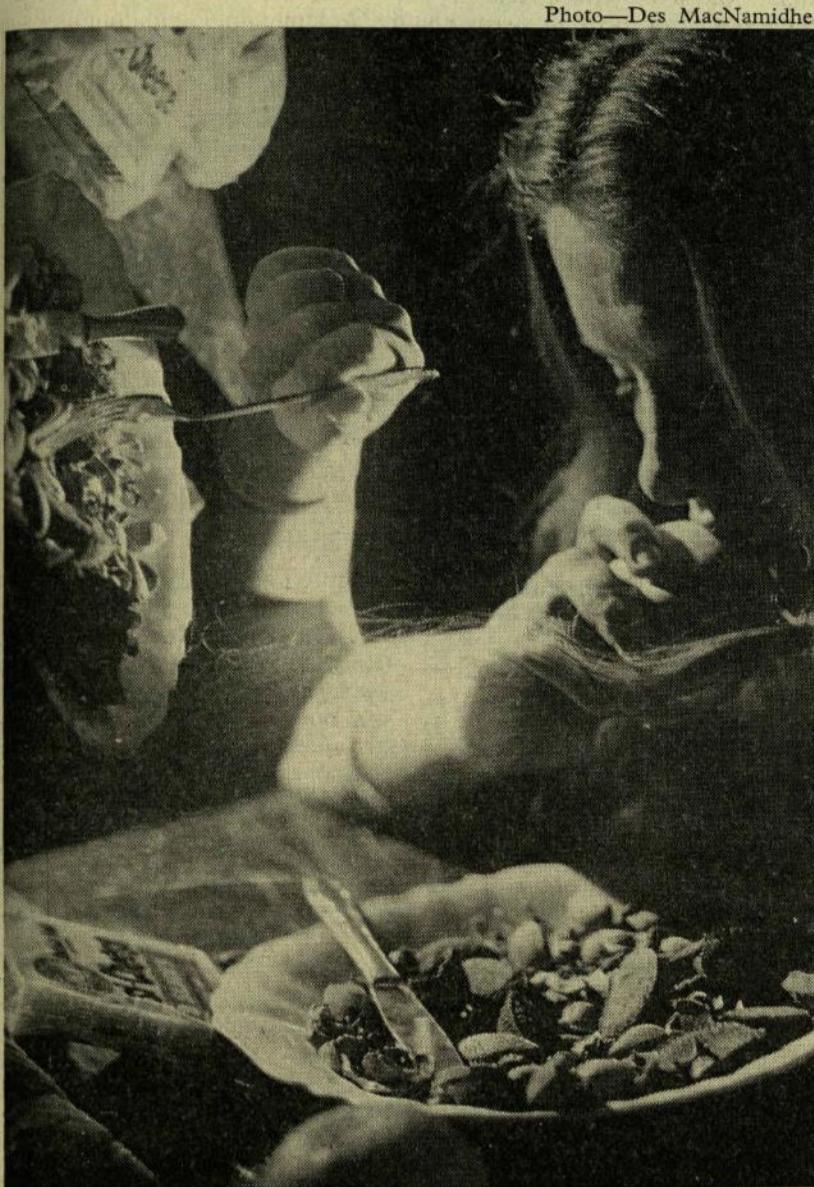


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A meal in the Buttery. How does it compare with other eating places near Trinity? "Trinity News" is investigating catering in and out of College and will publish the report next week. Comments and suggestions to Regent House by Saturday.

SOUTH AFRICAN EXILE COMING TO PHIL

One of the people who have a direct interest in the controversial tour by the All-White Springbok South African Rugby team is to read a paper at this week's Phil meeting on Saturday evening.

Mr. Denis Brutus, a south African, born in Rhodesia, and living in Exile in London, has played a leading part in opposition to the racial policies in South African sport. A keen sportsman, Mr. Brutus involved himself in the early 1950s in the question of Racialism in sport, and was the first president of the non-racial body which organised all the sports codes.

Despite the fact that he is a practising Catholic, Mr. Brutus was detained under the Suppression of Communism Act, and forbidden to attend any meeting of more than two people. He was arrested while trying to meet the representatives of the International Olympic Council in Johannesburg, shot in the stomach by the South African Police, and served a term of eighteen months in the notorious island prison of Robben Island near Capetown.

OMBUDSMAN

Sir Edmund Compton, the British Ombudsman is to speak to the Law Society tomorrow. Sir Edmund is also the Ombudsman for Northern Ireland and it is in this capacity that he has received most attention.

First Elections tomorrow

The closing date for the receipt of nominations, and the date of polling for directly elected Student seats on the Central Student/Staff Committee and the Capitation Committee were postponed to facilitate student participation in the Elections. Nominations closed yesterday at 12.30 p.m., and polling will take place tomorrow. The postponement was brought about both by requests from the

Capitation Committee, the S.R.C., and "Trinity News", that more time should be allowed for advertising the elections, and the very small number of candidates at the original closing date for nominations. This apathy appears to be general since only ten students attended a meeting on Monday to elect representatives on to the Faculty committee of Social Studies.

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MUD SLUNG FOILS S.R.C.

An unmannerly, unruly and inconsequential meeting of the S.R.C. adjourned on Monday evening, with the intended topic of Trinity's relations with U.S.I. scarcely broached at all due to internal bickering and mud-slinging. Mr. Ciaran McKeown, president of U.S.I., and Mr. Ciaran Fahy, president of U.C.D. S.R.C., attended the meeting — the former, according to the executive, to address Council and the latter to observe Trinity's reactions in comparison to those of his own S.R.C.

Standing orders were suspended to allow Mr. McKeown to speak, but councillors were rather taken aback when he slammed them for not officially inviting him to attend. The motion passed last week by the S.R.C. had stated that U.S.I. would be fully informed and Mr. McKeown and his vice-president formally invited to address Council. The national press had reported this, but Mr. McKeown had heard nothing from the executive of Trinity. He made his point firmly and said that he would be willing to answer questions if Council desired him to do so. At this there were demands from certain executive members that standing orders be re-introduced but these eventually subsided and the meeting continued for a time in a more mannerly fashion.

DIVORCED

Joe Revington and Jim Hamilton, the two members of the executive most concerned with disaffiliation, gave statements of their actions and reasons. Revington said that the services provided by U.S.I. did not justify the £500 per year which Trinity S.R.C. paid to it. He had discussed the matter with Fahy on Wednesday and Thursday of last week and had agreed that joint action was essential. He reiterated that U.S.I. was completely divorced from student opinion, and that while he agreed with many of their political stands, he regretted that the individual S.R.C.s had not been consulted.

Hamilton, the welfare officer, had been deeply involved in Saturday's meeting with U.S.I. since Revington had had to go home to Kerry due to illness. Hamilton had joined with U.C.D. in issuing a statement to the press explaining the differences which the S.R.C.s had with U.S.I.

