

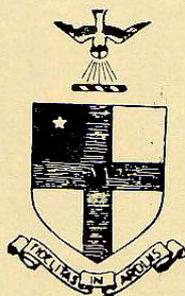
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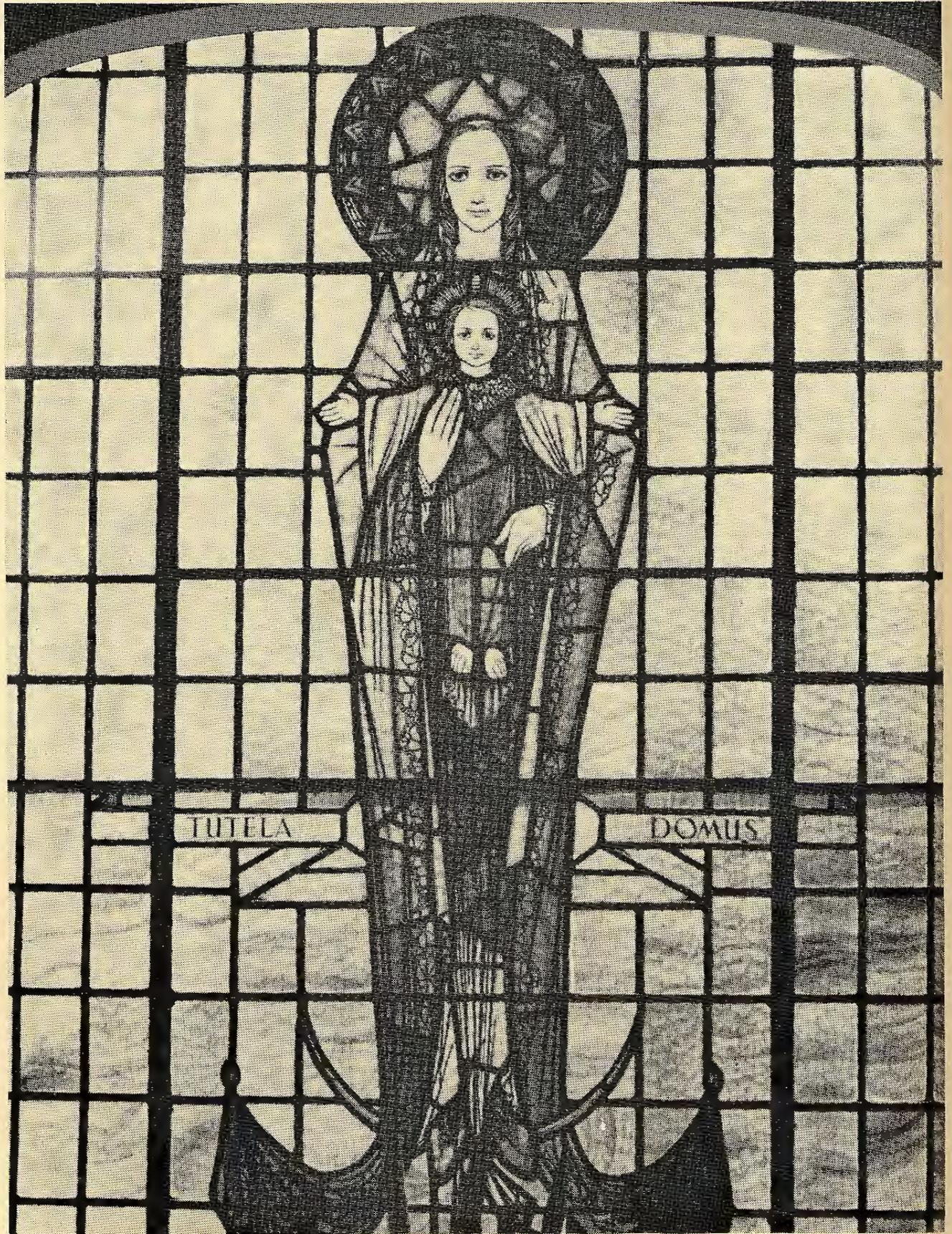
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EDITORIAL

THE space of three years has elapsed since the last publication of the College Annual. Many faces have come and gone among both staff and students; events and achievements, great as well as small, have all been dimmed with the passage of time. Lest too long a silence should obscure the memory of these altogether it was decided, and rightly so, to reintroduce the College Annual which for so long and so faithfully recorded for posterity the activities of our boys'schooldays and their progress afterwards.

We can only say that many things conspired some years ago to make the task of continuing the College Annual an impossible one. Such was the disappointment so keenly felt by many, that regardless of the enormity of the work involved and the cost of production, the Editor was determined to make a record which would bring back happy memories and make pleasant reading once again for all our readers, both past and present. In doing so he endeavoured to recall the activities and achievements over the entire three years. While it was not possible to include everything from the two years prior to the current year, he has, nevertheless, delved deep into the forgotten journals and files to salvage the more memorable events and occasions. Inevitably there must be omissions and errors and so the Editor begs his readers' indulgence for those mistakes which may have inadvertently occurred in the following pages.

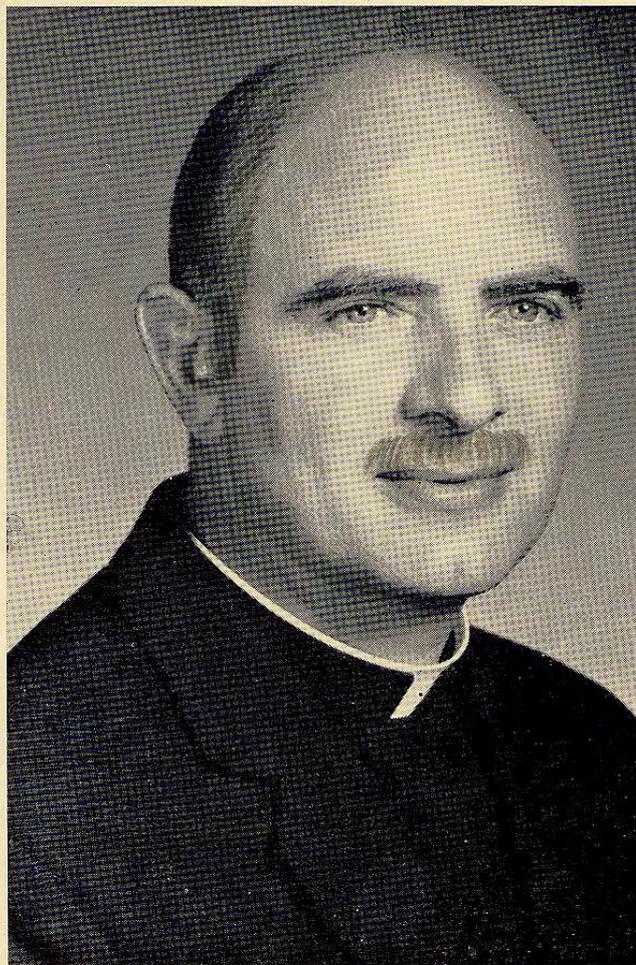
The past years have seen many changes in St. Mary's. Many Fathers have come and gone, and in the meanwhile have given their generous service to this enterprise which is ours – the Catholic Education of Youth. In 1968, Fr. J. Sheehy, Fr. R. Lehane, and Fr. P. Caffrey, all formerly of Biafra, left for other appointments having spent a year in our midst, and contributed a most valuable service. In September of that year two more seasoned missionaries joined our ranks from Biafra, Fr. A. Carragher and Fr. F. McCabe. Fr. J. Beere returned from Sierra Leone on sick leave and subsequently gave two years of untiring service in the Junior School. Fr. W. O'Connor R.I.P., was to have joined the Community having completed his term of office as Superior of Kimmage Manor, but God called him to that reward which he so richly deserved for a life of holiness and dedication. The Editor, too, was appointed and took up the post of Dean of Discipline. Fr. A. O'Carroll gave his services to the Mission fields of Alaska and so relinquished his task of Dean of Studies which he had held for three years. Fr. D. Darcy was appointed in his place and ably executed this task, until his appointment as Assistant Headmaster one year later. In 1969, Fr. S. Walshe was appointed to East Africa and Fr. D. Moloney went abroad to America. We pay genuine tribute to the dedicated service of both these men during their stay in the College.

The summer of 1969 saw the termination of Fr. P. J. Murray as President of the College and it is fitting to recall his achievements for the College as a tribute to his untiring energy while in office. Fr. Murray initiated and saw to completion the building project which reorganised and extended the Junior School; erected a new Gymnasium; and developed and improved the College Concert Hall. Fr. J. Hurley, formerly Dean of Discipline in Rockwell, was appointed in his place and we wish him every success in his new post and God's blessing for the onerous task ahead.

The year which has just elapsed will undoubtedly be remembered as a sad one on account of the bereavement of two of our most cherished confreres: Fr. E. Gorman, who was a young man of great gentleness and kindness, passed away after a long and protracted illness. In April of the same school year, Fr. J. Gilmore, former Dean of the Junior School and later President of the College, went to his rest after many fruitful years in the Lord's vineyard.

Amongst the many changes which have taken place during the interim since our last publication there are some which must of necessity find a place in these lines. Fr. J. Byrne was appointed to fill the post of Bursar after the death of Fr. E. Gorman, R.I.P. In the running of the Senior School we broke with the traditional arrangement of Dean of Studies and Dean of Discipline in order to cope more adequately with the Education and Training of youth. The School was divided into three forms, Junior, Middle and Senior, with a separate Father in charge, combining the functions of the two former Deans: Fr. H. F. Moloney, First and Second Year; Fr. D. Darcy, Third and Fourth Year, and Fr. C. Byrne, Fifth and Sixth Year.

It remains for us now to thank sincerely all who helped in the production of this Annual, especially those who wrote articles and those who supplied or took the various photographs. Much valuable assistance was given by countless generous helpers who sought information and others who rendered willing service to the Editor in a secretarial capacity. Our thanks to Mr. Burgess of Lafayette's who took the class group photographs, to Mr. Egan and the staff of Irish Photo Engraving Co., and to John English & Co. Ltd., our printers for their generous help and unfailing courtesy. Finally we thank the Missionary Annals, The Irish Times, The Irish Independent, and The Irish Press for their courtesy in permitting us to reproduce various articles and photographs.



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VERY REVEREND JAMES HURLEY C.S.Sp.



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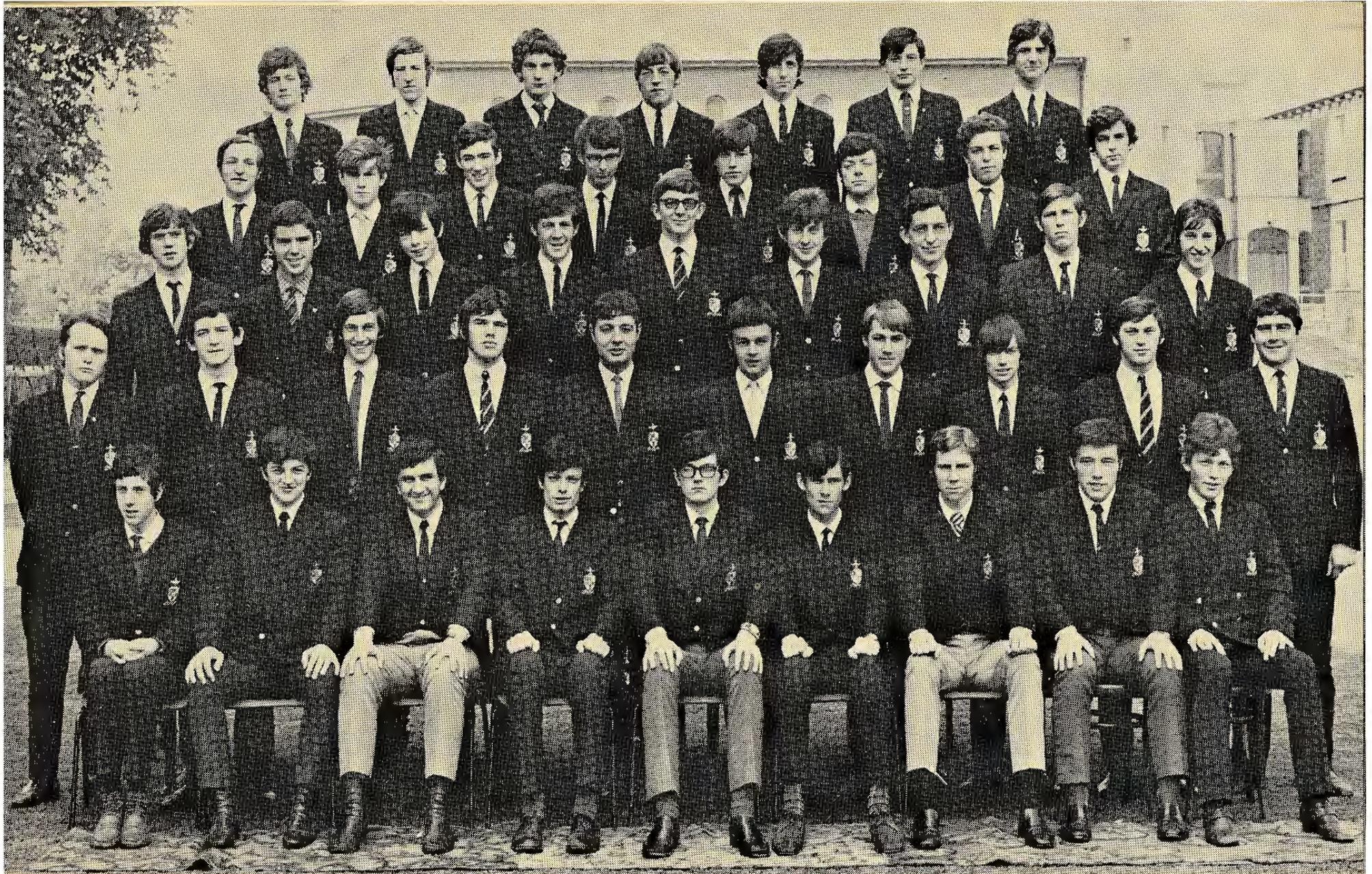
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SIXTH YEAR

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C. Mooney, A. McShane, D. Múlvagh, L. Coffey, M. Agnoli, B. Redmond, P. Byrne, B. O'Reilly, D. Jennings, P. Andreucetti
M. Reade, R. Geraghty, E. Saab, W. Scales, G. Duffy, J. Shanahan, T. O'Flanagan, E. Wigglesworth, B. Byrne

SENIOR SCHOOL PRIZEWINNERS 1968—1970

SPECIAL AWARDS 1968

<i>Gold Medal General Excellence Leaving Certificate</i>	...	...	...	Martin Butler
<i>Gold Medal General Excellence Intermediate Certificate</i>	...	...	...	Mark Burke
<i>Gold Medal General Excellence</i>	...	...	...	Coleman Shanley
<i>Silver Medal Best Senior Speaker English Debate</i>	...	...	...	Niall Coveney
<i>Silver Medal for Best Irish Speaker</i>	...	...	...	Donal Donovan
<i>Silver Medal for Honours List 5th & 6th Year</i>	...	...	...	John Fanagan

BOOK PRIZES

Sixth Year

<i>Religious Knowledge</i>	6A	Christopher Noonan
	6B	Ciaran Coleman
<i>Irish</i>	6A	Phelim Cluskey
	6B	Ciaran Coleman
<i>General Average</i>	6A	Martin Butler John Fanagan Francis Kennedy
	6B	Ciaran Coleman Desmond Warren

Fifth Year

<i>Religious Knowledge</i>	5A	Donal Donovan
	5B	Derek Jennings
<i>Irish</i>	5A	Donal Donovan
	5B	James C. O'Neill
<i>General Average</i>	5A	Donal Donovan James Gough James Kelly
	5B	Gerard Sharkey Brian Grimson

Fourth Year

<i>Religious Knowledge</i>	4A	Paul Traynor Mark Burke
	4B	John Shanahan
<i>Irish</i>	4A	Mark Burke
	4B	Robert McKell
<i>Honours List</i>	4A	Paul Traynor
	4B	
<i>General Average</i>	4B	Mark Burke Paul Traynor Paul Byrne
	4B	Robert McKell John Shanahan

Third Year

<i>Religious Knowledge</i>	3A	Brian Molloy
	3B	Anthony Dalton
<i>Irish</i>	3A	David O Sullivan
	3B	Martin Gately
<i>Honours List</i>	3A	Patrick Power
<i>General Average</i>	3A	David O Sullivan David John Ryan Brian Fitzgerald
	3B	Anthony Dalton Desmond Shiels

Second Year

<i>Religious Knowledge</i>	2A	Eoin O'Cofaigh
	2B	Thomas O Dwyer
<i>Irish</i>	2A	Eoin O'Cofaigh
	2B	Paul Rafter
<i>Honours List</i>	2A	Michael Egan
<i>General Average</i>	2A	Eoin O'Cofaigh Patrick Shaffrey David McDonnell
	2B	Thomas O Dwyer Paul Rafter

First Year

<i>Religious Knowledge</i>	1A	Michael O Shea
	1B	Paul Walsh
<i>Irish</i>	1A	Felim Kelly
	1B	John Gallagher
<i>Honours List</i>	1A	Peter Cunningham
	1B	Paul Walsh
<i>General Average</i>	1A	Peter Norton Michael O'Shea David O'Connor
	1B	Paul Walsh John Gallagher



FIFTH YEAR

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D. Savage, S. McMahon, A. Delany, A. Dalton, P. J. Farrell, A. Levins, P. Power, A. Reardon
D. J. Ryan, D. Dowling, T. Creedon, M. Lavery, S. Flanagan, M. Gately, E. Ryan, P. Doyle, B. Molloy
D. Carvill, F. Mulvey, P. Cunningham, J. Hickey, P. Maher, W. Greene, T. Tierney, J. Harrington, R. Blake, D. Greene
G. McGee, B. Costello, P. Shannon, J. Cassidy, E. O'Brien, K. Opperman, B. Fitzgerald, D. O'Sullivan, G. Cullen
D. Hickey, D. Wolohan, J. McManus.

