Trinity term has opened minus the brilliant group of Honor students which Dublin University annually sacrifices on the altar of tradition. The authorities will mentally congratulate themselves once more that a high standard of education is being maintained in the University and having deceived themselves for another twelve months sink back into deck chairs in the Fellows' garden.

It is difficult to blow a trumpet of controversy which has been clogged by the saliva of so many others. It is difficult, too, to justify adequately Trinity's place in a world where educational values and schemes are constantly being re-adjusted and overhauled. The aged cleric, up for Synod, can still totter about Front Square, recognising the old landmarks and regulations, and crow: "Nothing changed since I was a lad."

You may say it is not true. Even on the fringe of Europe we are conscious of every change of thought and every new "ism." Little-Go changeth and yieldeth place to a streamlined invention calculated to broaden the scientific mind. But Ireland is a backward country in spite of all the declarations on the glossy election pamphlets, and encourages a suspicion of progress. In accordance with the liberal principles on which it was founded, "Trinity News" intends in a series of "focus" articles to encourage heart searchings and self-examination in Trinity College. Make no mistake! We don't intend to start a one-sided mud slinging match. If you feel you can offer any constructive criticisms for our articles write to the Editor, 3 T.C.D.

S.R.C. NEWS

A mobile chest X-Ray unit will visit College next Monday and Tuesday at the Dixon Hall. Everyone in the University is entitled to avail of it, and those who did last year should do so again as part of a yearly check-up.

The service is free and confidential, and because of its convenience it is hoped that many students will take advantage of it.

Time schedule for the service:
Monday, 17th.—Men: 10.30-12.30 and 2-5.30.
Tuesday, 18th.—Women: 2.30-5.30.

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Theodore Moutray (Kim) Robinson is a native of the Isle of Man, where he went to school at King William's College. At school he had a distinguished career. Being essentially a conservative man, he rightly chose Trinity College for his university education. He is practical and forceful, and when he is set on a course in which he believes, he pushes it vigorously, fearlessly of the opposition it may arouse. An example of this was his outspoken editorials in this newspaper last Term. His philosophy is that the advantages of a university life can best be absorbed rather than studied, and this he has done wholeheartedly. Although a member of the Philosophical Society he does not take an active part in its deliberations for he believes in action rather than words. His academic progress has been sure and steady. To those who do not know his ability as a squash player, his prowess as a sportsman was amply demonstrated by his performance in the "Trinity News" v. T.C.D. rugby match. This was in spite of abandoning his training programme since leaving school where he was a notable player.

He appreciates the good things in life; food and drink, a long undisturbed sleep, a good day's work and the sartorial accessories of male dress. Without making any concessions to the extravagances of Dublin, he remains well dressed in a manner typical of his native island.

On graduation his aim in life is to help administer some remote corner of the Queen's Empire. This aim is inspired by his sense of mission, his desire to travel and the necessity for a man to do a worthwhile job. In his wide circle of friends he counts many members of the Colonial Empire. He is taking his finals in June, and the best of luck.

Dr. A. L. Goodhart, Master of University College, Oxford, is here pictured with the Provost and Professor F. E. Moran. Dr. Goodhart had given a lecture on law reform, legislative and judicial, last Tuesday in the G.M.B.

—By courtesy of
Irish Times.



FOCUS ARTICLES
CONCERN YOU
Next Week

Guest Reviewer "Icarus"

That an An Tostal edition of "Icarus" appeared at all must surely be regarded as miraculous. Unfortunately, that is the only remarkable thing about the College literary magazine.

The Chairman, having yielded to the temptation to produce a special issue, broke with tradition and good taste by writing a lengthy Apologia pro vita Icaris. It was one of Mr. Simpson's better efforts and it filled space, but there was no need to produce facts and figures to remind us that "Icarus" at its best is a "vast soil of mediocre writing." What followed bore out his somewhat cynical introduction. Again we looked for originality, again we looked for talent; disappointed, we found neither.

Among the poetry contributions, Mr. Garrett Anderson's effort is outstanding for audaciousness. It reveals a horrid ignorance of Catholic theology, an infantile view of the Creator and, whatever else it is, it is not poetry. For those who have undergone the embarrassment of reading this, it comes as a surprise to find on the same page the

poem of Michael Srigley on Ezra Pound. Srigley's poem is possibly the best in the issue and although it is reminiscent, it is neatly phrased. The other poems have an Irish background. C. O'Connell Fitz-Simmon's translation of Padraig Mac Piarais has a fine lyrical quality, though such a translation demands a rhyming scheme. "Corrigher Hill," by T. MacGloin, is unashamedly sentimental, and by way of contrast I. A. C. Livingston's "Cliff by the Lough" is outstanding if only in its simplicity and sheer unaffectedness.

The Irish theme is, as we expected, dominant among the prose items. Miss Kelly treats it with clever sophistication, rather like an English welfare worker. Douglas Sealy, on the other hand, can describe Irish countryside with a facility that betrays a deep sympathy and knowledge of the land. Indeed, this is significant in all Mr. Sealy's writing.

Apart from Miss Phillipa Cellem's interesting instruction on Irish folk songs, there remain a few pieces of sad quality. Patrick Anderson's sketches enliven some of these and "Icarus" should try and encourage others who are gifted in this way. However, as one sadly lays down the Tostal "Icarus" one wonders if Trinity talent can sustain a repeat performance this term. Dear reader, help to make it better.