DRUNK

Greg Murphy stated that Trinity's attitude was not suffi-

ciently serious, citing the example that at the U.S.I. Congress in Galway, certain Trinity delegates remained in such a drunken state that they could not perform any useful function. Hamilton answered this by saying that of the 14 delegates only 3 were incapacitated by alcohol for any lengthy period of time and that one of these had had his voting card removed because of his irresponsible behaviour. Murphy continued by saying that the plans put forward by U.C.D. and Trinity of differentiating between the representative bodies of the universities and those of the smaller colleges, was playing right into the hands of the Higher Education Authority who also wanted to split student opinion.

DESPICABLE

McKeown agreed with Murphy that the binary system of representation was reprehensible and said that the discussion taking place was backward and reactionary and that the S.R.C.s should first set their own house in order. That the S.R.C. had not even discussed the report of the H.E.A. was evidence of their failure to involve themselves in the really important issues. Lack of co-operation and interest on the part of the colleges meant that the administration in Harcourt St. was forced to work in a vacuum. U.S.I. had received no submission from Trinity for the structure commission although Trinity were now criticising the structure vehemently. He described the press statement as "a most despicable document which disgraced council since it was given as the collective wisdom of T.C.D. S.R.C." although the matter had only been discussed for four minutes at last week's meeting.

DRAMATIC EXIT

After this the meeting lost all semblance of decorum and order. Councillor Brown said that Revington was regarded with derision by almost everyone and criticised "the paid parasites running student politics." Mark Oxley, public relations officer, said that the subject of disaffiliation had been fostered by Revington as "a classic Harold Wilson trick to avoid discussion of our own troubles." McKeown shortly afterwards made a dramatic exit after once more criticising council and executive as misinformed, apathetic and ill-mannered. Vice-president Alan Baxter then suggested that the meeting be adjourned until next week to allow all councillors to become



Ciaran McKeown,
President of U.S.I.

fully informed of the situation and to evaluate the issues. He said that the meeting had developed into personal mud-slinging vendettas which were of no use and certainly of no credit to the S.R.C. This suggestion was greeted with universal approval and the meeting adjourned immediately, with most councillors forming groups to begin a fuller discussion of the matter.

Editorial comment on back page.

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"Trinity News" Investigates THE BOOK SITUATION

Milling crowds, frustrating queues, long hours spent endlessly trampling around Dublin's bookshops — such are the signs of the annual ordeal facing University students as they attempt to grapple with the problem of procuring textbooks. The position this year has become more acute, "bordering on chaos," as one fatigued shop assistant put it, with books in some subjects almost unobtainable, and others in pitifully short supply.

The whole affair revolves around three interested parties—the University Departments, the booksellers, and the publishers, the majority of whom are based in England. In theory, at any rate, there should only be a minimum of difficulty. The various professor should furnish the shops with their reading lists in good time, approximately at the beginning of the summer. The latter would then be able to order the books in the anticipated quantities and confront the students on the first day of term with rows of shelves, satisfying their every requirement. It is difficult to pinpoint the exact cause, with nearly everyone concerned apportioning the blame, in various degrees and sometimes vehemently, on the shoulders of somebody else.

LACK OF COMMUNICATION

If a student goes into a shop and finds that a recommended book from his reading list is not there, he is understandably annoyed. In most of such cases the booksellers charge the universities with failing to tell them that the book in question is on the course. They angrily demand: "How, as businessmen, could we possibly be expected to know what some academic on a sudden im-

pulse may prescribe for his class?"

They know that the students, without fully understanding the true position, feel annoyed with them. One well-known bookseller sent out a circular in May of this year requesting book lists and, furthermore, enclosing prepaid reply envelopes. The response from U.C.D. was unbelievably bad, and while T.C.D. had a much better record, returning 75 per cent., the remaining 25 per cent. are causing severe headaches.

The booksellers' gripe is only one side of the coin. Some staff in College feel that service provided in our Dublin bookshops is unsatisfactory, complaining of rudeness and lack of co-operation. Dublin booksellers suffer from lack of permanent staff and consequently a reliance on less knowledgeable part-time help. The problem also seems to face the English publishing houses, since some booksellers find that long waits and inaccurate supplies are common. Publishers are apparently understaffed due to S.E.T., while some firms send books only in container loads, thereby necessitating long delays until the containers are completely full.



The yearly trek begins for yet another student

COLLEGE COMPETITION

This year in College has seen the opening of the Library Shop which is not affiliated to any of the Dublin booksellers. This somewhat unusual phenomenon has undergone some teething troubles due to this, but the management seem well placed to offer a better service than has previously been available in Dublin.

At the moment the shelves have a fairly bare look about them. The cause is a recurring one. For example, there is the paucity of Economics books. No book list was received from the Economics Department. The manager, Mr. Sher, notwithstanding this, hopes because of his personal contact with the staff that this problem

will be avoided in the future. He has guaranteed that within three or four weeks all books, including ancillary texts, will be available, while after a two-week tour of English publishing houses he is confident that an excellent and immediate order service will be forthcoming.

It is to be hoped that the full co-operation of the staff, which is the basic factor in the university bookselling business, will be obtained, not only for Mr. Sher but for all shops throughout Dublin, thereby ensuring the first step is taken towards implementing a really first class service for staff and students alike.

Donal Donovan and John Quigley.

PAPER ON COLLINS AT PHIL

Last week at the Phil, Joe Revington read a paper on Michael Collins, although the meeting developed into a discussion between himself and John Bruton, youngest ever T.D., who is still a student at King's Inns, about the merits of present-day Fine Gael policy.

The opportunity came for this when Revington said that Collins left behind him a political organisation which eventually developed into Fine Gael, which had to-day all Collins' integrity but lacks the determination and courage to use his ideas to gain power.

Bruton said many other influences had made Fine Gael what it is, and that it certainly was doing its best to gain power. But when he was assured that there was no national press representative present, he said he readily conceded that a large number of Fine Gael deputies were primarily concerned with maintaining their own seats, and that P.R. caused an unhappy divergence between private and party interests. Nevertheless he hastened to add that he supported P.R.

Shane Ross said he saw many similarities between Collins and Revington. He said Collins was a guerilla who was fooled by Lloyd George into signing away the North of Ireland.

