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HIST TACTICS Gold Medallist Resigns

IN a special interview, Mr. Connolly Cole, ex-Librarian of the C.H.S., announced publicly some of the reasons for his resignation. Many considerations impelled it. The first was, perhaps, overwork, but another was the very definitely hostile feeling infused by some of the Officers against those who failed to espouse "Unionism" and "pseudo-Toryism." It was quite clear that any member with nationalistic or liberal feelings, even of the mildest nature, could not, in all honesty, remain on this Committee.

When asked whether he would have resigned under normal circumstances, Mr. Cole replied that if an unprejudiced atmosphere had existed, then no matter how greatly burdened, he would have striven to carry on with his duties. Prejudice was clearly demonstrated by the defeat of the Librarian, who, along with the Auditor, had been chosen to represent the Society in "The Observer" Debate Competition.

RELIGIOUS BIAS

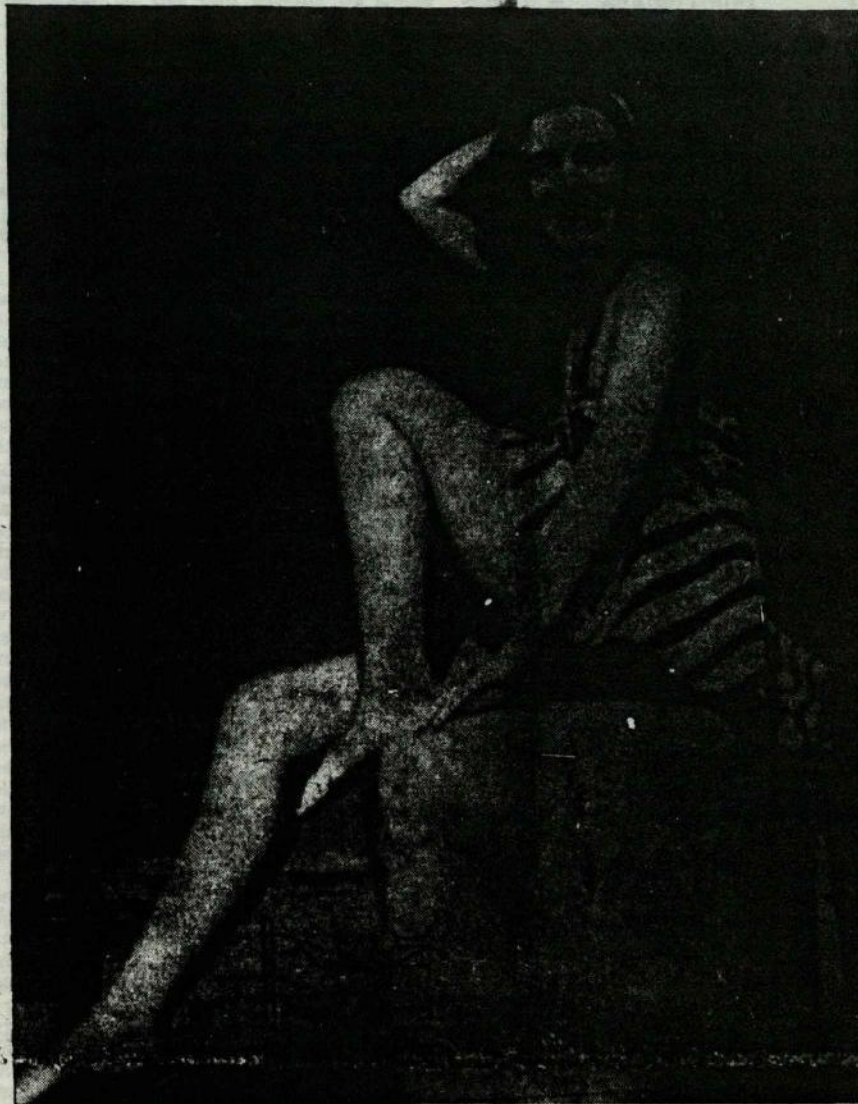
When asked if it were true that the Auditor had stated prior to the election results last summer that he would not tolerate him as Librarian, Mr. Cole replied:—

"I believe that it is true—but then Mr. Kimmitt, I have discovered, has a unique sense of humour. I was neither worried nor amused when I heard it." Mr. Cole then went on to say that: "One could forgive the political atmosphere in the Hist., but it is the very definite religious bias which makes it intolerable."

When approached by our reporter, Mr. Kimmitt refused to comment on the reasons for Mr. Cole's resignation.

Our Political Correspondents comments:—

The news of Mr. Connolly Cole's resignation was learnt with much regret. He was a likeable and competent servant of the Society, who was always completely above the petty sectarian and political intrigues that in the last two years have marked a decline in the membership and prestige of the Society. Prior to this the Hist. was one of the few societies in Ireland where undergraduates of all classes could meet without prejudice of race or creed. Now it is merely the playpen of those who are too juvenile to be tolerant, and are thus easy prey for third-rate budding politicians. It is to be hoped that future Officers of the Society will appreciate that they are in a position of responsibility and that they hold in trust the liberal traditions of the past. Intolerance and bigotry are unworthy of undergraduates and can be associated only with the worst type of schoolboy mind. This once great Society is worthy of something better, and it is to be hoped that the future years will see a revival of the arts of oratory and tolerance.



Deirdre McSharry reminds us of the summer that escaped our notice.

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PESTILENCE STRIKES "PHIL"

Last Thursday history was made in the G.M.B., when an enthusiastic audience heard Mr. D. R. D. Bell's paper on "Horror! The 20th century." The meeting was ably conducted by Frank Johnston, despite the absence of most of the committee and officers.