HOME COOKING

Those monastic creatures living in College sometimes find the regular diet of Buffet and Commons insufficiently ascetic for the austere palates. At the same time they eschew the vulgarities and extravagances of the more common type of the city's hostellers. Here, for their benefit are a few simple recipes which can be easily followed, even within the limited facilities of the "skippery."

How about almond soup for an hors-d'oeuvre? Just what you need to send you refreshed to that 4.0 p.m. lecture. Blanch a quart of almonds and fill with the yolks of hard boiled eggs. Mix with a quart of chicken steak and a quart of cream. Put in saucepan over a low flame, taking care it does not curdle. Serve hot.

For those of reptilian tastes there is skink, which is lauded as a stimulant by many ancients. The difficulty will be to find it. But if someone chances to be in Africa he will be able to do so. Fillet them and soak in beaten eggs, season, and fry in olive oil. Arabs still make use of it; the Ancient Greeks did likewise, so there is no reason why you shouldn't to-day.

A timid person is advised to sustain himself with the following: Take a good quantity of leopard's marrow, cook it in goat's milk and white pepper, and eat it on toast. "Medulla pardi bibita mirabilis est."

Finally, as a dessert I recommend fritters of elder-flower. Take some of the latter, pound them, and mix with cream cheese, fresh eggs, a pinch of cinnamon and a few drops of rose water. Mould into round cakes or balls. Fry in butter and serve hot with sprinkled sugar.

Having digested all this, dear reader, never forget that emulsion is still the best emetic.

Next Week: Restaurants to Avoid.

"Lucullus of Croynes."

DISTINGUISHED JURIST
VISITS COLLEGE

The celebrated Anglo-American jurist, Dr. A. C. L. Goodhart, delivered a lecture in the G.M.B. last Tuesday to a packed audience that included the Chief Justice, Mr. Conor Maguire, and many other distinguished members of the judiciary. Dr. Goodhart stated that, though Ireland and the United States were no longer part of the British Empire, both of them had obtained the common law without suffering any sense of inferiority. The two countries, he added, were, strange to say, closer in certain respects to the English law of the 18th and early 19th centuries than was England herself.

Dr. Goodhart went on to state that as an American he wished to acknowledge how much the United States owed its loveliness and charm to Ireland.

Dealing with the increased influence of the doctrine of precedent on the law of to-day, the lecturer pointed out that this was due in no small measure to the fact that more and more cases are now reported and that these are of an authoritative nature. The judge of to-day, unlike his predecessor, is accurately reported, and the better indexing of the various summaries which are published has made it easier for counsel to find a case in point.

In conclusion, Dr. Goodhart stated that legal reforms should never be made unless they are likely to have a practical effect and that fanciful fears should never be a deterrent to necessary reform.

The chair at the meeting was taken by Professor F. E. Moran.

Everybody is Drinking Smithwick's Ale

RADIO EIREANN CAPERS

One Monday at lunch-time we happened to be listening to Radio Eireann. The programme was a new radio show called "Sixpence a Second." We were rather sceptical at first, but as things turned out it was all most entertaining.

Our interest was immediately aroused when we heard the first competitor announced as "Mr. Dennis McDonnell." This competitor was asked to give the wrong answers to a series of questions, a task that he did not find too difficult. He had been at this interesting pastime for a large number of seconds before he gave a correct answer. As a punishment for this lapse he was compelled to sit under a large balloon filled with water. Amid wild laughter on the part of the audience the balloon exploded, with unfortunate results for Mr. McDonnell's best suit. However, his spirit remained calm and courageous to the end he walked off the stage, proudly, bearing with him large sackfuls of sixpences.

We had just recovered from this amusing episode when the next victim was announced as "a school teacher." This turned out to be Miss Gillian Malcomson, fresh from her recent successes, as Editor of "T.C.D." She was accompanied by an anonymous personage, referred to as "a boy friend." His sole purpose, it later transpired, was to act as a piece of kitchen furniture. Miss Malcomson was given a task similar to that given to Mr. McDonnell, but her's was complicated by the introduction of a rattle with which she had to make various noises in answer to certain questions.

Unfortunately, Miss Malcomson was not blessed with the same measure of luck as her predecessor. After a few seconds she made an incorrect noise with the rattle. As a forfeit she had to place a pile of teacups on her partner's head. However, the later in this, his greatest, role was apparently nervous and owing to his wobbling the teacups fell off, much to the amusement of the spectators. Miss Malcomson's earnings amounted only to about one-seventh of Mr. McDonnell's. Alas, success is only for the fortunate few.

SUMMER SCHOOL

The D.U. International Summer School is to be held from July 7-21. The subject is "The Arts in Modern Ireland," and a number of visitors from other countries are expected. As in previous years, it is hoped that visitors will be "sponsored" by Trinity students and that besides the sponsors as many students as possible will join as associate members. For associates the fee is 10/- (plus 5/- subscription to the D.U. Association for International Affairs). A sponsor pays no fee, but on the contrary is paid £4 in return for providing a visitor with accommodation and partial board. Sponsors and visitors join in the communal mid-day and evening meals on week-days.

Anyone interested may have further particulars from the Registrar of the Summer School (Dr. J. G. Simms, Registry of Chambers, West Theatre) or from the Correspondence Secretary of the D.U.A.I.A. (Mr. John Wilson, 2 T.C.D.).

HANDS-OVER-SEAS

An Overseas Students' Committee has been set up by the D.U. International Affairs Association. The Committee's functions include promoting friendship and understanding among students of different nationalities studying in this University by arranging meetings, social gatherings, outings, etc.