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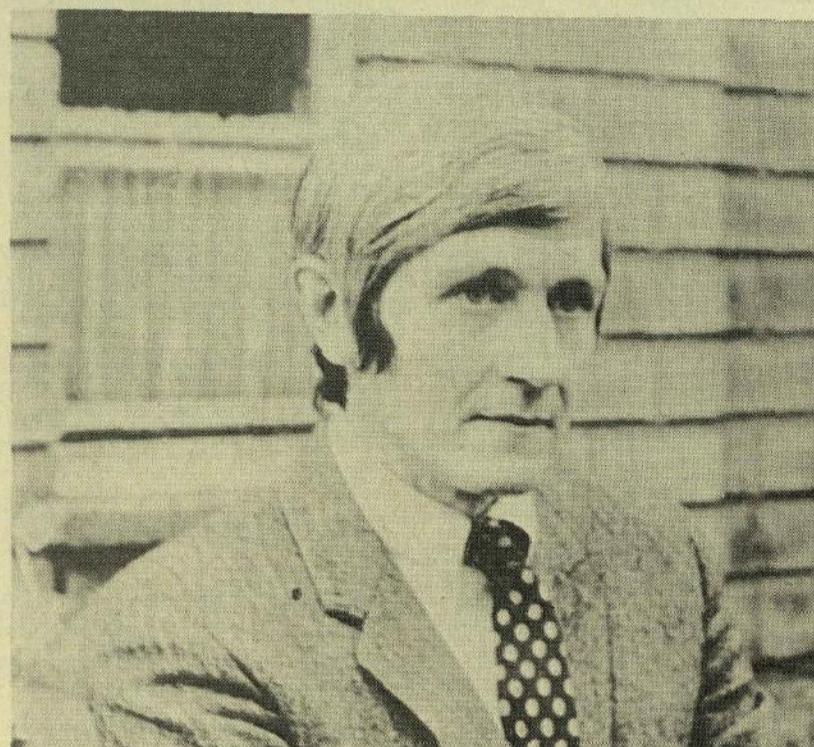
OPINION**• EXAMS • SPRINGBOKS • BUREAUCRACY****PSYCHIATRIST SPEAKS**

Dr. Melia, the College psychiatrist, following last week's "T.N." investigation, in an interview this week concerning exam. tension, stated that quite a number of students come to him for help over this matter. The patients tend to be final year students. "Anxiety over exams," he said, "is often accompanied by loss of appetite and insomnia. Sometimes the anxiety leads to panic during the exam. The candidate's mind goes blank and therefore he cannot compose a written answer."

He pointed out that a certain amount of nervous tension due to exams is normal, but that sometimes it becomes excessive, due to concurrent stresses such as a bereavement at home, boyfriend or girlfriend trouble, financial pressure so that there is no opportunity to repeat the exam. Other causes of excess exam anxiety are over-ambitious parents who, consciously or unconsciously pressurise their children.

Dr. Melia said that excess exam anxiety is particularly common in over-conscious students, who are unnecessarily thorough and too rigid in their work methods. The same applies to students who have grown up in an unpleasant emotional atmosphere or those who are insecure due to difficult childhood experience.

Asked if any other factors tend to cause study difficulty, Dr. Melia stressed that educational history and college distractions enter some cases. The spoonfeeding of an inadequate and inappropriate secondary school education (in the case of many schools) leaves a



Dr. Melia

student quite unprepared to fend for himself in college. Some students when first freed from parental authority indulge in social extravaganzas. Patients who devote too much time to college societies and sports are occasionally met with.

TREATMENT

The treatment he outlined was as follows: The problem and its origin is discussed with the student. When the patient understands how his problem has arisen, behaviour modifications are suggested; ways of coping with stress and study problems are suggested. Sometimes this is all that is needed; if necessary he gives the student instruction in relaxation techniques or prescribes tran-

quillers. If depression is present strong, anti-depressants are prescribed.

Dr. Melia advises all students in study difficulty to discuss their work methods with lecturers and points out that free discussion is most helpful for all.

Frank Bannister and David Murphy.

Letter to the Board

The following letter has been sent to the Secretary of the Board:

Sir,—Over the past few weeks a number of conflicting stories have reached us concerning the appropriation of room No. 1.2B by the S.R.C. It is in order to settle this matter and to secure a speedy remedy that we would ask you to put this letter to the Board.

It has come to our attention that Mr. Revington, President, S.R.C., has suggested to the Board that alternative accommodation was offered to us. No alternative meeting place has ever been offered to us. We have persuaded the Philosophical Society to allow us to use their Upper Workroom, but this, although it was secured through our own initiative, is not at all satisfactory. The reasons are: (a) We are being charged a rent for its use; (b) it is not a usual meeting room; (c) it is four flights up and very far from our centre of activity; (d) that are restrictions on the use of the room

to twice a week; (e) there are no catering facilities.

In fact, alternative accommodation would not be an acceptable solution as No. 4 has been the traditional centre of activities and we had envisaged that No. 4 meeting room be re-decorated and developed as a student centre based on the (below) societies. We feel that if anyone should be offered alternative accommodation it should be the S.R.C., who are using the room merely as an occasional office and storeroom.

We would ask the Board to intervene in this matter; we represent over 600 students and feel that we have been most shoddily dealt with. Hoping for a mutually agreeable solution, we are yours respectfully,

ROBERT W. KIRKPATRICK,
Auditor, D.U.H.S.

ROBERT J. McMULLAN, Auditor,
D.U.B.E.S.

GREGORY MURPHY, Auditor,
D.U.L.S.

(1) Shortage of Rooms for students.

(2) The possible extension of this move to include more of the Administration staff.

We believe that members of the Administration cannot fulfil any duties regarding discipline in College which is solely the responsibility of the Junior Deans. Therefore, there is no need for the Administration to be present outside office hours. However, we exclude from this the Academic Staff, it being clearly seen that in a modern University it is desirable that some staff and students should live on the same campus.

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Letters to the Editor**REPLY TO
KADAR ASMAL**

Sir, — The article by Kadar Asmal in last week's *Trinity News* is in keeping with the by now traditional views of many opponents of Apartheid. In my opinion, the traditional standpoint contains many examples of shoddy thinking. One must go much further than simply sink to the level of playing the white South Africans at their own game, which is what Mr. Asmal, U.N.S.A. and D.U.C.A.C., among others, are doing in condemning the visit of the Springboks to Ireland.

My argument is this: if the Apartheid policy is wrong because it involves discrimination by one man against another, we in Ireland cannot solve the problem in South Africa by indulging in our own private form of discrimination, viz., that of preventing rugby players from playing rugby in Trinity because we do not like their politics.

Discrimination is discrimination no matter what form it takes, whether it be the Unionists in the North discriminating against

Roman Catholics, or Archbishop McQuaid discriminating against Catholics by banning their entry into Trinity.

When Mr. Asmal argues that "if one opposes Apartheid then it is clear that we should have nothing to do with the South African rugby tour" I would say that we do the opposite. Sport is one good way of getting people together who are diametrically opposed in their political and social opinions. One could well argue that because the Southern Government in Ireland is opposed to the Northern Government, Ulstermen should be excluded from the Irish Rugby XV. Such an attitude would be rightly condemned, yet that is the attitude that many in D.U.C.A.C., etc., would have us take with regard to South Africa. Let us keep politics out of sport.

I agree that Apartheid permeates every level of life in South Africa and the South African Rugby Board is no exception. With the visit of the Springboks we have a glorious opportunity to re-educate white South Africans. Let the touring party see that they, as visitors, while taking advantage of the hospitality provided, must also accept our social conventions. They must accept the presence of coloured people at the various receptions organised in their honour. But if they decide to cancel the tour it is their decision.

