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WHILE the minor College societies combine and seek representation on the G.M.B. Standing Committee, D.U.C.A.C. are indirectly fighting a similar battle. The common theme appears to be a struggle for survival. It may be argued that D.U.C.A.C., theoretically, cannot cease to exist as such, but their desperate financial position, if it does not improve, will render that committee ineffective.

This unhappy situation was brought to the fore again this week when D.U.C.A.C. were compelled to advise the Harrier Club not to make their proposed tour of Scotland, because that Club could not send a full-strength team. On the surface this was a sensible suggestion, but the money had already been voted and the tour arranged. The Scottish cancellations were made just a few days prior to the date of travelling. Of course, D.U.C.A.C. advised against the trip with an eye on their diminishing funds. The Harriers agreed not to go, but their win against the strong Queen's emphasised their all-round ability.

The same eye was turned in the same direction when the Committee found no reason to support the Golf Club's Highland matches last week. It went further: an official statement indicated that the standard of golf was not high enough. A golf tour is a rare occurrence, and the argument against it is even more rare. One could hardly imagine the University Rugby Football Club receiving notice that, since last season's tour was a failure,

there could be no support for the coming year. The Boat Club succeeded in persuading D.U.C.A.C. before the "squeeze" commenced, thus a second crew went to Reading and Putney and had the satisfaction of finishing with not many more than 100 boats in front of them. Henley is yet to come: this should take place about the same time as the cricket team is making its annual round of suburban London village teams. By then the Tennis Club will have certainly been given permission to visit London hospitals. At the time of writing the Ladies' Tennis Club have made the trip to England to play Sunday tennis at Oxford.

Tours are expensive and D.U.C.A.C. must, naturally, be extremely careful. Have they spent what little money they have wisely? Most clubs do seem satisfied.

But every club must be contented. To do this, as the Secretary has said, D.U.C.A.C. must have more money. What better way than to hang on to the G.M.B. Standing Committee and hope the Board will put a £5 levy on playing and non-playing members alike.

Lovely Greek Jean Patatimidis, second year Mod. Lang., has earned a considerable reputation in Ireland as a mannequin.

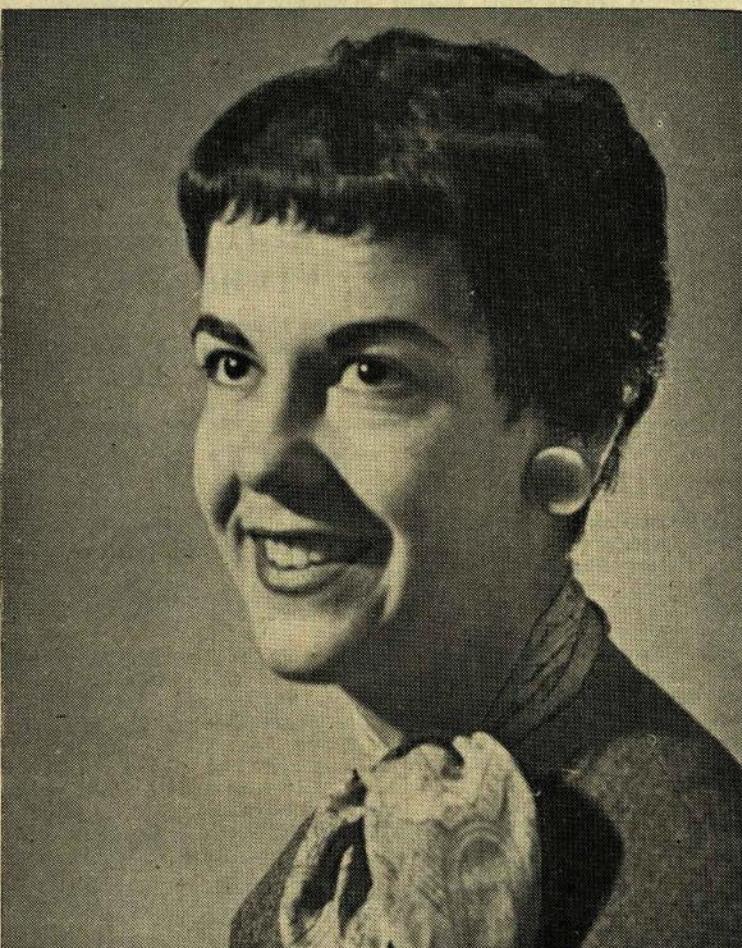
AT a meeting of the S.R.C. last term it was decided to form a committee consisting of one member of each minor society in College. Many had felt that these societies were not fully represented on the Provost's committee set up to consider the possibilities of a compulsory five-pound levy on all students. They feared that minor societies might be financially embarrassed and might suffer a loss in membership due to the greater attractions of a cheaper Phil. and Hist.