SPECIAL AWARDS 1969

<i>Gold Medal for General Excellence</i>	James Kelly
<i>Gold Medal for General Excellence in Studies Leaving Certificate</i> (Presented by P.P.U.)	Donal Donovan
<i>Gold Medal for General Excellence in Studies Inter. Certificate</i> (Presented by P.P.U.)	David O'Sullivan
<i>Gold Medal for Religious Knowledge</i>	Peter O'Loughlin
<i>Silver Medal for Honours List (5th and 6th Years)</i>	James Godfrey
<i>Silver Medal for the Best Speaker in English Debate</i>	Donal Donovan
<i>Silver Medal for the Best Speaker in Irish Debate</i>	Michael Hefferon

BOOK PRIZES

<p>Sixth Year <i>Religious Knowledge</i> James Kelly Pearse Kearney</p> <p><i>Irish</i> James Gough Robert Foley</p> <p><i>General Average</i> Donal Donovan Peter O'Loughlin James Gough Gerard Sharkey Brian Grimson</p>	<p>Third Year <i>Religious Knowledge</i> Patrick Salmon Thomas O'Dwyer</p> <p><i>Irish</i> Eoin O Cofaigh Paul Rafter</p> <p><i>General Average</i> Eoin O Cofaigh David McDonnell Terry Kennedy Thomas O'Dwyer Paul Rafter</p> <p><i>Honours List</i> Michael Egan</p> <p><i>Special Civics Prize</i> John Quinlan</p>
<p>Fifth Year <i>Religious Knowledge</i> Adrian Nelligan Joseph Whelan</p> <p><i>Irish</i> Mark Burke Robert McKell</p> <p><i>General Average</i> Mark Burke Adrian Nelligan Michael Hefferon Robert McKell John Shanahan</p> <p><i>Honours List</i> Joseph Rafter</p>	<p>Second Year <i>Religious Knowledge</i> Peter Norton Padraig Maguire</p> <p><i>Irish</i> Hugh O'Neill James Collison</p> <p><i>General Average</i> Michael O'Shea Peter Norton Donald McShane Donal Davis James Collison</p> <p><i>Honours List</i> Michael O'Shea</p>
<p>Fourth Year <i>Religious Knowledge</i> James Hickey</p> <p><i>Irish</i> David John Ryan Martin Gately</p> <p><i>General Average</i> David O'Sullivan Brian Fitzgerald David John Ryan Richard Blake Daniel Hickey</p> <p><i>Honours List</i> Patrick Power</p>	<p>First Year <i>Religious Knowledge</i> Terence McDonagh Brendan Connolly</p> <p><i>Irish</i> John O'Neill Oliver O'Flanagan</p> <p><i>General Average</i> Gerard McDonald John Sheehan Eoin Rothery Brendan Connolly Barry Geraghty</p> <p><i>Honours List</i> Colin Geoghegan</p>

SPECIAL AWARD WINNERS

1970



Gerard Aylward receives the Gold Medal for General Excellence.



Mark Burke receives the Gold Medal for General Excellence in Studies.



David O'Sullivan receives the Silver Medal for the best speaker in Irish Debate.



Derek Jennings receives the Silver Medal for the best speaker in English Debate.

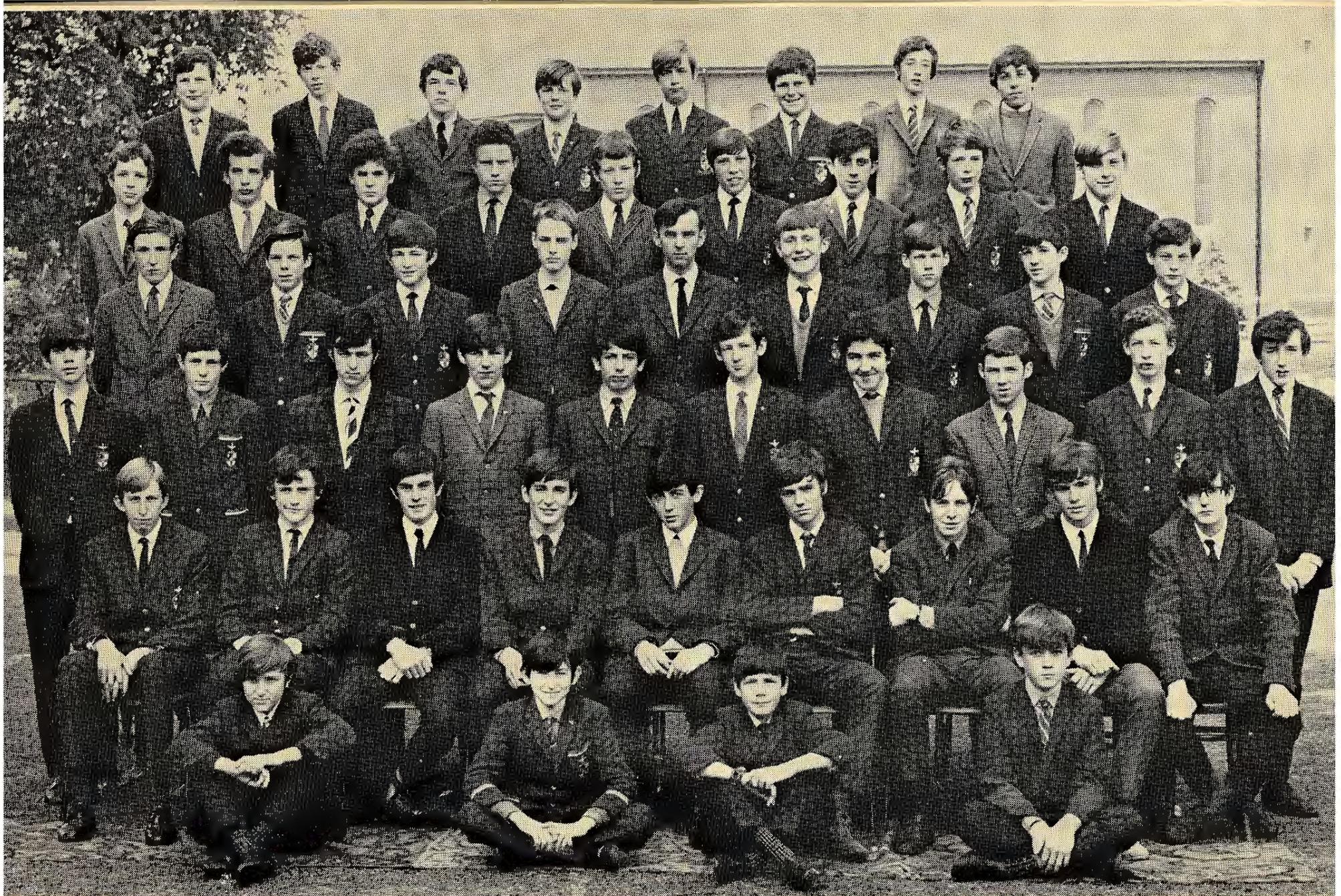
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<i>Gold Medal for General Excellence in Studies Inter. Certificate</i> (Presented by P.P.U.) Eoin O'Cofaigh
<i>Gold Medal for Religious Knowledge</i> Mark Reade
<i>Silver Medal for Honours List (6th Year)</i> John Shanahan
<i>Silver Medal for the Best Speaker in English Debate</i>	Derek Jennings
<i>Silver Medal for the Best Speaker in Irish Debate</i>	David O'Sullivan

BOOK PRIZES

Sixth Year		<i>Irish</i>	
<i>Religious Knowledge</i>	Philip Confrey		Peter Norton Paul Walsh
<i>Irish</i>	Adrian Nelligan Robert McKell	<i>General Average</i>	Peter Norton Michael O'Shea Donald McShane James Collison Donal Davis
<i>General Average</i>	Mark Burke Adrian Nelligan Joseph Rafter John Shanahan Robert McKell	<i>Honours List</i>	Michael O'Shea
		<i>Special Civics Prize</i>	Michal O'Shea Donald McShane David O'Connor Lee Healion
Fifth Year			
<i>Religious Knowledge</i>	David Ryan Michael Lavery		
<i>Irish</i>	David O'Sullivan John McManus	Second Year	
<i>General Average</i>	David Ryan David O'Sullivan Patrick Power Michael Lavery Daniel Hickey	<i>Religious Knowledge</i>	John Sheehan Declan Fanning
		<i>Irish</i>	Gerard McDonald John O'Brien
<i>Honours List</i>	Alan Reardon	<i>General Average</i>	John Sheehan Gerard McDonald Gerard Conheady John O'Brien John Keogh
Fourth Year			
<i>Religious Knowledge</i>	Eoin O'Cofaigh Thomas O'Dwyer	<i>Honours List</i>	Colin Geoghegan
<i>Irish</i>	Eoin O'Cofaigh Paul Rafter	First Year	
<i>General Average</i>	Eoin O'Cofaigh Patrick Salmon David McDonnell Patrick Shaffrey William Ryan Thomas O'Dwyer Patrick Leavy	<i>Religious Knowledge</i>	Brian Mooney John Cunningham
		<i>Irish</i>	Desmond O'Neill Thomas Sheridan
<i>Honours List</i>	Patrick Salmon	<i>General Average</i>	Desmond O'Neill Michael Fanagan Paul O'Reilly Thomas Sheridan Oliver Pomeroy James Lynch
Third Year			
<i>Religious Knowledge</i>	Peter Norton Patrick Kirley	<i>Honours List</i>	Paul Cooney



FOURTH YEAR

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C. Burns, D. Bennett, D. McGrath, D. Hooper, D. Nevin, D. Greene, P. Leavy, C. Callan, P. Walker
R. O'Connor, P. Leahy, E. Redmond, P. Rogan, D. O'Riordan, T. McGovern, P. Fitzgerald, E. Gibson, D. McDonnell
C. Hefferon, J. McCullough, D. Coveney, P. Flynn, P. Gilson, T. Shanahan, M. Creedon, R. Godfrey, M. Walsh, G. Keating
J. Oliver, J. Jordan, P. Rafter, J. Keogh, E. O'Cofoigh, D. Deering, M. Macdonnell, K. Deering, M. Walsh
S. Conheady, M. Egan, T. Kennedy, P. Salmon

LEAVING CERTIFICATES 1968-70

1968		1969		1970	
Boylan, Peter	<i>m</i>	Andreucetti, Paul		Agnoli, Maurice	
Butler, Martin	<i>m</i>	Bennett, Nigel		Arigho, Henry	
Brew, John	<i>m</i>	Boland, Joseph	<i>m</i>	Aylward, Gerard	<i>m</i>
Byrne, Gerry	<i>m</i>	Bourke, Henry	<i>m</i>	Bennett, Barry	
Cafolla, Luciano		Brown, Peter	<i>m</i>	Burke, Mark	<i>m</i>
Cluskey, Felim	<i>m</i>	Coghlan, Peter		Byrne, Brendan	<i>m</i>
Coleman, Ciaran		Corrigan, Dermot		Byrne, Paul	<i>m</i>
Coleman, Declan		Coyle, Brendan	<i>m</i>	Coffey, William	
Coveney, Niall	<i>m</i>	Davey, Martin		Colley, Michael	<i>m</i>
Cregan, Joseph	<i>m</i>	Deegan, Rory	<i>m</i>	Conheady, Brian	<i>m</i>
Delany, Paul	<i>m</i>	Donovan, Donal	<i>m</i>	Confrey, Philip	
Fearon, John		Fearon, John	<i>m</i>	Duffy, Gerald	
Fanagan, John	<i>m</i>	Foley, Richard	<i>m</i>	Farrell, Ciaran	
Gunn, Brendan		Foley, Robert		Finlay, Mchael	
Houston, Frank	<i>m</i>	Godfrey, James	<i>m</i>	Foley, Dermot	<i>m</i>
Johnson, Errol	<i>m</i>	Gough, James	<i>m</i>	Foley, Donal	
Johnson, Michael		Grimson Brian	<i>m</i>	Geraghty, Raymond	
Kearns, Johnathan	<i>m</i>	Hanratty, Francis		Greene, Paul	
Keenan, Gerard		Kelly James	<i>m</i>	Grissing, William	
Kennedy, Frank	<i>m</i>	Kearney Pearse	<i>m</i>	Hefferon, Michael	<i>m</i>
McCarroll, Aidan		Kelly, Damien	<i>m</i>	Jennings, Derek	
McDonagh, Michael	<i>m</i>	Lee, Adrian	<i>m</i>	Keenan, Vincent	<i>m</i>
McKenna, Barty	<i>m</i>	Lynch, Thomas		Lee, John	
McNamara, Kevin	<i>m</i>	McCormack, Martin		Lynch, Thomas	
Maguire, Philip		McLaughlin, Martin	<i>m</i>	McKell, Robert	<i>m</i>
Naughton, Liam	<i>m</i>	Madden, Gerard		McLaughlin, Peter	
Noonan, Cristopher	<i>m</i>	O'Kelly, Brian	<i>m</i>	McShane, Alan	<i>m</i>
O'Connor, Francis	<i>m</i>	O'Connell, Ciaran		Madden, Gerard	<i>m</i>
O'Donnell, Ciaran	<i>m</i>	O'Connor, Mark	<i>m</i>	Mooney, Ciaran	<i>m</i>
O'Farrell, Brian		O'Doherty, Cathal	<i>m</i>	Mulvagh, Daragh	<i>m</i>
O'Farrell, Fergal		O'Keeffe, Anthony	<i>m</i>	Murphy, Paul	<i>m</i>
O'Sullivan, Gearoid	<i>m</i>	O'Loughlin, Peter	<i>m</i>	Nelligan, Adrian	<i>m</i>
Shanley, Coleman		O'Neill, James C.		O'Connor, Geoffrey	<i>m</i>
Sheridan, Michael	<i>m</i>	O'Neill, James F.		O'Flanagan, Timothy	<i>m</i>
Strahan, Gerard		Price, Clifford		O'Reilly, Brian	<i>m</i>
Swift, Donal		Sharkey, Gerard	<i>m</i>	Rafter, Joseph	<i>m</i>
Twohig, Ronan		Walshe, Gerard		Reade, Mark	<i>m</i>
Vaughan, Kevin	<i>m</i>			Redmond, Barry	<i>m</i>
Warren, Desmond	<i>m</i>			Saab, Edward	
White, John	<i>m</i>			Scales, Walter	<i>m</i>
				Shanahan, John	<i>m</i>
				Sharpe, Ambrose	
				Sweeney, Cathal	
				Treanor, Paul	<i>m</i>
				Walshe, Gerard	<i>m</i>
				Wigglesworth, Edward	

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THIRD YEAR

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M. Leaden, H. Reardon, G. Ashman, R. Le Bas, P. O'Regan, J. Doddy, H. O'Neill, D. O'Higgins, A. Kennedy
R. Stokes, J. Mulvey, D. O'Neill, D. Moloney, G. Godfrey, E. Keane, G. O'Malley, J. Tozer, D. Davis, P. Gormley
F. Kelly, G. Fearon, M. O'Shea, J. Connolly, S. Sheehan, J. Raftery, D. Mulvey, P. Walsh, D. Quinlan
D. Walsh, J. Gallagher, V. O'Gorman, D. O'Connor, S. Bowe, P. Maguire, P. Norton, D. McShane, D. Shannon, K. Arigho

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INTERMEDIATE RESULTS

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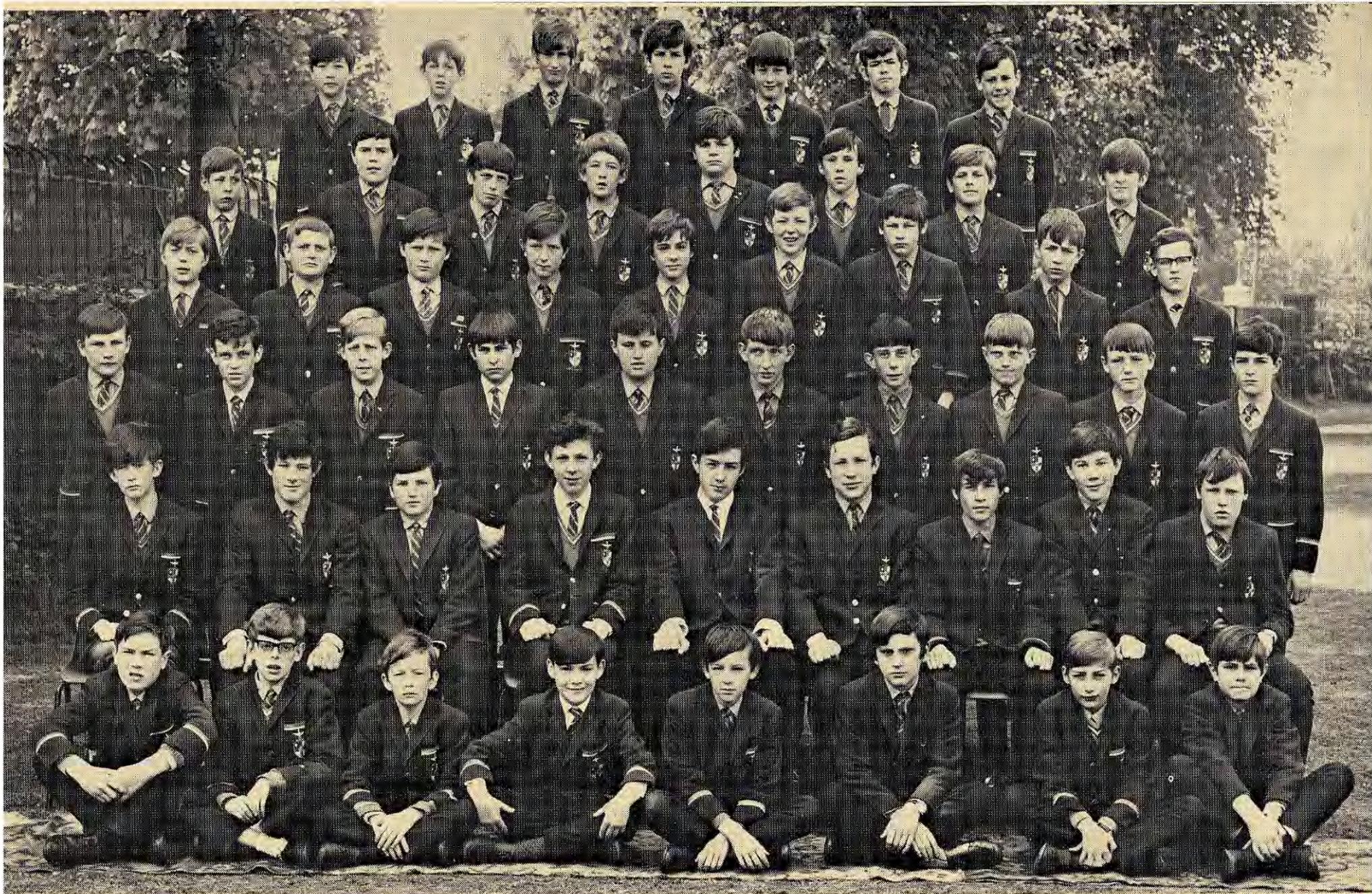
1969

