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GORTON'S LITTLE ACRE

A Voice from the Tabernacle

The following comments on our questionnaire, "Trinity Divided," have been made by leading members of the organisations concerned in the discussion:—

Mr. ERIC GORTON, Auditor of the C.H.S.:

The case for the establishment of a "Union" in this University is as absurd to-day as it was 50 years ago, when the G.M.B. was opened. We are, here, in the wonderfully unique position of having not one "Union" but two, offering all the facilities—with the exception of a bar-restaurant—which are provided by the unions in other universities. Of course, there will always be the disaffected, who, taking no part in the affairs of the "Hist" or the "Phil", would advocate not the improvement of

existing institutions but rather the setting up of new ones. I, personally, would welcome—as indeed, would my colleagues in the Historical Society—an extension of our facilities, and an increase in the number of students taking part in our affairs; and even the setting up of a Joint Common Room for all undergraduates. This is, we feel, all that should be done. The magic name union, whether or not accompanied by a glittering building in Nassau Street, can never obliterate the great traditions of our major societies, one of which—the Historical Society—was in existence long before the students of Cambridge decided to call their newly-founded debating Society a "Union."

Whether or not our standards of debate are low (and I do not really think that they are) is irrelevant to the discussion. What is relevant, however, is that all opportunities for student co-operation, all facilities for practice in debate, and all the wonderful possibilities derivable from association with the most illustrious University societies in the world are within the reach of the majority of this College. The tragedy of so many is that they lack the power to take what is so lavishly offered.

Mr. HAROLD CLARKE, retiring President of the S.R.C.:

Anyone who has actively participated in student affairs must feel that more co-ordination is required between societies in College. I think that a union is the only organisation which can bring about this. Also a union could probably provide better facilities more cheaply than the present major societies, since the uneconomic duplication of services would be avoided.

If the proposed union is not to have the faults of the present set up, the S.R.C. must actively participate in running it. If it were to be housed in the G.M.B. the S.R.C. should combine with the two major societies in administering it. But the S.R.C. is a vital link since, of necessity, it draws its members from every faculty, and every society is invited to send a representative to it, which almost all do (with the notable exception of the U.P.S.). The S.R.C. is one of the few bodies in College maintaining contact with national and international organisations. Only it can be a member of the Irish Students' Association. It is a member of the National Union of Students (for which privilege it pays £27 annually). If the S.R.C. were excluded from a union these links would be severed.

If a new union building were erected, I feel that the S.R.C. should administer this, gathering the major and minor societies under its wing, each retaining its identity in the union. I should say that the idea of a monster, all powerful S.R.C., as some cross-Channel universities have, is not at all to be desired in Trinity.

Mr. DAVID HODGINS, Secretary of the U.P.S.:

The benefits which would result from a Students' Union are unlimited. The students themselves are the only source from which a Union can come. Until the students as an organised body show the College authorities that they want a Union, this need will remain a dream. The Philosophical Society will continue to serve the student until such time as the student makes it clear his requirements are not met by the Society.

(See Correspondence).

AN IMPRESSION OF THE CARNIVAL

This year's Carnival of Nations is remarkable for its lack of enthusiasm. Fewer teams than last year are participating. It is regrettable that the Greeks have not managed to form a team, especially as the profits are going to the "Greek Earthquake Fund." Other notable absentees are the Nigerians and Indians.

The Polish act is colourful and spectacular, but it could do with a little more rehearsing. The Malayan Fan Dance is delicate and beautiful. "Back to Freetown"—the return of spiritualists from America—has been very well rehearsed by the two performers, Teddy Wyndham and Ponsford Coker. They have an amazing sense of timing. In contrast, the American "Take Back Your Mink" from "Guys and Dolls," put up by Trinity Hall girls, has had very little rehearsing.

FASHION COMPETITION!

"Trinity News" will award a bottle of champagne to the best dressed woman at College Races. The contest will be judged by our Fashion Correspondent, and a picture of the winner will appear in a forthcoming issue.

FOUNDLING OR CITIZEN?

Miss Rosaleen Mills, speaking at a meeting of the D.U. Sociological Society on "The Care of the Deprived Child," shocked her audience profoundly by many of the things she had to say. Taking a "deprived child" to be one deprived of the benefits of a normal home life, Miss Mills painted a harrowing picture of the foster-home system. Due to inadequate legislation and insufficient payments to foster mothers, these unfortunate children were often taken into the wrong kind of home for the wrong reason.