The Committee has already started negotiations for the establishment of badminton and volley-ball courts in College. Some of the programme for Trinity Term, 1954, is as follows:—

Friday, 14th May.—Gramophone Evening. Polish folk songs, to be followed by some Greek and Indian music.

Sunday, 23rd May.—Outing.

Tuesday, 1st June.—Talk by Mr. F. P. R. Brechling on "Russian Invasion of Germany."

The success of this venture is dependent upon the co-operation of students, whose suggestions will be gratefully received by the Chairman of the Committee, Mr. S. G. M. Jetha.

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PARIS LETTER

ONE name only pulsed in the hearts of all Parisians this week-end—Dien Bien Phu. Although the controversy as to whether the Indo-Chinese war is worthwhile continuing in the face of the heavy losses in French manpower is still as bitter as ever, it took second place to the nation-wide excitement about the fate of the beleaguered garrison. For in spite of the apathy and disillusion which has constituted a "mal du siècle" since the First World War, the French always rise to an occasion of "gloire." And the heroic resistance of General de Castries and his troops, with his final communication of "No surrender," followed by a terse order to his artillery to fire on his own H.Q. was such an occasion of "gloire" that has not been equalled outside the pages of "Beau Geste."

But though the glory of the defenders is now immortal, that of the French High Command is coming under searching scrutiny. The close secrecy of this body about news despatches has received unfavourable criticism, and people are beginning to ask why it is that after seven years of trying to entice the Vietminh into a pitched battle, better use was not made of the siege by way of a relief column.

An ironic counterpoint to international affairs is to be seen in the triumphal tour of the Comedie Francaise to Moscow, where the company were received in great honour, and played before high Soviet officials, including a beaming Malenkov. Mme. Annie Ducaux, the first of the company to get back, tells me that there were queues to see Moliere's "Le Bourgeois Gentilhomme." She herself spent the intervals at the Bolshoi Theatre next door watching "Prince Igor."

The unconscious humour of the provincial press has always been an unend-

ing source of delight to me and I was not disappointed when browsing through the weekly of a small provincial town to find the announcement inserted by a M. Cocu that he would take legal proceedings against anyone making derogatory insinuations about his wife's virtue.

Hélas, the power of the fourth estate, when applied closer to home, is not always so diverting. The weekly review, "Arts," informed me a while back that the pseudo-existentialist colony of St. Germain-des-Près was migrating to my own quartier, the Palais Royal. Sure enough, the night is now made hideous by the cacophony of these gentry, and several new night clubs have sprouted in recent weeks. However, there is the possibility of compensation for those visitors who still have a sneaking fondness for St. Germain; let us hope that they will now find the prices there slightly less exorbitant.

However, the Palais Royal still has its virtues, as I realised after a visit to Mme. Dominique Arnould's restaurant in the Rue Richelieu. It is called, very suitably, "L'Incrovable." The speciality of the house is a Corsican fish soup which more than equals the much vaunted "bouillabaisse," and as an appetiser one may sample a brand of pastis called "Casanis," though I should warn you that it is as near to the legendary "Abomini" as is possible here below... strictly for addicts (or rattle-snakes).

Parisiana

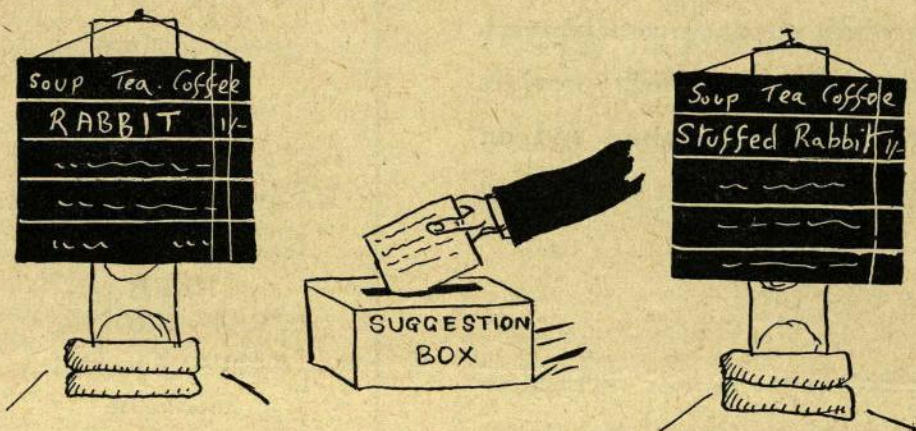
"The political party most likely to succeed, 'les M.R.D.' (Gilles, Chansonner).

"Lamour... je le fais souvent, mais je n'en aurai jamais" (Princesse Nogotkrit).

"Tu viens, mon lapin?" "Non, j'ai la myxomatose" (from Le Figaro).

"Charlus."

BUFFET



G.M.C. INSPECTION

The G.M.C. representatives are now conducting their first inspection since before the war of teaching in the Irish medical schools and hospitals.

Their investigations are carried out periodically into all the schools of Great Britain and Ireland and are concerned only with medical teaching, and not administration or research.

The inspectors have by now seen nearly all the Dublin hospitals, as well as the School of Physics. Later this summer they will return to observe the final examinations.

Two of the inspectors, Dr. Bethel Solomons and Professor Jessop, are from Trinity. Dr. Solomons is responsible for midwifery, and Prof. Jessop for Physiology. The other inspectors are: Sir John McNee, for medicine, and Sir Ernest Finch, for surgery.

When their report is made it will be considered and acted upon by the G.M.C. in London, though it is unlikely that it will be released to the public for 2-3 years.