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Henry Arigho	<i>p</i>
Gerard Aylward	<i>h</i>
Barry Bennett	<i>p</i>
Mark Burke	<i>h</i>
Brendan Byrne	<i>p</i>
Paul Byrne	<i>h</i>
William Coffey	<i>p</i>
Philip Confrey	<i>p</i>
Brian Conheady	<i>h</i>
Gerald Duffy	<i>p</i>
Michael Finlay	<i>p</i>
Dermot Foley	<i>h</i>
Donal Foley	<i>p</i>
Raymond Geraghty	<i>p</i>
Paul Greene	<i>p</i>
Michael Hefferon	<i>p</i>
Vincent Keenan	<i>h</i>
John Lee	<i>h</i>
Robert McKell	<i>h</i>
Peter McLoughlin	<i>h</i>
Alan McShane	<i>h</i>
Ciaran Mooney	<i>p</i>
Darragh Mulvagh	<i>h</i>
Gerard Murphy	<i>p</i>
Paul Murphy	<i>h</i>
Adrien Nelligan	<i>h</i>
Timothy O'Flanagan	<i>h</i>
Brian O'Reilly	<i>h</i>
Michael Pomeroy	<i>h</i>
Joseph Rafter	<i>h</i>
Mark Reade	<i>h</i>
Barry Redmond	<i>p</i>
Walter Scales	<i>h</i>
John Shanahan	<i>h</i>
Ambrose Sharpe	<i>h</i>
William Slattery	<i>p</i>
Paul Treanor	<i>h</i>
Joseph Whelan	<i>p</i>
Edward Wigglesworth	<i>h</i>
Geoffrey O'Connor	<i>h</i>

Richard Blake	<i>p</i>
John Cassidy	<i>h</i>
Brian Costello	<i>p</i>
Anthony Dalton	<i>p</i>
Aidan Delany	<i>p</i>
Derek Dowling	<i>p</i>
Brian Fitzgerald	<i>h</i>
Donagh Greene	<i>h</i>
William Greene	<i>p</i>
Jerome Harrington	<i>h</i>
Daniel Hickey	<i>p</i>
James Hickey	<i>h</i>
Patrick J. Kelly	<i>p</i>
Michael Lavery	<i>p</i>
Anthony Levins	<i>h</i>
Hugh Logue	<i>p</i>
Maurice McCabe	<i>p</i>
Shane McMahan	<i>p</i>
Paul Maher	<i>h</i>
Brian Molloy	<i>h</i>
Francis Mulvey	<i>p</i>
Enda O'Brien	<i>h</i>
Timothy O'Flaherty	<i>p</i>
Malachy O'Neill	<i>h</i>
Karl Opperman	<i>h</i>
David O'Sullivan	<i>h</i>
Patrick Power	<i>h</i>
John Reade	<i>p</i>
Alan Riordan	<i>p</i>
David J. Ryan	<i>h</i>
David P. Ryan	<i>h</i>
David Savage	<i>p</i>
Paul Shannon	<i>h</i>
Thomas Tierney	<i>h</i>

Derek Bennet	<i>h</i>
Gerard Boland	<i>h</i>
Ciaran Callan	<i>h</i>
Stuart Conheady	<i>h</i>
Denis Coveney	<i>h</i>
Kevin Deering	<i>h</i>
Michael Egan	<i>h</i>
Paul Flynn	<i>h</i>
Eamon Gibson	<i>p</i>
Paraic Gilsenan	<i>h</i>
Richard Godfrey	<i>h</i>
Columba Hefferon	<i>h</i>
Denis Hooper	<i>p</i>
Terry Kennedy	<i>h</i>
John Keogh	<i>p</i>
Philip Leahy	<i>h</i>
Patrick Leahy	<i>p</i>
John McCullough	<i>h</i>
David McDonnell	<i>h</i>
Martin Macdonnell	<i>h</i>
Donal McGrath	<i>p</i>
Tommy McGovern	<i>h</i>
Eoin O'Cofaigh	<i>h</i>
Tommy O'Dwyer	<i>p</i>
John Oliver	<i>h</i>
Paul Rafter	<i>p</i>
Eoin Redmond	<i>p</i>
William Ryan	<i>h</i>
Patrick Salmon	<i>h</i>
Patrick Shaffrey	<i>h</i>
Declan Walsh	<i>h</i>
Mervyn Walsh	<i>h</i>
Anthony Ward	<i>p</i>



SECOND YEAR

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P. Johnson, J. Sheehan, C. Sheerin, A. Schuster, J. Clancy, M. Farrell, J. O'Neill
R. O'Higgins, J. Maguire, P. Daly, J. Tozer, S. Mulvey, N. Smith, C. Redmond, D. McCarthy
F. O'Gorman, P. Doyle, R. Shannon, B. McGoldrick, F. Sweeney, P. Gallagher, D. Howard, J. O'Brien, G. Coghlan
D. Levins, P. O'Nuallain, F. O'Reilly, T. McDonagh, G. McDonald, C. O'Carroll, J. Keogh, D. Fanning, P. McGovern, R. Murphy
P. Charleton, R. O'Donnell, R. Greene, L. O'Toole, P. Dorgan, C. Davis, P. Opperman, E. Redahan, B. Connolly
M. Rice, E. Rothery, O. O'Flanagan, J. Byrne, E. O'Flanagan, B. Geraghty, C. Geoghegan, F. Cummins

ST. MARY'S COLLEGE ROLL 1969-'70

SENIOR SCHOOL

6th YEAR

Agnoli, Maurice
Andreucetti, Paul
Arigho, Henry
Aylward, Gerard
Bennett, Barry
Burke, Mark
Byrne, Brendan
Byrne, Paul
Coffey, Liam
Colley, Michael
Confrey, Philip
Conheady, Brian
Dorgan, Alan
Duffy, Gerald
Farrel, Ciaran
Finlay, Michael
Foley, Dermot
Foley, Donal
Geraghty, Raymond
Greene, Paul
Grissing, Liam
Hefferon, Michael
Keenan, Vincent
Lee, John
Lynch, Tom
McKell, Robert
McLaughlin, Peter
McShane, Alan
Mooney, Ciaran
Mulvagh, Daragh
Murphy, Gerard
Murphy, Paul
Nelligan, Adrian
O'Connor, Geoffrey
O'Fanagan, Timothy
O'Reilly, Brian
Rafter, Joseph
Reade, Mark
Redmond, Barry
Saab, Edward
Scales, Walter
Shanahan, John
Sharpe, Ambrose
Teanor, Paul
Walshe, Gerry
Whelan, Joseph
Wigglesworth, Edward

FIFTH YEAR

Blake, Richard
Byrne, James
Carvill, Denis
Cassidy, John
Costello, Brian
Cullen, Gerard
Cunningham, Patrick
Dalton, Anthony
Delany, Aidan
Dowling, Derek

Doyle, Patrick
Dunne, Brendan
Farrell, Patrick J.
Fitzgerald, Brian
Flanagan, Sean
Gately, Martin
Greene, Donogh
Greene, William
Harrington, Jerome
Hickey, Daniel
Hickey, James
Hughes, Brian
Kelly, Patrick
Lavery, Donal
Lavery, Michael
Levins, Anthony
McCabe, Maurice
McGee, Gregory
McMahon, Shane
Maher, Patrick
Molloy, Brian
Mulvey, Francis
O'Brien, Enda
O'Flaherty, Timothy
O'Neill, Malachy
Opperman, Karl
O'Sullivan, David
Power, Patrick
Reade, John
Riordan, Alan
Ryan, Eoin
Ryan, David J.
Savage, David
Shannon, Paul
Shiels, Desmond
Tierney, Thomas
Wolohan, David

FOURTH YEAR

Bennett, Derek
Boland, Gerard
Burns, Colm
Calan, Ciaran
Conheady, Stewart
Coveney, Denis
Creedon, Michael
Fitzgerald, Peter
Deering, David
Deering, Kevin
Egan, Michael
Flynn, Paul
Gibson, Eamonn
Gilsenan, Pdraig
Godfrey, Richard
Greene, Donal
Hefferon, Colm
Hooper, Denis
Jordan, James
Keating, Gerard
Kennedy, Terence

Keogh, John
Leahy, Philip
Leavy, Patrick
McCreery, John
McCullough, John
McDonagh, Eoin
McDonnell, David
Macdonnell, Martin
McGee, Colm
McGovern, Thomas
McGrath, Donal
McKell, Derek
Nevin, Dermot
O'Cofaigh, Eoin
O'Connor, Rory
O'Dwyer, Thomas
Oliver, John
O'Riordan, Denis
Quinlan, John
Rafter, Paul
Redmond, Eoin
Rogan, Patrick
Ryan, William
Salmon, Patrick
Shaffrey, Patrick
Shanahan, Thomas
Walker, Patrick
Walsh, Declan
Walsh, Mervyn
Walsh, Michael
Ward, Anthony

THIRD YEAR

Arigho, Kenneth
Ashman, Gerard
Bowe, Stephen
Byrne, Paul
Carmody, Martin
Collison, James
Connolly, John
Cunningham, Michael
Davis, Donal
Delany, Gerard
Doddy, Joseph
Doyle, John
Fearon, Gerard
Gallagher, John
Godfrey, Gerard
Gormley, Paul
Greene, Robert
Hammond, Declan
Healion, Leo
Keane, Enda
Kelly, Felim
Kennedy, Anthony
Kirley, Patrick
Leaden, Mark
Le Bas, Ronald
Maguire, Pdraig
McShane, Donald

Melvin, Edward
Moloney, David
Mulvey, Domnick
Mulvey, John
Norton, Peter
O'Connor, David
O'Doherty, Conleth
O'Donnell, Francis
O'Gorman, Vivian
O'Higgins, Donal
O'Higgins, Terence
O'Malley, Gerard
O'Neill, Dominic
O'Neill, Hugh
O'Regan, Paul
O'Shea, Michael
Poutch, Shaun
Quinlan, Denis
Reardon, Harry
Raftery, Joseph
Shannon, Declan
Sheehan, Stephen
Stokes, Raymond
Tierney, Terence
Tozer, John
Walsh, Desmond
Walsh, Paul

SECOND YEAR

Byrne, John
Charleton, Peter
Clancy, John
Coghlan, Gerard
Conheady, Gerald
Connolly, Brendan
Cummins, Fridolin
Daly, Paul
Davis, Con
Dorgan, Peter
Doyle, Patrick
Fanning, Declan
Farrell, Michael
Gallagher, Peter
Geoghegan, Colin
Geraghty, Barry
Greene, Ronan
Hoare, Richard
Howard, Declan
Johnson, Patrick
Keogh, John
Levins, David
Maguire, John
McCarthy, Dermot
McDonagh, Terence
McDonald, Gerard
McGoldrick, Brendan
McGovern, Paul
Mulvey, Shane
Murphy, Garvan
Murphy, Richard

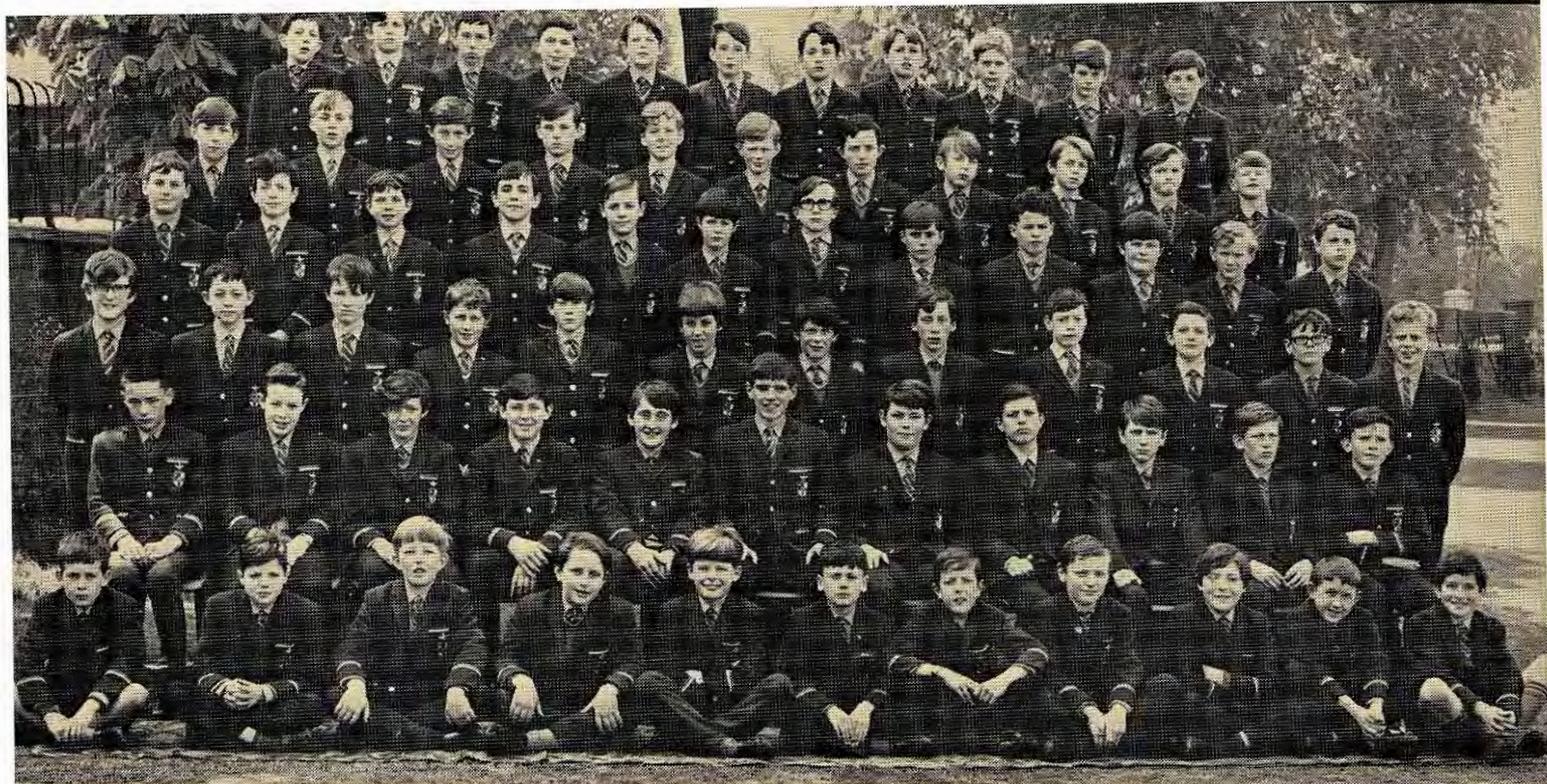


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FIRST YEAR

E. Flood, M. McKey, I. Conlon, H. Quinn, D. Doran, K. Bulger, P. Cooney, J. Farrell, T. Sheridan, D. Le Bas, B. Mooney, R. Hughes, H. McEntee, P. Beirne, K. O'Kelly, G. Hickey, M. Walsh, P. Healy, B. Sullivan, S. Mulvey, J. O'Callaghan, J. Cunningham.
 J. McManus, E. Tiernan, M. Deegan, D. O'Neill, M. Waters, F. Scott, M. Radburn, P. Conlon, J. Lynch, A. Pacitti, P. Shortall, K. Cantwell.
 F. Fitzgibbon, A. O'Shea, R. Murray, P. Doyle, R. Byrne, J. Treanor, N. Byrne, L. Quinn, B. Keane, J. Keogh, A. McDonnell, M. Fanagan.
 R. O'Connor, J. Keating, B. Sheehy, A. Molloy, D. McDonald, D. Quigley, R. Kelly, J. Crofts, D. Lawlor, B. O'Connor, S. Lenehan.
 J. Lee, N. O'Cofaigh, B. White, I. Murray, C. O'Doherty, E. Collins, P. O'Reilly, B. McKell, D. White, C. O'Neill, O. Pomeroy.

Second Year contd.

O'Brien, John
 O'Carroll, Colm
 O'Donnell, Rodney
 O'Flanagan, Edward
 O'Flanagan, Oliver
 O'Gorman, Francis
 O'Higgins, Raymond
 O'Niell, John
 O'Nuallain, Padraig
 Opperman, Paul
 O'Reilly, Francis
 O'Toole, Lorcan
 Redahan, Eoin
 Redmond, Colin
 Rice, Mark
 Rothery, Eoin
 Schuster, Alexander
 Shannon, Raymond
 Sheehan, John
 Sheerin, Colm
 Smith, Neil
 Sweeney, Fergus
 Tozer, Joseph

FIRST YEAR

O'Connor, Richard
 Beirne, Peter
 Bulger, Kieran
 Byrne, Nial
 Byrne, Raymond
 Cantwell, Ciaran
 Carr, Fergus
 Collins, Eugene
 Conlon, Ian
 Conlon, Pearse
 Cooney, Paul
 Crofts, James
 Cunningham, John
 Deegan, Michael
 Doran, David
 Doyle, Paul
 Fanagan, Michael
 Farrell, Joseph
 Fitzgibbon, Francis
 Flood, Eamonn
 Healy, Paul
 Hickey, Gerard
 Hughes, Richard
 Keane, Brian

Keating, Geoffrey
 Kelly, Ross
 Keogh, John
 Lawlor, Desmond
 Lee, John
 Le Bas, David
 Lenehan, Seamus
 Lynch, James
 McCullough, John
 McDonald, Declan
 McDonnell, Allen
 McEntee, Henry
 McKell, Bruce
 McKee, Maurice
 McManus, John
 Molloy, Alan
 Mooney, Brian
 Mulvey, Stephen
 Murray, Ian
 Murray, Ronan
 O'Callaghan, Jerome
 O'Cofaigh, Niall
 O'Connor, Brian
 O'Doherty, Cahir

O'Kelly, Ciaran
 O'Neill, Charles
 O'Neill, Desmond
 O'Reilly, Paul
 O'Shea, Andrew
 Pacitti, Gerard
 Pomeroy, Oliver
 Quigley, David
 Quinn, Hugo
 Quinn, Liam
 Radburn, Mark
 Rafter, Dermot
 Scott, Francis
 Sheehy, Brendan
 Sheridan, Thomas
 Shortall, Philip
 Sullivan, Brian
 Tiernan, Eunan
 Treanor, John
 Walsh, Michael
 Waters, Michael
 White, Brian
 White, Declan

Senior School Concert

Presented by FR. MARTIN MAIBEN, C.S.Sp. and

MISS MAURA CRANNY

THIRD YEAR

Verse Speaking:

Extract from "The Dream of
Gerontius" *Cardinal Newman*

FIFTH YEAR

Verse Speaking:

Jaz Fantasia *Carl Sandburg*
Extract from "Murder in the
Cathedral" *T. S. Elliott*

FIRST & SECOND YEARS

Singing Class:

Silent Worship *Handel*
Cherry Ripe *Horn*
Ombra mai fu *Handel*

SECOND YEAR

Verse Speaking:

Daniel *Vachel Lindsay*

FIRST YEAR

Verse Speaking:

The Island People *Seamus Heaney*

FIRST & SECOND YEARS

Singing Class:

The Road to the Isles *Traditional*
The Coolin *Traditional*
O no, John *Traditional*
The old fashioned House *Squire*

FIRST & SECOND YEARS

Singing Class:

Wandering Miller *Schubert*
Joy *Schubert*
Music *Schubert*
Hark, hark, the Lark *Schubert*

Accompanist: Fr. Sean Corcoran C.S.Sp.