The Children's Act of 1908 was discussed and Miss Mills proposed that the various offices of the Departments of Health, Justice, Education and Local Government which have to do with child welfare should be amalgamated and that local children's committees should be set up. The foster-homes should be thoroughly examined before the children are placed in them, and a regular inspection of both home and child should be carried out.

Speaking of industrial and reform schools, Miss Mills said that the Irish Government did not appear to regard the citizen as a capital investment, but desired to spend as little as possible on his education and upbringing. She ended with a further plea for a new Act. Children, she said, were the members of the community most in need of the protection of the law, and it was time they got it.

Dr. Owen Sheehy-Skeffington said that all Irish children were "deprived" inasmuch as they did not enjoy the facilities for organised leisure, e.g., swimming pools, playgrounds, etc., that were provided by other nations. Housing conditions were very bad, and overcrowding tended to break up family life. Dr. Skeffington urged that there should be proper prosecution in cases of neglect and cruelty to children. He condemned the apathetic attitude of society in general, and said that this was a case in which the individual could help, if only by informing and influencing public opinion.

District-Justice McCarthy, in the chair, put forward the idea of a Minister for Child Welfare. He thought that adoption of illegitimate or unwanted children was more satisfactory than fosterage, but that it needs to be watched very carefully.

NEVER BEFORE —Or Again?

The urge of many men to launch out into the great unknown parts of the earth was the subject of Mr. T. H. Robinson's paper in the "Phil" last Thursday. "Never Before" did not, however, cover sufficiently the wide experience of Man. The essayist confined himself, as the Hon. Registrar pointed out, to the subject of physical exploration, the desire to climb Mount Everest or run a mile within four minutes, instead of expanding his theme to the mental and spiritual activities of Man. The paper was well written and excellently presented, but lacked universally.

Professor Hans Krall criticised the essayist's explanation of Man as a rational animal and said that whilst he is "thirsting of course," he would not agree that Man is thirsting for knowledge. "One of his characteristics," he said, "is that of taking part in the state. Let us regard teamwork and leadership as the most effective element in progress. Leaders are not made in competition by the effort to do a hard job."

Mr. F. W. B. Kenny gave an excellent account of Christopher Columbus's voyages. The Hon. Secretary uttered a few choice words off the subject. The Hon. Treasurer claimed that the motives of all men are to gain esteem in the eyes of the weaker sex and get their names into "Trinity News" in an honourable way.

ELECTION

The following election results have come in from the various Societies:—

S.R.C. — President, I. Thomas; Treasurer, Joan May; Record Sec., Joy Livermere; Correspondence Sec., N. Harkness; External Relations, J. R. Fletcher.

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College Theological Society. — Auditor, A. R. M. Seaman; Secretary, J. S. Bell; Treasurer, E. F. Darling; Librarian, J. Rooney.

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HAVE you met him? His name is Hogg-Snorton, a charming colonial who in his cheery way will throw salt over you at Commons, or throw water over you as you toddle round the Bay. He is just one of that increasing group in Trinity society, fresh and pimply from school, which makes its mark by carving it on the College furniture.

Hogg-Snorton has no use for Trinity College's traditions. He is insensitive to the panelled modesty of the Dining Hall designed in an age of manners. After all, he is brought up to a tradition of tubular steel and scratchless table tops. He is only waiting for Trinity Week, when the College is thrown open to the public eye, to show the public just how degenerate he can be.

The Junior Dean has pinned up his neat notices. The Trinity Week Committee has posted elegant blue and red announcements. Invitation cards flit to and fro, and the costumiers have already run out of grey toppers. All this will not prevent Hogg-Snorton from making a spectacle of himself.

Age and authority are tolerant towards youth in its foolishness; all the world smiles on lovers and no one minds a little youthful spiritedness. Love and laughter are the prerogative of the immature. Let not the forthcoming celebrations be a grave disappointment, a betrayal of all hopes for the recovery of lost youth, for those in authority or the sere and yellow.

UNCLE HARRY

Uncle Harry is attending the clinic of a well-known Dublin psychiatrist this week. When he returns from Grange-gorman his expert advice will be resumed.