The distinguished visitor, Myles na Gopaleen, was attacked by 'flu (?) and accordingly was unable to attend. The Secretary, Mr. Cecil Cooper, having some days' notice of this, failed to put in an appearance and accordingly the minutes had to go by default. Another notable delinquent was President Hodgins, whose car had broken down fortuitously in the bona fide zone.

Undeterred, Mr. Bell with his excellent paper stimulated a very controversial debate. His main premiss,

which postulated the non-existence of a deity, was hotly attacked by Mr. R. D. H. Bluett.

The vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. Tom Robinson, who suitably deputised for Myles na Gopaleen.

Waving his mental cudgels, Mr. Cliff Melotte droned on and off the point. As the evening drew to a close the house was surprised to welcome President Hodgins, who had finally discovered the G.M.B. The President, after apologising for the lateness of the hour, announced the result of the Galway round of "The Observer" Debating Tournament. Apparently the Veterinary College, U.C.G. and U.C.C. came first, second and third, respectively. Trinity and U.C.D., who came last, were eliminated. The judges included Mgr. De Brun and Fr. Phelim O'Brien.

MISHAP AT ISLANDBRIDGE

A most unfortunate incident occurred at Islandbridge last Saturday after the Trinity "B" team in "Rosie" had lost to the Trinity "A" team in a heat.

Two members of the losing crew had practically collapsed and the others were exhausted when the swift current dragged the boat towards the weir. Ben Oakley (bow) managed to jump out and strained to hold her back, but assistance came just too late and she went over, breaking in two.

Mike Murray-Alston, assisted by two others, made a heroic effort and managed to haul the pieces back over the weir later on.

Mr. F. C. King, of the staff in the Law School, very generously made the first donation on the spot towards a fund for a new boat. "Rosie" was not insured. It is estimated that it will cost the best part of £400 to have a new boat delivered in Dublin, and old members of the Club have been approached with a view to raising money towards this amount.

NEW SPECTROGRAPH FOR CHEMISTRY DEPT.

Last week, the Chemistry Department received its new Hilger double-beam recording spectrophotograph. This complex instrument records the spectra of materials in the very informative range of the infra-red. Such information, taken in conjunction with other chemical and physical data, will be of great help in solving many of the problems facing the research chemist.

The instrument costs over £3,000, and this large sum was obtained by the donation of £500 by Alderman W. W. Cocker, and £500 each from the Royal Dublin Society and the Medical Research Council. The remainder was given by the Board.

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WONDERFUL, AS EVER

SOME people become annoyed at the mention of Christmas. They insist that it is too commercialised. Others have hard feelings on the subject of exchanging presents, complain about trips in bad weather, lengthy shopping lists and actually mutter threats about "shooting Santa." If such people really mean what they say, we are sorry for them. We wish them well, but disagree with them altogether. We love Christmas.

We love Christmas trees and coloured lights and candles, seasonal snow, last-minute gift hunting, bowls of punch, greeting cards, going to church on Christmas morning and watching people going home in their Christmas best. We love Christmas carols and can listen to "Silent Night" over and over again. When we hear a children's choir, or a men's chorus, or a radio star singing Christmas songs our hearts are filled; we have a catch in our throats and we wish we could be better men. Christmas makes us tolerate the shortcomings of others and regret our own.

We love to think of the greatest story ever told, our dear little Lord, safe for a while; the wise men and their gifts; the manger and the warm, kindly cattle; the angels and shepherds, and all the human kindness at Christmastide. We love to think that for once in a year we can speak our hearts without constraint or embarrassment.

We love the smallest angel and the reindeer, unexpected notes from friends of long ago, and shaking hands with neighbours and the milkman. We love the presents we receive — a hundred times better than those we give. We love dear old Saint Nick, and children exploring their Christmas stockings and showing off their toys. We love "A Christmas Carol" and old Marley, and we're glad everything turned out all right. We love greeting schoolboy classmates, and having strangers on the street speak out to wish us well. We wish them well, and we would tell the world, especially those parts where Christmas is officially frowned upon: A Merry Christmas.

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THE CHAIRMAN OF PLAYERS



Miss M. A. G. Magowan

Margaret Magowan was educated at Malvern Girls' College, but her pride in her Armagh parentage made her choose an Irish university to study history. She has been in College only a year, yet she is already Chairman of Players. Here lies the clue to her character for, although unassuming, she has both energy and determination. Surprisingly, she has never acted in Players, but having been turned down at several auditions, she began her career as a prompter! Her capacity for hard work and tactful handling of people soon led to her election on to various committees. Under her chairmanship, Players show several improvements. When she first became a member, she says, "Players was the most difficult society to get into in College." A certain tendency to fall into cliques had arisen, but now the encouragement given to new members, would-be playwrights and producers, as well as those "just interested" people who sew, paint and clean at the new Tuesday workday meetings, should limit this discouraging characteristic of the society.

Margaret's activities are not confined to the theatre. Her hobbies range from hockey to history, while she paints occasionally and admits to a special interest in studying art. Her historical career is primarily a means to attaining a Civil Service post in the Foreign Office. At the recent Summer School, her interest in international relations was seen when she sponsored the foreign students at Trinity Hall. As one of the few women in College to make an intelligent study of politics, she feels strongly about the need for co-operation amongst European Youth.

But far from adopting the typical career-girl attitude to domesticity, she considers that home-making is one of the natural spheres for a woman, and is herself a confirmed experimental cook. How she manages to combine these diverse activities with a far-from-dull social life, only she can tell.

Her varied rôles in College are expressive of her belief that a university should provide not only a narrow academic education, but stimulate ideas and responsibilities to be continued in post-graduate days. For so modest a person, Margaret appears as a chameleon-like personality, but this is only natural in one who, in her own words, "likes doing everything."