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IN WALTER MACKEN FILM

Following auditions arranged through the good offices of Father Barry, the Director of Childrens' Films B.B.C. selected Brian Sullivan to fill one of the four children's roles in the film adaptation of Walter Macken's story, "THE ISLAND OF THE GREAT YELLOW OX".

After rehearsals at Montrose the film went before the cameras in Dowth, Louth, and then transferred to Roundstone, Co. Galway, where Brian had five exciting weeks, filming every day.

The film is an adventure story in three episodes of 30 minutes each. It has been produced in colour and is a joint venture between the B.B.C. and R.T.E. It is expected that it will be shown concurrently on both channels next February.

PRESIDENT OF ST. MARY'S COLLEGE P.P.U. 1970-71



SEAN O'BYRNE

Our sincere congratulations to **Sean O'Byrne** ('39) on his election to the Presidency of St. Mary's College Past Pupils' Union.

Sean has had a very interesting career indeed. In 1955 he left the Insurance Business in Dublin and emigrated to New Zealand with his wife. He took up a position in an Insurance Broker's Office in Wellington. In September of the same year, he and his wife took up duties on a 2,500 acre sheep station. After six months on the station they returned to Wellington where he took up another job in an Insurance Broker's Office. Within 3 years he was made a director of the Company.

In 1961 he came back to Ireland on a business trip. Mrs. O'Byrne and their two children returned home for good in 1964, to be followed in 1965 by Sean. In January 1966 Sean was appointed to the Board of Frank Glennon Ltd.

Sean now has his own thriving Insurance Brokers Office along with **Joseph Ronaldson** ('45). Apart from his position as President of the Union, Sean is very active on the St. Mary's Rugby Football Club committee and is chairman of the College Scout Unit's parents' committee.

We wish him a very successful year as President of the Union and many years of happy association with the affairs of the College and the Past Students.



GERALD KENNY BOYD
President of P.P.U. 1968-69

It was no surprise when **Gerald Kenny Boyd** (1928-'37) was elected president of the Past Pupils Union in May 1968. After leaving St. Mary's, Gerry joined the National Bank at Castlerea, Co. Roscommon. The following year he was transferred back to Dublin and in 1948 promoted to the Secretary's Dept. He spent four years (1964-68) as sub-manager in College Green and in October 1968 was appointed Manager of the Pembroke Branch.

A member of the football club since leaving school, he spent most of his time on the administrative side of things. He was treasurer from 1960-65 and he relinquished this post upon being elected Treasurer of the Leinster Branch of the I.R.F.U. In June 1969 and 1970 Gerry was elected a member of the I.R.F.U. committee.

Gerry is also a prominent member of Phoenix Cricket Club with whom he has had a very distinguished career. We wish him every success for the future in the fields of business and sport.

Patrick G. Condon (1937-46). After leaving St. Mary's, Paddy commenced his Business career in the Cattle Export field. In 1947 he joined T.W.A., with whom he covered passenger and cargo sales in Ireland. He then joined Aer Lingus in 1961 and he looks after incoming business from all over the world. During the course of his duties, he has visited every country in the world.

Apart from his successful business career, Paddy has always had a keen interest in sport. He is at present Captain of Aer Lingus Golfing Society with a handicap of 12. During his terms as Captain of Royal Dublin in 1960/61 his handicap was as low as 5. His earlier achievements in the swimming world are well known. He has played water polo and won Leinster and National medals for swimming. In 1944 he won the Liffey swim.

Amongst all these activities, Paddy found time to accept the Presidency of the Past Pupils' Union May '69 and he has won the gratitude of all for his untiring efforts and hard work put into it.



PATRICK G. CONDON
President of P.P.U. 1969-70

THE COLLEGE UNION

UNION NOTES

Extracts from the Hon. Secretary's report of Annual General Meeting 1970

Mr. President, Very Rev. Father, Rev. Fathers, Gentlemen, as Secretary of the Union it is my pleasant task to give the members a report of our activities during the year.

ANNUAL DANCE Once again the Union and Rugby Club combined to organise the joint Annual Dance in the Shelbourne Hotel on Thursday 23rd October 1969.

The attendance of 275 was down on the previous year. However, in spite of the numbers, it was a very enjoyable social occasion. We have booked the South County Hotel, Stillorgan for Friday, 13th Nov., 1970, for the coming year's dance. By doing this we hope to have a large increase in numbers as well as having a good financial outcome.

ANNUAL MASS for deceased past pupils and professors. Held in the College on Sunday 2nd Nov. The attendance of 38 was very discouraging and the incoming committee should make a greater effort next year to encourage members to attend. We must thank the College Authorities for their kind hospitality and for providing light refreshment.

ANNUAL DINNER Held in the Clarence Hotel on Thursday 4th December for the second year in succession. The attendance of 88 enjoyed a very well presented meal. The entertainment which was organised by P. Condon, proved to be the most enjoyable for years. The increase in attendance over last year is due mainly to the sub-committee work, under the Chairmanship of Dermot Sullivan. This year we had no sherry reception which resulted in a substantial saving and certainly it is not necessary to make the function successful.

ANNUAL RETREAT Held in the College on Good Friday. The attendance of 30 proved that the trend is for one day retreats. Thanks must be extended to Fr. Hurley and Fr. Kennedy for their help and co-operation. Fr. John Byrne presented an excellent lunch and in between lectures, morning and afternoon tea were provided. Next year we hope to have yet another increase in numbers.

AT HOME Held in The College on Sunday 8th March. An attendance of 81 enjoyed a very sociable evening. Thanks must be given to the ladies committee who prepared a feast of savories and to Dermot Sullivan for running the Tombola Stand. We were very pleased to see so many priests from The College along and also the parents of the present students.

This first time function will almost certainly become a fixture on the Union programme.

SOCIAL EVENING Was held on the 3rd April in the Rugby Club, by kind permission. A poor attendance enjoyed an excellent four course meal which was organised by Derry Smyth. Special thanks must be given to Mrs. Coveney and Mrs. Kearns without whose help the function could not have been held. Certainly the "At Home," in the College would be an excellent replacement for the Social Evening next year.

SPORTS FIXTURE The Union engaged the present students of the College in Cricket and Basketball at Kenilworth Square. The past allowed the present to win in order not to discourage them for future years. It might be mentioned that the basketball game went into extra time. A very enjoyable cup of tea was provided by John and Mrs. Bowden and Fr. Barry kindly supplied the savories.

BIAFRA APPEAL In conjunction with Blackrock and Rockwell College Unions, an appeal was made to Past Students to help raise funds for Bishop Whelan and the Holy Ghost Fathers in Biafra. The sum of £1,400 was realised. Our thanks is extended to Africa Concern and Fr. Raymond Kennedy for their advice and help.

GOLF SOCIETY The Annual Union Outing was held on May 15th at Milltown Golf Club. Excellent facilities were provided and some of the last members to tee off got slightly damp in a cloud burst. 60 persons enjoyed an excellent meal which was organised by P. Drennan who took over as Golf Secretary during the year. Milltown has been booked again for this year's outing on May 21st.

St. Marys participated for the first time in a Golf outing in Royal Dublin with Blackrock and Rockwell Unions on December 11th. Unfortunately only 4 Marys Men could participate, but we trust that this will be rectified next year.

ST. MARY'S COLLEGE SCOUT UNIT New Unit Leader, Peter Best, led the unit through a year of consolidation and satisfactory progress. Gerry Costello brought the Clubs to Courtown for their annual camp in June. Jim Kelly took over as Cubmaster in September. Peter Costello and Dermot Hogan took the 2 Scout Troops to Lake Windermere at the end of June for what proved to be an enjoyable fortnight's camp, while Brian O'Kelly took the Senior Troop to Spain.

A party of 73 scouts, with seniors and officers spent the pre-Christmas weekend in the Aghavannagh Valley. This was the first occasion on which a major activity was held at Christmas and it proved to be successful even if the weather was foul. Jerry Kelly took a party of 21 Patrol Leaders, Seniors and Officers cabin-cruising on the Shannon at Easter which also proved to be an extremely successful new venture.

The Unit now boasts over 120 members but needs more funds as badly as ever due mainly to the serious condition of the Den at Kenilworth. Sean O'Byrne's Fund-raising Committee has now raised just over £1,000 towards the cost of a new Den which is expected to cost over £3,000. It is hoped to step up the pace of fund-raising this year.

The members of the Unit once again record their deep and heartfelt gratitude to the Unit Chaplain Fr. David Darcy C.S.Sp. who always manages to meet the many demands made on his precious time.

The Unit continues to play a leading role in the Scout Movement in Ireland: Conal Hooper is Director of Development, Denis Kirby became Area Commissioner for South Dublin in September last and Jerry Kelly was elected to the National Executive Board in April of this year.

MARIAN BOYS CLUB The Club has an attendance of approx. 40 every evening. There are at present 12 active St. Marys men on the committee and these keep matters running smoothly. However, a lot more helpers are still required.

The financial side is not very good at present. There was a big drop in receipts at this year's fashion show and a tight financial situation is expected in the coming year. A lot of expenditure is envisaged in order to provide extra facilities and to keep the premises properly maintained. The £200 received from the Golden Guinea Club this year was very welcome. All past students are invited to the club and those wishing to attend should contact John Smyth or Philip Bourke.

ST. MARYS LAWN TENNIS CLUB Last year celebrated its 21st anniversary with the installing of two new hard courts which now makes it an all year round tennis club. The club was originally founded by past pupils of St. Marys to cater for the past and present pupils of the College, yet over the years the Mary's membership there has only constituted a minority in relation to the total membership. The club wishes to strengthen its links both with the school and the Past Pupils Union by encouraging past and present pupils to join, either as pavilion or playing members. The Club has a modern pavilion, four grass courts and two hard courts. Men's and Women's league teams are entered in summer and winter, so new talent is always welcome. The social activities include outings and hops in the summer time, a dinner and Christmas party.

We extend a sincere welcome to Fr. J. Hurley as President of St. Mary's and we wish him every success and God's Blessing in his new post. We feel quite sure that the happy relationship between the College and the Union will be continued during Fr. Hurley's term of office.

For their assistance during the year may I extend my thanks :

- To Paddy Condon, whose name will always remain with us as one of the foremost Presidents of the Union.
- To Fr. Walter Kennedy, who as joint Hon. Sec. was always at hand to advise and keep me on the straight and narrow.
- To P. Drennan, the assistant Hon. Sec. and to all committee members who helped out at all the functions, and last but by no means least
- To the College Authorities, who, whenever we required a room for a meeting or a function, gave us every help and co-operation.

UNION SPORTS DAY

The inaugural P.P.U. sports day was held on Sunday the 29th August '70. The feature of an excellent afternoon's sport was the great attendance of past students and their families. A seven-a-side soccer tournament and a cricket match were held.

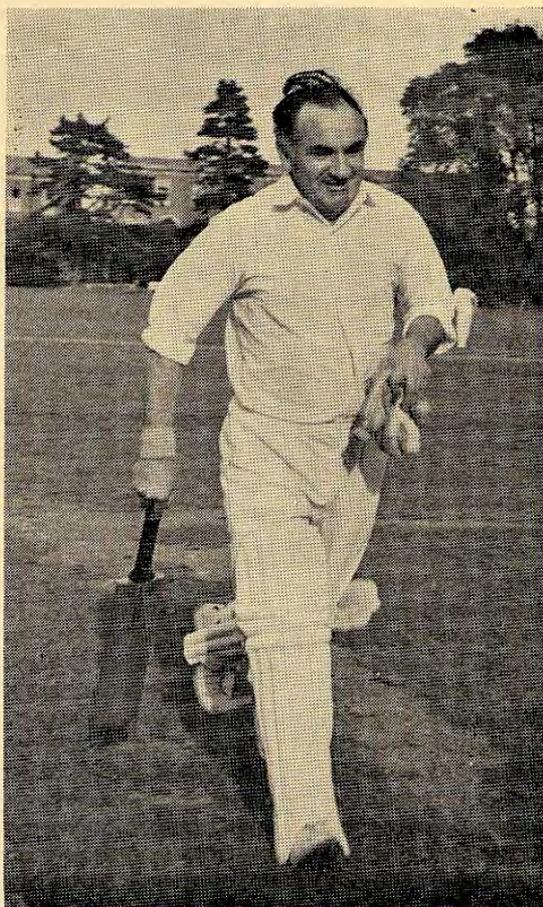
The cricket match was the centrepiece of the afternoon – a nostalgic remembrance for those present of how cricket was once played, before the burial of the Ashes in St. Marys. The Presidents XI played David Balfe's XI in true sporting manner, with Monsieur Cricket, Fr. Barry, umpiring. The President's (Sean O'Byrne's) side succumbed by 61 runs to 67. His gallant XI had the courage never to submit or yield, yet the average age difference between the sides

could possibly be represented by those six runs. P. Bolger (19n.o.) always showed a straight bat to the 'demon' bowling of P. Cremin and F. Grissing while W. Scott, D. Thornton, V. McGovern, B. Redmond and Sean O'Byrne demonstrated strokes reminiscent of their hay-day. The 'Rest' scored chiefly through the enterprising bating of B. Cotter (22), M. Forde, N. Kearns, A. Delaney and B. Smyth. Tea was served with dignity, a fare equal to that at Lord's by John Boden to whom we are very thankful.

The soccer tourney was a success. Four teams competed with T. McCormick's side gaining ultimate victory powered by his 'Chelsea' rejects, K. Corigan, J. Norton,



Rev. Fr. J. Hurley, Mr. and Mrs. Sean O'Byrne in Kenilworth for the Union Sports Day.



C. O'Connell ? and B. Geraghty. They swept all before them and defeated Seamus Deering's team in the final.

A quiet evening was spent in the College to climax the day's exploits. Sincere thanks for the day are extended to Fr. Hurley and the other priests of the College who made the events possible.

In coming years a multi-event programme is visualised to encompass all former sportsmen of St. Marys.

David Ryan

TOMMY KEARNS returns to the pavilion after a successful innings in the Union Sport's Day cricket match.

"WATCH YOUR LANGUAGE"

Bhí an áthas ar na buachaillí in ár rang nuair a chualamar go mbeimis ar clár ar an dTeilifís. Bhí an clár sa sraith scheachtainiúil "Watch Your Language." Cúrsaí na Gaeilge a bhí á phle, agus tá sé an tábhachtach dúinn. Dúirt an t-uasal Mac Murchú linn go mbeadh siad ag teacht trí lá roimh sara dtáinig siad. Bhíomar go léir ar bís nuair a chualamar é sin. Rinne an t-uasal Mac Murchú, é a ullmhú linn. Rinne sé linn an rud a bheadh ar an clár.

Faoi dheireadh tháinig an lá mór agus bhíomar in ár suíocháin go luath ar an maidin sin, gléasta go deas agus go hana glan. Tháinig na daoine ó Teilifís Éireann ar a leath-uair tar éis a deich. Bhí siad ag caint agus ag beartaíocht ar feadh uair a chloig leis an uasal Mac Murchú. Nuair a bhíomar tuirseach bhreith ag fanacht, thosaigh an aithris.

Bhí ceathrar fear ann agus bean amháin ann agus thug siad teoracha. Bhí aithris againn ar feadh deich nóiméad. Bhí ceann eile againn ina dhiaidh. Ansin rinneamar an clár. Bhí an t-uasal Mac Murchú ag chur ceisteanna orainn agus d'fhreagraíomar go tapaidh iad. Rinne siad an clár i ndá uair an chloig.

Bhí an clár ar an dTeilifís timpeall sé seachtaine ó shin. Bhí scáth mór orainn an oíche sin ach nuair a thosaigh sé agus chonaicamar sinn féin níorbh fhada gur imigh an scáth dinn agus bhí an áthas orainn mar bhí an clár go h-ana mhaith. Bhí athas ar ár dtuismitheoirí freisin nuair a chonaic siad go bhuil ár gaeilge go líofa blasta againn.

Gearóid MacDonald

ST. MARY'S COLLEGE, R.F.C.

(HONORARY SECRETARY'S REPORT 1969-'70)

THE 1969/70 season did not end quite as well as the previous one from the point of view of the 1st XV, as this year we were beaten in the first round of the cup by Lansdowne after two replays. However, we had some meritorious wins during the season, and our fortunes were not helped by injuries to a number of key players, and by Interprovincial calls. In this latter respect our congratulations go to Kevin Corrigan and Fergus Meehan, who were capped - Connacht; Terry Young, Denis Hickie, Johnny Moloney who were capped - Leinster; and the captain Sean Lynch, who in addition to captaining his province also "subbed" for Ireland. Jim McDonnell played in the Argentine tour trial, and our heartiest congratulations to Sean Lynch and Johnny Moloney, as well as Shay Deering and Henry Murphy on being picked for this tour. Derek Jennings can be congratulated on being a member of the wonderful youths team which won so magnificently both in London and in Dublin. Derek, Paul Andreucetti and Dermot Byrne were members of the Leinster team in the first under-21 Interprovincial match against Ulster.

If we were unable to win the premier trophy last season we certainly did the next best thing by taking the Metropolitan Cup after a lapse of 17 years. And our warmest congratulations go to George Hook on captaining his team to a brilliant victory in the final against Terenure; also on captaining the Leinster Junior interprovincial team in an unbeaten campaign. Our thanks are due also to Vincent McGovern for his excellent work as team manager to the 2nd XV.

Unfortunately the third XV were eliminated rather early from both their competitions but Arthur Mulligan did a very fine job as captain, and one felt that only for the continual "subbing" up of large numbers each week this team would also have figured in the closing stages of both league and cup.

Willo Murray acted as manager to the thirds until they were out of everything, and then moved on to the third A XV, who reached the quarter final of the Moran Cup and were rather unlucky to be beaten at that stage by Old Belvedere. Even though he only

took over late in the season Colm Toner did a fine job as captain. Our sympathies must go to his predecessor, Pat Webb, on sustaining an injury that put him out of action for several months.