In conclusion, we feel that immediate action should be taken over the question of College Rooms, and in general a closer control placed on the power and position of the Administration in College affairs.

Yours etc.,

M. R. Owen, A. C. A. Deane,
K. G. B. Forrest, T. A.
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Children During Lectures

Enda Fair

A very interesting week. Decided to try something different so went to the Theo. on Monday. An excellent sherry was in plentiful supply as were crashers led of course by Robert Leonard—is there no way of keeping this man out? Linda Whiteside and Richard Stevens turned up for the peanuts while Willie Hamill and Greg Murphy were there for the drink. Slender Lowry was looking dapper as always, Paul Cardew just looked ill.

The week went quiet until Friday when Tony Everett had a do for all the old hands like Maggie Stuart and Peter Coles and Julie Parsons and Jonathan Wheeler. Friday night also produced Jon McClancy's orange and black thing. Maureen Gilliland's influence was shown by the lack of drink. For some unknown reason everyone was supposed to bring a candle and some actually did. Des had one and looked like

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These children themselves could not wish for a better place to pass the day. They play with a variety of bricks, books, soft toys, a small swing, a rocking horse, and a large blackboard decorated with their exuberant drawings. Their own bright paintings cover the walls.

Children of any age up to five years are accepted, and this term the average age is 18 months. Last year eight year-olds were brought along after school, but these objected to the continual pestering by the younger children and the age group was consequently lowered. Mrs. Little looks after them single-handed. "I can

manage up to eight at a time by myself," she told me, as a six-month-old baby tugged her hair. Though there are 13 registered this term, they do not all come at once. Last year the numbers were greater and she was helped by volunteers.

Two students, Elisabeth Heaney and Muriel Strong, bring hot lunches over from the College kitchens, for which the reasonable price of 2/- is charged. After lunch it is time for sleep in the cots which are arranged in another room.

At tea-time milk or orange, and biscuits are provided free. I saw one angelic two-year-old disposing

of about six in as many minutes. Normally the nursery is open from 9.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. five days a week. But if mothers have 9 a.m. or 5 p.m. lectures Mrs. Little will arrive earlier or stay later.

I asked one student mother how she had managed before the creche was started. She had left her baby with her mother in England for one term. After that she used to take it to her grandmother in Monkstown. "But this is so much more central and convenient". The price of this is relatively low, 1/6 per hour, 5/- per half day, 9/- a day and £2 a week.

Christine Coleman

In their own write

From Joseph Steele in the "Tatler" 1709 we learn that men liked to read about women, but did not like to read women writing about women. The charges levelled against authoresses are that they concentrate more on narrative than on plot, are over-preoccupied with characterisation, morality, and are inclined to be sentimental. Women are notoriously ashamed that the genre of fiction appeals to them deeply. "FEMINA" believes that women authors can do better than this.

"FEMINA" is a revolutionary new publishing company which produced its first book in 1967. The board of directors is all female and the policy of this organisation is to give priority to the publishing of works by women. They are interested in publishing stories by men about women written from an unusual and refreshing angle. This year already "FEMINA" have published three "firsts," one of which is written by a 70-year-old woman on her travels in the Sudan. They have done pioneering work in non-fiction too, with the publishing of Marie Spokes book on her child. Marie Spokes was the first woman in England to launch a campaign for birth control. "FEMINA" also published Caroline Haslitt's "Women Engineers."

"FEMINA'S" most ambitious undertaking so far has been the publishing of an anthology of poetry, with women contributors only, called "Without Adam." Muriel Box, the director of this enterprising company, says that "FEMINA" was created specifically to combat discrimination against women authors.

Last year "FEMINA" launched a young writers' competition with the magnificent prize of £1,000 for a first novel. However, the results published last June were so disappointing that the prize was not awarded. Mrs. Box told us that the standard was so low that it did not merit a prize. Asked for the main defects of the novels submitted for the competition, she replied that there was no real stories, just anecdotes.

So it seems that we have turned the full circle when "FEMINA," which offered itself to female authors disappointed by more conventional publishers, now has to turn down the works for the very defects that originally prevented their publication. It would seem that the discrimination is justified and will continue until women novelists improve their mastery over their literary medium.

Sheena Crummie.



This is the lovely Marion MacDonald. She is S.F. English and French — more English than French as she is one of those rare birds nowadays, a student from England. Enda Fair, who met her in the Eliz conversation room, hopes to feature more acquaintances here in future weeks.

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By GEOFFREY CORRY, a Member of The Third World Movement.

Most of us know the facts about the problem of world poverty and the increasing gap between the rich and the poor nations. We go on repeating that 25% of the world's population owns 90% of the world's incomes, 80% of the world's meat and 70% of its protein.

Despite these facts and figures, many of us are reluctant to face the real issues involved in world economic development. What is lacking is a sense of urgency and any radical attempt to come to terms with the problem to find Ireland's role in finding a solution before it is too late. The Day of Judgment has come for the Churches in Ireland, as well as our Government, to examine their material and spiritual contribution to the Third World and see how it is affecting or hindering the development of areas such as Colonial Africa.

Many people have pointed to the phenomenal success of the Joint Biafra Famine Appeal in Ireland to indicate the overwhelming concern of the Irish people for famine and poverty in the Third World. The amount of money received for Nigeria is just tipping the £1 million mark. But the Biafra appeal has shown up clearly the shallowness of Irish thinking on the world development problem and our inadequate efforts in coming to terms with this great crisis of our age.

Firstly, it shows that the Irish people do not understand the long-term implications of world development and that we are easily attracted by emotional appeals in particular cases. The degree of press coverage on Biafra in Ireland has been tremendous and stories of Irish missionaries losing their lives brings home the reality of the situation.

Limitations

What is disappointing is that the Irish mind cannot go beyond this to see the economic implications of the Third World. There is a definite need for greater popular education by organisations such as GORTA and Christian Aid who are tackling the long-term problem. There is also a need for a greater commitment by Ireland towards raising its financial contribution to at least the 1 per cent. of the Gross National Product.

The Biafra famine has also shown the political fumblings of our Irish

NOW!

Trinity students, led by Alan Matthews and Milo Rockett, have helped to found a new organisation called **Needs of Our World** to involve young people in the problems of the underdeveloped countries.

About a hundred young people from secondary and technical schools, seminaries, universities and youth organisations attended the week-end seminar in Colaiste Mhuire which led to the formation of NOW!

At the seminar groups discussed the problems of world poverty relief under the headings of education, projects, political action and volunteers. Among the issues discussed were exploitation at home and abroad, the need for social change and the effectiveness of overseas aid programmes.