MEDICAL SCHOOL CHANGES

It appears that the last days of the clinic card may be approaching. It was on these monthly forms that the attendances at hospital clinics were notified.

The plan at present being considered would entail the appointment of a clinic tutor in each hospital. He would be responsible to Trinity and his duty would be to take a personal interest in the progress of each of his students. He would receive his remuneration partly from Trinity and partly from the hospital to which he was attached. Thus the administrative work that at present devolves on the Registrar of the School of Physics would be greatly simplified.

Before this scheme could be put into practice complete agreement would have to be reached between the College authorities and each of the ten recognised hospitals.

It is hoped that the proposed changes will be accepted and that it will be possible to put them into operation next October.

TOWN AND GOWN

Theatres

Gaiety.—Opera: To-night (Thurs.) and Saturday, 7.30: "Il Trevatore." Friday: "Tosca."

Olympia.—Emlyn Williams in "Someone Waiting." 8 p.m., Sat. Mat. 3 p.m. Next week: Joyce Grenfell in "Requests the Pleasure."

Royal.—"Jubilee Trail." "Royal Revels" (stage show).

Abbey.—"Twenty Years A-Wooing" and "Crabbed Youth and Age."

Gate.—"An Evening of the People."

Cinemas

Metropole.—"Doctor in the House."

Capitol.—"Here Comes the Girls."

Adelphi.—"Torch Song."

Regal Rooms.—"The Maze" (3D.).

Also: "Under the Red Sea."

Corinthian.—"Ride Clear of Diabolo."

Also: "Star of My Night."

Carlton.—"Conquest of Cochise" and "Roar of the Crowd."

Astor.—"To-morrow is Too Late."

Thursday

Players, 4.30: "A Phoenix too Frequent." U.P.S.: "Armageddon." Essayist, F. W. Kenny, B.A.

9 p.m.-2 a.m.: D.U.E.S.A. Ball.

Friday

"General Election." D.U. Commerce & Economics Society. Speakers from major Irish political parties.

Law Society, 25 College.

Gaelic Society Meeting.

Saturday

Hop in Dixon Hall.

Sunday

10 a.m.—College Chapel.

Monday

Theological Society, G.M.B.

Tuesday

History Society, 3.30, Museum Building.

Wednesday

College Historical Society: "That Science is a Bad Master."

BI's CLOSING MEETING

On Monday, 4th May, the D.U.B.A. wound up the 1953-54 session with a spirited discussion on ways of widening the appeal of the Association to junior medicals, initiated by Harry Rooke, B.A., and warmly supported by Chris. Orr. More films were recommended, as was a Christmas carnival to the eternal glory of Connal Burke.

There is a strong feeling that the Bi. could afford to entertain visitors to inter-debates, especially from cross-Channel medical schools. The Bi. has not in recent memory held such a debate, though it has been represented at many—a state of affairs in need of prompt remedy.

Before this discussion from the floor, a Brains Trust was held, consisting of Messrs. W. P. Harrison, E. Ritchie, C. Whitfield and B. Burke. They approved of the new Medical Press Office for the release of medical news, proposed by the B.M.A., to stem the tendency of people being too disease conscious, which arises largely through certain ill-advised presentations in the popular press, usually in strip cartoon forms.

However, the feelings of the meeting were mixed as regards the entry of women in medicine. They logically agreed that the influence of women in medicine should be limited but not suppressed.

During the evening the following were elected: Record Secretary, Miss P. Bailey; Correspondence Secretary, E. Ritchie; Treasurer, W. P. Harrison; Librarian, M. Lloyd-Roach.

MEN OF GOD

Mr. F. Baillie's paper, "Holy Orders," in the "Theo" on May 3rd stressed that the Ministry is a life of service and that it is a life in which the laity should partake, having ever before their minds the idea of the Priesthood of the Laity.

In proposing the vote of thanks Mr. P. Stanley laid emphasis on the necessity and great value of example as a means of evangelism.

Mr. W. N. Hall gave very eloquent support to the paper, and Mr. A. R. M. Seamen advocated a more extensive use of deaconesses in parochial work. While Mr. C. R. J. Rudd was unintentionally amusing in his advice to the house in general and Mr. Seamen in particular on the subject of clergy's wives, Mr. McKee brought the discussion back to the original subject via monasteries, convents and the Apostolic Succession.

The Auditor appealed for a life of less organising and more prayer, "for priests," he said, "are called to be men of God." In summing up the discussion the Rev. R. J. Kerr, M.A., Vice-President, gave a graphic account of one of Mr. Billy Graham's meetings which he had attended during the vacation and spoke of the great responsibility of the laity in Christian witness in everyday life.

Next Monday, Mr. R. St. L. Broadberry (Mod.), B.A., will read his paper, "Psychology and the Christian Minister."

COMMONS COMMITTEE

Following suggestions by members of the Commons Committee last term, Miss Stevenson agreed to serve thicker gravy with the beef, to abolish the red meat, to serve pink "Max Factor" less frequently, to do away with the less popular forms of stewed steak, and to leave the side plates when fish on the bone is served. In answering complaints about a couple of unsatisfactory Commons, Miss Stevenson said that members of her staff had been away through illness on those days. A suggestion that more pies and tarts should be given was turned down on the grounds of lack of oven space. Plans for improving the kitchens are going ahead. The Commons Committee intends this term to look into the possibility of reforming the method of payments for Commons.