The 3rd B's had the galling experience of being beaten in the final of the Winters Cup for the second year in succession by Terenure, but our thanks are due to Vincent O'Donohue for captaining the team so well, and to Dick Whitty for managing them.

The 3rd C's were impressive winners of their earlier matches in the O'Connor Cup, but came a "cropper" against Terenure in the semi-final. Nevertheless, team manager Liam Tomkins and captain Eggo White deserve our congratulations.

The 1969/70 season saw the inauguration of the Grennlea Cup - to be competed for annually by 3rd D teams of Terenure and ourselves. A large attendance saw St. Mary's under captain Eugene Dohohoe and manager Michael Banks, bring the trophy to Fortfield Road for the first time, and we feel that great interest will be shown in this match each year.

Fourteen teams took part in the seven-a-side competition for the Reddy Cup which was won by Jim McDonnell's team.

The Darts Cup was retained this year as was the Cliff House Cup also.

We have one of the largest playing memberships in Leinster and the extremely onerous job of ensuring full strength teams were fielded each week fell on the shoulders of Mervyn Johnson and Eggo White - our Senior and Junior team secretaries, who did a first class job at all times. They were not helped by the increasing number of late cry-offs each week - many of which were completely selfish and inconsiderate.

Ned Carmody, as club coach, and Willo Murray as his assistant gave invaluable service during the season, often turning out in the most inclement weather, and neither spared himself in his efforts for the playing members.

Our thanks are also due to the Chairman of the two match committees, Vincent McGovern and John Cunningham, and to Joe Fanagan who so capably represented the

club at Leinster Branch level.

Our four representatives in the Leinster association of referees, Tommy Kearns, Matt Gilsenan, Eddie French and Paddy Farrell, kept up the very high standard they had set in previous years. Tommy Kearns refereed the Army-v-Navy contest at Twickeham and Matt, in addition to his capable handling of both the Leinster Senior Cup Final and the Senior Schools Final, was also appointed for an Interprovincial match. The thanks of the Club are due to them for their part in maintaining the high reputation of the Club and also to those "unofficial" referees who took charge of many home matches for which no official referee was appointed.

Our "foreign" fixtures during the season were highly successful. The short 3-match tour of Devon was a wonderful success and the greatest part of the credit for this must go to Sean O'Byrne who managed the party so capably. The first team also travelled to Liverpool for matches with Waterloo and Wilmslow. Our draw with Waterloo was a very creditable performance but the match with Wilmslow was cancelled. Sean O'Byrne was manager for this trip too, so everything went smoothly. Our 3rd A team accompanied the first team to Ballymena and had a good trip. Notable first-time visitors to the Club were West of Scotland and New Brighton. We are scheduled to travel to these clubs next season and also to play Edinburgh Wanderers over there.

Finally, I think that the Club should be justly proud of the type of rugby played by its teams at all levels during the season, and I certainly cannot recall one serious incident involving any of our players. We have always had a very high reputation for the clean and sporting type of game which we play, and this is something which we should cherish very deeply in these days when the emphasis seems to be far too much on winning, without any regard to the spirit of the game.

Michael Banks in addition to looking after the 3rd D team also organised the catering for visiting teams. I can only say that the standard was every bit as high as in previous years.

The Bar Committee with John Reddy in charge succeeded in increasing the volume of business. The Club has every reason to be grateful to John, his committee and the bar helpers for the tremendous amount of work they have performed; particularly to John who, for the past six years has devoted most

of his spare time to bar matters.

Billy Byrne was in charge of the dances again and the Honorary Treasurer's report will, I am sure, deal adequately with the tangible results of the efforts of Billy, his committee and his stewards. The age pattern of those who attend the dances is such that very few of the Club members attend the dances, or would qualify to do so, and consequently very few of the dance stewards or even members of the dance committee are known to the ordinary Club members. These workers are, therefore, to a very large extent not in a position to know that their work is deeply appreciated by the Club and its members. Their work is so important to the continued existence of the Club that they deserve more co-operation than they have been getting from the general body of members. I refer specifically to the clearing of the bar on Saturday evenings.

Junior "record hops" were run during the school holidays and these were very successful. The organising committee headed by Dermot O'Brien, Donie Mullan and Johnny Moloney showed that, with some effort from the members, there is a good source of revenue still virtually untouched, open to the Club.

Apart from his work on the Bar Sub-Committee, Henry Roche took most of the responsibility for grounds maintenance. It was a difficult job last summer because of the prolonged dry spell.

The Annual Dinner continues to be the best in Leinster and was organised once again by Matt Gilsenan. It would be unfortunate for the Club if Matt should decide to opt out of this.

Mick Glynn was responsible for a number of highly successful social evenings which contributed considerably to the Club's reputation for good organisation and even the final one of these, which was attended by the largest crowd ever at this kind of function, ran without a hitch of any kind.

While we would like to be able to congratulate St. Mary's College on a Cup success this year, we can temper our disappointment with the thought that their standard of play was such as to sustain our hopes as to the benefit the members of the Cup team, and others leaving the College this year, will be to the Club next year. The thanks of the Club are due to the College, and particularly to the President, Father Hurley, and his representative on the Committee, Fr. Walter Kennedy, for their support and advice during

the year.

The development Sub-Committee referred to in my report for last year, worked very hard at producing outline plans for the future expansion of the Club premises. It is regrettable that, due to the present general financial situation, very little can be done to implement their proposals.

It is a pity that I have not got something substantial to report on this matter, particularly in view of the amount of work put into the project by Don Purcell and the other members of the Sub-Committee.

I regret to report the recent death of Mr. Seamus O'Braonain, the first captain of the Club. With his death one of the few remaining links with the formation of the Club in 1900 has been severed.

The amount of administrative work to be done in the Club continues to expand while the number of people willing and capable of undertaking it appears to be contracting. This latter situation should be borne in mind when members are considering the adequacy or otherwise of facilities provided by the Club. For instance, the fielding of even one more team each week would place an intolerable burden on the shoulders of an already over-worked match committee. Nonetheless, every single member of the Committee and of each Sub-Committee did more than his fair share

of work during the year. We have always been very fortunate in our Presidents, but never more so than in this past year. Paddy Bolger must have had no spare time as he was present at the Club on every possible occasion and travelled to every away match. He is now as well known and respected in Devon, Waterloo, Ballymena, Cork and Limerick as he is here and in every other Dublin Club. His presence as Chairman of Committee Meetings (he attended every single one) made the work of the Committee much easier.

Billy Fagan has stated that he will not be able to accept nomination for the Committee for the coming year. He has been on the Committee continuously for the past twenty-two years and his work for the Club during that time has been invaluable. In my relatively short time as Honorary Secretary, I have come to know and admire the tremendous amount of work he has done and I do not think I would have been able to carry on without his assistance. I sincerely hope that his work for the Club as Assistant Honorary Secretary and as a member of both the Committee and the match Committee is fully appreciated by the members.

H. MCGUINNESS,
(*Hon. Sec.*)

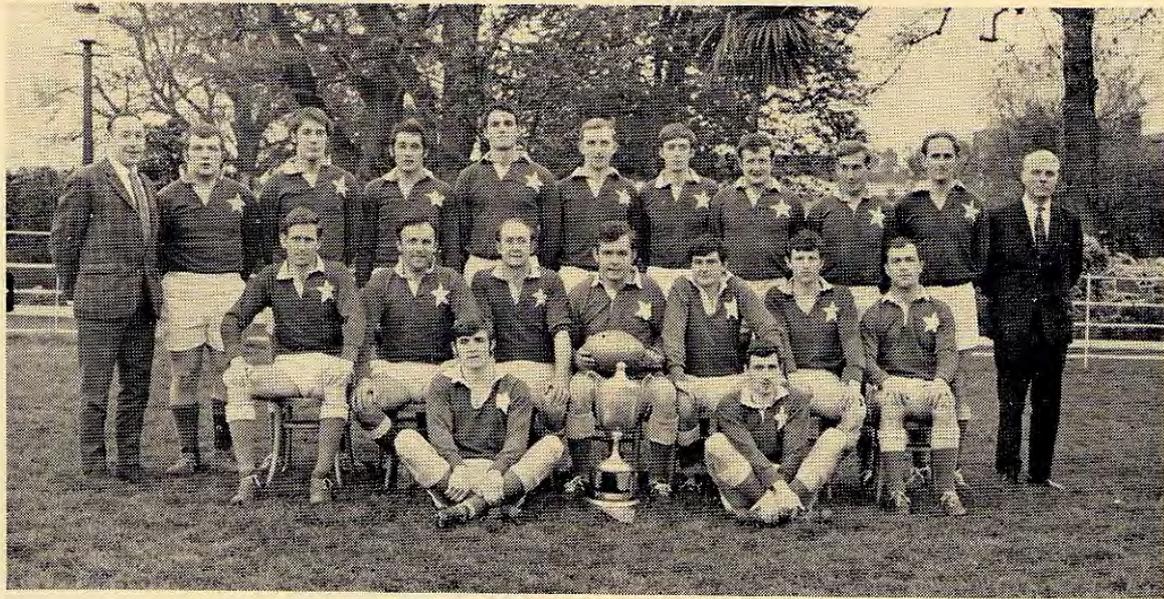
SENIOR CUP WIN 1968-69

THE 1968/69 season began very inauspiciously indeed, when in the first match, we were beaten at home, 31-3 by Bective Rangers. Many of our supporters felt at this stage that we were in for a poor year, but thanks to some excellent work by Captain Sean Lynch, and Club coach Ned Carmody, the team began to show considerable improvement and although five further defeats were experienced in the early months we also had some good victories.

However, things still did not look too 'rosy' after a further home defeat, this time at the hands of Palmerston, early in December. But who would have guessed that this was to be the last match we would ever lose that season.

From then on we showed continued good form and although we came close enough to being beaten on a few occasions we managed to go into the Leinster Senior Cup campaign without further defeat. Here in the first round we met Old Wesley and scored a rather facile victory by 25 pts., to eleven. In our next game we accounted for Monkstown, 17-12, and thus progressed to meet U.C.D., in the semi-final. The general consensus of opinion appeared to favour U.C.D., but giving a scintillating display of attacking football right from the start, we led 14-3 at the half way stage, and ran out eventual winners by 27-6.

In the Final our opponents were Trinity



SENIOR CUP WINNERS

E. Carmody, T. McCormick, J. Cagney, D. Byrne, J. B. S. Sweeney, G. Glendon, D. Mullen, S. Cooke, T. Deering, W. Meehan,
 D. Moloughney, W. Kenny, D. Hickie, S. Lynch (*Captain*), A. Andreucetti, S. Finlay, K. Corrigan,
 J. Moloney, T. Young.

College and they were very much on top of us in the first half, yet they held only a three-nil lead at the interval. However, when they consolidated this with a further score, early in the second period, many St. Mary's supporters felt that the 1969 Final would end in another defeat similar to those of 1960, 1963, and 1966. A penalty goal for us by Sean Cooke in the last five minutes was the inspiration for a tremendous final rally by our lads and with the very last kick of the match Donie Mullan scored the equalising points with an extraordinary drop-goal.

The pattern of the first match was repeated in the replay and again things looked very gloomy for us, when we were 11-3 down with just a few minutes left on the stop-watch. But again a late rally brought an unconverted try by Johnny Moloney. Then in the dying seconds of the game, we equalised when Sean Cooke scored a fantastic try under the posts, which he himself converted. In extra time it was Sean who won the cup for us, this the

second occasion in the history of the Club, when he kicked a penalty goal in the very last seconds of the game.

The Irish Times aptly summed up the game on the following Monday as follows: "The 1969 Leinster Senior Cup Final deserves to be remembered and discussed for many years to come as no finer or more dramatic matches were ever seen in the 87 year old history of the competition, than those between St. Mary's and Dublin University."

Whilst in the ultimate victory, Sean Cooke was largely responsible for our success by contributing eleven points to our total, nevertheless our win was a team one, inspired by the fine play and leadership of our Captain Sean Lynch and by the excellent coaching and training of Ned Carmody. Our record for the year was: played 29; won 20; drew 3; lost 6. Points for: 420; points against: 263.

BILLY FAGAN

2nd XV METROPOLITAN CUP VICTORY

1969—70

AFTER a lapse of seventeen years, the Leinster Metropolitan Cup was won by our 2nd XV who beat Terenure in a thrilling Final by eleven points to eight.

All during the season it was felt that this team would eventually 'come good,' and so they did in no uncertain fashion. Having disposed of Palmerston after a replay in the first round, we travelled to Greystones to play the very strong local side, who are currently intent on gaining promotion to Senior Level in round two. However, a great display by our pack and some fine place-kicking by full-back Ciaran O'Connell saw us safely through, by 12 points to 6, to the semi-final, where our opponents Bective Rangers proved no match for the all-round strength of our team. In the end we had a comfortable enough victory. Thus to the final against our traditional rivals, Terenure who fielded a team that had already won the Junior League for them a few weeks previously, and which was unbeaten in fact throughout the season.

In the first period of the match, Terenure certainly justified their position as favourites and by half-time we were fortunate enough to be only eight-nil in arrears. They commenced the second half, where they left off

before the interval, by continually stretching our defence with clever attacking football. However, our lads stuck to their task quite well and no further scores were registered against us. Then midway through the second half our pack began to get on top and our efforts were rewarded shortly afterwards with a penalty goal from Ciaran O'Connell. This score inspired us to even greater efforts and some really stirring forward play from then on saw us score by a try Johnny Kinahan, which was converted by Ciaran O'Connell, who then proceeded to make victory ours when he kicked a penalty goal in the dying minutes of a match, which for St. Mary's supporters was almost as thrilling in the end as the memorable Senior Cup Final win of the previous year.

Whilst eventually this was a team victory, nevertheless skipper George Hook, and team manager Vincent McGovern must take great credit for the tremendous amount of work and effort they put in during the season to ensure that the past provide at least one more trophy for the College side-board in 1970.

BILLY FAGAN

METROPOLITAN CUP WINNERS

P. Bolger, R. Foley, G. Fanning, C. Ryan, J. Murray, M. Rigney, T. McCormick, V. McGovern,
G. O'Hagan, D. Jennings, A. Andreucetti, G. Hooke (*Captain*) M. Jones, C. O'Connell, F. Meehan,
E. Mullen, J. Kinahan.

Photo: James G. Maguire



News of the Past



Tony Kennedy examines the award won by his Brother Jim.

James Kennedy joined Irish Shipping Ltd., on leaving school in 1964 as a Deck Officer Cadet. He studied at the Plymouth School of Navigation and had the distinction of being appointed Cadet Captain in 1967. He received his Second Mate's Certificate in 1968 and was awarded the Insurance Corporation of Ireland "Cadet of the Year" award. This was presented to him by another St. Mary's man, **Patrick W. Redmond** Assistant General Manager, Insurance Corporation of Ireland. James has since been appointed Third Officer on the "Irish Spruce." He hopes to get his First Mate's Certificate in the next twelve months.

Dr. Peter Thornton, brother of Douglas, has recently been appointed Product and Development Manager of Erin Foods. Peter has had a long association with Erin Foods in Carlow, where he was a prominent member of the Golf Club. He also managed to win a Provincial Towns' Cup medal with Carlow R.F.C.

Fred Cogley is Assistant Head of Sports in R.T.E.

Myles Cullen is now a Chartered Accountant. He has taken up an appointment in Zambia.

Dr. Kevin C. McGuinness ('59) graduated in medicine from U.C.D. in 1966. After spending a year at St. Michael's Dunlaoghaire, he took a position with the R.A.M.C. He has been stationed in Celle, Germany since 1967, where he is medical officer in charge.



KEVIN MCGUINNESS

Kevin was an active member of the Legion during his days in St. Mary's and he worked in the Marian Boys Club. He was also interested in dramatics and took part in some of Fr. Barry's plays.

He married Jacquelyn Billings in 1967. The marriage was performed by Fr. Haber McMahon who was a classmate of Kevin's at school. They have a year old son, Declan, and they hope to return from Germany in eighteen months time.

Derry Smyth did a Hotel Management course after leaving school. He has recently been appointed Assistant Manager at the Boyne Valley Hotel, Drogheda.

Declan Gilsean, M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O. (1949-1960). Declan graduated in medicine from U.C.D. in 1968. He married Constance Kilduff, B.L. at St. Anne's Church, Vatican City, in November 1967. He has spent some time since graduation in the U.S.A. and in London. He now returns to the Pathology Department at U.C.D. where he will undertake some further studies.

Terry Coveney has been recently appointed Secretary of McInerneys, the builders.

Desmond Dempsey, F.C.A., the Hon. Auditor of the P.P.U. for many years, and former Audit Manager with Craig, Gardner & Co., has recently been appointed a director of T. P. Whelehan & Co. Ltd.

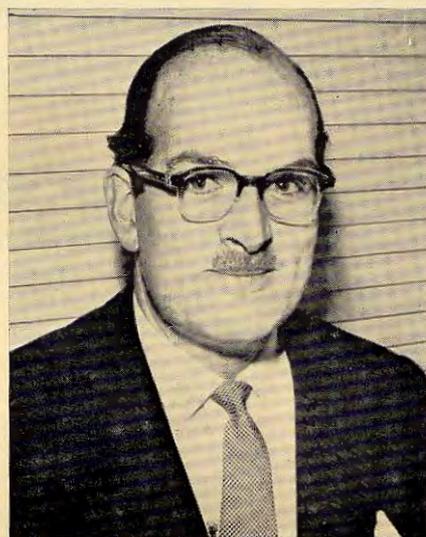
Jim Fanning represented Ireland in the High-Jump in the International against Spain in 1969.

Antoin Murphy M.A., is at the moment a lecturer in Trinity College.

Brian J. Whelan, B. Comm., F.C.A., the director of Management development at the Irish Management Institute will for the next two years be playing a major part in developing a more European approach to management training. At the annual conference of the European Association of Management Training Centres (E.A.M.T.C.) held in Dublin in May this year, Brian was elected president of the Association. This post will bring Brian to Brussels about ten times a year during the next two years. His job is partly executive and a key one in the area of policy decisions: he will have to administer a new fund which has been set up to break "American monopoly" on management training and techniques, and develop a particularly European brand of managers.

Brian is Deputy Director of the Irish Management Institute, Joint General Manager of the Irish Industrial Bank Ltd., a member of the Policy Committee and the Education Committee of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Ireland, a member of the Education Committees of the Federation of Irish Industries, the Irish National Productivity Committee and the Institute of Public Administration. He is also a member of the Council of the National Association of Adult Education, and Chairman of Irish Welcome Hotels Ltd.