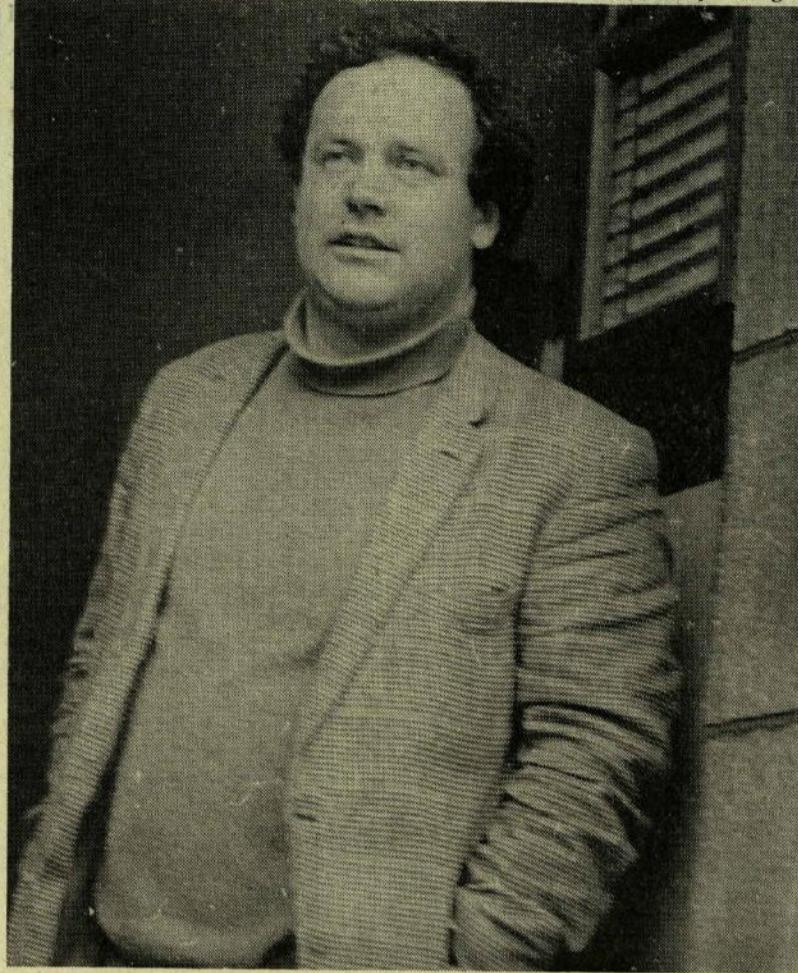
NOW! hopes to establish study groups in schools, youth clubs and in higher educational establishments. It is hoped that a research and information centre will be established to act as a clearing house for and a source of relevant information.

The seminar also recognised implications of the problem and strong dissatisfaction was expressed with the lack of real com-

The Poet in Authority

Brendan Kennelly talked to Paul Tansey

Photo—Rory Heneghan



Brendan Kennelly, poet and Associate Professor of English, is a bouncy, witty, full-blooded and shrewd Kerryman ("Kerryman run College!") who has risen fast in the literary world and in the College hierarchy. His life has changed a lot recently: he has married a lovely blonde American wife, and has become Junior Dean. Yet he has also produced a new collection of poems. What are his views on his new responsibilities?

Dr. Kennelly's views depend on his conviction that students of this generation are more responsible than their predecessors, indicating a change of attitude on the part of the authorities which is exemplified in the changing of such archaic rules at the "12 o'clock rule."

As new Junior Dean he would like to see College as a co-operative community, not a repressive educational system. He is in favour of allowing women to live in College, although at present the position is ambiguous as none but women scholars live in rooms.

Greater freedom carries with it greater responsibility, Dr. Kennelly feels, bringing with it the obligation of students to conduct themselves in a responsible fashion at night and during weekends. He is adamant that the wanton destruction of property and the malicious disturbance of individuals will not be tolerated. Fines for trivial offences will be kept to a minimum, but Dr. Kennelly warns that any student who continually transgresses the rules and disturbs the community will be sent down. Giving the student body more latitude, he expects more co-operation in return.

Believing that a merger in some form is inevitable, Dr. Kennelly

would be in favour of a loose federation within which Trinity could preserve its own identity.

The present make-up of the student body, with two distinct social groups, the middle-class English/Anglo-Irish and the working-class intellectuals who have earned their right to university education on merit alone, provides, he believes, the tension necessary for an intellectual atmosphere. The alternative is a bourgeois college where 90 per cent. of the students are Irish Catholic middle-class and lack the intellectual stimulant of an exchange of ideas and ideologies, resulting, Dr. Kennelly feels, in the degeneration of College into a production-line or technocrats necessary for the economy. In line with this he holds that all political societies should be allowed to express their ideas and sell their

The appointment of Dr. Kennelly opens up a new era of progressiveness on the part of the College authorities, and reflects increasing responsibility of the students themselves. His increased administrative responsibility has not affected his writing, and out of the demonstrations of Trinity Week 1968 (when Dr. Kennelly was Acting Junior Dean) came his new collection.

APOSTLES OF POSSIBILITY

*I have seen the faces of the young
Clawed and screwed by violence
at its height.
Suffering some inarticulate wrong;
I have seen the snarl and spit
Of rage transfigure many a face
Blasting what remained of
innocence,
Uprooting every shred of grace,
Replacing it with wild male-
violence.*

*Then I have stood and watched
them turn their white
Irrational faces to a world perplexed
By energy that seemed to find
delight
In insult flung at souls transfixed
At office-desks, imprisoned in
certainty
And the soul-corroding service to
a god
Whose bland passivity accepted
every
Token, mindlessly, from genuine
and fraud.*

*So gloomy Europe mutters in its
sleep,
Feeling the menace touch its very
heart;
Irreverent England; dumbstruck
in a heap
Of images, pretends to play its
part;
Ireland, crouched in the womb of
apathy,
Yet conscious of each youthful
twist and turn,
Rouses from decay and urgently
Prepares its terrified soul to be
reborn.*

Curriculum Vitae

At the age of fifteen Brendan Kennelly had his first work published and seven years later his first book of poems followed. His first published novel was "The Crooked Cross," released in America six years ago.

Although in later life he has been increasingly involved in Trinity, at the age of 18 Kennelly shunned his scholarship, working first for the E.S.B. and later as a bus conductor in England. He returned to Ireland, however, and graduated from Trinity in 1961, becoming a lecturer two years later. Now a Fellow, Associate Professor and Junior Dean, Kennelly is 33. He married his Massachusetts-born wife, Peggy, in March this year.

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ARTS PAGE

SAMUEL BECKETT

'Epitome of sympathy and generosity'

To many people Samuel Beckett appears in life, as in his works, to be a detached and wizened academic, living in a Fellini-like world of absurdity, despair and the macabre. This view of Beckett the man is fostered by his very nature; he shuns publicity to an almost paranoic extent, nor does he suffer fools gladly. This image of austerity and reticence, virtually Aeschylean in dimensions, the true nature of the man. To his friends he is the epitome of sympathy, generosity and understanding. One of his acquaintances has said of him that "he is the kind of person you could wander off with and watch rats swimming in the river, and you'd both feel you'd spent a useful afternoon."