THE OXFORD MOVEMENT

Mr. William Fuge's gold medal essay, "The Oxford Movement and Ireland," provoked an excellent debate when he read it at the "Theo" on Monday night. The paper is essentially a historical discourse on the Movement, but it is interesting that from it sprang a discussion which dealt freely with both the theological and the historical aspects.

Mr. Fuge said that the partial failure of the Movement in Ireland was due to the laity of the time, both Protestant and Catholic, being too pre-occupied with the efforts towards Home Rule. He pointed out, however, that since there was an increase of beauty in the churches, of dignity and reverence in our worship and of the realisation that all Christians need to seek spiritual strength through the means which Christ ordained, the Movement has by no means failed.

Mr. Webley implied that the Catholic Church was behind the Oxford Movement and that Newman's going over to that church doomed the Movement. One of the points Mr. R. D. F. Kimmitt made in his fine speech was that Newman took a stand which expressed the whole Apostolic truth, and that his great strength was in his teaching of Grace.

COLLEGE EVENTS

Unobserved Oratory

"The Observer" competition is already well under way. In the preliminary round at Galway, the Phil. were represented by two excellent and well-versed speakers in Messrs A. Garrett Anderson and D. Hodgins. Both are Presidential in the Phil. and have a reputation for forensic brilliance that extends far beyond this College. Many still recall Tony Anderson's brilliant radio debut of two years ago in Aberdeen.

The Irish in Glasgow have more than once been pulverised by the rabid excellence of David Hodgins's oratorical nationalism.

This combination must have been potentially one of the most talented debating teams in recent years. Despite this, the Phil. was eliminated in the Galway tournament.

The motion "That, properly speaking, you cannot talk of liberty but only of lesser degrees of servitude" was supported by Mr. Garrett Anderson and opposed by Mr. Hodgins. The President of U.C.G., Mgr. de Brun, saw fit to introduce each speaker in Gaelic, to the bewilderment of not a few of his hearers. While Mr. Hodgins prefaced his speech by a few words in Gaelic, Mr. Garrett Anderson chose to speak purely through the medium of English. All suitable political and religious platitudes were greeted with tremendous applause under the benign approval of the interested judges. The debate was marked by the trend of many muttering their discourses from over-prepared manuscripts. The judges, with their strong local flavour, had no difficulty in finding in favour of the more blatantly patriotic speakers.

It is to be hoped that next year the organisers will pay a little more attention to oratory and a little less to substance.

Phist

Now that the season of goodwill is here again, it is to be hoped that the New Year will see the G.M.B.'s major societies sink their differences. It is rumoured that Auditor Desmond Kimmitt has offered the dove of peace to President Hodgins.

All credit for this should go to Mr. Fred Kenny who, throughout the protracted exchanges, has acted as intermediary. At the moment, the two societies, despite what they may state in public, are going through a difficult period. There has been a noticeable drop in the standard of debates and a consequent lowering in the quality of delegates to other universities. Good orators are, like their audiences, all too few. Only those who have taken an active interest can appreciate the depressing atmosphere prevalent in the G.M.B. The Hist. is kept alive by quarrels that would shock even home politicians. The other society is succoured by the enthusiasm of Mr. Hodgins and a few faithful souls. Many prominent College authorities are known to favour an amalgamation between the two societies. It is to be hoped that the powers that be will find some way by which the glories of the past can be blended to provide the prospects for the future.

Wilde Commemoration

In the Phil. on Friday an excellent meeting is promised. The ex-President, Mr. Anthony Garrett Anderson, will read a paper on Wilde. The vote of thanks will be supported by Mr. Montgomery Hyde and Mr. Anew MacMaster. Mr. Hyde is the author of a biography that is the standard authority on Wilde, and Mr. Anew MacMaster is a well-known Shakespearean actor. For the Phil. this will be a very special occasion as it will be honouring a distinguished former member.

Finale

To those, like Dr. O. Sheehy Skeffington, who are the bread and butter of this column, I have pleasure in extending the heartiest and most friendly greetings for Xmas and the New Year.

As for the vulgar characters who have had the impudence to write lewd letters, I have pleasures in extending an An Nollaig agus lucht deanta poitin.

An Fear Cruaidh.

APOLOGY

It has been brought to the notice of the Chairman and the Editorial Board that there were grave inaccuracies in the article entitled "Combined Rag" in our issue of November 11th, 1954.

The case has now been laid before the Editorial Board and a complete and unsolicited apology is hereby tendered to Mr. George Dawson, M.A., and Dr. McDowell for having reported them in an irresponsible and fallacious manner.



SOCIAL CIRCULAR

Mr. Guy D'Olier has announced his engagement to Miss Heather Fitzgerald. Mr. Colin Ross has announced his intention to return to Commencements and Miss Jill Robbins.

The following have honoured the University with a visit:—

Sir Claude Gibb, C.B.E., F.R.S.

Mr. Anthony Bolchover.

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The Rev. P. H. Rogers, M.B.E., M.A.

Mr. James Brennan (B.A. Begorrah).

Mr. Panos Kelalis has received the J.D.'s compliments.

Mr. C. J. B. Orr, B.A., and Mr. H. W. P. Rooke, B.A., appear to be studying hard for their forthcoming exams.

Mr. P. B. Hopkirk has been terrorising Sligo in his Volkswagen.

Mr. Ron. Piggott and Mr. Alan Smith have founded the Dublin University Water-Pistol Club.

NIGHT OF MUSIC

Last Thursday Night the Gaelic Society held a very successful Oíche Cheoil or Musical Evening. Departing from the normal pattern, less emphasis than usual was laid on dancing. Instead, the Society invited two well-known artistes from Radio Eireann, Eamonn Kean and Neil Toibín, who gave a wonderful performance of songs and recitations in Irish and English. Seoirse MacCraith, a young violinist in the Dublin Orchestral Players, played some of the beautiful and moving traditional Irish airs.