Christopher Aliaga-Kelly was elected President of the Federation of Irish Industries this year. His brother, **Charles**, is Deputy City Planning officer in Dublin.



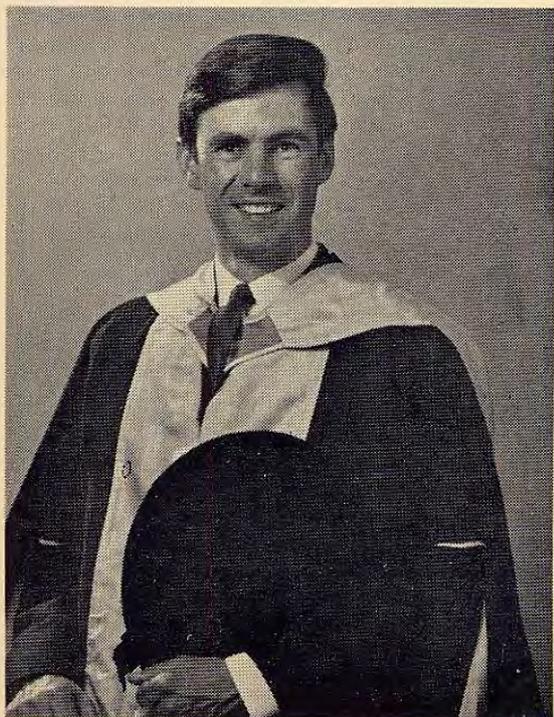
CHRISTOPHER ALIAGA-KELLY

Dermot P. Smyth ('36), B. Arch., former Chief Executive Officer of the National Building Advisory Council, was appointed Chief Technical Adviser of An Foras Forbartha in May, 1968.

Desmond Tannam ('44), Controller of Clondalkin Paper Mills, was elected to the Board of Directors of the Company in December 1967.

Louis McGauran (1943) played on the S.C.T. for St. Mary's which was beaten 9-6 by Blackrock in one of the greatest Senior School's finals ever seen in Lansdowne Rd. He was capped for Leinster that season, playing out-half to Barry Nolan. After leaving school he continued to play for the Rugby Club. For many years he worked in the Tote and was manager of the Dublin area. He was appointed Manager of Shelbourne Park Greyhound Racing Stadium in 1968. In the same year he became President of Newbridge College Past Pupils' Union. He came to St. Mary's from Newbridge in 1942.

Barry O'Shea (1948- 57) went to the College of Technology, Kevin St. after leaving St. Mary's, where he qualified to a Graduateship of the Institute of Electrical Engineers. He joined the staff of the B.B.C. in 1962 and worked in Cumberland and London. During the next few years he also lectured at the B.B.C. Training Department in Worcestershire.



BARRY O' SHEA

In 1965 he was awarded a scholarship by the Institute for Industrial Research and Standards and took an M. Sc. degree in Applied Electronics at the Manchester Institute of Science and Technology. He went on to present a thesis on research carried out on the application of Digital Techniques in the field of Automation and was awarded a Ph.D. Degree. In 1969 he joined the Electronic Central Department of the Irish Institute for Industrial Research and Standards.

Barry still plays some Rugby with St. Mary's R.F.C. and he is also interested in sailing, flying, fishing and squash.



DR. CYRIL WHITE

Dr. Cyril White is back from America after six years. While there he took his Doctorate in Sociology from Illinois University. He is now lecturing in the Department of Sociology in U.C.D.

Paul McGloughlin has recently been admitted as a partner in Arthur Cox & Co.

Joe Fanagan is a member of the Leinster Five for the current season.



PHILIP MARTIN

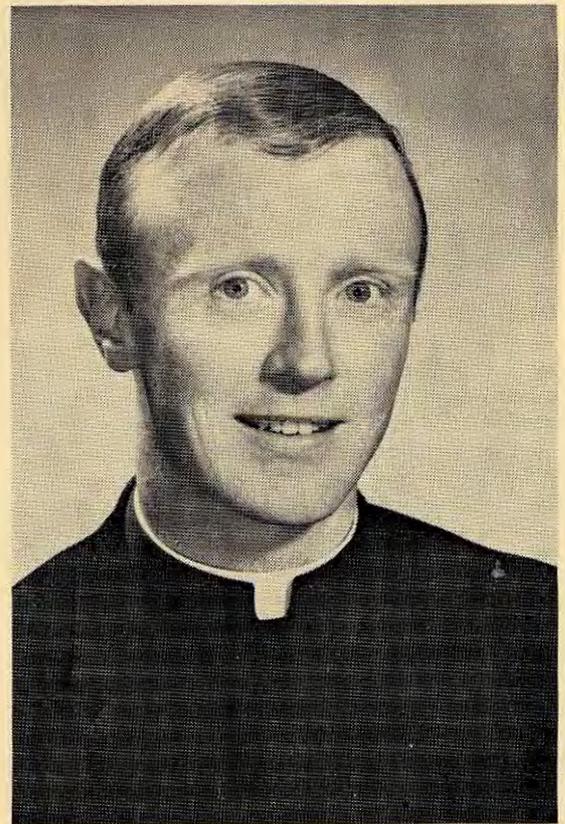
Philip Martin ('65) won a four year Associated Board Scholarship to the Royal Academy of Music, London, in 1965. He was awarded his L.R.A.M. in 1968, and a year later he gained the Recital Diploma. He won the MacFarren gold medal, the premier award for pianoforte, and the Christie-Moore scholarship worth £500 that same year. In his final year he won two further prizes, the Hornby and Whyth prizes.

He has given concerts and recitals in London, Munich and Dublin. He was soloist with the R.T.E. Symphony Orchestra for their recordings of concerti by Khachaturian, Barber, Gershwin and Mozart. Future engagements will include a Wigmore Hall recital in October, a Beethoven Bicentenary concert in the Pavilion in Herts.

In 1971 he will be soloist in a R.T.E. public concert at the Gaiety Theatre, and also soloist at concerts at the Royal Festival Hall, at Bromley in Kent, at the Wigmore Hall and at St. Martin-in-the Fields.

As a composer he has performed in the Dublin Festivals of Twentieth Century Music in 1969 and 1970. He has broadcast on R.T.E. and B.B.C., playing his own sonatas. He is making his mark in England to an extent not hitherto matched by any Irish pianist with the exception of Charles Lynch.

Philip recently married Penelope Price-Jones, a well known singer from Hemel Hempstead. They will live in Boxmoor.

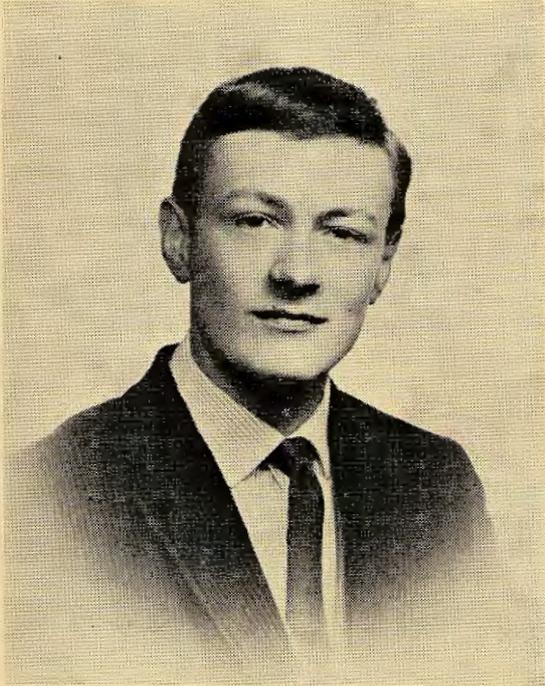


FR. PATRICK CULLEN

ordained priest, June 1969

Photo: Lafayette

Fr. Patrick Cullen is assistant pastor of our Lady of Sorrows Parish in Birmingham, Alabama. He has been appointed by his bishop to organize the Apostolate of the Mentally Retarded in the diocese.



CLIVE DUNCAN

Clive Duncan qualified in medicine in U.C.D. in 1968, winning the Gold Medal for Obstetrics and first place in the Final Medical examination. He is married to Margaret McGourty, B.Sc., and is now studying for a Master's Degree in Orthopaedic Surgery at the British Columbia University, Vancouver.

Nicholas Kearns ('64) graduated with a B.C.L. in July 1969 from U.C.D. He then did a postgraduate course in European Law. He lectured for some time in Technical Schools on the Law of Journalism and Local Government Law. He lectures in the School of Commerce, Rathmines, on Merchantile Law.

Douglas Thornton (62) has been a prominent member of the Dublin Junior Chamber of Commerce for the past few years, and is a former President. This year, the world congress of Junior Chambers International Silver Jubilee will be held in Dublin and Douglas is Congress Director.

Dr. Hugh Byrne was elected a T.D. in the last General Election.

Edward Fitzgerald (1948-1961) M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O. Edward played on the S.C.T. which won the Senior Cup for St. Mary's for the first time, beating Castleknock in the final by eleven to nil. He also played on the Senior Cricket XI for three years.

He went into Insurance on leaving school and spent three years with the Royal Exchange Assurance. He then decided he would like to be a doctor and he switched over to doing medicine in U.C.D. He married Terese Mary McDonnell in 1967 and they live in Stillorgan, Co. Dublin. Edward is at present doing his internship in St. Vincent's Hospital.



JAMES O'SULLIVAN

James O'Sullivan studied Law when he left St. Mary's and was called to the Bar in 1950. He joined the staff of Aer Lingus and became assistant secretary and head of the legal branch in 1954. In February 1968 he was appointed secretary of Aer Rianta. He lives in Blackrock with his wife and three children.

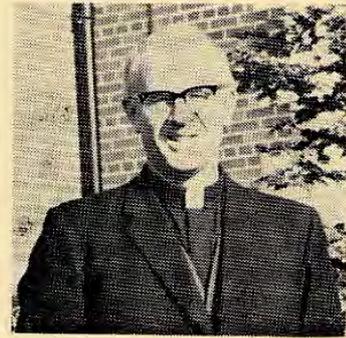
Among our most distinguished visitors to the College this year was **Most Reverend Joseph Whelan C.S.Sp.**, Bishop of Owerri. His Lordship's association with St. Mary's is one of long standing. A former Prefect and Captain of the First XV in the Club and later professor and Dean of Studies, Bishop Whelan honoured us by offering Holy Mass and addressing the student body on the day set aside for fostering vocations in the Archdiocese.



MOST REVEREND JOSEPH WHELAN C.S.Sp.

Born in 1909, ordained priest in 1938 and consecrated Bishop of Owerri in 1948, he spent the greater part of his life organising and launching the Church among his beloved Ibos. The high percentage of Catholics in Owerri to-day, as well as the number of churches, schools, convents and hospitals are an eloquent testimony to the success with which he directed the destiny of his African neophytes. His fatherly concern for his children was most in evidence during the Nigeria-Biafran war.

We wish him every success and blessing in his new post as professor of Dogmatic Theology in Duquesne University, Pennsylvania.



FR. R. KISSANE C.S.Sp.

The author of our tribute to most Rev. Joseph Whelan C.S.Sp., and another welcome visitor during the year was **Fr. Richard Kissane C.S.Sp.** He is well known to many of the present student body and to the not-too-distant past students as a dynamic Classics Master and a dedicated Dean of Studies. We wish him God's blessing on his work in Kenya where he goes to take up a post in the Senior Seminary in Nairobi.



Alfie Walsh, Frank Pratt, and Donald Foyes, former students of St. Mary's—pose for a photograph on the occasion of a visit.



SEAN COOKE

Sports Personality of the week – end of April 1969.

Sean Cooke was chosen as the Sports Personality of the week in April of 1969, for his outstanding performance in the Leinster Senior Cup Rugby Final in which St. Mary's College Rugby Club defeated Trinity College at Lansdowne Road in a fantastic and unforgettable Final replay.

Sean has appeared in five Cup Finals with the Club : he was on the victorious side in 1958 when the Club first won the Trophy, the 1960 team beaten by Trinity, the 1962 team which lost to U.C.D., and the 1967 team defeated by Terenure.

We wish to pay tribute to so courageous and gallant a player, and one who has contributed so much to the Club and to Rugby in his many years as a prominent Club player.

Sean Lynch was captain of the R.F. Club for two seasons, during the first of which he led the First XV in their magnificent victory over Trinity in the Senior Cup Final. He has played representative rugby for Dublin and Leinster and this year he was chosen to go on the Irish tour of South America, where he played in the first test match. We hope Sean will wear the green jersey for Ireland this season.

Henry Russell Murphy has played his rugby with U.C.D. since leaving school. This year he helped them to win the Senior Cup and as a result of his fine display in the cup series he was chosen to go on tour to South America. Henry has played representative rugby for Dublin and Leinster. With him on the U.C.D. cup winning team was **Seamus Deering** who was also chosen to go on tour to South America. Unfortunately, Seamus was unable to travel. He has just been elected captain of U.C.D. for the coming season and he will be ably assisted by Henry Murphy and Peter Boylan during the present year.

It is twenty-five years since **Gerry Duffy** was carried shoulder high off the Leinster cricket ground (definitely not cricket!) after making the final stroke that won the Schools' Junior Cup for St. Mary's against Blackrock. He is still hitting the ball hard – and the headlines – if we can judge by his phenomenal performances this season – 1970. He scored 79 and 92 for Ireland against the M.C.C. at Clontarf in September. In an earlier appearance for Ireland against the Combined Services, played at Derry, he took the 50th wicket of his international career. And his club performances were also outstanding this season. He won the Stewart Merchant Memorial Cup for the best batting in Leinster (454 runs with an average of 75.6). Having carried off this trophy for the fourth time, he equals the late Stanley Bergin's record. He was awarded also the Samuels Cup this season for the best all-rounder in Leinster cricket (taking 31 wickets for 408 runs).

All these achievements sent the cricketing sleuths to the record-book and they dug up figures that will surely set Gerry on the way to occupying a niche beside the great Ham Lambert, the W.G. Grace of Irish cricket. Gerry first played for the Leinster Club in 1948. That year too, he was the mainstay of the St. Mary's team, with ball and bat, when they won the Schools Senior Cup. Since that time, he has scored 7,534 runs (with an average of 43 per innings) in Senior League Cricket. He has taken 577 wickets for 8,098 runs (average 13.8 per wicket). He won the Merchant Cup in 1961 – trophy for the best batting average in Leinster when after several years running neck and neck with the leading Leinster players he just beat Stanley Bergin

to it this time. Subsequently he won this trophy on three other occasions, thus equalling the record. In the 250 innings of his career in first-class cricket, he has been 72 times 'not out.' His highest score was in 1958 with a 200 against Phoenix C.C.

So if 1970 is only Gerry's peak year, he should be making news in the cricket world for many years to come.

Is the secret of Gerry's amazing cricket vitality the fact that he still togs out for the St. Mary's R.F.C. during the winter months?

(Tailpiece: Incidentally, Dave Pigott who captained the Blackrock Junior team against St. Mary's in 1945, is like Gerry, also still playing cricket and doing very well for Ireland).

Our sincere congratulations to **Johnny Moloney** in being elected Captain of the Club and the First XV. This honour marks yet another stage in Johnny's ascent in the Rugby world. By profession, a Director

in Office and Electronics Ltd., Johnny's rise to fame is in no sense meteoric. Very early in his school days he showed remarkable skill not only in the football field, but in every sport to which he turned his attention. It was in the Rugby field, however, and more particularly as a scrum-half, that this keen and talented sportsman was to excel in a manner that brought delight to every follower of the game.

In his early days at school, one remembers his ability at the base of the scrum and his inventiveness in attack. Dedication characterised his approach to the game even then. He played his first serious football on the Under 13's team, which he captained in the Provincial Cup series. He represented the College on the J.C.T., for two years, and the S.C.T., for two more years. Though his team was not fortunate to win the Cup at Junior level, the year 1966 saw this team bring back the Leinster Senior Cup to the College. The following year saw his team in the Final against Blackrock. In these years also, he was capped five times at



Johnny Moloney playing in the Senior Cup against Lansdowne.

Photo: Irish Independent

Interprovincial level as a school boy. In the second season he captained the side on two occasions and was scrum-half on the side who won the winning series in 1967.

Always a keen athlete, Johnny took part in every College Sports and his prowess here, saw him compete in the Leinster and All Ireland Championships, coming first in the 220 yards in this latter event in 1967. He has never lost his enthusiasm for this past-time, and has continued to show his keen interest by competing each year in the College Sports in the Past v. Present Relay event. He was even chosen on a Junior International team, but injury prevented him from taking part. On the Cricket field, Johnny excelled as a bowler, and it was surely his fine spell in Danum some seven years ago which defeated an unbeaten Willow Park side in the Under 14's Leinster Schools' Cup Final to bring back the Cup to St. Mary's for the first time in sixteen years.

When he left school, he joined the St. Mary's Club and once again began to make his presence felt in the rugby arena. He was chosen to play and captain the Leinster Youths XV against Cardiff and also played

with the Wolfhounds in 1969. It was not long before his services were in demand at Senior Interprovincial level, in 1969. That same year saw his team win the Leinster Senior Cup at Lansdowne Road, defeating Trinity College in a rugby thriller. Injury to a shoulder forced Johnny to retire temporarily from the game last season, but he came back to play for his Club in the Cup series. This Autumn, he was chosen for the Irish International Argentinian Tour. On his return from this tour he achieved what must be unique in the annals of Rugby history, when as an uncapped player he was chosen to play on the wing in replacement for an injured player in the Centenary Celebrations game in Twickenham last October.

The future looks bright and we wish Johnny every success in the coming season and look forward to seeing him in action for his Club and who knows maybe we shall see him go forward to represent Ireland in the near future and join the ranks of former Internationals who have imbibed the rudiments of the game in St. Mary's College, like Paddy Roddy, George Norton, and Jimmy Kelly.

H.F.M.