Although Beckett started writing while still an undergraduate in Trinity, almost all of his major work has been done in France, Beckett becoming another figure on the long list of expatriate Irish writers. This emigration, explains R. B. D. French, a friend of Beckett's from undergraduate days, is not so much because Beckett found the atmosphere in Ireland stultifying (though some of the narrow confines imposed by Irish Society irked him) but more because he found the conditions in France more conducive to his art.

Beckett has not, however, altogether turned his back on Ireland. He still keeps in touch with his friends and shows a keen interest in Irish matters. His affection for Trinity has been demonstrated in concrete terms, such as the donation of the American rights on one of his plays to the New Library Fund. The College has also recently acquired some of his original manuscripts (several hitherto unpublished) in the teeth of exorbitant Transatlantic offers. They are written in Beckett's own, almost illegible, longhand, interspersed with elaborate doodles, and make for fascinating reading.

Although a comparatively wealthy man, he now lives modestly in an inauspicious flat in Paris, with a retreat in the country where he does most of his writing. This way of life is an extension of his character, that of a genuinely modest, introverted man, scorning publicity and the praise that has come to him. This is not to say that Beckett is the advocate of the 'drop-out', indeed the truth could hardly be further removed from

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The Peacock: "The Fiery Gates" 8 p.m. A tribute to Mahatma Gandhi. Nov. 10th.

Classic: Zeffirelli's "Romeo and Juliet".

Players: "Like No Business I Know". An Anthology of the Theatre by Freshers. Sunday, November 9th.

Film Society Tonight: "The Party and the Guests", a Czech satire on party politics plus the perennial "A Home of Your Own". Dixon Hall 8 p.m. Come early if you want to join.

Replacing "Chelsea Girls" on Nov. 13th will be "Orphee" by the great Cocteau.

Arts Society: Life drawing classes with Mike O'Farrell, Mondays 7.30 p.m. Poetry combined with Tara Telephones, free contributions fourth and sixth Wed. 8.30 p.m. Pottery Mon. and Thurs. 7.0 p.m. Silk Screening Wed. 7.30 p.m. all at 20 College Lane.

Juno and the Paycock

Although the Juno and The Paycock production in the Abbey was an entirely seasoned and satisfactory presentation, it is difficult not to contrast it with the Peter O'Toole production of the same play a couple of years ago. The Abbey version, though technically perfect, lost the magnificent exuberant individualism latent in most of the characters in this piece.

O'Casey painted the characters flamboyantly, not only because it was good theatre, but also because Dubliners frequently are larger than life. The players seemed obsessed with making their performance realistic rather than theatrical. Although O'Casey's plays are essentially realistic they require a less serious and more imaginative approach.

All the performances were completely in harmony. Dermot Kelly

as usual stole the spotlight. He gave a magnificent showing with his shuffling footsteps and totally appropriate Irish accent. He has that indefinable star quality and stage presence. Angela Newman, as Juno, whose emphasised character was successful, and Barry Keegan as Capt. Boyle acquitted themselves admirably.

There were several other promising performances from the junior players, particularly Bernadette McKenna as Mary. The sets were constructed with the customary Abbey detail and one felt that the characters registered both the pathos and the gaiety of the slums.

Altogether a good technical performance, but it is time for the Abbey to be a little more adventurous and try a magnificent failure.



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Hennessy on show

Surrealism Eclipsed

Patrick Hennessy, R.H.A. is again comfortably installed in the Ritchie Hendriks Gallery. He has been painting for twenty years and one can see how his style has evolved and come to a full halt, where a few surrealistic touches are swamped by old style landscapes.

The artist was infinitely more skilful and atmospheric with his surrealistic painting, such as the "Sun on the Floor". This showed particularly his competent handling of perspective and considerable subtlety of colour, concentrated on the background of a room. In the gloom, the striking contrast of the sunlight pouring onto the floorboards illuminate two weird figures standing in the foreground. Suggesting indefensible mystery —the inevitable question of surrealism.

Comparatively his other still-life studies were both classical and formal, and although were technically remarkable held nothing for the imagination. Unquestionably Hennessy is an excellent painter of landscapes of which the most noteworthy paintings contained Connemara or Arab ponies of considerable character (obstreporous Roman noses, etc.). Unfortunately they were placed in large vacant backgrounds lacking movement and life. I found his 'Road to the Beach' appealed to me most. This is a fine example of his representational quality and obvious familiarity with the Connemara country. Hennessy has succeeded in painting in an outworn medium similar to a Dutch master. Nevertheless the need for representational artists will always remain even if, as with Hennessy his most meaningful work is diametrically opposed to representation.

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OPEN LETTER FROM PLAYER'S CHAIRMAN

This term Players are starting a new venture which we hope will be of interest and value to all those who come to our productions, however irregularly, as well as to ourselves.

A few days after the end of each production an open discussion of that production will be held on an informal basis in the Green Room in No. 4. It will not of course be a question and answer session with the director and cast, who will be under no obligation to attend, but simply an airing of views.

Discussion will be invited, not only on the standard of the production in question, but also on whether or not the choice of play was good.

We hope that this will help us to keep up our standard, to present a programme containing something for everyone, and will encourage better communication between ourselves and our audience.

We will publish the exact times of these meetings in the relevant programmes and will welcome anyone who cares to come along.

Yours sincerely,

KEN BENNETT-HUNTER,
Chairman, D.U. Players.

SPORTS NEWS

SAILING

Defeat at Oxford

In the United Kingdom Final of the R.Y.A. British team championship held last week-end Trinity failed to qualify for the semi-final stage, which they were expected to win.

The 12 teams in the competition were divided into two groups of six and each group was sailed on a league basis. The first two teams in each group then going forward to the semi-finals.

Trinity were in a group which included North Midlands, North, London, South-West, and South. They sailed in 470's against North Midlands first on the Saturday morning in light airs and having sailed well into a 1, 2, 5, combination their second boat was caught port and starboard and had to retire on the finishing line losing the match. Trinity then met London and the match was decided on protests in favour of London, leaving Trinity with a 1, 2, and a disqualification. The next three matches were won convincingly by Trinity, Owen Delaney sailing very fast. However they were only just beaten into third place in their group by North Midlands who having won the same number of matches gained the verdict by a mere $\frac{1}{2}$ point on total match points of 52 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 53.

In the semi-finals the South Midlands represented by the host club Oxford easily overcame the North Midlands by 5 $\frac{3}{4}$ to 18 and North West beat London by 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 29.

In the final proper, which was sailed in heavy conditions in Larks, North West won the trophy finishing 1, 2, 4, and 1, 4, 5 respectively, beating London by 16 $\frac{1}{2}$ points to 25.