The Committee, which exists in its own right, apart from the S.R.C., has held several meetings with a view to gaining representation on the G.M.B. Committee set up by the Provost.

If they were to succeed in gaining recognition on the Executive Committee of four they would be able to have their say in the general allocation of the finances. The suggested grant of £250 between the minor societies they regard as ridiculously inadequate. Moreover, the control of its own finances by each of the societies is considered essential to success.

The dangers and pit-falls are readily understood. The minor societies desire most of all a meeting with the Provost's Committee, not a hot-headed revolt. This meeting is expected to take place tomorrow. They are willing to come to terms, but not to forfeit their privileges without opposition. With full recognition and representation, it might be possible for the minor societies to continue to play their present part in College life.

Lastly, when considering these events it might do well for the Provost's Standing Committee to remember that these "minor" societies include the Biological Society and the Choral Society.



RALES RONCHI

The opening meeting of the Biological Society brought together teams of representatives of the R.C.P. and S.I. and the Dublin Medical Association. A diverse criticism of the standards of teaching in Irish

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medical schools has provoked so much heated private discussion of late that the debate in the Dixon Hall on April 30th might have produced more fire than it did. However, no burns were received worth dressing.

In proposing the motion, "That the teaching of medicine in Dublin is no longer progressive," Mr. J. O'Sullivan (U.C.D.) longed for more rigid control over final-year students, and hoped that we would not merely rest on the laurels won by such great Irish teachers as Stokes and Corrigan.

Mr. Littlepage (F.C.S.I.), opposing, was quite the best speaker of the evening, despite his lack of force and clarity. He argued for greater freedom in the choice of clinical teachers.

Mr. M. M. Marks (R.C.P. and S.I.) and Mr. H. B. Devlin (T.C.D.) called for more balance in medical courses, but Mr. B. Beveridge (U.C.D.) and Mr. L. A. Ruben (T.C.D.) pleaded for a status quo.

The most original suggestions came from the floor. Most speakers supported the need for greater co-ordination between the hospitals and the medical schools, the choice of topics ranging from the teachings of Hippocrates to the transference of Dublin medical schools in the South Seas.

Summing up, Dr. Riordan mentioned the need for the adjustment of ideas to the demands of the "export market." This was a fair comment on a meeting which was marked by an amazing lack of original ideas.

The Theological Society's inter-debate on Monday proved a success, despite the faded and one-sided motion, "That this house welcomes the passing of the Puritan." For the fourth time in the Society's history, ladies were present. The house was well filled.

The motion was moved by Mr. W. G. Fuge, who in reasonable terms stumbled through his thesis that Calvinism and Sabatianism made religion dull and repellent. He moaned the fate of Tavistock children and showed that full Christianity would be achieved by positive creeds. "Make life interesting and you will make it clean."

In reply, Mr. J. C. Stewart of St. Andrew's began by reducing the motion to definitions. Dull and unconvincing, he produced statements without supplying adequate proof to support his views.

Mr. R. Gibson of the Presbyterian College, Belfast, stressed the essential link of Puritanism with learning. Leaving this, he spoke of the subject of alcohol and of the various vintages of Puritanism through the ages, supplying anecdotes from personal experience.

In earnest tones, Mr. H. D. McLindon applied the motion to present-day trends. We have now moved from Puritanism to the other extreme. The Puritan put his trust in God and sought, in his own way, to worship his God. Moreover, hard work, a feature sadly lacking in the modern era, formed a fundamental part of the Puritan's duty to God and his fellow-man.

Mr. C. S. Cook of Trinity College, Glasgow, replied, quite rightly, that sincerity did not necessarily lead to truth and righteousness, making his point by comparing the examples of Billy Graham and Adolf Hitler. The weak point in the Puritan's case was that he appeared to lack charity.

Mr. T. E. Craig of Magee College gave a full-blooded view of Puritanism, while presenting no new arguments.

The Auditor, in reply to all previous speakers, was at his excellent best. In an impassioned speech, he illustrated the breadth of the full Christian view as opposed to the narrow Puritan way of life, which repelled rather than attracted disciples. For the most part, Mr. Kimmitt's theology was sound.

The final speaker was Mr. K. R. Johnson. Introducing a host of subjects to exhibit his wide knowledge, he spoke of chimney stacks and Aston Villa. He stoutly defended the Puritan's right to exist and charged those who wished to see his "passing" with un-Christian thoughts.

The Chairman, Dr. J. E. L. Oulton, thanked the visitors and the motion was carried, despite Mr. Johnson's warnings.