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Paul Harrison might be described as "quiet" or "amiable" or "dependable," and you would merely be left with the impression that he is dull. Nothing could be farther from the truth. Although those adjectives are apt, he is also a man of a lively, forthright disposition, with a tidy mind and a capacity for expressing his thoughts lucidly and uncompromisingly.

Born in Burton-on-Trent, he went to Rhodesia in 1940, where his father is an official in the Health Service. His father, incidentally, is a graduate of Trinity Medical School, a final rugby trialist, and a native of Dublin. Paul is also a medical, attached to the Adelaide, and facing the ordeal of "B" in three weeks' time.

He was vice-captain of cricket at St. George's College, Salisbury. Since his arrival in College he has been awarded his colours in four consecutive years, and his captaincy this year is a well-deserved honour. On the field, while rather more workmanlike than brilliant, Paul is an intelligent strategist and, in the present XI, is almost unique for his ability to stay cool and stop a rout, as he did in the last game.

He has, as a Rhodesian, definite views on the colour problem, siding unhesitatingly with those who advocate closer co-operation between African and European. For South Africa he foresees trouble, if this attitude cannot be adopted.

Paul Harrison favours Moderation and the Golden Mean; perhaps that explains his pleasure in both jazz and classical music. Socially, he is not a stoic and, besides cricket, is interested in swimming—passionately. (To understand the significance of this remark see photograph on back page last week's issue, lady in the centre.)

ON MEETING:

Naunton Wayne and
Joan Haythorne

About 30 years ago Naunton Wayne appeared at Bangor, Co. Down, in a concert party. His act was conjuring to the accompaniment of a brisk line of patter. The new material for the conjuring cost too much money, so Naunton Wayne, conjuror, became Naunton Wayne, comedian. Since then he has appeared in all branches of show business and is able to name Michael Redgrave and Robert Newton as his co-stars in dramatic parts in the same breath as "The Titfield Thunderbolt" and "Young Wives' Tale," two of his many comedy successes.

His appearance in "Trial and Error" at the Olympia this week is his first in Dublin and he hopes to see as much as possible of Dublin's famous golf courses.

His co-star in this play, which has had a six-month run in London, Joan Haythorne, is also appearing in Dublin for the first time. She told us that it was only after running away from Lausanne University to join an itinerant French company and incurring parental displeasure by joining a repertory company in Manchester that she managed to achieve her ambition of becoming an actress. Her experience of the stage is almost as wide as Naunton Wayne's, ranging from Christopher Fry, which she played with Rex Harrison in New York, to Ben Travers, in one of whose farces she starred on return to this side of the Atlantic. Her latest picture is "Trilby," in which her co-stars include Donald Wolfelt, Hildegard Neff, Derek Bond and Terence Morgan.

Focus: The Divinity School

The Divinity School could be one of two things. It could be a Divinity faculty of the University, or a Theological Training College. It is neither, though some of the features of both appear in its daily life. Being completely "sectarian," as it must be if it is to supply the Church of Ireland with most of its clergy, it cannot be a faculty leading to primary degrees in pure theology. But by its very relation to College its atmosphere is academic and stereotyped and unable to provide the freer and more adaptable system of the normal Theological Training College.

From this nondescript nature most of the weaknesses of the Divinity School arise. Not that weaknesses are our sole concern in this article. Indeed, the attempts which have been made to advance with the times are very worthy of commendation. Lectures are now given each year in pastoral psychology by a Harley Street specialist, though perhaps these leave most men with more awareness of the difficulty of the problems likely to arise, than with any idea how to solve them.

The day of formal lectures is over. Nowadays typescripts could be so easily made of all the lectures delivered and handed out to the students who would meet the professors concerned for small tutorial group discussions. The discussion system should bring out some attempt by the individual student to meet the problems put forward.

One of the greatest criticisms heard of Divinity students in College is their constant appearance in groups, and their refusal to mingle with the rest of the College world. This appears to be due to the "herding" which occurs in the Divinity Hostel. Some students are permitted to enter the Hostel in their Junior Freshman year and remain there for the rest of their course. Naturally,

their first friends are made there and they are reluctant to move out of that close circle to venture into parts of College where Christianity is not fully accepted, nor Christian standards of behaviour always observed. The remedy for this might be to encourage students in their early years in College to live in College rooms or in digs, but to compel them to live in the Hostel for their last year or two.

There is a sad lack of practical training in the School. Could there not be an arrangement, such as prevails in the Medical School, or in the Social Science School, by which students must spend several hours each week in work of a purely practical kind?