THANKS

The Committee of the S.C.M. and the D.U.A.I.A. wish to thank all those who have again given clothes for distribution among refugee students. Anyone wanting to contribute to the collection is asked to do so by Thursday, 20th May.

Club secretaries who wish their clubs' activities to be mentioned in "Town and Gown" must send in their reports by 6 p.m. on Sundays, otherwise we regret we cannot guarantee to give prior publicity.

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Last Friday, complete with complimentary tickets, partners and the thoughts of a beautiful evening, we were an hour early for the An Tostal Ball. Calamity! Disappointment! We could not sell the tickets even to Eldon Y. Exshaw at half price a few minutes after 11 p.m.

Seen at An Tostal Ball

Charming Wendy Heatley sitting in an alcove discussing plans for her forthcoming party with talented Roland Seaman was one of the more delicious sights for our romance spotter at this great social occasion. There, too, were Ernie and Henry with Daphne and Daphne (Chloe trailing wraith-like behind). Handsome David and Damaris Spencer danced. Sitting behind his customary Jereboam of champagne was our old hero, Simon Webley, toasting Beauty out of a running shoe. With his glass of Empire sherry, Eric Gorton joined the toast. Also present during the foxtrot were many holders of complimentary tickets and Harold Harmsworth looking for a loose board as a toothpick.

Welcome Back

Maureen Mahon, so well known to most of our readers, was back in College last week. Hardly believing the calendar could ever prove fallible, Maureen expected to be commenced. She wasn't. Commencements was postponed and Miss Mahon returned to tax the Scots from her niche in the British Civil Service. We remember when Maureen was an Irish Nationalist.

More Romance

Walking briskly to the Gresham last Saturday we were just in time to hear the Musical Maestro announce that it was his happy task to announce the engagement of Laurens Otter and Norah Bernstein. Then to the tune of "I'm in Love with a Wonderful Guy," music commenced. Sad to relate it was all one of the Byrne's little tricks.

Personality Boy

Possibly not many people know Frank Maginniss. Well, we do, and we were sorry that he met with an unfortunate accident. He will soon be back in Davy Byrne's, we are told, though he need not expect me to buy him a drink on the strength of his operation.

Black and White

Michael Srigley and Deirdre McSharry have appeared in the black and white of print frequently. Now fame comes for both and they metamorphose into other media without colour change. Srigley is on the films and Deirdre is on T.V.

Relief

Just when the whole future of English Literature seemed in doubt, gentlemen of the C.H.S. have begun to fill in the Suggestions' Book again.

The Wages of Fun

The last night of Donnybrook Fair proved to be a bad one for the stallholders. Dick Hinds and his better half, Joyce Mayne, cleaned up at the shooting gallery and then "blued" the proceeds on the chairplanes. Rumours that they caused Dick's yellow complexion later that night are unfounded. It was his new impressive-looking pipe, a prize from the stall.

Social Occasion

Last Tuesday, South African Annette Roberts held her coming of age dance at the Royal Marine Hotel. Among the celebrities were dashing Miles Kingsmill-Moore and his sister. Sad Sandy Gardner was being cheered up by Judy Roberts, and Geoffrey Potter, better known as "the Blonde Bombshell," was advising Ronnie Snow on how to drink yet look sober. Smooth Nigel Armstrong and Pat. Norman were seen gliding round the floor, oblivious of their surroundings. Annette is to be congratulated on a very happy occasion, and David Nicholson on being the life and soul of the party.

Apeneck Sweeney.

DOCTOR IN THE HOUSE

From his entry into St. Swithin's Hospital as a student, to his first day as a qualified doctor, five years later, Simon Sparrow does more than achieve a medical education. He also masters the other hazards of a medical student's life — fiery ward sisters, frightening surgeons, over-knowledgeable patients, pretty nurses, and the eccentricities of his own companions.

Tony Benskin, Taffy Evans and Richard Grimsdyke are senior students to Simon. But they start level with him because of the repeated unwillingness of the examiners to allow them beyond the first hurdle of the course. Only Grimsdyke is pleased about this. His fond grandmother left him a thousand a year while he was training as a medical student. He, therefore, sees no point in going further, and having to give up his pleasant income.

These three take Simon under their collective wing. It is an ample wing, concealing a multitude of what ordinary members of society call sins. But medical students are anything but ordinary. They believe in living harder, faster and more furiously than their neighbours.

It is an eventful five years for Simon. In the operating theatre for the first time, he faints. He falls through a fanlight into the nurses' quarters. He fights in a rag against a rival hospital for the stuffed gorilla which is the treasured mascot of St. Swithin's. However, Simon does manage to complete the course, in spite of his fellow-students—and in spite of such distractions as his landlady's over-amorous daughter and a glamorous fashion model.

It is only when he qualifies that Simon realises sadly his uproarious days as a medical student have come to an end—for ever.

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DEM DRY BONES

Professor I. A. Richmond, the guest lecturer at the Classical Society's auditorial meeting, proved himself able to communicate his own interest and enthusiasm to his listeners. He treated his subject, "The Western Shores of Roman Britain," in four sections—the Bristol Channel, Wales, Lancashire and Cumberland, and Galloway. His discourse, leisurely and absorbing, covered the urban and rural developments of the Romans in a practical manner, but at no time dispelled the haze of romance that curls around the past.

This field of archaeology was still new and many more sites were still to be found. It was impossible to be doematic, but Professor Richmond gave the tantalising suggestion that the Romans may have crossed to Ireland by the North Channel.