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SUMMER MADNESS

WHAT is the National Students' Council? Recently, in spite of the anonymity and glamorous mystery which glosses over its origins, this society has made the headlines both in this country and in England. But who are the authors of these "protests," and what are their aims?

In a Press statement, a member of the N.S.C. claimed the adherence of students in U.C.D., Queen's, and Trinity. But officially U.C.D. disclaim any affiliation with this movement; and Queen's usually confine their gestures to such schoolboy tricks as making off with trophies from the Hist., although their latest "rag," the auctioning of a gold chain of office belonging to another university, suggests a similar disrespect for property. So what of Trinity? Our past would not deny us a noble share in patriotic gestures.

It is the prerogative of the student to proclaim his carefully cultivated personality in a suitably unorthodox fashion. Nobody really minds if he sports a goatskin in Grafton Street, or advocates Nihilism on the banks of the Liffey. But the N.S.C. take themselves seriously. Can it be that they have a Mission? The attempt, if genuine, to remove Nelson from his Pillar had a definitely political flavour. And the abduction from the Tate Gallery of the French Impressionist painting, "Jour d'Eté," succeeded in recalling public attention to the Lane pictures question, as "Trinity News" attempted, rather more modestly, to do last term. Nobody could fail to admire the daring with which the picture was "stolen," nor to admit that public opinion is more likely to be influenced by a beau geste such as this than by any frigid, impersonal note between embassies. On the other hand, this treatment could easily have resulted in irreparable damage to a unique painting. Perhaps the obvious enthusiasm of the N.S.C. could be more wisely directed.

If, as has been claimed, members of this organisation exist in College, why don't they come forward and make a statement about the purpose of a society which arouses so much speculation? Or is the N.S.C. just a cover for the careless exploits of a rabble of publicity-seeking students?

Profile:

Bambos David — Personality

JUST over two years ago, Charalambos Alciabiades David came to Dublin, unknown and obscure. To-day he is the first personality of College and to social Dublin Makarios is the other Cypriot. He is twenty-four, and a Junior Sophister economist.

Bambos was born in Cyprus in the village of Petra; from where he went to school at the Pancypriot Lyceum at Larnaca, followed surprisingly by a year at Lindisfarne College. More immediately, he spent two years as a Manchester business man and some months at the Sorbonne.

Economics and Political Science occupy, as it were, his left hand, while the energy which we all know is zestfully dissipated; though now "Trinity News," Radio Eireann, "The Irish Times," The Phil. and, of course, enoCypriots for the sis-Cypriots each claim more and more of his attention. "Trinity News" has been foremost among these interests where success has come to him as surely it always will after he has pained the official neck with a permanent crick, outspoken, outstrained, and out-worked the dozy regulars and dazed them with a heavy use of his own particular brand of transparent honesty, which comes in a variety of stained glass windows. Here is no success story of eager,

pallid spot-face with rimless glasses; furthermore, life is lived by Bambos with a sophisticated enthusiasm which shames the local society gang into scurrying back up Grafton Street toward their coffee house.

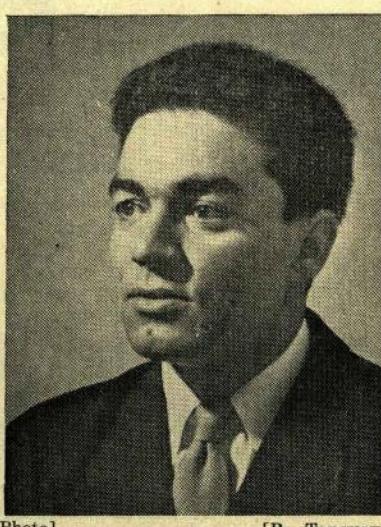
Bambos has achieved more in two years than most others do in four because of "the bit more"; more brains, more experience, more interest —

more mistakes and more ability to overcome them. He has realised as few do that intelligence is wasted by an undergraduate who has it and limits his aspirations to the (less and less) distant moderation examination; and like nearly all who have this sense he may have been carried away by it.

It seems inevitable that Bambos will enter the political arena some day, and his talent for making friends with people of markedly different character argues the Hellenistic pliability which characterises able politicians.

The flush full house of local Greekdom is not filled by Bambos, who reserves his patronage for attendance at banfeasts, when no doubt he makes it hot.

Individuality of the right sort is the key; he suffers no extraneous influence. Trinity has reclothed his character. It is idle to speculate whether he will give in turn, or whether, like Peer Gynt, he is destined to have an ordeal with The Button Maker.