To-night, for their last Oíche Cheoil of the term, the Society has arranged a very attractive programme on similar lines, and everyone is cordially invited.

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Pioneers' Convention

This year the Christmas Convention was held under the auspices of the Boat Club at the Islandbridge venue. Skipper Rea Granleese presided as spiritual director. Joy, specially down from the flooded North, helped her swain to distribute the cups. In the bar-cum-ballroom, Daphne Gilpin graced the floor with Hugh Holroyd. To the rhythm of a blonde pianist, Billy Seeds floated round the room without Alison Oliver. As an old stager, Mr. Vincent Wrigley made merry in the gentlemanly manner of the Boat Club of yore. Having purchased numerous raffle tickets from the Penny Wall-Morris-John Gibson combine harvester, a large throng surged down-stairs to the stag bar. Here the unruly hoi-polloi and some members of visiting teams were holding a bottle and glass breaking competition. Escaping from the mêlée around these extroverts was John McIvor, who had failed to quell the riot.

Later on, Rea acted as host in the Seeds-Medawar palatial basement flat. There, Secretary Jimmy Brownlow was busy acting as barman, having failed in the quest for Alison. There was a blackout in the flat for a good deal of the evening, and the subsequent comments have been suppressed in the interests of free speech.

Meanwhile

Some lucky people took a wrong turning and arrived in St. Stephen's Green in time to find Deirdre Ross charmingly ejecting her would-be gate crashers. Inside the flat, Derek Morrison, who is now helping to brew ale at Smithwick's in Kilkenny, was less plastered than he looked, and David Lindsay was quite the reverse.

Alan Zammit and Denis McDonnell were having a silent tussle over the attentions of Hilary Palmer, who was enjoying herself. Chris Raphael was having a whale of a time, and Colman King ditto, until Marion Anderson was removed from his clutches. This was a very quiet and select party which had somehow become well publicised around town during the evening, and the door-bell was being rung far into the night.

Crashers Foiled

The first Annual Party of the Fencing Club was held at the Otter flat in Northbrook Road last Saturday. The entrance fee of 15/- per couple proved to be little or no deterrent. Gabriel Henig, lovely and gentle as always, was offering her drink to a gate-crasher who had been admitted but refused liquor. Her generosity was soon reflected in Wolfgang Somary's operatic rendering of some sort of peasant milking song.

Ron Ormond, though hard pressed as catering manager, found time to entertain Lulu. Stephanie de Renzy was once more resting against Paddy Burgess Watson's knees. Jill Irvine was very active with her knitting and Laurie. Eric Allen (purple spectacles dangling) gate-crashed avec une bonne chose, and the final uninvited guest was Loris Tryfon with the "classiest piece of goods this side of Nicosia."

Greenhorns in the Hall
Breathless and unchanged, Chris. Raphael arrived at Dartry festivities on Friday night, surprising Mardi Chandler with his nightmare rig-out. Dick Hyde arrived less circumspectly disguised as a Junior Freshman and waving a £1 note. Ken Maguire strained his neck whilst looking into the eyes of Anne Brambell. The good influence of big sister Gertie was soon abandoned by Jane Crawford, dancing close to Mick Hay. Sean Boland, on the mantelpiece, threw balloons at unsuspecting Margaret Magowan. Meanwhile, Noel Harkness caught a couple of brickbats from an unknown female whom he later discovered to be the Warden.

Metropolitan Misture

"Aha!" we said, looking at the company dancing at the Bi., "none of the usual crowd here." But, alas, we soon noticed the ever-recurrent Pack-Beresford, and even that stalwart, Tony Jennings, appeared later in the evening.

Meanwhile, up in the gallery, fluent, talker David Hodgins was silent in the presence of Judy Oliver, and Judy's sister, Alison, was tying her partner's bow tie around her nyloned-knee. Dusky beauty, Ruby Indar, revolved meditatively to the new Louis Lentin mambo, and Mike Lloyd Roche tried out the steps he has been rehearsing in the gym with Eunice Turner. The dance went on with several bangs, but luckily three jolly lads were present with water pistols to cool down those who got too warm.

Paul Harrison and his able helpers certainly made a good show of things. John Terry was his usual cheery self, and directed a conga upstairs, down-stairs and almost into the ladies. Harry Rooke found himself in the middle of a pile of spot prizes and was transported with joy. The Adelaide table, with Des. Chesney at its head, watched Chris. Orr smiling contentedly, and gulped down the champagne spot prize won by Betty Anderson.

Long after the witching hour had passed, sprightly Barry White erupted into O'Connell Street from the Metropole carrying a bewildered blonde over his shoulder. Chuckling, he departed in the direction of a Morris Minor, muttering "Umbrellas!" in a sardonic undertone.

METAPHYSICAL SOCIETY Progress Made

The Metaphysical Society has flourished during the last term. There was a large attendance at the opening meeting, when Professor Madagan, from Glasgow, read a paper entitled "How important is moral goodness?" Other faculties were well represented, but we wonder if their interest was practical rather than theoretical.

Aesthetics was the next topic we discussed, following a paper by Douglas Bluet on "Beauty and Art." We still cannot agree whether beauty is only in the eye of the beholder or whether the secretary is totally lacking in aesthetic appreciation.

Michael Adesanya, in his paper on "Goruba Philosophy," stimulated a discussion on the relation between religion and metaphysics. We were pleased to have a philosopher from India at this meeting.

We hope to have a paper this week from Peter O'Leary entitled "Are things what they seem?" We are sure this will arouse controversy.

It is pleasing to see people from other faculties taking an interest in the Society, and we hope that this interest will increase.

We are very pleased that Edmund Burke, one of our most notable members in recent years, has been successful in the examination for the Administrative Grade of the British Civil Service.