The Divinity student finds his social life in term-time greatly hampered by the number of little examinations which occur at the end of terms. Within 20 hours of the end of a full lecture programme the student is plunged into final examinations. If the Divinity student tries to live socially in College his work suffers and his "tests" are passed by a blind reliance on the "right questions" coming up on the papers. Only by social life can the student really grow up in the ways of men. We consider it a weakness that the emphasis in this School is on the production of book-worms instead of the man who has tried to play a part in College life.

These criticisms are born of much discussion and the close experience of several years of Divinity students. The next few years may see many changes in the School, and we hope that its affairs will be ably handled by those at the helm. Its existence reminds us of our rich Christian heritage in Trinity, and the Chapel bells assure the rudely awakened student that the prayers of the Church are being offered for him.

FOUR & SIX

Fun and Games

Once again the Salthill Hotel proved to be the scene of an excellent private dance. Among the happy throng on Friday were Shirley Jackson, Irene Hurst and Sam Logan in unusual company, and lover-boy Arthur escorting Margaret Cunningham—drinking coffee "to avoid frustration." Excellent music came from scholarly Harold Glass' trio, and even Brian "Dixonland" O'Regan did not play the drums.

Sammy Bernstein, in the pink, was a cheerful M.C., though he bemoaned the fact that he was growing used to not being a lady's choice. He then succeeded to the Dave Bratman, Alan Watson and Co. (very Ltd.) close harmony group, who, in a round the piano jam-session proved that their lectures spent practising were very necessary.

George Leather lost by a short (red) nose to Stan Milewski in the Musical Chairs elimination dance, while Margaret Sweeney, who was joint hostess, was trying to persuade Anne Llewellyn to do something—anything at all.

Oh! What a Night It Was!

At Des. Gibbon's party in Ranelagh on Saturday I could see, from my recumbent position on the floor, many happy couples improving the shining hour. There was sturdy Peter Shanks with an adorable lady of Spain, disproving all these jokes about Shanks' Mare. Genial John Kendall, the original Tubby Hubby, arrived in a new Hillman, and left again almost immediately, taking with him the nucleus of a promising harem. While Brian Murphy cast a disapproving eye on practically everything, Dan McCauley of Blackpool-on-Sea could be discerned in a corner, quietly doing his best to improve Anglo-Spanish relations.

Sidling down the cluttered stairway I trod on mine host contemplating the dawn and wondering "if they would ever go."

Girl of the Week

Joan Conn, the girl with the million dollar dimples, is a constant visitor to the Kendall-Brennan menage in Merrion Square. (Our spies are everywhere.) She lives life to the full and did much to make the recent "Trinity News" party go with a swing, keeping at least one member of the staff fully occupied.

Fond of the sunshine, she was heard to remark in College Park that "something interesting always happens when I go to bed." That we can believe. Love has now reared its ugly head in her young life, and she is often seen earnestly seeking advice from taciturn Zara Abels.

Joan will accompany our Roving Reporter to the College Races and Trinity Week Ball to help choose Mr. Trinity Week, 1954. Mike Allan, the gay bachelor, is not eligible.

Dixon Doings

Somebody said that the M.C. was perfect—so dutiful, so all-seeing and so tactful, even when ejecting a would-be gate-crasher. Somebody else said it was the best Dixon Hop he'd ever been to. On the whole I heard such glowing praise that Tony Bolchover, the M.C., and Hakim Adamjee, the organiser, should be proud of their success. On the whole, everybody was so enjoying himself that I didn't have time to notice anything in particular, except debonair Mike Richardson hotting it up with a most attractive girl called Olga.

Tit-Bits

Cardinal John Shorrock, in flowing scarlet silk, and Queen Anstice Park in an elaborate and beautiful XIVth century model were prize-winners at the combined History Societies' Ball.

Pat Anderson, having no costume, gave his famous imitation of a gentleman by wearing white gloves with his evening dress.

An uninformed newcomer asked who the gyrating blonde was; apparently the re-appearance of Iris had not caused a ripple in the Trinity pond.

Some humourist provided Trinity Hall with a certain amount of amusement by sending Elizabeth Milne a genuine card which read: "The Junior Dean presents his compliments and reminds you that no student may allow a guest to stay in his rooms overnight without permission." I hope all three of them saw the joke—I did.