Ex-Chairman of
"Trinity News"

FULL MARX

A discussion of Communism was the natural outcome of Mr. J. F. L. Otter's paper entitled "The Russian Revolution," read at the History Society's meeting on Tuesday.

The essayist concentrated on the political groups and the personalities involved in that violent change, the effects of which are only too apparent to-day.

Mr. Peadar Cowan, proposing the vote of thanks, suggested that any true analysis and assessment of the revolution could not be adequately made. The forty years' lapse between then and now is too short a period. The course of events could not, therefore, be placed in their true perspective.

Mr. O'Riordan offered more serious criticism of the essayist's approach and definition of Socialism. He confessed himself overwhelmed by the fantastic technological advance made by Russia since 1917. He felt that the world of Capitalism was uncertain and frustrated, while Communism faced the future with hope and confidence.

A lover of statistics, Mr. N. Hartnett spoke of class division, suggesting that Russia would eventually re-classify her society. A new revolution would bring the poor supreme power within the state, to the detriment of highly centralised government.

The Chairman, Mr. Desmond Ratshaw, brought the meeting to a close. We recommend this application of historical knowledge in considering present-day world problems.

From Our Readers

Dear Sir,—I am a student at Massachusetts State Teachers' College at Bridgewater, and together with a friend we would like to correspond with students of your university who are willing to do likewise. We believe that such communication would aid us in learning more about your country. But also we are desirous of gaining new friends.

We greatly appreciate your indulgence in this letter, though it may not be possible to fulfil our aim. Thank you for your consideration. — Respectfully yours,

Henry Dionne,
William Doyle.

60 Park Avenue,
Bridgewater, Massachusetts.
March 26, 1956.

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Dear Sir,—I hereby take the liberty of sending you these few lines to kindly ask you whether one of the students studying at your University would like to begin a friendly correspondence with me. I used to be a physics and chemistry student at the Brussels University. However, I am also very interested in foreign literatures and languages, as well as my wife who used to be a student in modern languages. We recently began learning Irish and would like to practise it by writing. I would write to a male student and my wife to a female student. We are, respectively, 33 and 28 years old.

Hoping to receive a favourable reply and thanking you very much in advance.—I am, dear sir, very respectfully yours,

C. D. Afostoe.

23 Rue Longue-Vie, 23,
Ixelles, Brussels, Belgium.
(Passed to Gaelic Society for further consideration.—Ed.)

We welcome our readers' views on topics of interest and especially on controversial points made in our columns. The Chairman will be pleased to receive correspondence upon any subject raised by this newspaper or upon any other subject affecting undergraduate life.

**General
Anaesthetic**

The Board of the School of Physic seem determined to shatter the nerves of suffering medical students before they reach final examinations. Frustrating changes in the rules have, for some time, dumbfounded many a third-year med.

The newest rule is the hardest to bear. Each student who passes "half" must attend thirty-three months' hospital credit in the three years before "finals." For those who pass "half" in September, this means almost complete forfeiture of vacational holiday for nearly three years.

Formerly, the practice was to require only thirty months' hospital attendance, which would be more than sufficient if hospital teaching were well organised. We hope for, but do not expect, explanation.

CAPITAL PUNISHMENT

The Hon. Treasurer, Mr. J. R. Hautz, Sch., will read a paper on Capital Punishment at the Phil. this evening, 8 p.m., in the G.M.B. Distinguished speakers will include Mr. Sean MacBride and Hon. Mr. Justice George Murnaghan.

**Disease and
Poverty**

That ambitious, though poverty-stricken Mod. Lang. Society intend to produce nine plays, "Le Malade Imaginaire," produced by Enid Graham, opens on May 10th, and during the following fortnight a whole bevy of plays will invade Trinity. The plot of "Much Ado About Nothing" will be rendered by Edward Dorral and Winifred McIvor, and two Cervantes' plays under the patronage of Douglas Sealy. The playwright Sealy gives us a taste of Irish, and German is represented by Gertrud Jungbent.

To add salt to this international flavour, the French people have decided to catch German measles. Nevertheless, all, including producers, persevere.

APPOINTMENT

The Rev. George Collis Davies has been appointed Professor of Ecclesiastical History. A Cambridge graduate, he received his doctorate in divinity in 1951. His chief work to date, a biography of Henry Phillpotts, Bishop of Exeter, was described as a "historical source book of notable value for both ecclesiastical and political affairs at the time." Dr. Davies, who succeeds Dr. G. V. Jourdan, should prove an invaluable asset.

LOST. Two Large Notebooks, containing Classic notes, one brown, one red. Would finder please return to J. Cole, 22 T.C.D.