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A DECADE OF ORDINATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD

During the past ten years the following Past-Students of the
College have been ordained :

FR. PATRICK SHIEL C.C.	(1952)	ordained	1960
FR. SAVINO AGNOLI C.S.Sp.,	(1950)	"	1961
FR. BRIAN GOGAN C.S.Sp.,	(1951)	"	1961
FR. PHILIP CORCORAN C.C.,	(1954)	"	1961
FR. AUSTIN HEALY C.S.Sp.,	(1951)	"	1962
FR. VINCENT O'GRADY C.S.Sp.,	(1952)	"	1962
FR. BERNARD KELLY C.S.Sp.,	(1950)	"	1962
FR. NOEL BANAHAN C.S.Sp.,	(1953)	"	1962
FR. PETER BYRNE O.S.A.,	(1953)	"	1962
FR. PATRICK FITZPATRICK C.S.Sp.,	(1952)	"	1963
FR. HERMAN REYNOLDS C.C.,	(1956)	"	1963
FR. FERGUS HORGAN O.P.,	(1957)	"	1964
FR. JOHN FLAVIN C.S.Sp.,	(1955)	"	1964
FR. EAMONN QUINN O.M.I.,	(1959)	"	1965
FR. NOEL O'MEARA C.S.Sp.,	(1956)	"	1965
FR. DERMOT BURKE C.C.,	(1960)	"	1966
FR. HEBER McMAHON C.C.,	(1960)	"	1967
FR. BRIAN McLAUGHLIN C.S.Sp.,	(1958)	"	1967
FR. MICHAEL McGLADE C.C.,	(1959)	"	1968
FR. PATRICK CULLEN C.C.,	(1959)	"	1968
FR. PATRICK CORRIGAN, Legion of Christ	(1962)	"	1970

We pray that God will give the grace of a priestly vocation to even greater numbers of our boys during the next ten years. "The harvest is great but the labourers are few."

UNIVERSITY NOTES

To all our Past Students who have been successful in their examinations during the years 1967-70 we extend our congratulations and good wishes.

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE, DUBLIN

Faculty of Arts:

John Boland	B.A. Hons
Jerry Kelly	B.A. Hons
Henry Murphy	B.A. Hons
Barry O'Sullivan	C.S.Sp. B.A.
Paul Sullivan	B.A., Econ. Hons.
Donal Coleman	B.A.
William Cooper	B.A.
Neil O'Shea	B.A.
Barry Twohig	B.A.
John O'Hagan	B.A., Econ Hons.
John O'Byrne	B.A. Econ
Jim Conheady	B.Soc.Sc.,
John Horgan	B.Soc.Sc.
Joseph Cregan	Second Arts
John White	Second Arts
John Fanagan	Second Arts
Michael O'Connell	First Arts

Faculty of Commerce:

Tom McCormick	B.Comm.
Desmond Mulligan	B.Comm.
Jim Bracken	B.Comm.
Donal Fitzgerald	B.Comm.
Jim Norton	B.Comm.
Paul Blackbyrne	B.Comm.
Michael Leahy	B.Comm.
Jim Fanning	B.Comm.
Kevin Corrigan	B.Comm.
Corry Borke	B.Comm.
David Power	B.Comm.
Davd Bacon	B.Comm. 2nd Cl. Hons.
Philip Bourke	B.Comm. 2nd Cl. Hons.
Joseph Burnell	B.Comm. 1st Cl. Hons.
David Conlon	B.Comm. 2nd Place
Patrick Forde	B.Comm.
Bernard McGlade	B.Comm.
Bernard Somers	Second Comm.
Paul Ward	Second Comm.
John Cunningham	Second Comm.
Terry Brown	Second Comm.
Liam Naughton	Second Comm.
Nial Coveney	Second Comm.

Faculty of Law:

Nicholas Kearns	B.C.L.
Ernest Farrell	B.C.L.
Dermot O'Brien	B.C.L.
Donal Corrigan	B.C.L.
Michael O'Connor	B.C.L.
Justin Sadlier	B.C.L.

Faculty of Science

Charles Hendrick	B.Sc.Honours
Liam Reamonn	B.Sc.Honours
Dermot Keogh	B.Sc.Honours
Richard Corcoran	B.Sc.General
Paul McElwee	B.Sc.Honours
Clayton Jones	B.Sc.Honours
Conor Maguire	B.Sc.Honours
Tony Hughes	B.Sc.General
Colin O'Sullivan	B.Sc.General
John McDowell	B.Sc.General
Gerard Montague	B.Sc.General
Fergus Conheady	Third Science
Desmond Cahill	First Science
Peter Brown	First Science

Faculty of Architecture:

Stephen Gaffney	B.Arch.
Tony Hickie	B.Arch.
John Greene	4th Arch.
Jonathan Kearns	2nd Arch.
Tony O'Higgins	2nd Arch.

Faculty of Agriculture:

Tom Rafter	B.Agricultural Science
Rory Harrington	B.Agricultural Science
Phelim Cluskey	2nd Agricultural Science

Faculty of Medicine:

Paul Donovan	M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O.
Frank Dowling	M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O.
Clive Duncan	M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O.
Victor Johnson	M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O.
Joseph O'Connor	M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O.
Joseph Sheehan	M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O.
Edward Fitzgerald	M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O.
David Hooper	M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O.
Declan Gilsenan	M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O.
Barry Keating	B.D.S.
Fergus Lyons	Fourth Medical
Kevin Martin	Fourth Medical
David Ryan	Third Dental
Gregory Smyth	Second Dental
Peter Boylan	First Medical
Frank O'Connor	First Medical
Martin McLaughlin	Pre-Medical
Frank Houston	First Dental
Kevin Vaughan	Pre-Medical

Faculty of Veterinary Medicine:

Tom Maher	M.V.B.
Garry O'Hagan	M.V.B.
Dermot Byrne	Fourth Veterinary
Seamus Deering	Fourth Veterinary
Paul Rafter	Third Veterinary, Hons.
Barty McKenna	Second Veterinary
Michael Sheridan	First Veterinary

Gerry Costello	B.E. (Mechanical)
Brian Coleman	B.E. (Electrical)
Gregory Murphy	B.E. (Electrical)
Jerome Martin	Third (Mechanical) 2nd Cl. Hons.
John Butler	Second (Electrical)
Martin Butler	Second (Electrical) 2nd Cl. Hons.
Frank Kennedy	Second (Chemical) 2nd Cl. Hons.
Michael Quinlan	Third (Chemical)
Christopher Noonan	Second (Chemical)

Faculty of Engineering:

David Balfe	M.Eng.Sc., B.E. (Civil)
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ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS**Faculty of Medicine:**

Paul Darcy	Fellowship in Surgery
Richard Fahy	Fellowship in Surgery
Billy Hooper	Second Medical
Donal McSorley	First Medical

DUBLIN UNIVERSITY**Faculty of Medicine**

James Gough	Pre-Med.
James Godfrey	Pre-Med.
Annraoi Bourke	Pre-Med.
Adrien Lee	Pre-Med.

Faculty of Arts

Cathal O'Doherty	First Arts
Donal O'Donovan	First Arts.

Institute of Chartered Accountants:

Daniel Coveney B.A., Econ.	A.C.A. B.A., Econ.
Michael Forde B.A., Econ.	A.C.A. B.A., Econ.
Louis Farrell	A.C.A.
Noel Cooke	A.C.A.
Louis Farrell	A.C.A.
Sean McCarthy	A.C.A.
John Doddy	A.C.A.
John Hussey	A.C.A.
Kevin McDonagh	A.C.A.
Brian Cotter	A.C.A.
Bernard Moran	A.C.A.
David O'Sullivan	A.C.A.
Gerry Carvill	Part iv
Brian Coveney	Part iii
Arthur Costello	Part iii
David Wilson	Part iii

Marriages

1968-70

Our sincere congratulations to the following Past Pupils whose marriages have come to our notice since the last publication in 1967.

Desmond Gafney *to* June Gillies
Clive Duncan *to* Margaret McGurty
John O'Hagan *to* Carol Dunphy
Jim Costello *to* Patricia O'Kelly
Tony Hickie *to* Grace Meagher
Conor Lawson *to* Anne Twitchen
Michael Hooper *to* Deirdre Nicholls
Brendan Moloney *to* Mary Hartnett
Anthony Bannon *to* Mary Ryan
Denis Byrne *to* Ann Costello
Maurice Doran *to* Philomena Gafney
Frank O'Donovan *to* Deirdre Ryan
Shane Molloy *to* Catherine Sheehan
Tom Foran *to* Margaret Tierney
Denis Kirby *to* Anne Casey
Canice Wolohan *to* Paula Conroy
Gerard Montague *to* Eleonore Schwarz
Barry Twohig *to* Gabrielle Synnott
Negley Groom *to* Corrine Massey
Eamonn Mullan *to* Maria Keane
Brian Cotter *to* Isabelle Kavanagh
Gerry Fanning *to* Marie Connolly
Frank Dowling *to* Terry McGrath
Seamus Deering *to* Ann Kenny
Maurice Hogan *to* Anne Mary Ryan
Denis Hickie *to* Rosemary Rollinson

Donal O'Sullivan *to* Marie Therese Martin
Louis Roche *to* Elizabeth Anne Henderson
Brian Coleman *to* Ann Arthur
Barney Moran *to* Una Kinahan
Myles Cullen *to* Patricia Mary Leyne
Ronan O'Callaghan *to* Francis Ellis
David Hooper *to* Jane Flood
Kevin McGuinness *to* Una Jacklyn Billings
Sean McNamara *to* Sheila Farrington
Richard Tallon *to* Barbara Larkin
Declan Gilsenan *to* Constance Kilduff
Sean McCarthy *to* Pauline O'Donohoe
John Doddy *to* Eileen Hennigan
Desmond Bone *to* Carol Murphy
Stephen Reynolds *to* Noeleen Quinn
Ross McMahan *to* Mary Catherine FitzGerald
Liam Birkett *to* Sheila Moore
Eddie Veale *to* Clodagh Wilkes
Peter Prendeville *to* Noreen Byrne
Joseph O'Connor *to* Anne Mullen
Brendan Sharpe *to* Evelyn Meehan
Philip Martin *to* Penelope Price-Jones
Hilary Doyle *to* Marian Henry
Michael Costello *to* Elizabeth Griffin
Dudley Shanley *to* Sheila Duffy
Paddy Byrne *to* Maura Henry

May the peace of Christ dwell always in your hearts and in your home.

May you be blessed in your work and enjoy its fruits.

May the Lord grant you the harvest of a good life.

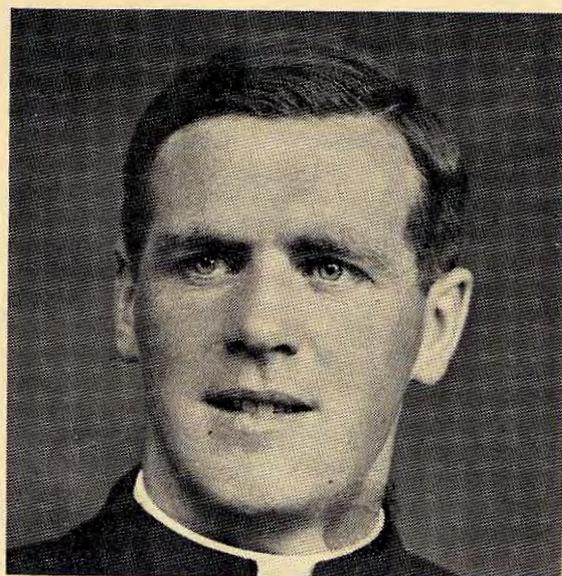
So may you serve him faithfully on earth and merit the reward of His Kingdom in heaven.

(New Ritual).

Obituary

1968-1970

Fr. Edmund Gorman who died in October 1969, was a native of Laghey, Co. Donegal. He was educated at Blackrock College and joined the Holy Ghost Congregation in 1943. He did his studies in Kimmage Manor and was ordained there in 1952. His first appointment was to the Archdiocese of Onitsha in Nigeria. He is remembered in Africa as a tireless worker, always kind and considerate with his colleagues and the people he served so faithfully. His time in Africa was cut short by a serious fire accident which he suffered when going on a sick call at night. He was so badly burned that he had to return to Ireland where he spent many long and painful months in hospital. During a long convalescence his patience never failed him and his cheerful smile concealed the suffering he was enduring. When he got on his feet again he was appointed to St. Mary's and told to take things easy. Instead, wanting to play an active part in the work of the Community, during the next three years he went to U.C.D. and took a Degree in Economics and History, and the next year a Diploma in Education. In 1963 he became a full-time member of the academic staff. He gave the same cheerful service as teacher and later as Bursar, as he had given earlier on the mission field. He was never in bad form and could never do enough to help people. His illness in April 1969 came as a great shock to the staff and students of the College, but during the next seven months Fr. Edmund was to show the real greatness of his priestly soul. He never complained of his growing weakness: he was grateful for the smallest service rendered to him. He maintained a deep interest in the affairs of St. Mary's both staff and students right up to the end. He never lost his hope



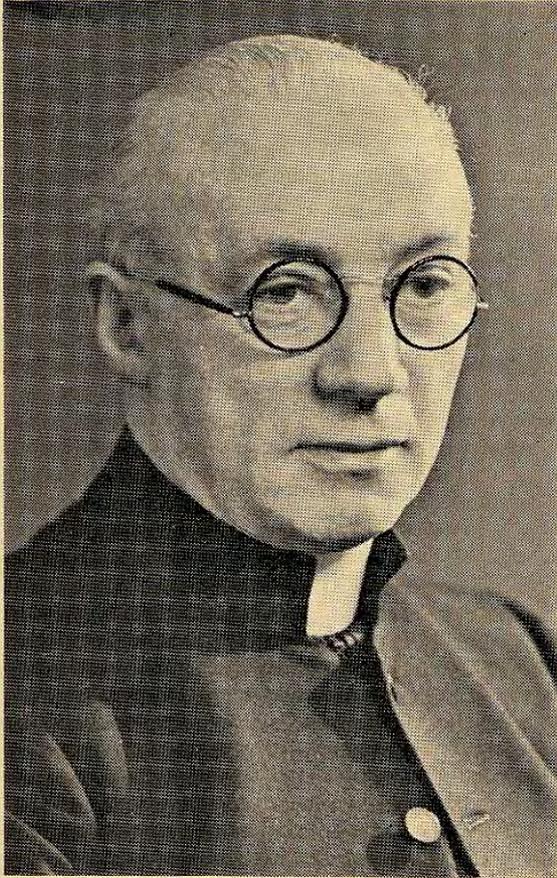
FR. EDMUND GORMAN C.S.Sp.

that God might cure him and allow him to carry on his priestly work, but he fully accepted his illness and offered himself as a victim for the souls he wanted to serve. He went on a pilgrimage to Lourdes in June and from the time of his return to his death in October he showed the most edifying resignation to God's will.

He will be remembered by his former students for his kindness; his memory will be cherished especially by his colleagues in St. Mary's where his life was such an inspiring example of priestly devotion to others. We thank God for sending him to St. Mary's. We know that the work he did there was mostly hidden, but that it was no less important for that. We feel that we are better for having known him. May he rest in peace.

Fr. Joseph Gilmore died shortly after Easter this year and his passing was as unobtrusive as his whole life. Fr. Joe, as we affectionately called him, was a quiet unassuming man who went about his daily work unnoticed even by those who lived in closest contact with him.

He was born in Ballyhaunis in 1890. On leaving school he joined the Augustinian Brothers and taught in their school in New Ross. He decided he wanted to be a priest and so he went to Blackrock College for a



FR. JOSEPH GILMORE C.S.Sp.

time before joining the Holy Ghost Congregation. He lived in St. Mary's during his student days while attending U.C.D. Three of his companions of that time were Dr. McQuaid, Archbishop of Dublin, Dr. McCarthy, Archbishop of Nairobi, and Dr. Heerey, Archbishop of Onitsha, Nigeria. He was ordained in St. Mary's in 1923 and he said his last mass this year at the very altar at which he was ordained forty-seven years earlier.

In 1924 he was appointed to the mission of

Kilimanjaro, Tanganyika. There he founded the teacher-training College at Cuiga-chini, which flourishes to this day. Two of his African students from that time later became bishops, Bishop Joseph Kilesara and Bishop Joseph Sipendi.

He was forced by ill-health to return to Ireland in 1932 and he was appointed to St. Mary's that year. He was the founder of the Junior School and he was still Dean of the Junior School in 1951, the year he was appointed President of the College.

As a young member of the staff of St. Mary's there seemed to be no limit to his activities. He combined the job of chaplain to the Holy Faith Convent, the Coombe, with a full day's teaching and his work as Dean. He stocked and supervised the school libraries for many years and he produced plays, concerts and musical operettas in both Irish and English, in the Junior and Senior Schools; in the early days he even painted his own scenery on the stage. All his life he took a special interest in art and painting. He was a frequent visitor to the city's art galleries and to art exhibitions.

His eight years spent in Africa made a lasting impression on Fr. Joe's life. He loved to speak of his early experiences there, and he was always thrilled when a returned missionary dropped in to him for a chat; he kept alive his interest in the missions to the very end of his life.

High blood-pressure and increasing deafness toward the end of his days made his life a very retiring one but nothing could stifle his interest in all the activities of St. Mary's. He was known to make his way to Lansdowne Rd., to see the boys playing in a Cup match when many a lesser man would have been abed.

He was President of the College from 1951 to 1957. In that year he suffered a stroke and he had to retire from active work as a result. He spent his later days in prayer and reading and kept his wonderful sense of humour to the very end. He was a holy man who loved his daily mass and office; a humble man with a heart full of charity; a quiet man with a twinkle in his eye and a ready chuckle on his lips. His memory will be revered by the generations of St. Mary's boys who passed through his hands. May he rest in peace.

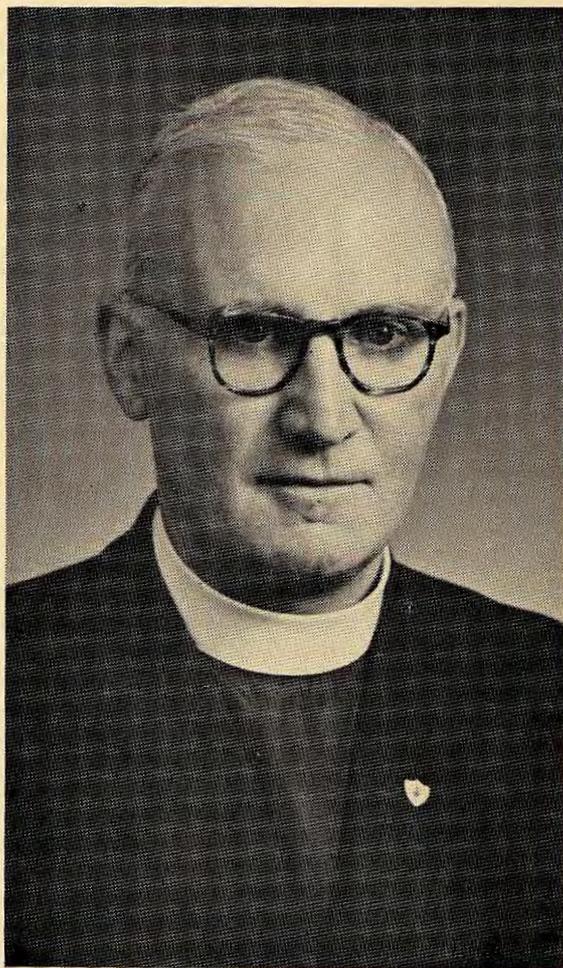
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Piety, deep and genuine, was the most characteristic thing about **Father William O'Connor's** life. He never compromised with

the love and loyalty he owed to God. He was an unusually gifted man. He held a first class honours arts and science degrees from U.C.D. and was one of the very few Irishmen to win the coveted gold medal for theology in the Georgian University.