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Sartorial eyes may be horrified at the lack of colour and fashionable taste of the undergraduate. Around College can be quizzed an endless rabble of shapeless rags, dirty jackets in orthodox greys and Liffey browns with formless unpressed bags.

The sad truth confronts us that the man about College has not the moral courage that his regency and Elizabethan counterparts had, who were never afraid to bear bedazzling clothes. What has altered his psychology? For to-day to be strikingly dressed is to be classed among those Islington delinquents. Flashy gaudiness is linked with crime and the courts and yet is not only a symbol of the lawless. Must men be strait-jacketed to the outward morality of the Victorians by retaining sombre correctness?

Our London expert informs us that there is a striving for the slender, natural figure, a breakaway from the former box appearance. The Edwardian look is still fashionable, while its flamboyancy was in the inheritance of the wide boys—not those of College. The essential, the silhouette, remains, and is the basis of the new trend: Trousers retain their drainpipe narrowness, jackets revert to a waist fitting shape, while the ensemble is one of naturalness.

Trinity Week, our own "Week of Elegance," is once again upon us, and many College men are wondering frantically what to wear, though they would not admit it.

Bearing in mind the fact that nowadays it is not possible—or even desirable—for all of us to disport ourselves in College Park in morning dress, "Trinity News" has directed its special team of men's fashion experts to advise on the general matter of dress, and on outstanding articles of clothing at present available in some of Dublin's better, but reasonable, men's shops.

As an alternative to the customary brown sports coat and grey flannels, we propose the two-piece suit. A variety of these are available in all outfitters of recognisable standard. These suits are extremely useful in bridging the gap between the formal and informal. They are light and easy to wear, can be found in hues to suit nearly all tastes, and can be worn with a fancy waistcoat.

At Kingstons there is a very good selection of fancy waistcoats, priced at from 29/6. Particularly pleasing were some in Scotch knitted patterns, though these were in a somewhat higher price range.

Harmonising a two-piece suit and a fancy waistcoat is an art not beyond the powers of most people in saner moments. Particularly fine can this combination appear if worn over a decent suit. Nylon shirts at Kingstons ranged from only 39/6. Switzer's men's department showed us some colours in Clydella games shirts, 35/—the only shop to have these in town—and Van Heusen collar-attached shirts, 55/—. Horton's had a line in "Double two" shirts with a spare collar to sew on, in neat checks, 29/6. We do not advise against the wearing of white with a stiff cut away collar. For the more arty among us, Switzer's had some fine silk chokers at 14/6. Those who do not spend their time in high necked sweaters may feel like purchasing a new tie. Variable selections of these are available (College ties of these can be had at Kingstons).

Blazers—always smart—can be bought from Kingston's or Horton's, or made by Bryson's or Burgess's. Both these firms specialise in carrying out orders in a short time.

Odd trousers can be had in a well-creased charcoal grey from Horton's, 87/6. At Switzer's there are to be seen trousers in a series of delicious shades.

At Kevin and Howlin's we admired an inimitable range of hand-made Donegal tweeds which look so well as an odd jacket, suit, or overcoat. Here also can be purchased tweed clothes to suit all occasions and all weathers which cannot be seen anywhere else.

Nylon socks are indicated now as being an indispensable item for every bachelor.

The first impression when surveying the summer fashion landscape is one of simplicity. There are now no fussy bows, or bits of frills or trimmings; all is concentrated on cut and material. Many of the new dresses feature the over-elaborate simplicity that we have come to associate with the Paris couturiers—the "little girl" look," the posy carefully placed to look casual.

The three most important fashion trends this year are the "sailor" look, the "princess" line, and the scooped-out neckline. The first of these, with its large white sailor collar, or large white bow on a dark tailored dress, does not seem to have caught on very well. Navy, especially the lighter shades, is very fashionable this year and there is nothing smarter than a full-skirted, cap-sleeved collar, or a dress of white nylon with coin dots of navy, and a draped fichu neckline.

A great many dresses feature a modified version of the princess line. At Slowey's of Henry Street I saw a very pretty dress in which organdie flocked with an all-over design of black cameos and featuring the new high waistline and softly draped bodice at £5 19s. 6d. Switzer's also were showing this line in an attractive dress of pale blue silk with a navy pattern. This dress had a draped bodice and cap sleeves and unpressed pleats falling from a hip yoke, selling at 8½ guineas.