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College Observed

IT is gratifying to see Trinity graduates interesting themselves in the affairs of their alma mater when in positions of influence. This afternoon, Mr. Hector Hughes, Labour M.P. for Aberdeen, will ask the British Minister of Education in the House of Commons whether he would consider including Trinity graduates in the teaching profession among those eligible for the allowance award as recommended by the Burnham Committee for the holders of a good Honors degree. If the Committee's recommendations are to be accepted without amendment, only teaching graduates of U.K. Universities will qualify for the benefit, in spite of the fact that Trinity degrees are recognised by Oxford and Cambridge as of the same standing as theirs.

I hope that somebody will follow Mr. Hughes' example in Dublin and take a County Council to the High Court as a test case to see whether the Council scholarship decisions are against the law, or possibly contrary to the spirit of the Constitution.

\$10,000

WHO says that economists do not know how to get money? The School of Economics and Political Science, one of the pioneers of the "new look" among the Honor schools, has secured a grant of \$10,000 from the Rockefeller Foundation to finance research into Irish economic problems. Two full-time research assistants will be employed, probably from among this year's Senior Sophisters, and work will be under way at the beginning of the next academic year in October, under the direction of Professor G. A. Duncan, Dr. W. J. L. Ryan and Mr. J. J. Byrne. It is hoped that in the course of the research during the next three years reports will be published dealing with such aspects of the economy as wages, prices and monetary policy. The scheme should provide a good beginning into the field of economic research.

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ONCE again the present Hist. administration has demonstrated its refusal to co-operate or accept any practical responsibility at a recent meeting of the G.M.B. The Hist. representatives intimated that the Society will only contribute about £33 towards the cost of the running of the building, while the Phil. with a lower income, offered £90. This is particularly deplorable in view of the fact that the Hist. undertakes considerable expense to throw lavish parties, to say nothing of the publication of report upon report of their inactivities.

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EMPLOYERS' VISITS FOR TRINITY TERM

Fewer visits are planned this term—there may be more fitted in at short notice—but those already arranged are of particular interest to Arts men and women.

At present there are 63 Senior Sophister Honor students (26 men, 37 women) on my register who are reading arts subjects. Many wish to teach and are not interested in visits from commercial companies. The demand from industry and commerce for good Arts graduates is steady, but there is not the same shortage of talent in the British Isles as with scientists. Employers will only visit us if they feel we make their visit worthwhile, e.g., if they see and select men and women of the right calibre. At the moment there are barely enough good Arts men to justify visits from companies who are interested solely in this type of candidate. The visits are:

Friday, 11th May.—J. Walter Thompson Co. Ltd. Opportunities for Arts men and women who want to make a career in advertising.

Monday, 14th May.—Short and Harland Ltd., Belfast. Physicists, mathematicians, engineers who are seeking research, direct or post graduate entry into the aircraft industry.

Tuesday, 15th May.—Richard Costain Ltd. Engineers seeking a career in civil contracting in England or overseas.

Wednesday, 16th May.—Shell Petroleum Co. Arts men and women for sales, marketing personnel, secretarial work. Engineers and scientists for careers at home and overseas.

Thursday, 17th May.—Bank of London and South America. Arts men who are seeking a career. Commerce in Latin America.

Literature about all these companies is available in my office. The candidate who has taken trouble to find out about the visiting company generally makes the best impression.

J. K. Hudson,
Appointments Officer.



DUBLIN THEATRE

THE STUDIO

(The Irish theatre holds a unique place in world drama. This term we intend to investigate the policies of individual Dublin theatres and discuss their future. We will conclude the survey with the most famous, the Abbey Theatre).

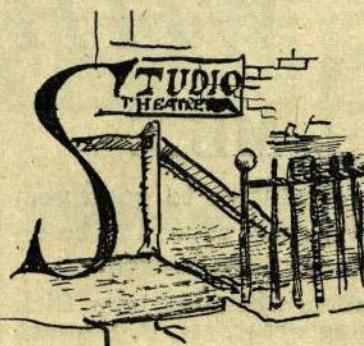
The autumn of 1951 heralded a minor theatrical renaissance in Dublin, one of the leaders being Madame Daisy Bannard-Cogley and her Dublin Theatre Group which then opened the door of its fifty-two seater basement theatre in Mount Street to the public, with "East of Suez" by Somerset Maugham. Glowing reports augured well for the future of this tiny theatre, into which audiences entered through the stage, so that no set could be completed until the last seat was occupied.