INFANTILE

A wave of childish simplicity has swept through College. Six monsters of our childhood days raised their ugly heads in the hands of gentlemen of this College during Commons on Monday night. We refer, of course, to water-pistols. These are a plaything most of us left in the nursery many years ago. Where is education leading us to-day when sophisters of this University conduct themselves in such a manner?

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Is the current musical taste of the College mirrored in the fact that perhaps more than half of the small audience at the third lunch-time concert were not from Trinity? The presence of a larger audience would encourage the Music Association of Ireland a great deal and probably improve the dreadful acoustics in some small way.

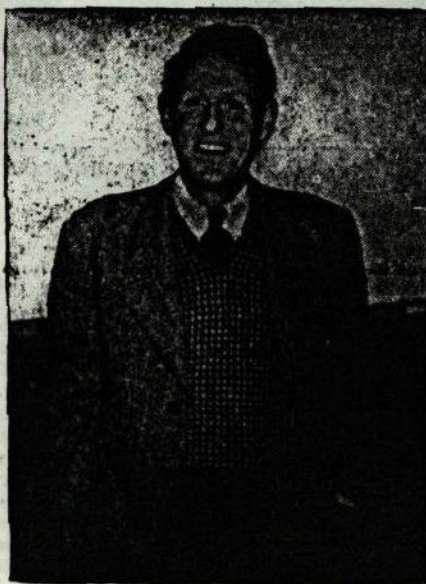
Seoirse Bodley's music—featured last Friday—shows only too well the influence of Bartok and Hindemith. His style tends to be confined and never gives the impression of confidence. Perhaps the composer was shown to best advantage in the two groups of songs beautifully sung by Tomas O'Suilleabhain; in these, the mood of the poem was captured perfectly by the music—this being particularly notable in William Allingham's "Fairies"; "Paidir" and "Deire Fomhair" by Seamus O'Neill, and in "Cre" by an anonymous 16th-century poet. Of the two capriccios for violin and piano, No. 1 proved the more interesting—but Ruth Giehen, violin, never really did it full justice, her tone tending to be rather harsh; she was accompanied by the composer, as was Mr. O'Suilleabhain.

The first movement of the Sonata in B for piano, which is as yet unfinished as a work, proved to be the most interesting part of the recital; here, and to some degree in the Scherzo, the style broadens and at the composer's hands both works were heard to full advantage.

Certainly, Seoirse Bodley's music has departed from the hackneyed style of Irish folk music—for this, he is only to be congratulated; but until he manages to shake off other prevailing influences, his work will never leave a lasting impression.

The last concert in the current series, at 1.10 p.m. on Friday in the G.M.B., consists of a selection of music by Brian Boydell, who has recently had his violin concerto played by the R.E.S.O. and Jaroslav Vanecek.

WHO' WHO ON THE STAFF:



Dr. F. B. Chubb

Dr. Chubb, who lectures in political science, hails from Wiltshire, but migrated to Ireland in 1948 and is now a Fellow and tutor of this College. Educated at Bishop Wordsworth's School, Salisbury, and Merton College, Oxford, his studies were interrupted by the war when he joined the R.A.F. In February, 1944, his plane was shot down over Germany. For fifteen months he was interned in the infamous P.O.W. camp, Stalag Luft III, in Silesia.

Returning to Oxford, he received his M.A. in 1946, and then lectured there, obtaining a D.Phil. in his thesis on the "Financial Committees of the House of Commons," expanding this work into his book, "The Control of Public Expenditure."

At present Dr. Chubb's interest is confined mostly to a study of Irish institutions and government, and he is learning Irish to assist him in this subject. In his work he has the help of his very charming wife, well-known to those who frequent the reading room.

His activities outside College life are numerous. D.U.C.A.C. is one of his chief interests. He is a fervent supporter of the Rugby Club, often helping them to arrange cross-channel fixtures. For a few seasons he played three-quarters for Palmerston R.F.C., and he is also good at squash. He is an interesting speaker at College societies and is a member of the Institute of Irish Management.

Finally, he keeps in close contact with the students and is always ready to help anyone who is in difficulty, as all those who have him for a tutor know well.

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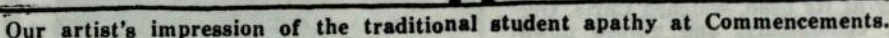
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On Thursday, the "Liz." held a meeting of more than usual interest. Miss Keller, the principal of the Grafton School of Dress-Designing, gave a talk on the possibilities of dressmaking, both privately and as a career. She herself began with the ability to draw and several illusions about "creative" designers who had only to drape a frame in swathes of tulle for a new model to be born. Unfortunately, these qualifications were not enough, and she was forced to learn the essentials of cutting, pattern-shaping and the choice of individual materials. Now, at her successful school, beginners learn to build up a model from the basic block pattern, and even the men learn smocking and button-holing! Tailoring, and sports and children's wear require a separate course, but in all, the training takes a little over a year.

Miss Keller, who is also fashion sketcher for the "Irish Times," spoke in conclusion about the great fashion houses, and showed drawings of present fashion trends. She explained that the "H"-line really stands for "Haricot Vert," and that M. Dior's sheathed dresses are intended to make us look like French beans! She believes that the trend in slim dresses may lead to dropped waist-lines, but not the complete flattening of the '20s. Good fashion ideas for this season are the scooped, piqué-filled neck-lines recently featured by Nina Ricci, tab-fastenings, sheath-like suits with outsize muffs, and brooches placed strikingly on the hip of a plain evening dress. Tangerine and gold are a new colour combination. The growing Spanish influence is seen in the occasional evening frock with tight bodice, flaring into a full skirt at hip level. Fur is an essential trimming—for cravats, bracelets and muffs. Many of these ideas are copied cheaply by wholesale manufacturers.

Finally, Miss Keller extended to members an invitation to see her new fashion parade next April.