As the lecturer had approached the subject from the British side, so Mr. Joseph Raftery, from the National Museum, presented the Irish viewpoint. Roman ideas, but not Romans, had come to Ireland. They had influenced the Irish linguistically and mechanically.

Mr. G. F. Mitchell, who had returned from America only two hours previously, briefly stressed the importance of patience in dealing with a new subject. The auditor light-heartedly gave his impressions about archaeology in general, and managed to talk about both archaeology and bulldozers.

The President, Dr. Parke, called for the passing of the vote of thanks and brought the meeting to a close.

CORRESPONDENCE

"FITZ" MEMORIAL

We have received the following letter and we are sure that all sportsmen in College will wish to contribute to the "Fitz" Memorial Plaque.

To the Editor, "Trinity News."

Sir, — I have been asked by the Pavilion and Grounds Committee of D.U.C.A.C. to organise a fund for the placing of a brass plaque and photograph in the Long Room of the Pavilion in memory of the late Mr. Albert Fitzgerald ("Fitz"), who was on the ground staff of the College from 1919-1953.

It is thought that a great many people would like to contribute to this fund, and for that reason it has been decided to fix an individual's contribution at not more than two shillings and sixpence. Furthermore, it has been decided that any surplus, after the above mentioned requirements have been met, should be used to improve the Pavilion itself in some small way.

In order to facilitate the collection of these contributions I have asked the following people to receive donations from their respective clubs, and it is therefore to them that personal contributions should be handed:

P. Dowse (Rugby), R. W. Pigott (Hockey), B. D. Ellis (Tennis), J. Brennan (Soccer), S. Webley (Athletes),

H. K. Maxwell (Cricket), W. Chinn (Boxing), A. Taylor (Fencing), R. F. Hyde (Fencing).

The fund will be closed on Sunday, May 30th, and it is hoped to have both plaque and photograph in position for the Trinity Wednesday tea-party.

Yours faithfully,

H. K. Maxwell.

Sir, — May I, though your columns, draw attention to the Cherry Cup competition to be held on Saturday, 5th June, at 2.30 p.m.

Some years ago Miss Cherry presented a cup in memory of her brother, Mr. R. T. Cherry, M.A., who was Treasurer of the Choral Society for many years. This cup is awarded annually for the best performance by a mixed quartet of a Madrigal, Chorale or other part-song, chosen each year. The test-piece this year is "Rest, Sweet Nymph," an Elizabethan part song, by Francis Pilkington. The competition is open to any member of the University, and the winning quartet is asked to sing the piece again at the Society's Trinity concert, when the cup is presented.

Intending quartets should send their names to me, on or before Wednesday, 2nd June. Copies of the test-piece may be had in Messrs. May's, Stephen's Green, from Friday, 7th May.

J. Noel B. Wilkinson, Hon. Sec.

STROLLING SCIENTIST

It is not my intention, in 500 words, to compete with the Guide Michelin.

In October, 1951, I went to France with the aid of one of the French Government Bourses. I went to work in a laboratory famous in Europe for research in cosmic rays, and there worked with a small group of workers on a cloud-chamber installation at the Pic du Midi in the Pyrenees.

As an opportunity for a science graduate to find a foothold in research, on a sound economic basis, this Bourse (offered every year to Trinity graduates by the French Government) is of great value. While the quantity of research done is not so great as in Britain, and while the level of the physical sciences in the provincial universities is, as far as I can see, deplorably low, there is plenty of first-class work being done in Paris and plenty of opportunity for a research student to carve out a path for himself.

The reason I talk from the scientist's point of view is, of course, that it is automatic for the Mod. Lang. graduate to wish to spend a time in the appropriate foreign country, while the science graduate feels in general that he would have trouble with the language unless he goes to England. I think the language problem is over-estimated. There is usually little competition for the Scientific Bourse for this reason. There would be more if people realised its potential value.

Money for research, while it may not be so plentiful as in Britain, is spent on a scale which, to me, seemed at first rather lavish. However, I think they put their money into a few good enterprises, rather than try to spread it out over a large number of not-so-good ones. The annual budget of our installation would be expressed in hundreds of thousands of pounds. This, of course, is several orders of magnitude greater than what is available in Ireland! They have a way, also, of paying their research personnel which is curious but useful; namely, people have permanent jobs in various nationalised industries (mines, tobacco, armaments, etc.), with permanent "leave of absence" to work in research. They are not necessarily completely relieved of lecturing, but they have not the burden of lectures that makes research a virtual impossibility for a university lecturer here. It is as if Guinness, the E.S.B. or Bord na Mona contributed the cost of a few salaried posts in the Institute of Advanced Studies.

A word about the people. The worst paid workers get 22,000 fr. per month or thereabouts, less than a Boursier's salary. I never discovered how such a worker could keep a family, yet they do, and how spotless the children are! I never saw a ragged child in France, and I lived in a working-class suburb. Last August, when some four million workers came out on strike, the Press here and in England bewailed the lot of the "poor tourists." I don't think very many people in France allowed consideration for the tourists to overwhelm their sympathy for the demands of the strikers, most of whom were in the lowest-salaried jobs.

A footnote on seeing the country. I was fortunate in being the possessor of a motor-cycle during my second year there. With work bringing me to the Pyrenees and to the Alps (there is an excellent Summer School on Theoretical Physics held every year at Les Houches, in the Chamonix Valley), with various long week-ends, Easter holidays, and so on, I managed to get at least an impression of most of the country, having many happy memories and the desire to return for more, coupled with a clear knowledge of where to go. I won't say where one should go for a holiday, since tastes differ, but I can give two general rules: (1) Keep clear of Paris in the summer; (2) Don't break your neck trying to get to the Côte d'Azur!