It was the first of the basement theatres, and its successor, the Studio Theatre, is the sole survivor. This is undoubtedly due to its founder, her rigid policy and the loyalty she obtains from her company, "Madame" to her actors, "Toto" to her more intimate friends, is a pocket Parisian atom bomb, and though a grandmother of many years standing, is far from obsolete. One of the founder-directors of the Dublin Gate Theatre, her theatrical life has ranged from melodrama at the Queen's to legitimate in Chile. Still very much in evidence at theatre parties, she has no half measures, everything is either "bloodyawful" or "terrific," with the middle syllable accentuated.

After four productions the company moved two doors to its present home; slightly larger, with infinitely more space backstage. However, under the direction of Madame and her son Fergus, actors forsook scripts for paint brushes and the Studio Theatre was ready in time for its memorable opening in March, 1952, by Hilton Edwards, who, knowing its impious state, raised nearly £100 by auctioning absolutely nothing to an audience of seventy, seated on the floor.

The aims of the Studio have been the initial presentation of intelligent theatre and the encouragement of promising native writers. This policy has been rigidly observed, from the

first presentation of "Comrades," by Strindberg, to plays like Sartre's "Crime Passionel," "The Shadow of Mart" and the world premiere of "The Slaughter of the Innocents," by William Saroyan. It has encouraged the writing, amongst others, of Joy Rudd, a Trinity



graduate, with a performance of her excellent comedy, "Seadna," later accepted by the B.B.C. Not unnaturally, many established Dublin actors and actresses like Genevieve Lyons, Marie Connee and Paddy Lyde have gained their early experience with this "enfant terrible" of theatres.

A kitchen in a street of Georgian houses has been converted to a miniature playhouse, painted deep red; a tiny stage exists, with wings on one side only, having an atmosphere all its own, for not only do the players live their parts but the whole theatre assumes the site of the action. Now it possesses a banked auditorium and an excellent lighting plot—but many, though glad of the success that has provided for all this, remember with nostalgia when biscuit boxes were used for floods and tins for spots.

It has the distinction of being the one place in town you can attend without knowing what is on, for even if the play is not to your liking the standard of performance and the experience will be.

Trinity Patriots

I—THOMAS DAVIS (1814-45)

Although Davis was descended from a Cromwellian planter on his mother's side, he could also claim Gaelic blood from the O'Sullivan Beara family, and it was the Gaelic world that inspired his nationalistic feelings.

He entered Trinity in 1831 to read ethics and logic, but made little impression on College life. In 1838, however, he became Auditor of the Hist. and showed in his inaugural address his interest in the Irish cause, appealing for single-minded devotion to the country in her misfortunes. Three years later he had become co-editor of the "Morning Register" with John Blake Dillon, and joined O'Connell's Repeal Association.

In 1842 "The Nation" appeared. This new paper, thought out by Davis, Dillon and Charles Gavan Duffy under an elm tree in Phoenix Park, had immediate success, both financially and in its expression of public opinion. Davis was the main contributor and showed a poetic power that was to lead to "The Spirit of the Nation," a collection of patriotic songs and ballads.

The three editors of the paper became the nucleus of the "Young Ireland" group, whose leaders were mostly Trinity men, but Davis was soon recognised as the leading spirit. His dream was of an Ireland where all classes and religions would be united in love for their country and so live in peace and prosperity. Self-government would be necessary if this ideal was to be reached. He, and "Young Ireland" under him, began a drive for popular education, encouraging interest in Irish history and the language.

Davis's sudden death from scarlatina when he was at the height of his powers was a disaster for the national government, for he was the only leader strong enough to unite the different elements in "Young Ireland." But the influence of his writings, personality and example was permanent, and was important in the shaping of Ireland's future.

FOUR & SIX

MacGillycuddy Reeks (to the tune of Nick Magilligan's ball). Having crawled back, like a snail, unwillingly to College, I can forget my rainbow bruises and in retrospect acknowledge Nick MacGillycuddy's party as the grandest hooley of them all. Perhaps "hooley" is not the right word; more than once I seemed to notice a Rainier-Kelly touch about the proceedings. The overflow from Nick's ancient-and-modern house were stabled in all the hotels and half the houses around Kilgarney, and taxis were laid on by the management to take us to dinner and back to Aghadoe. Nobody made any speeches, thank goodness, but the Perrier-Jouet '43 excused even the belated arrival of David Miller and his new partner, Prudencio Duarte. (Forgive the stress on the U-ness of the occasion, but I am still feeling like William Hickey!) Back at Aghadoe, the local accordion gave way abruptly to the jazz band from the Green Lounge, and a small girl remarking: "Doesn't Uncle Nick look funny when he's dancing?" Joanna Woods was impressive in a tiered wedding-cake dress, but no one cut in. Interesting Denis Pack-Beresford, among others, was baffled by the disappearance of Mopsy under the wing of two dark Vikings on a flying visit from Stockholm. Judging by the expression of Gill Ackroyd's face, she too had discovered that there was another side to the Scandinavian problem. A

member of the Drones' Club (whom I recognised by his badge—a blood-shot eye on a marred background) muttered "So there are Swedish men as well!" Denis meanwhile found a Deare friend very sympathetic. Caroline Johnson was fired by Nick's Etonian mementos to go rowing. "The dawn looks so beautiful over the lakes," she sighed. Her oarsman, a very bland fellow, hummed: "And we'll all cling together . . ."