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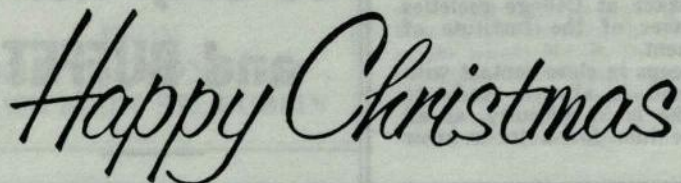
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ALUMNI ABROAD

Feeling a strong weakness for refreshment the other day I strolled into a Cambridge pub to find ex-Players' Chairman Tony Saul penning a letter to our contemporary, "The Times." "Female officers for the Phil?" he sniffed. "In my day there were men in some College societies." Then he left to lecture on frustration at his nearby approved school, Kneesworth Hall.

A younger father is Jonathan Warner who reads for a "B. Phil" at Oxford, another provincial university, between shifts of painting the nursery for new son, Benjamin. No comment so far from great-uncle Arthur Luce, although grandfather Rex Warner has been dropping red bricks in Moscow and points East.

Carson Abu

Third Program fans and Skeffingtonian addicts of the English political weeklies

will notice that prep-schoolmaster Florrie Donoghue (late Reid Sizar) has become a mouthpiece for the partitioners of Ireland, notwithstanding his lifelong friendship with Eoin (the "Pope") O'Mahony. That's what comes of moving from Tralee to Hampshire's Farleigh Wallop.

Chalk in Your Hair

Teaching remains a widespread if unpopular post-graduate activity for non-technologists. Durable Joseph Barry Roach takes many a lead in public school plays at Brighton, and erstwhile co-star, Randall Kinkead, temporeises in London primary schools, where his old Radleyan tie is highly thought of.

New treasurer of the T.C.D. London Club is Gus Grealy (18 Kent Terrace, N.W. 1), who gives Religious Instruction—before opening time—at a mixed secondary modern school in the Old Kent Road. A similar academy in Southend employs couth Edward Korel, whose Phil. henchman, Dermot Englefield, may be found dusting the House of Commons library, or dining at adjacent licensed premises.

True Romances

Geoff. Wilde, one of many ex-editors of "T.C.D." to besiege the United Kingdom's labour market, dispenses English at a secondary technical school in Leeds. Moreover, he has just become engaged to a feminine, though not feminist, young lady from Leeds.

A Chiswick flat is the cosy home for newly-weds Nan (née Pilling) and Andrew G. Owen, who sells refrigerators.

Stars and Starinas

Bewitching Noelle Middleton graduated not to a mere commencements, but from D.U. Players (via MacLiammoir, Radio Eireann and T.V. announcing) to playing Yvonne de Carlo's sister in L. A. G. Strong's stage-Irish romp, "Happy Ever After." Now working on another film, again with David Niven, she must be receiving proposals by every post. How long before this R. B. D. French discovery says "Yes"? Motley.

S.R.C. ACTIVITIES

The Employment Committee is offering jobs for students in term time as well as the vacation. They have notification from the College Inn and Aunts Unlimited that they will be contacted as soon as vacancies occur. Vick International Ltd. wrote asking for a team of seven students to give away samples in Dublin over the week-end. The N.U.S. has sent weekly Vacation Bulletins concerning work in England. Students who wish to enquire about employment are welcome in the S.R.C. rooms in No. 4 during the Arts term on week-days between 2.30 and 3.30, and on Saturday, 10.30-11.30.

College Diaries

The diaries, which were very popular last year, will be on sale again before the end of term in the Co-op. and Browne & Nolan Ltd., priced 4/- and 5/-. Order forms for postal delivery may be obtained from the S.R.C. Book Mart.

D.U.C.A.C.

At the Annual General Meeting held last week, the following officers and committees were appointed:

Chairman: H. Thrift, Esq., M.A., S.F.T.C.D.

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Pavilion Members' Committee—Chairman: F. B. Chubb, Esq.; Hon. Sec.: A. McKinley.

FABIAN FANATICISM

Last Friday the Fabian Society held a symposium on the future of the Colonies. The first speaker, Mr. Edwards, showed remarkable bigotry and ignorance. He delivered an invective against the Bourgeois leaders in Eire who were careerists and opportunists who had gained power at the expense of the working class. He said the same thing had happened in the Colonies.

The next speaker, Dr. Bhana, mentioned the barbarism of British colonial rule, particularly in India, and praised the efforts of Mau Mau to bring freedom to Kenya. Apparently Britain's record had been wholly black and the Mau Mau's wholly white. His speech was no more than an insult to the intelligence of University undergraduates.

The next speaker, Mr. Owen-King, was the only objective speaker of the evening. He tried to analyse the position in the West Indies from the political, economic and social angles. Politically the trouble was insularity and he believed that Federation was necessary, but would be difficult to bring about. He criticised the remote control from Whitehall. He said that he and other potential leaders of the Colonies disliked being dubbed as Bourgeois and brushed aside. He said that the men of vision to-day were the

Bourgeoisie. He spoke most constructively about the economic problems of the West Indies and stressed the importance of agriculture and the menace of absentee British landlords. He then deplored the absence of social services in the Island and the laissez faire attitude of the natives. Education, too, was inadequate and, like the newspapers and radio, was an organ of British propaganda. After having criticised Britain, he pointed out that despite her faults she was becoming alive to her responsibilities and had given the West Indies £15,000,000 in economic aid.

The last speaker, Mr. Lawasi, criticised those who deplored the racial policy in South Africa, on the one hand, and invested in the Cape gold mines, on the other, so keeping the natives in chains. He maintained that African culture had been overthrown by the British, who now had the nerve to say that independence was impossible without recorded history and traditions. This, he said, was nonsense, and Africa was not overwhelmed by the infernal conceit of many European nationalisms. Finally, he said that if imperialism continued there would be a racial war and that Africa presented a third world block of great power.