Trinity, to get into the finals, had to win their area final (Republic of Ireland), which was held at Dun Laoghaire three weeks ago. The fact that they did win this is indicative of the talent in D.U.S.C.

Team: Helmsmen

Owen Delaney, Capt.; J. Ross-Murphy; D. Lovegrove. Crew: V. Wallace; D. Mayne; J. Dawson.



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TRINITY DEFEAT GARRYOWEN

Despite six changes since last week Trinity maintained their unbeaten record at College Park on Saturday. While Garryowen was at the disadvantage of not being as well trained as the home team, Trinity showed itself as being a good team, which should go far this year. Playing attacking rugby throughout, Trinity took the most of their chances, while Garryowen did not. It was noticeable that Trinity faded in the last part of the game. Whether this was from over-confidence or unfitness it is hard to say. The game was good, and Trinity deserved their 20-6 win.

After winning the toss Trinity, playing against a strong wind attacked from the start. After repeated attacks on the Garryowen line Williamson, at his third chance crashed over to score in the corner. A few minutes later after an infringement in the scrum, the Garryowen kicker Begley was given

an easy penalty, below the posts, and about 15 yards out. With the score even both sides fought hard. In the 35th minute after a beautiful run from Williamson there was an offside against Garryowen, and McCombe put Trinity back in the lead. Minutes later Trinity winning a scrum on the left wing led to a beautiful back movement, Williamson went over the line in the corner, and ran round to touch down behind the posts. McCombe made no mistake, and at the turn-round Trinity led 11-3.

15 minutes into the second half the Trinity backs working well put R. McKibben into a scoring position and he went over in the

corner. Three minutes later Williamson scored his hat-trick, collecting the ball at the end of the backs, and making a 20 yard run. There followed a period of door play which had little result except produce clouds of dust. Then in the last five minutes before time through another penalty Trinity were kicked further on top by McCombe.

With the Trinity team losing some control Binner was able to make something of the attack which Garryowen had been mounting on the Trinity line for some time and in injury time get the final score of the game, making the final score Trinity 20; Garryowen 6.

SOCER

FIRST-EVER WIN IN BELFIELD

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With a fine team performance on Sunday the soccer XI gained their first points of the season and also recorded their first ever win over U.C.D. at Belfield. From the kick-off Trinity gained control at mid-field and came close to scoring several times. In the 9th minute McCombe opened the scoring with a magnificent free kick and six minutes later Burke added a second. Despite some late rallies by U.C.D. in the second half the defence stood firm and in a good movement Fitzsimons augmented the Trinity score to three. There was one substitution, McAuley for Smith, at the end of the game. This victory was long overdue and promises much for the future.

Team: Foster, Sheehy, Millen, King, Smyth, Bleakley, Sharpe, McCombe, Fitzsimons, Burke, Finucane, McAuley.

LADIES HOCKEY

Good Display at Santry

In their second League match of the season Trinity were beaten 2-0 by Hermes at Santry. Although Trinity had the speed they did not have the skill of the opposing team. The defence had a good game but the forwards seemed to lack the co-ordination necessary to score.

Rosemary Logan made some good attempts but was unlucky. Hermes scored a goal in the first half and another good one in the second. This is the Ladies second defeat so far (having been beaten by Ling last week) but with a little more practice they should do well in the coming season more especially against Hermes in their cup match on Saturday, November 15th.

GAEILIC

At Santry on Saturday Trinity beat Aer Lingus by 2-6 to 1-5. Aer Lingus opened the scoring with a quick point but a goal from John Wright gave Trinity a lead which they never lost. Frank McGlynn had an excellent game at full back and John Wright proved to be the mainstay of the forward line. Scorers for Trinity were Wright, Kelly, O'Connor and Frank Brodie.

Sports Shorts

FENCING

On Saturday week three members of DUFC fought on an Irish team against a visiting Hungarian team. During a competition in Hungary last summer they had been invited over to Ireland for a match by another Trinity team.

Since many of the Hungarians were members of the team which won the gold medal in Mexico last year, a good result was not expected. The Irish team put up a very creditable display despite being beaten in all four contests. In the epee C. O'Brien had four wins, W. Heaton one, the Irish team lost 10-6. In the sabre in which T. Carew took part the Irish team also lost 11-5. Overall the match was lost, but against a team of such high international standing the Irish team showed up quite well.

HOCKEY

Trinity won the second round of the Mills cup by beating Pembroke Wanderers 1-0. Pembroke had as much of the play in the first half, during which Trinity got a goal. A resolute defence in which Norman Henry and John Douglas were prominent saw to it that the visitors, though having most of the play, did not score in the second half.

ATHLETICS

In the annual Dublin University Harriers six miles open cross country race on Saturday T.C.D. Harriers A team packed well to finish third against the representatives of thirteen Dublin clubs. The race was held over the Islandbridge-Phoenix Park course. Dessie McGann of the Civil Service won in the record time of 29 mins. 48 secs. for the 6 miles. J. Keys and J. McIntyre finished in times which were well within the Pinks standard. The T.C.D. "B" team finished sixth.

BASKETBALL

In a special tournament held last week-end Trinity began the new season successfully when they won a place as one of the teams to represent Leinster in the qualifying rounds of the National Club Championship of Ireland. Despite appalling form shown by a disorganized Trinity team the result was not entirely unexpected. It was an obvious case of rusty early season play but the team is a powerful one with much potential, as shown by the fact that the following have been chosen to represent the Senior Dublin County team: B. Mosher, B. Linnenman, K. Y. Yik.

CRICKET

At the Annual General Meeting of the Cricket Club the following officers and committee were elected for the season 1970. Captain, M. Halliday; Secretary, C. Harte; Treasurer, R. McCarey; Asst. Secretary, P. Nixon.

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Fianna Fáil....**ON THEMSELVES**

"Our policies come from the bottom," declared Tom Fitzpatrick, T.D., at the annual Trinity Fianna Fáil Cumann on Monday. The sparsely attended but lively meeting showed that student party members were dissatisfied with the Government's complacency towards public relations. Fianna Fáil, represented by Des. O'Malley, T.D. and Chief Whip; Joe Dowling, T.D., and Tom Fitzpatrick, T.D., were very ready to admit the shortcomings of the Government with respect to child welfare, unemployment and land bonds, but were indifferent to the apparent shortcomings in the field of P.R. This question aroused more interest than the proposals of Des. O'Malley for a United Ireland, which the majority present dismissed as a dream.

Mr. O'Malley joined Fianna Fáil because "everyone else in the family was in it," and this "comfortable" attitude was evident at the meeting. When a propaganda blitz was suggested for the party, in the form of posters, broadsheets and advertisements, both within College and nationally, the reply was: "We could perhaps get it done if you bring the paper." An Internationalist poster was flourished as a model for the proposed Fianna Fáil campaign. Mr. Dowling remarked that moderate opinion was always the least attractive superficially, especially in the leftish climate of a university, but urged members to speak up against left-wing elements. "I believe in being militant all right, but we must be honest in what we do."