Later that day the survivors returned for lunch and were entertained by a tape-recording of the party, embellished by the usual rowdy comments of Andrew Law. I am told that a penitential party climbed the Tore Waterfall after this. I cannot believe it.

There U Are!

This U-type conversation is positively insidious. There they sat, five of them, with carefully unmatched ties and handkerchiefs, nervously clutching never-opened umbrellas. Their topic of conversation (sic) concerned a vase of flowers reflected in a mirror (looking-glass) on the mantel (chimney-piece). Keats once mentioned "perfumed" flowers, but of course he was very under-bred. The Five did not commit this faux pas: they enthused about the "scent." And the object of this genteel causerie? To smuggle the flowers from the restaurant in a serviette (sorry, napkin!).

In and Out

Survivors of the Dora Coleman era must undoubtedly remember Felix, that prolific giver of bouncy parties, who recently held open house to welcome himself back to Dublin. Arriving with Clodagh Phibbs, leading her pet pink poodle designer on a string, I noticed Peter Murray taking advantage of the unusual majority of bottles to people. On to the Richmond "Convent" where Noel Harkness looked strangely medicated. Here Ian Kennedy-

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TERM BEGINS WITH 2 VICTORIES

Athletics

MACKAY DOES A 4.19·1 MILE

A HIGH wind and a slowish track are not normally conducive to good performances, but Queen's visit to College Park on Saturday proved to be an exception. For under such conditions three College records were broken.

The handful of spectators had a foretaste of things to come when they saw Dick Mackay beaten into second place in the 880 yds., the opening event. H. P. Stewart of Queen's won the race in the fast time of 1 min. 54.8 secs., with Mackay some 6 yds. in the rear.

Queen's went in front when they secured first place in the 100 yds., 3 miles and 120 hurdles; then Trinity retained with victory in the furlong, which Godden won in 23 secs.; the same man completely outran his hitherto outstanding rival in the 440 yds. when he returned 50.4 secs.

Running as if his 880 yds. attempt was made with one eye on the double distance, R. J. Mackay easily won the mile in the College record time of 4 mins. 27 secs. Inspired by this, Freshman Archer cleared 11 ft. in the Pole Vault, to put his name on the record book. That book will probably show the name of Ronnie Taylor for some time to come. He added an inch to his Shot Putt record, which now stands at 47 ft. 0½ ins.: Taylor's Discus throw of 139 ft. 8½ ins. was 20 ft. further than his team-mate De Wet, and when "big Ronnie" cleared 5 ft. 6 ins. to win the High Jump, a Trinity victory was assured. D. M. Helligan, a man in form, produced a winning 42 ft. 9½ ins. first attempt in the Hop, Step and Jump, to give the home team nine first places, since J. B. Lawson had a winning javelin throw of 179 ft. 8½ ins.

INTER-CLUB RELAYS

THE Harriers undertook their second meeting in three days when they entertained Donore, Clonliffe, Crusaders and Civil Service in the inter-club relays. The Trinity Club, last year's winners, lost the match by ten points to Donore Harriers.

There was compensation, however, for the hosts. Dick Mackay, who only on Saturday had clipped 2 secs. off his College mile record, returned a 4 min. 19.1 sec. mile to set up a time which was 8 secs. faster than his record against Queen's.

The University also won the 4 x 440 yards relay, the 16 lb. shot, the discus and the javelin events. Once again Taylor and Lawson were in fine form.

PINKS

The Captains' Committee, empowered by D.U.C.A.C., have awarded the following "Pinks":—	
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Talking Sport

Table Tennis

The Trinity team retained the Wine cup (for the sixth successive year) which was presented to the Captain at the

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Club's Hop on Saturday. They had defeated Queen's and U.C.D. by convincing margins.

Rugby Football

The Leinster cup matches brought the season to a close. In this series, Trinity, after defeating the strong Wanderers XV, went down in the next round to the eventual winners, Beective Rangers.