The scooped-out neckline, both back and front, the logical development of the standaway neckline shown on suits in the winter collections, is a very practical fashion for summer as it allows the

wearer to achieve a sun tan without an unsightly red V. At Switzer's I saw an eye-catching dress in grey cotton, embellished with white lace design and pleated taffeta cummerbund in a pretty shade of lilac. This dress was a full-skirted model with cap sleeves and a low round neckline, and cost £5 10s. The wide V-neckline is also very popular this season. Switzer's had a smart black and pink check dress in glazed cotton, with a deep décolleté back and front. Harper's of Henry Street were showing an appealing cotton dress in a wide banded print of grey and yellow, over printed with black leaves. The V-shaped neckline of this dress was echoed by V-shaped pockets and at 59/11 it was a real bargain.

Lucy Scott of Wicklow Street has cotton top-less frocks in French grey and blue with matching stole, and blue velvet back-ribbing. The prettiest dress I have seen for a long while was one at Slowey's, in pale grey nylon organza scattered with huge white marguerites with grey leaves at £7 19s. 6d.

The coat-dress style, of which Princess Margaret is so fond, is to be found at Arnott's, who are selling semi-fitted goosegrain coats at 89/6. In shades of old rose, pale pink, turquoise and dove-grey, these coats have large shawl collars and wide three-quarter length sleeves.

Arnott's have a large selection of summer accessories, including French gloves in fabric and nylon at 12/11 or 13/6. Short gloves are de rigueur this season with summer frocks, although long gloves are still fashionable for the evening, and you will find almost every shade and every style of glove at this store. Cassidy's of George's Street are selling novelty handbags in the shape of little cane baskets at 6/11 to 8/11, and also Italian handbags in fine straw at varying prices.

Hats are all small and the boatee is very popular. Menzie's of Henry Street have tiny plain boaters in fine sand, grey or black straw at 18/11. These are very smart as they are, but could be trimmed to suit any outfit or occasion. Switzer's have a lovely range of model hats. One I particularly admired was a pancake shape of fine white straw trimmed with navy blue velvet and an eye-veil. They also have a range of plain shapes in various colours, in novelty straws, at 49/11.

And if you are forced to resort to mackintosh and umbrella, look as if you meant to. After all, to be suitably dressed for the weather and the occasion is to be well-dressed.

(To be continued Next Week)

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THE WEEK IN SPORT

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Colonel Tottering's Remarkable Achievement

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Followers of this inimitable racing column are now showing a profit of £37 on a £1 level stake. This tremendous achievement has not been equalled by any other known racing correspondent. Out of the ten horses that to date have been selected, eight were tipped to win. Five of these, namely Le Mistral, Armentières, Hypera, Copernic and Ambassador's Court, did in fact win.

The three horses that only just disappointed were Ambler II, Blue Notes and Chamier. Apart from that, readers were advised to place an each way bet on Dumbarnie and Comk of the North. Both these horses secured places at odds that amply justified the investments.

This week offers probably the finest and most exciting racing of the year.

For those who have lost on the Derby, the Oaks on Friday at Epsom offers an excellent chance to make good. Hypera, an old favourite of this column, is running and should repay an each way bet. The main danger to it is La Rocca, which is a horse with great staying qualities.

On Saturday there is racing at Hurst Park and Premonition, a very speedy colt, should have no difficulty in the 3.30.

There is also racing on Saturday at Doncaster. Armentières should be a safe bet in the 2.30. For those who like a good outsider, Pucka Poona in the 3.30 should justify an each way bet as he is a colt of very good breeding. Nearer home there is a race meeting at Leopardstown on Saturday.

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CRICKET (SUNDAY)

A most enjoyable and exciting match was played by local Springboks (eight from Trinity and three from Surgeons) against a Phoenix Club selected up in Phoenix Park on Sunday afternoon. The Phoenix team batted first and declared at 175 for five, Piggott batting steadily to reach 47; Mills, 31, Anderson, 25. Dawson took two wickets, Harrison one and Jweva (R.C.S.I.) one. Potter and Dawson opened for the students, but with three wickets down, an hour to play and a hundred runs needed to win, things didn't look well when Harrison joined Dawson. After a while they got on to the bowling and started to hit gloriously. They took the score by leaps and bounds to 165 in the last over and were unlucky to draw the game. Scores: Dawson, 57; Potter, 19; Mostert, 1; Sang, 18; Harrison, 51.