OBNOXIOUS

Mr. O'Malley was cross-examined on the party social policies, stating that "there is a lack of imagination in our approach to these problems." An example of this is the system of child allowance. As the party considers a means test to be "socially obnoxious" and expensive to implement, child allowance is treated as earned income, with the result that it is often given and then reclaimed as income tax.

MURDER

The Government's attitude towards the unemployment problem was even less reassuring. Mr. O'Malley gave a frank summary of the situation, adding vaguely that he hoped someone would deal with the problem sometime. When asked why the problem was not being attacked now, he retorted: "Because it would be bloody murder, that's why."

UNITED IRELAND

The question of a United Ireland brought out Mr. O'Malley's most convincing arguments. Stressing that the Six Counties were too small to be of a viable economic proposition and were costing Britain nearly £200 million p.a., he suggested that a United Ireland would make a very feasible proposition if Britain were to subsidise the Six Counties ten or fifteen years to the tune of £75 m.p.a. He emphasised that the social and religious problems were far from insuperable.

The meeting finished with a discussion on the role of the party in the university. Mr. O'Malley, as if to re-assure the Trinity Cumann of Mr. Fitzpatrick's earlier words, ended on this note: "A university Cumann is more important than any other to the party's interests, because it is your function to express, as articulately as you can, the views of your generation."

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BISHOPS' ROLE

At a meeting which showed more erudition than wit the College Theological Society this week discussed the question of Bishops.

Considering Bishops as being essential for the good of the Church, Mr. Horace McKinley, the essayist, said that he would welcome not only the appointment of more bishops, but that he agreed with an idea which had been put forward in the press earlier this year that there should be bishops appointed to special appointments such as Race Relations or the car industry.

Mr. McKinley would also approve of there being more bishops appointed to smaller dioceses where they could get to know their people.

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Speaking at the Hist last week to the motion "That Ireland has a worthy Parliamentary Opposition," the controversial Fine Gael Party member Mr. Maurice O'Connell said that Ireland has a worthy Parliamentary Opposition because on its record the Opposition isn't fit to be anything else. Making his long-awaited official re-appearance, Joe Revington, the S.R.C. President, said that the Opposition must cultivate the grass-roots.

Mr. O'Connell analysed the reasons why the Opposition failed to defeat the Government at the general election. He attacked the growing arrogance of Fianna Fáil and asserted that this country is facing some very grave political problems. He considered the alternatives to F.F. and said that the best solution would be to make Fine Gael a more dynamic grouping. He also discussed the possibility of a Social Democratic Party and warned that Federation would mean a revival of the Act of Union.

For the Party of Reality, Senator Neville Keery attacked the irresponsibility of Fine Gael and Labour and said that there was no realistic alternative to Fianna Fáil. He stressed the responsibility of the Opposition for making politics respectable and said that the Grass Meal Production Amendment Bill debate could be an auspicious omen.

The President of the S.R.C., Joe Revington, asserted that the Government runs this country en-

tirely and that they won the last election by throwing better and harder mud than either Fine Gael or Labour. He advised Fine Gael and Labour to unite at elections and said that a fourth party may be necessary to act as a catalyst.

Fergus O'Ferrall said that Fine Gael was a less efficient model of Fianna Fáil and accused Fianna Fáil of selling out to capitalism and the consumer society.

Mr. Shane Ross praised the Labour Party for trying to be constructive and accused Fine Gael of half-hearted socialism.

In an articulate maiden speech, Declan Kibert said that the Opposition unsuccessfully has tried to ape Fianna Fáil. Mentioning the North, he proposed that politics should be orientated towards issues, not ideologies. He also underlined the need for a united front against Fianna Fáil based on agreement about important policies.

The motion was defeated after a division: Fine Gael were again unworthy.

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Trinity News**U.S.I. AND US**

The question of whether to be in or out of the Union of Students in Ireland is very important in the long term for Irish higher education, and in the short term affects the services offered to students. But what has really happened and what are the issues?

The S.R.C. in U.C.D. broke completely with U.S.I. but has now had to reaffiliate in order to take part in an emergency Congress in December. Our own S.R.C. was more skilful in giving U.S.I. till December 31st to present a convincing case for keeping us a member. This opportunity must be taken by all sides, but there can be only one final arbiter in Trinity: the students. This means a referendum, before which the President of U.S.I. and of the S.R.C. in U.C.D. should be invited to Trinity to state their cases in an open meeting.

At present there are several strands in the tangle. The Trinity and U.C.D. S.R.C.s complain that U.S.I. is irrelevant and provides unsatisfactory services. Yet the chief service, travel, is not an issue because Usitral is largely separate from U.S.I. So the only services at stake are the student accommodation and employment agencies and the bulk buying for S.R.C. shops, all of which Trinity and U.C.D. claim to be able to do better alone. In the campaign to come our S.R.C. will have to give good reasons why we should expect it to be efficient in such matters.

Trinity and U.C.D. have grave doubts about the planned new structure of U.S.I., which would make it far more politically committed. The doubts seem well-founded: Irish students have no common political consciousness, and radical stands by U.S.I. would end its representative function.

There is also the fact that the Big Two in the Republic, Trinity and U.C.D. want split level representation recognising those special problems peculiar to the big universities, which small colleges do not have. U.S.I. policy is comprehensive third level education, and so tends to ignore the demand by universities for a special arrangement.

Through it all run the personal ambitions of the student politicians. Who will be the next president of U.S.I., or of the S.R.C.?

The need is clear. Those in favour of pulling out must point to a definite alternative. U.S.I. is failing, but it is only as good as its members make it, and the S.R.C.'s have contributed little in the past. If it were to collapse tomorrow students would still need to cooperate nationally. The worst result would be a permanent split between students in the Dublin Universities and elsewhere. A lot depends on the December Congress. But our delegates to it must know the students' opinion, expressed by referendum.

WHO RULES?

The old civil servant-politician tension appears in University as administrator versus academic. The second letter published on page three is a symptom of the suspicion on the academic and student side. How can Trinity avoid the mistakes of other Universities where the bureaucracy is alienated from community life? Surely giving administrators rooms in College is one of the best ways? Trinity has an ideal opportunity to forestall problems by making administrators an integral part of the College and so getting rid of the false idea that they are merely paid servants whose involvement in College ends at five o'clock.

TOMORROW

The postponement of elections to the Central Staff/Student and Capitation Committees has increased interest and the number of nominations. The fact that no contentious issues are being aired means that personal appeal will be the deciding factor, but this is not a bad thing when the chief requirement is fairmindedness. It only remains for everyone to vote and give the committees a good start.

APOLOGY

The Editor apologises to the Auditor of the Hist. for misquoting his inaugural address. He said that free speech was the "uneasy bedfellow of government", not the "messy bedfellow."

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