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FROM THE BOUNDARY

By "LONG HOP"

Trinity Cricket Club began the season on a good note by decisively defeating Merriem by nine wickets. But this is no reason for complacency as there are weaknesses in both batting and bowling. In Cooper and Ellis, Trinity have a fine opening pair of batsmen, and Maxwell at No. 3 is a most attractive player, particularly on the off-side. Some of the other batsmen, however, are a little unpredictable. Maybe they will prove their ability, but one feels room could be found for such promising batsmen as Smith and Wilson. With regard to the bowlers, Coker is the only one to show real ability. Cooper, admittedly, is bowling more accurately than last summer, but the consistent Webb lacks imagination. Dawson, the only finger spin bowler on the side, is somewhat erratic in length and direction. However, he really spins the ball and should do well on a fast wicket. Another good spin bowler must be found, preferably a slow left-hander. There are several bowlers on the second eleven who could be given a trial. Harkness and Atkinson, who are both useful batsmen, look promising and would be good reserves. One hopes that experiments will be made and that new blood will be introduced.

Even if there are causes for criticism, it must be emphasised that there is much enthusiasm in the club, and the fielding is splendid.

The Cricket Club must do something soon to replace Fitzgerald, the groundsman and coach, whose untimely death has been so lamented. Of course, there can never be another "Fitz," but someone must be found soon. I am told a man is being sought who is a groundsman, a masseur, a cricket coach and an athletics coach who is willing to work for a low wage. I very much doubt whether such a genius exists and certainly not one who will work for a pittance.

TENNIS SLUMP

Membership of Trinity's tennis club has slumped badly this season. Two years ago the figure stood at 60. Now it is down to 25, a most alarming fall. In the past this club has had some very good performances to its credit, but the prospects for this season do not look too bright. There are many people who play tennis in College, but most of them have joined other clubs in the town. It is to be hoped that some of them will alter their decision to do this and patronise the University club instead as good results cannot be expected unless they do. There has also been a decline in membership in the women's club. All those who are at all interested in tennis in College are urgently requested to contact the two Trinity clubs, who will be very pleased to see them.

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CRICKET

Trinity v. Merriem
 (League)

Saturday, 8th May, College Park.

Merriem went in first to bat on an easy-paced wicket. Webb and Cooper opened the Trinity attack; Webb in particular kept a very consistent length. It was Cooper, however, who claimed the early wickets. Though not apparently at full stretch, which is to be expected at this early stage of the season, three wickets fell to him in his early overs. Webb had failed so far to take a wicket and was replaced by Coker, who in his first over took a wicket. Trinity by now were within sight of victory and the remaining Merriem wickets had fallen by tea for 83. Coker took five wickets for 13, Cooper four for 23. Dawson also bowled.

The Trinity opening pair, Ellis and Cooper, began confidently and scored freely all round the wicket, some of Cooper's sweeps to leg being particularly good. It was a pity that he mistimed a ball on the leg side and was caught at square leg when within five runs of his 50. Maxwell came in to join Ellis and they were together when the Merriem total was passed, Ellis having made 29 not out; Maxwell, 19 not out. Trinity won by nine wickets.

BOAT CLUB

The Senior Eight made an excellent performance at the Putney head of the river race on March 27th. Having entered as a new crew after last year's unfortunate events, the crew started 230th, but finished 25th, that is rowing into the first division.

The Saturday previous to this the crew rowed at Chester in the North of England Head of the River, and although they finished fifth, having started at 18th, there was some dissatisfaction over the row. That there was reason for this is shown by the fact that the crew subsequently beat all the Chester crews at Putney.

The crew stayed in Putney the week before the Head and boated from National Provincial Bank B.C. twice a day. On the first two days the water was rough and impossible for any but experienced tideway oarsmen to row on. This was disheartening for the crew. However, the persistent wind eased during the week and the rowing and the water improved every day.

On Saturday everyone in the boat felt that they might do fairly well. The fact that U.C.D. were starting one place behind them probably spurred them on. U.C.D. had beaten Trinity twice this year, and this fact provided just enough incentive to make the boat go that much better.

The result was received by the crew with great enthusiasm. U.C.D. had been beaten by 8 secs., finishing 31st.

SAILING CLUB

The summer general meeting of the Sailing Club, held on Friday, May 7th, once again brought in the club's programme of cruising and racing during the summer months. The club has a full weekly programme of cruising and for the more ambitious, racing in Fireflies. Cruising takes place every day in the club's two Mermaids, except Thursday and Saturday afternoons when they are raced in Dublin Bay. The club's six Fireflies are used extensively throughout the week: Mondays and Fridays being used in division racing; Tuesday they are raced in Water Wag club races. Thursday and Saturday they are raced in Dublin Bay.

Early in the year the club acquired a storage place for its boats in the College Park, which helped greatly in the process of fitting out the boats.

An Tostal races saw some members getting in some early practice for the season's programme, which is a very full one indeed, with fixtures against Oxford, Cambridge and Reading in England, and U.C.O., R.C.S.I. and United Hospitals S.C.'s in Dublin.

This year's colours match is against London Hospitals S.C. on the Saturday and Sunday mornings in Trinity Week, the club's annual dinner and regatta being on the Friday in Trinity Week.

Subscriptions (£1) are now due and should be paid to M. Lang, the Treas., before Saturday, 15th May.