THE TRINITY SAILORS

On Saturday at Dun Laoghaire Harbour, there were few entries for the first round of the Baskin Cup. The event is the major competition of the club, and is to decide the best helmsman or woman on a knockout basis. The wind changed considerably during the late afternoon and evening from a moderate to light N. Easter, blowing in over the East Quay. The course consisted of a reach to the Coal Harbour buoy, a long beat to the McCampus buoy, then starboard to the white boy, and on to the finishing line.

In the first race F. A. Best easily pulled away from his opponent during the slow beat McCampus and went on to win by over four minutes, after being 15 seconds behind at the first buoy. D. Clarke had the misfortune to hit the Coal Harbour buoy, giving the match to the Sailing Club captain, Tommie Jameson. By the time of the last two races the wind, conforming to the local custom, dropped considerably around seven.

John Terry won by a clear margin from Harold Harmsworth, who fell foul on the incoming tide at the harbour mouth; while Miss M. Morris scored from B. Douglas.

There was one tactical error to be noticed, that of failing to cover one's opponent, a policy which is usually more advantageous than the attempt to steer a different course.

The result of the cup poses a question, as there are several leading helmsmen still contending for the final match, which is to be sailed on the Friday of Trinity Week.

TRIANGULAR ATHLETICS MATCH

Oxford v. Queen's v. Trinity

In the triangular contest in College Park on Saturday the Harriers were beaten by Oxford University by a fairly comfortable margin. The points were: Oxford, 66; Trinity, 44, and Queen's, 23. In spite of the rain and a sodden track some good performances were made. Most notable was the new College record in the discus by R. H. Taylor with a throw of 132 ft. 8½ ins. Taylor scored a good double by winning the shot with 42 ft. 7 ins. Stewart of Queen's recorded 51.8 secs. for 440 yards, a very good time under the conditions, as also was the 880 in 4 mins. 59.1 secs. by Boyd of Oxford.

100 Yards—1st, Hamilton (Q.); 2nd, Wetters (O.); 3rd, Clark (O.); 10.2 secs. 220 Yards—1st, Wetters (O.); 2nd, Shaw (O.); 3rd, Williams (Q.); 23.3 secs. 440 Yards—1st, Stewart (Q.); 2nd, Wallwork (O.); 3rd, Boyd (O.); 51.8 secs. 880 Yards—1st, Boyd (O.); 2nd, Mackay (D.); 3rd, Lloyd (O.); 1 min. 59.1 secs.

1 Mile—1st, Mackay (D.); 2nd, Suddaby (O.); 3rd, Lloyd (O.); 4 mins. 31.2 secs.

3 Miles—1st, Suddaby (O.); 2nd, Webley (D.); 3rd, McKean (O.); 15 mins. 18 secs.

Shot—1st, Taylor (D.); 2nd, Lawson (D.); 3rd, Kretzschmar (O.); 42 ft. 7 ins.

Discus—1st, Taylor (D.); 2nd, Kretzschmar (O.); 3rd, Daniel (O.); 132 ft. 8½ ins.

Javelin—1st, Miller (D.); 2nd, Kretzschmar (O.); 3rd, Andrews (Q.); 189 ft. 7 ins.

Long Jump—1st, Hadikern (D.); 2nd, Hamilton (Q.); 3rd, Jeffries (O.); 20 ft. 4½ ins.

High Jump—1st, Jeffries (O.); 2nd, Daniel (O.); 3rd, Forsyth (D.); 5 ft. 11 ins.

Relay (4 x 110)—1st, Oxford; 2nd, Queen's; 3rd, Dublin; 45.2 secs.

Hurdles events were cancelled owing to the condition of the track.

RAIN STOPS PLAY

Last Saturday's sports were very seriously limited by rain. There was no play in the 1st XI cricket match at Rathmines, where they were to have played Leinster. It would have been an interesting match. There was no play either for the second XI match v. Richmond at Grangegorman.

SPORTS COLUMN

By "LONG HOP"

One of the most enthusiastic clubs in College is the Sailing Club. Their recent tour in England was very encouraging. On paper the results were poor, but they give a somewhat false impression. It was an inexperienced side with a large proportion of newcomers in it and the conditions were very different from those the team are used to over here. In Dun Laoghaire the wind is the only factor with which to contend, but the English rivers they said on had tricky river currents.