Lawn Tennis

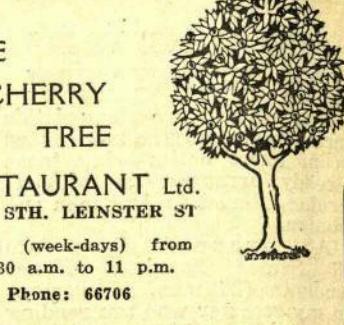
The women's team are at present on an English tour, taking in Reading, Bristol and Oxford, and a full report will appear in these columns next week. The men's six will travel to London, later in the season, to play the United Hospitals. What is wrong with University opposition?

matches on outside grounds, but in 1941 it returned once more to College Park. However, as the Park is still only available to the Club on week days, the opportunity to play in outside leagues has been severely limited. Trinity has always played in the Universities' and Colleges' League, winning both the League and Cup on many occasions.

Games are played against visiting University, R.A.F. and Army teams, but this only amounts to about four matches a year. The Club has thus been at a great disadvantage in the Collingwood Cup, as all the other Irish universities play in their respective provincial leagues. Considering this, Trinity have acquitted themselves well, reaching the final on five occasions and twice being beaten by last-minute goals. In the 1953 final at Cork, Trinity, following a strenuous match the previous day which had lasted 2 hours 45 minutes, were leading U.C.D. until the closing minutes of an extremely exciting game.

Since 1939 many prominent members of the Club have been better known for their other sporting activities. S. W. McVicker, L. Warke and J. Sweetman all excelled on both the cricket and rugby field; W. E. Haughton, the cricket and hockey international; J. I. Brennan, a final trials rugby player; R. C. Armstrong, a star of the swimming world; A. W. E. and G. B. Wheeler, hockey players, have all received their "Pinks" for soccer.

In the representative sphere, K. B. Shiells has received many amateur international "caps" and played in North America with the I.F.A. touring team. R. C. Armstrong, G. B. Wheeler and this year Andreas David have played for the Irish Universities' team.



Cricket

41 RUNS TO SPARE

In First Leinster Win

THE University Cricket Club registered a win in their first game of the season when they visited Phoenix in the Leinster Senior Cricket League. Batting first on an easy wicket, they compiled a respectable 147, but alertness in the field was the main feature of the victory.

The game began on Friday evening, an innovation introduced this season in a limited number of matches, presumably to induce better cricket. The wisdom of this could be better discussed later in the season, but on the surface it would seem that its only useful purpose would be to allow the players to get away earlier on Saturday.

Wilson saw the evening out with an unbeaten 43 and went on to make the only half-century of the match. Dawson failed, as did Sang and Smyth. Anderson's innings gave promise of better things to come, while the two ex-captains, Coker and Harrison, forced a hitherto very slow rate of scoring. The remaining four batsmen produced fewer runs than did "extras."

When Phoenix began only Atkinson troubled the batsmen, but the introduction of Drewery, and to a lesser extent Coker, proved successful. The former took five wickets, the latter claimed three. Seven catches were held during the Phoenix innings and this was ample illustration of the keenness of the XI, yet it will need more than keenness to produce League champions.

Dublin University won by 41 runs.

Dublin University

	Dublin University	Phoenix	
B. K. Wilson c Davies b Evans	57	K. Quinn c Atkinson b Coker	44
D. Dawson c Davies b Pigot	0	M. Dargan c Anderson b Atkinson	5
P. Sang b Evans	0	R. Pigot c Drewery b Atkinson	1
J. Anderson lbw b Graham	19	J. C. Boucher c and b Drewery	31
T. P. Smyth c Dargan b Boucher	5	G. J. Quinn c Atkinson b Coker	4
O. O. Coker lbw b K. Quinn	29	P. I. Quinn c Harkness b Drewery	2
W. P. Harrison c Davies b K. Quinn	10	G. Graham c Drewery	0
D. Drewery b Evans	9	D. Fitzgerald c Coker	13
J. Atkinson c Boucher b K. Quinn	0	M. Healy c Fagan b Drewery	0
C. Fagan lbw b K. Quinn	4	R. Davies b Drewery	0
J. Harkness not out	0	D. Evans not out	4
Extras	14	Extras	2
Total	147	Total	106
Bowling—Evans 3 for 49, Pigot 1 for 5, Graham 1 for 48, Boucher 1 for 9, K. Quinn 4 for 22.		Bowling—Harkness 0 for 15, Atkinson 2 for 21, Coker 3 for 46, Drewery 5 for 22.	

ANOTHER WIN

The 2nd XI went to Ballsbridge on Saturday where they defeated Y.M.C.A. by 8 wickets. The home side began on a good wicket, but excellent bowling by Captain Sutton (5 for 13) sent them back for a mere 70 runs, which score Trinity passed for the loss of only two wickets.

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