Sailing lists are posted at Front Gate at 1 p.m. on Mondays.

MEDLEY RELAY

Highlight, from the College point of view, of the An Tostal athletic meeting in College Park on 4th May was the medley relay race. Trinity won the event in encouraging style and the form shown promises well for the coming season.

Mackay opened up a 20 yard lead in the first leg, which was over 880 yards, and Hall, Hannigan and Hyland all ran strongly to hold off Clonliffe's challenge. Trinity's time for the mile (880 x 220 x 220 x 440) was 3 mins. 41.4 secs.

Taylor, a new recruit to the Club, won the shot and discus with fine efforts, and Lawson was placed first in the javelin.

MORE ATHLETICS

As we go to press news reaches us that R. J. MacKay in College Park on Monday evening smashed his own College record for the mile with a time of 4 minutes 22.4 seconds. We congratulate him sincerely. The occasion of this fine performance was the annual relay race contest between the Dublin clubs.

Trinity finished second in the overall result. They won the 4 x 110 yards, the long jump and the javelin in which Dick Millar showed satisfactory early season form with a throw of 191 ft. odd.

UNCLE HARRY ANSWERS

In answer to the great number of letters received, "Trinity News" has for the greater convenience of readers asked a well-known expert in personal problems to reply to enquiries sent in. We regret, however, that letters cannot be answered by post nor personally in coffee-shops owing to the great sacrifices already being made by your Uncle Harry and his consequent lack of available time.

Sealed letters should be sent to Uncle Harry, "Trinity News," 3 College.

Why Don't I Get Invited to Parties?

I have received this interesting enquiry from a young lady who signs herself Emma. Well, Emma, I can hardly believe that you were really so hurt when Vincent Byrne dropped you; of course, it depends whether it was from the ground floor or the top storey.

Emma, try to see yourself as others see you. What quality do you lack that is possessed, perhaps more, perhaps less, by other girls? Science has done much to alleviate this problem in recent years. I consulted some prominent College societies in the interests of your problem.

Don Sewell, who has been said to be the dearest fellow in College, told me that the answer to your problem lay in joining more societies. Tell your readers, he said, to take an active part in College life, and thereby meet the better type of student.

Be consoled, Emma. My acquaintances, Tony Anderson and Young David Rankin, were both very shy freshers too, but look at them now. Tony is still a freshman and David earned an enemy for life in Dermot Montgomery by introducing him to Laurence F. Otter. Emma, when you go to parties, take your courage in both hands!

Stubble!

I have received an enquiry from a youth who signs himself merely Mr. Rug. He wants to know whether having to do a "re-ex" in Little-Go has anything to do with the recent appearance of stubble on his chin. Well, this is bound to happen to all young men some time. My advice is to shave it off, but only use a safety razor till after the "re-ex." The weight of evidence by specialist workers in this field seems definitely to show that this stubble coming has nothing to do with little-go. I think you may rest your mind as regards this monstrous coincidence you obviously suspect.

Short Answers

Wilfred: We are afraid that we cannot deal with your problem.

Kate: We are afraid that we cannot deal with your problem.

Exshaw: We are afraid that we cannot deal with your problem.

Medical Student: Ugh.

RACING TIPS

By COLONEL TOTTERING

Our task this week is not a very easy one as the going might be hard or soft. The main thing which we find our readers want is advice as to which horse will pass the winning post first. The going might be hard or soft, especially in regard to our finances. However, we feel confident that, in view of our special sources of information known only to us, we can put you in touch with many winners on the turf. Racing next week will, amongst other places, take place at Powerscourt, Dundalk and Lingfield.

The most important race of the week will be the Derby Trial Stakes at Lingfield on Friday. This race will give much valuable information as to the potential runners in the Derby. Arabian Night should definitely repay an each-way investment as the odds should be long. However, Ambler II, in view of past performances, must get our vote.

Much interest will be provided by Irish racing this week. The 4 p.m. at Powerscourt (Thursday) should be between Tantivy Cottage and Plumage. Of the two we prefer Tantivy Cottage in view of its fine performance at the Park last Wednesday week.

Le Mistral (Dundalk, 5 p.m., Friday) should prove to be a good investment.

The Derby, this year, promises to be most exciting. The race will be between, as far as we can estimate, Poona, Arabian Night and Blue Sail.

Finally, a word of advice to us all, it is the sport and not the financial aspect that counts. Good hunting and good luck.

THE ROVING KIND

Trinity Rovers had a varied selection of meeting last term. Highlights were a talk and visits to and from the 1st Dublin Rovers. This term activities started with two Rovers going on a course which started on the wet weekend before term. Meetings for this term are hoped to include a talk, a hike, a camp, a visit and going to a reception at the Shelbourne.

SPORTS SHY

There exists in College a certain element who take part in no sporting activities whatever. The excuse is often given that the pressure of work makes it impossible to play games. The real reason is either laziness or apathy. It is hard to believe that there is anyone in College with so much work to do that he cannot devote at least half-a-dozen hours a week to healthy exercise. If such people do exist I feel that it would do them more good to sacrifice a few marks in their exams than lead a dowdy, cloistered existence. People who come to a university should develop their personalities and their interests to the full instead of concentrating solely on academic activity. There are many people who spend their leisure time lounging in the back bar of Jammets. It is not my wish to advocate teetotalism, but feel the lounge lizard would do better to occupy his time in some more wholesome activity. I suggest he takes up some sport which sharpens his mind and develops his body. He and the dowdy intellectual have plenty of sports to choose from and the various College clubs cater for every taste.

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