In sailing, the home team always has an advantage as they know all the hazards in advance and can, therefore, counter them better. It is very difficult to sail on a river on which you have had no practice. Nevertheless, they beat Bristol and only narrowly lost to Reading and Oxford. Cambridge, admittedly, crushed them, but I am sure that when our team has had more experience the results will be much better.

A club that is in the doldrums at the present is the Tennis Club. The membership this season is very low and the courts are in a very bad state. Because of low membership, finances are poor and therefore improvements are difficult.

BOXING

T.C.D. v. ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL,
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At Christmas, St. Mary's became the first college team to defeat Trinity since the war and they are bringing a strong team to contest the Trinity Week match. One of the most interesting bouts will be the clash between B. J. Murphy and R. Stephenson. Stephenson, a former Cambridge skipper and U.A.U. champion, is one of the best scientific boxers in University boxing and it will be interesting to see if he can withstand the dynamic punching of Murphy. Other highlights include the clash of E. Gnostras and M. Darroch, the St. Mary's skipper who stopped Ken Comyns at Christmas, and J. Orobobi will box W. A. Murphy, a brother of "Spud." Other Trinity boxers in action will be J. Orr, R. Coote, D. Baxter, W. Gregory, C. Welsh, A. J. Mallick, C. O'Flynn, and it is rumoured that Jake Wallace will travel down from the North specially for a scrap. W. Chinn will probably box P. Lyons, the Irish cruiserweight champion.

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Correspondence

To the Editor, "Trinity News."

Sir,—I would like to thank you for your article entitled "Trinity Divided." In it you have collected important opinions and clearly shown the appalling conditions in the nerve centre of our University. You have brought to our attention the facts that remain unnoticed as long as the newspapers arrive daily in the conversation rooms.

I, as a Junior Freshman, have little weight, experience or power to set in motion the principles which could alter this deplorable situation. When I entered College I was struck by the external similarity of the two major societies—internally there may be differences which it is the privilege of the Olympian Committees alone to comprehend. I can only see two societies with similar facilities in accommodation, similar debates (admittedly the variety of a discussion is occasionally included) and similar opinions about all the petty and unrealistic details. That the College is unable to support "a house divided against itself," that tradition and red tape hang like a collar of lead about the societies' necks, and that little interest is taken by the members in their societies' proceedings is obvious. These facts may, by some, be attributed to "the busy twentieth century" that we live in. If so, it is as unsound an argument as to say that we have not the time to spare for education. I will agree with others who seek an excuse by saying that this apathy and humiliating attitude are not unique to Trinity for the whole Protestant community of Ireland is lying like a stupefied drunkard stunned from a blow on the head. But it is for Trinity, through the medium of her societies, as in the past, to produce the necessary enterprise and leadership to resuscitate this community.

The decline of the two major societies may be attributed largely to their similarity and lack of enterprise compared with that of their founders. I would like to suggest, therefore, very humbly as befits my status, that one of

these societies should make a change, a change which would ultimately affect both. It is that one should offer equal membership and rights to both ladies and men of this College.

If, let us say, the Philosophical Society—which has made a slight gesture in this direction—offered equal rights to the ladies of the College, this would increase their membership and, consequently, their subscriptions. The male objectors could retreat to the bachelor-like atmosphere of the Historical Society. The influx of ladies would increase the Philosophical Society in membership and subscription, while the influx of misogynists would similarly benefit the Historical Society.

Secondly, the discussions and decisions reached would be more true and representative of free thought, because on many subjects a lady's point of view is in opposition to a man's.

Thirdly, both the ladies and the men would enjoy the benefits of excellent clubs—one jointly between the sexes and one separately to each sex, say, the Historical and Elizabethan—for I venture to suggest that with a much larger membership roll the Historical and Philosophical Societies should be able to reduce their subscription fee, so that men could, without great extravagance, join these two important societies.

Finally, I think that some change to promote individualism is needed and as a Union would be a complete sacrifice to money without any advantages, any other change, therefore, would be preferable. Also, both societies are labouring under difficult financial circumstances—almost to a degree of embarrassment—which will inevitably lower their quality and ruin their social importance. Surely then this is the time to act and after due considerations adopt the most satisfactory escape from all these impending difficulties, especially when a more interesting, more varied, better equipped and a more satisfactory situation will be the result.—Yours etc.,
 D. R. D. BELL.

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