FLIRTING WITH REDS

At the Council Meeting held at Cardiff last week, delegates voted in favour of N.U.S. remaining an associate member of the Communist International Union of Students. The view was expressed by observers at the Council, however, that this decision did not reflect greater support for I.U.S. by students' unions in England, but was prompted by the desire that a full year should elapse before the agreement with I.U.S. should be reconsidered.

This means that the vital question of I.U.S., a cause of concern to thousands of British students, will not now be discussed until Easter. Up to the present, several important unions have disaffiliated from N.U.S. These include the Manchester Men's Union, Southampton University Union, and the S.R.C. of Strandmillis College, Belfast. The universities which most strongly urged immediate reconsideration of the association were Bristol and Queen's, Belfast.

It became apparent during the meeting that more disaffiliations from N.U.S. will follow if the National Union does not withdraw from its present relations with I.U.S., but it is doubtful whether any unions will take any decisive action until after the Easter Council Meeting. The position is, of course, being carefully watched by student observers in Ireland, since there is much strong feeling on the subject of I.U.S. both in Northern Ireland and in the Republic.

POETRY GROUP

A meeting of interest, not only to students of German, but to all lovers of modern poetry, was held at the Poetry Group last Thursday evening. The visiting speaker, Herr Dietrich Jager from University College, read a very interesting and comprehensive paper on a contemporary German poet, Gottfried Benn. He spoke of Benn as an expressionist and as a Nihilist and found little tangible thought behind the striking image pictures painted in all his poetry; his only real belief seemed to be in the eternity of art. However, Herr Jager felt that Benn, with his cynicism and disillusionment, has much in common with modern German youth. He thought that T. S. Elliott would be a British equivalent in popularity to Gottfried Benn. The paper was illustrated with some of Herr Jager's own translations of Benn's poems.

More people than usual attended the meeting this week. It is to be regretted that of late, this group has developed into a clique which has ceased to fulfil many of the required functions of a College society. The subject chosen for this meeting was a pleasant change from the often obscure secondary modern poets who usually interest the group.

ARTY DANCE

Gossip columnists will be delighted to note that the Arts dance is to be held on December 10th. This bizarre function will be in the College of Art.

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BELFAST TOUR

On Friday, 26th November, the first team of the Women's Squash Club travelled to Belfast, and plodded cheerfully through the rain to play Queen's University. The team that travelled was composed of the Misses B. Acheson, R. Fisher, G. Horsley, A. Budd, A. Kingsmill-Moore, and E. Whipp, the captain. Of these, the first three lost their matches, which were well fought, and the last three won easily. This result shows both the strength and weakness of the Trinity team and club, because they contain many members of a good all round standard, but not, as yet, any members capable of beating thoroughly the Northern internationals. This situation will soon be changed, we hope, by the coaching which is very generously being given to the team by Mr. R. Pilkington, who has undertaken to coach the promising members of the different Dublin women's squash clubs.

Miss Eileen Whipp has started to play again after the injury to her foot, and it is a tribute to her skill on the squash court that she won both her matches against faster and fleetier opponents.

On Saturday morning the team went to Crawfordsburn County Club and were beaten 4-2 by this very strong team. In the middle of her match, Miss Gilda Horsley was unlucky to sprain her ankle, and though this did not prevent her from finishing her match, it handicapped her in what had been until then a very even game.

Miss Alison Kingsmill-Moore won the last match of the series in an exciting game in which she went ahead after having been down two-love.

Northern hospitality was lavish and

excellent, and more than made up for the thunderstorms which greeted the team in Belfast. They returned with firm resolves to improve the already good standard of their play.

Results (Trinity names first):—
v. Queen's University.—1, B. Acheson* lost to I. Robertson†, 0-3; 2, R. Fisher lost to A. Johnston*, 0-3; 3, G. Horsley lost to D. Potter*, 0-2; 4, A. Budd won v. S. Knox, 2-1; 5, A. Kingsmill-Moore won v. L. Mann, 2-0; 6, E. Whipp* won v. P. Milligan, 2-0.

v. Crawfordsburn County Club.—1, B. Acheson* lost to D. Willist, 0-3; 2, R. Fisher lost to M. McFall†, 0-3; 3, G. Horsley lost to L. Cranny*, 1-3; 4, A. Budd lost to J. Robinson, 1-3; 5, A. Kingsmill-Moore won v. B. McMullan, 3-2; 6, G. Whipp* won v. F. Dickinson, 3-1.

† Denotes international. * Denotes interprovincial.

GOLF CLUB

U.C.D.'s Narrow Win

The Golf Club's first match of the year was a "wedges" match against U.C.D., played last Thursday afternoon at Milltown Golf Club, in which, it is encouraging to note, five new members took part. The weather was, fortunately, suitable (a previously arranged first's match against the Ladies' Alliance was regrettably postponed due to the unplayable condition of the course).

The match resulted in a close win for U.C.D. by 4½ matches to 3½, David Shillington and Seán O Conail having convincing wins for Trinity.

Golf lessons, sponsored by the Golf Foundation, have commenced this week at Joe Carroll's indoor school, and will continue throughout next term. All those wishing to obtain this free tuition must first of all join the Club, and then sign their names on the lists which will be posted every week on the notice board at Front Gate.

GAELIC FOOTBALL CLUB

At a specially convened meeting of the club to be held in D.U.C.A.C. rooms (No. 5) to-night at 8.45 p.m., the members will be informed about friendly games arranged in preparation for this year's P. J. Duke competition.

The Club has been drawn to play College of Pharmacy in the first round. This game has been provisionally fixed for Sunday, 19th December. Perhaps members would bear in mind that 10 of the opposing team played in the recent Senior Championship final and should not need any extra training.

Intending members are not only welcome but are particularly invited to attend this meeting.

If unable to attend, please get in touch with either of the following: Kevin Heffernan (Captain), 2 Turlough Parade, Marino, or Michael O'Leary (Hon. Sec.), 51 Griffith Avenue, Marino.

Christmas Greetings to members and to all other clubs.

AROUND THE CLUBS

We hear that Ruth Harris, captain of the successful Ladies Hockey Club, has been chosen to represent Co. Dublin in their match against Lancashire early this month.

The D.U. Squash Rackets Club "A" team continued to win their matches, beating The Curragh by 3-0. Zarb had a hard struggle to master his opponent. It was his superior control of the ball that enabled him to stage a come-back in the fifth and final game. Hyland and Hyde were also hard pressed in their respective matches.

The D.U. Swimming Club retained their lead in the Winter League by their victory over North Dublin last week. In the first half, Trinity were ahead by 4.0; however, North Dublin fought back and in a spirited game, reduced the lead to 4-3 just before time. Trinity, however, again forged ahead to score a final goal. Pearson was outstanding and extremely able in his handling. Fletcher, in goal, saved the Trinity defence, stopping many a promising movement. Pearson, Pollard, Briggs and Lockhart scored for Trinity.

COLOURS MATCH
LANSDOWNE ROAD
SATURDAY

BOXING To-morrow's Programme

Oxford's captain, D. C. Courtman, is bringing over twelve boxers, ranging from light welter-weight to cruisers.

Of the light middle-weights, J. C. Voigt lost to Peter Shanks here last year, and J. M. Cleverly was formerly captain of Rossall's Boxing Club.

Two of the welters are D. P. Hodgson, a South African, and J. R. Ramsay, who is a former U.A.U. champion.

NEXT TUESDAY

Cambridge's skipper, John Morgan, has been here before. He lost to Ken Comyns last year in the gym. Comyns has also beaten their heavyweight, B. Shaw, who is county rated No. 2 in the English amateur ranks, and their return match should prove to be excellent. On paper, the Cambridge team looks as good as Oxford's, and we can look forward to some fine boxing against both of them.

The Trinity team will be selected from the following: Tullalambra, Sacchi, Orr, Murphy, Gregory, Lowry, Abbot, Wilson, Shanks, Coote, Mallick, Beers, Chinn, Gardiner, Broderick and Comyns.

TRINITY DRAW WITH R.A.F.

On a day when ground conditions were bad and nearly caused a postponement, Trinity drew 3-3 with a team of airmen from Valley, North Wales. The visitors were a superior football team and lasted the pace better, but Trinity swung the ball around with good effect, especially in the first half.

There was a sensational opening to the game as Trinity scored inside a minute. The forwards pierced the opposition's defence; Sainsbury hit the bar, the ball came to Bello, who scored with a left-foot shot. After 10 minutes Trinity scored again through Hannigan. Trinity were combining very well at this stage and were well on top. The R.A.F. began to settle down after those two early reverses and Kendall in the home goal made some magnificent saves. Before the interval, Trinity scored again through Sainsbury, who headed a goal from a corner by Bello.

Leading 3-0 at half-time, Trinity appeared set for a win and, due to the pace and the fact that they were leading by 3 goals, seemed to slacken up somewhat. The visitors had the better of the play for 35 minutes of the second half, during which they scored three times and missed a penalty. Trinity came to life again in the last 10 minutes and were rather unlucky that a confident appeal for a penalty was turned down by the referee. However, a draw was a fair result in what was a hard and exciting match.

SPORTING THOUGHTS

By "High Flyer"

Are the women taking their rightful place in College sporting activities? I am surprised that they have not yet established a Ladies' Golf Club, despite their 50 glorious years of supremacy. It is, indeed, inconceivable that they should have been so slow on the uptake. Golf has never been a male prerogative. Many women in College play and would continue to do so if such a club was started. It is the answer to the prayer of all the non-"jolly-hockey-sticks" type. The game is an ideal remedy for those afternoon blues—the aftermath of party hangovers. Golf provides the "out-of-doors once a week" enthusiast with a walk that has an object. There is pristine purity in a stroll in the crisp autumn air over the attractive Dublin courses; added to which there is the satisfactory feeling of triumph when one's club contacts with that familiar click and the ball soars into the distant sunlit haze, settling near the green. A women's club could be associated with the Grange Golf Club, which is situated on the slopes of the Dublin Hills beyond Terenure, as is the D.U. Golf Club. This would offer the club all the social facilities combined with a reasonable green fee. It is to be hoped that the interested women golfers will form and join such a D.U. Ladies' Golf Club.

BOAT CLUB

Michaelmas "At Home" Races

Although the river was very high and there was a strong wind with some rain, there were some good races at Island-bridge last Saturday. The most exciting was the final of the Ussher Cup Fours, in which the "W" crew (O'Kane, O'Connor, Smith, Creaven), coached by Mr. Wrigley, after a long tussle beat the "M" crew, coached by Mr. Shepherd, by three feet.

King George IV Cup Races

Trinity "A" beat Queen's "B" by 1 length.
Queen's "C" beat Lady Elizabeth by 1 length.
Trinity "B" beat U.C.D. "B" by 3 lengths.
U.C.D. "A" beat Neptune by 2 lengths.
Queen's "A" beat Galway University by 2 lengths.
Trinity "A" beat Trinity "B" by 1 length. (It was this very tired team which had the misfortune to drift towards the swift water over the weir and were unable to hold back the boat in time to save her.)

Semi-finals

Trinity "A" beat Queen's "C" by 1 length.
Queen's "A" beat U.C.D. "A" by 2 lengths.
In the final Trinity "A" beat Queen's "A" by one length to retain the King George IV Cup.

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