Neither the heart condition from which he suffered for almost thirty years nor his intensely active life as Theology Professor, dean of studies at St. Mary's and Superior of Kimmage, made him deflect from his loyal devotion to personal prayer. His zeal for the liturgy was another facet of his preoccupation with God. He kept abreast of every aspect of the renewal of sacred worship and put it into practice in Kimmage.

Father O'Connor's love of God very naturally flowed over into love of his fellow men. His kindness was like himself, sensitive, human, considerate. He recoiled almost physically from the hurtful word or deed. If he felt he did the slightest wrong to the smallest boy he was ready to apologise. His brethren will remember the self-reproaching



FR. WILLIAM O'CONNOR C.S.Sp.

way he used to say "I shouldn't have said it". People, people of all types were sacred to him. He was interested in everybody. Indeed his interest was sometimes mistaken for curiosity. We often fail to recognise true charity when it comes in week-day clothes and Father O'Connor's charity was personal and practical.

One brief tour of Kenya was Father O'Connor's only direct contact with the missions. It was the occasion of the centenary celebrations of the arrival of the Holy Ghost Fathers on the coast. He relished every moment of his time there and longed to go back. But a true missionary he was. It was for Africa he volunteered in 1931 and providence decreed that he should spend most of his priestly life preparing priests to go there. These he followed with personal concern.

All of us are poorer because of the passing of this exemplary priest but we are richer because he walked amongst us.

To his brother and sisters and the other members of his family we offer our sincere sympathy and the assurance of our prayers for him and for them.

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Patrick Robert Gogan. In September 1968 Pat Gogan died although in failing health for some years his death at the age of 68 came as a shock to many friends throughout Ireland. "P.R." as he was affectionately known was Manager of the Theatre Royal, during the 1940's and up to 1951; was Manager of the Queens Theatre and it will be for his many kindnesses and help to launch so many of today's well known stage personalities he will be best remembered.

Pat Gogan together with his brothers Tom, John, Jim and Lorcan were all associated with St. Mary's between them from 1903 to 1916 - when St. Mary's closed. Two of his brothers the late John was President of the Union in 1937 and in 1962 his younger brother Lorcan held the same office. Down the years the Gogan family have been associated with St. Mary's - Pat's three sons Paddy, Terence, and George were on the College roll during the 1940's and 1950's as also were many nephews and cousins. The Holy Ghost Congregation has three Father Gogans, Gerard, Cothrie and Brian. Paddy Gogan has been associated with the Rugby Club for some years and is a very keen referee. "P.R." was very proud of his godson, who

in the field of entertainment is well known throughout Ireland on radio and T.V.; his voice is well loved by all, I of course refer to Larry Gogan !

Pat Gogan was one of that distinguished group of St. Mary's pastmen – Dr. Jim Mageniss, Frank Purcell, C. M. Wilson and Jack O'Brien – to mention but a few who made the St. Mary's Past Pupils' Union Dramatic Society a cultural force in the then social life of Dublin. It is a thought to remember that in 1935 this society was able to present at the old Abbey Theatre their production of "If I were King". The programme itself reads like a "who's who."

Throughout his life Pat Gogan was always gentle, and kind and during his last illness he accepted great suffering with wonderful resignation. He was even then always ready to help others. One feels sure that he is now enjoying his reward for many unselfish acts of kindness during his life.

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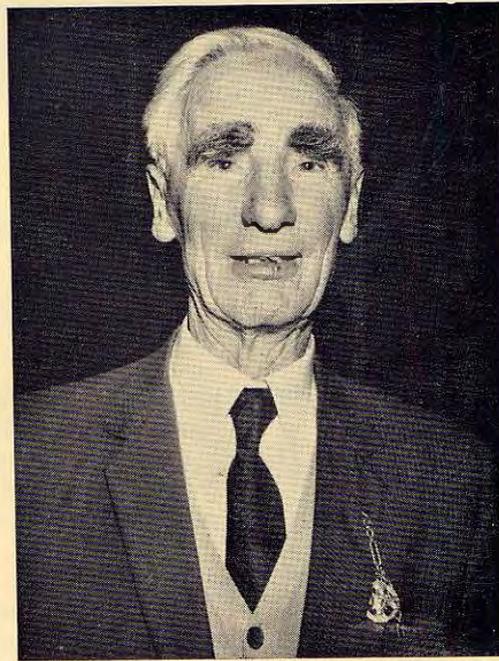
Seamus O Braonain, who died, aged 90, was a former Radio Eireann director of broadcasting.

A native of Durrrow, Laois, he was educated at St. Mary's College, Rathmines, Dublin, and spent his early career in the civil service.

In 1940, he was transferred from his position in the Department of Education to the post of assistant director of broadcasting, and took over the post of director the following year. He retired in 1947.

It was during his term of office with Radio Eireann that the Radio Eireann Symphony Orchestra was formed.

He had a life-long interest in the Irish language and his last job before moving to Radio Eireann was going around the Govern-



SEAMUS O'BRAONAIN

ment Department making a survey and giving advice on the extension of the language in Government work.

It was in the sporting sphere that he will perhaps be best remembered by many who were active in Dublin G.A.A. circles in the first decade of the century.

Between 1903 and 1909 he won four All-Ireland football medals with Dublin, and was the only survivor of the 1903 team.

Mr. O Braonain was also involved in other sports, being a noted athlete, cyclist, and captain of St. Mary's Rugby Club. He combined this with being a founder member and President of Donabate Golf Club.

In his later years he was a well-known contributor to newspapers and magazines in Irish.

Bereavements

We extend our sincere sympathy to all the relatives and friends of the following deceased past pupils whose deaths have been announced since our last publication :

REV. EDWIN RUSSELL P.P.

PETER NUGENT

BERT O'BRIEN

CHARLIE WALKER

AIDAN GRENELL

CON CREEDON

JACK TIERNEY

JIM O'GRADY

FRANK DOWLING

TOM KIERNAN

ROBERT RUSSELL

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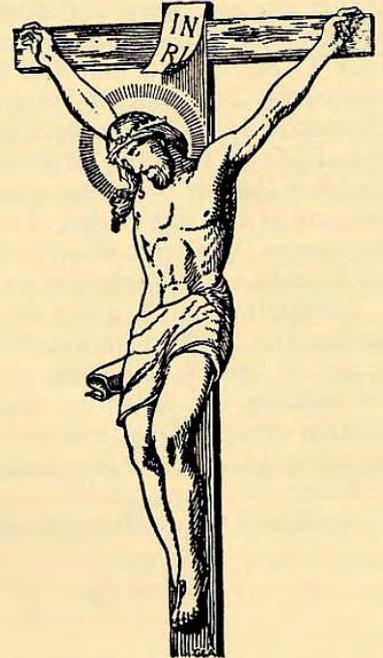
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and also to the relatives and friends of those whose names have not come to our attention.



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The Editor would appreciate the co-operation of his readers in bringing to his attention news of past students: academic qualifications and other distinctions, marriages and bereavements. Where possible photographs should be included.

Many thanks are due to those who made possible the collecting and compiling of such news in the current issue.

The College Play

" NOT IN THE BOOK "

By

ARTHUR WATKYN

DUE to the building scheme that had been undertaken in the Junior School, the concert hall had been out of commission for three years. There had been a break in continuity of our stage productions and so when the usual December play was mooted, we felt we were already beginning with a handicap. To add to our worries, all our stage equipment had perished in a fire during the summer holidays. We therefore had to begin with a 'tabula rasa,' so to speak. Basic sets had to be constructed and painted, curtains had to be hung and the whole stage equipment had to be renovated. One heartening feature however was the installation of a new lighting system which precluded any headaches in that direction. But when all these important preliminaries had been settled, there arose the annual greatest difficulty of all. What play should we do and what about the Cast? Our choice finally fell on a full-length modern comedy of the English stage: 'Not in the Book' by Arthur Watkyn.

This play with only eight characters in all (seven male and one female) looked at first sight quite an easy one. Few characters, one set - easy to do. But as any producer knows, this is the most erroneous judgement that can be made about the stage. In fact no play is really easy to produce. One has only to think of the production of a monologue like McLiammoir's "The Importance of Being Oscar," or a play like "Waiting for Godot," which has only five characters, to realise this. In fact it can be safely asserted that the fewer the characters, the greater the meticulous care that must be given to the production. For in this case the attention of the audience is far more concentrated on the words and on the actors, following carefully their every gesture and movement, and if the production is not first class, the play will tend to pall. So, "Not in the Book," it was.

When it came to picking a Cast, we suddenly realised that the three years interim

had meant the loss of a certain stage tradition. In fact Carl Opperman who played the part of Michael Bennett, was the only one who had appeared in a play before. All the others were new to the stage. They had to work hard at their parts if the production was to be convincing. And they did. The complicated story of "Not in the Book" really begins when the quiet tenor of the peaceful and very correct way of life of the respectable Bennett family in suburban London, is broken on the evening that Timothy their next-door neighbour and budding novelist, recommends a crime story he has written, to the gracious patronage of Mr. Andrew Bennett. The novel begins to have a personal interest for Andrew when a visitor from South America calls and reminds him of a 'peccadillo' he has dallied with twenty-five years previously when as a young man he had spent some years on that continent. Blackmail of course. The novel emerges still further from the world of fiction to put Andrew in a situation of very compromising reality, when on a subsequent visit the same caller (Pedro) dies in the Bennett sitting-room at Andrew's feet. But his difficulties do not end there. He has to keep the whole affair hidden from his wife Sylvia and his son Michael. They however have their own peccadillos which they wish to conceal from him. The police arrive and the comedy develops into a series of family subterfuges and deceptions in the attempts of the guilty parties to explain the presence of the law.

Timothy comes back into the picture to find his manuscript working out in a vivid drama of living reality before his eyes, in which the Bennetts are the unwitting actors. By the time the play ends he is well-nigh mentally shattered. However all ends happily when Pedro is shown up by the police for the crook he is, and his death traced to another victim of his blackmailing machinations. In fact it was 'this other victim' which Timothy had omitted to think of when he wrote his novel



Photo: C.S.Sp.

TIMOTHY (Brian Fitzgerald) : " Work ? "

SYLVIA (Philip Leahy) : " He's been going to it for the past twenty-five years,"

'Not in the Book' and who really resolves the whole problem. Such was the plot. A small, cast, yes, but calling for a considerable sophistication of acting from schoolboys.

School plays are invariably a success. In a school of several hundred boys there is in fact a very great variety and richness of acting talent. We had therefore no difficulty in choosing our characters. The major part of Andrew round whom the whole action gy-rates, fell to Mark Reade. It was a considerable achievement for him to be able to portray so convincingly this sophisticated role of the middle-aged, very correct, umbrella-carrying, bowler-hatted English civil-servant and sustain it with convincing manipulation of tobacco pouch and pipe during the long periods he was on the stage. His poise and deliberation contrasted sharply with his vivacious wife Sylvia. In the latter part we had a real find in Philip Leahy. He had of course the additional difficulty of having to appear in modern dress but he seemed to be able to capture all the movements of hands, eyes and limbs, that express the subtleties of mind of the eternal female. Timothy was well portrayed by Brian Fitzgerald - timorous, uncertain of himself,

with an English almost fawning respect for those in authority (Mr. and Mrs. Bennett and the police) Brian Redmond's fine speaking voice and well built frame earned for him the part of Pedro; he had to learn off a few lines of Spanish, which helped to give some authenticity to his interpretation of the part. We were fortunate to have a bulky lock forward, Derek Jennings to interpret the part of the florid, retired, cricket-loving Colonel Barstow, a role he carried off with confident enthusiasm. And there was no need to look farther afield than Malachy O'Neill (whose parents are both doctors) to play the breezy role of Dr. Locke whose golf means much more to him than his patients. Our only difficulty was to find a uniform of a London police inspector, big enough to fit 6ft. 3 ins. Gerry Duffy. In the end we had to compromise with some adjustments to that of a Garda Siochana. That none of our many audiences questioned its authenticity, is a tribute to the success of our theatrical make-belief. So much for the cast.

It would take too long to tell of the vast amount of work put into the learning of lines with convincing meaning, the movements

and gestures, the synchronisation of exits and entrances and the thousand and one details that have to be perfected if a play is to rise even slightly above an amateur production. Costumes were styled by Messrs Bourke; Father Carraher saw to the complicated details of lighting. Dublin's Peter Mark wigs are the modern answer to the problem of stage wigs for lady characters. They can be definitely said to be far better than the old natural hair wigs.

In the green-room Mrs. Smyth worked wonders in transforming a scrummager by day, Philip Leahy, into an actress by night. Colm Keegan and Peter Walsh did a 'man's' job on the male characters. Michael O'Shea and his many helpers saw to sound effects, music and all precise movements of doors and bells that the play called for. It ran for almost a week. It was great fun and excitement while it lasted and we felt that our various audiences were pleased. We were satisfied that we had contributed to the

rehabilitation of the College stage with a play in the best St. Mary's tradition.

'Not in the Book' will never rank of course, as a great play in the English language. It is a modern composition – barely fifteen years old. However it is heartening to see that in these days when the theatre (including that of Ireland) had reached an all-time low in obscenity and vulgarity, there still can be written a play in English that has no need to stoop to monosyllabic vulgarity to provoke the lewd guffaw. Nor is it a play without a moral. An honest man caught up in a compromising situation dallies with the temptation to take the easiest pragmatic way out. At the very last moment, he steels himself against it and is saved by a virtuous habit engendered by years of upright living. And the whole complicated situation serves to provoke that safest of all human safety-valves – laughter. If 'Not in the Book,' has any claim to dramatic universality, it is in this.

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CHARACTERS

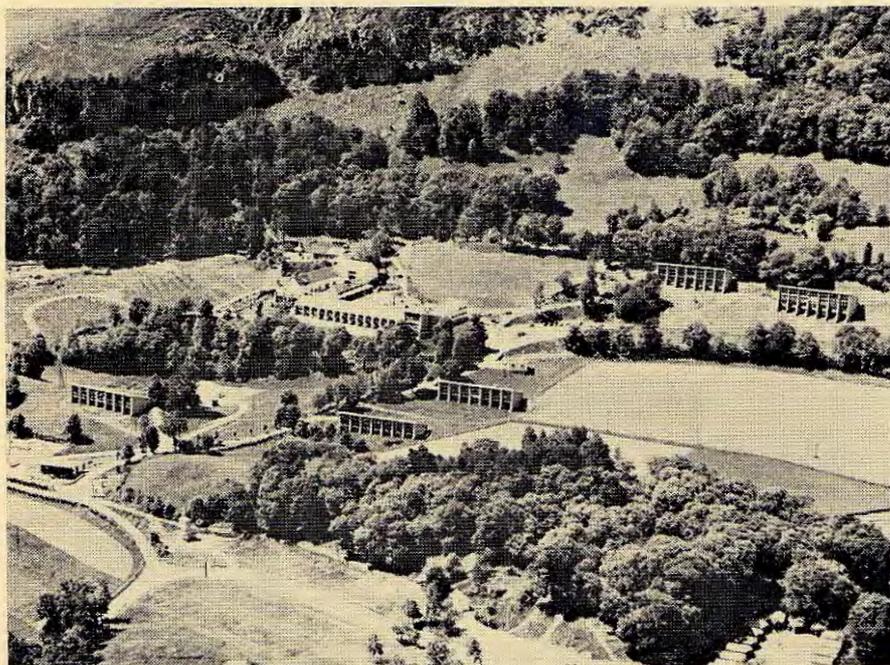
(in order of appearance)

SYLVIA BENNETT	PHILIP LEAHY
MICHAEL: her son	KARL OPPERMAN
TIMOTHY GREGG	BRIAN FITZGERALD
INSPECTOR MALCOLM	GERALD DUFFY
ANDREW BENNETT	MARK READE
PEDRO JUAREZ	BARRY REDMOND
COLONEL BARSTOW	DEREK JENNINGS
DOCTOR LOCKE	MALACHY O'NEILL

(This Play was produced and directed by Fr. F. C. Barry, C.S.Sp.)



'Pimples can't see beyond his nose.' – R.H.



"THE CITY OF THE POOR"

By

DAVID O'SULLIVAN

IN Lourdes, there are two gates leading into the Domain of the Grotto: St. Michael's and St. Joseph's. Opposite St. Joseph's gate, at the end of a row of shops, is the office of the Secours Catholique. Because of its proximity to the Grotto most pilgrims and other visitors to Lourdes pass this office several times a day: some even put a franc into the collection box outside and hammer a nail into the already well-studded tree trunk, the sign above which says: 'Hammer a nail and help the City to shelter one pilgrim more.' Many do so without ever realising just exactly what is this City, and thereby miss one of the most interesting aspects of Lourdes, excluding the Grotto itself. The City referred to is the Cité-Secours St. Pierre. There, this year, I spent five weeks as a voluntary worker.

ORIGINS

In 1955 the Secours Catholique, a French charitable organization connected with Caritas Internationalis, was asked by the Bishop of the diocese to build a 'city' to house those poor pilgrims coming to Lourdes who would be unable to afford the cost of a hotel. It was fortunate enough to be able to buy eighteen acres of land on the outskirts of Lourdes at the foot of Mt. Beout, a mere

fifteen minutes walk from the Grotto. And there, on the 1st August, the feast of St. Peter-in-Chains, building began. Two years later the first pilgrims were accommodated. Architecturally the City is a showpiece. Rather than cluster all the buildings together, which would have ruined the beauty of the mountain scenery and destroyed the peace and quiet, it was decided to space the buildings apart, blending them into the natural contours. Consequently we find two upper pavilions where the pilgrims sleep and three lower ones, with a central group of buildings, based around a converted farmhouse, which includes offices, refectories and dormitories for the staff. The result is a City at once pleasing to the eye and suited to its purpose.

PAVILIONS

The pavilions are divided into bergeries (sheepfolds). These dormitories (usually containing seven or eight beds) are plain but comfortable, and, like everything else at the City, spotlessly clean. One of the bergeries was donated by Ireland, and others were paid for by Germany, Spain and Belgium, though the vast majority have been provided by French dioceses.

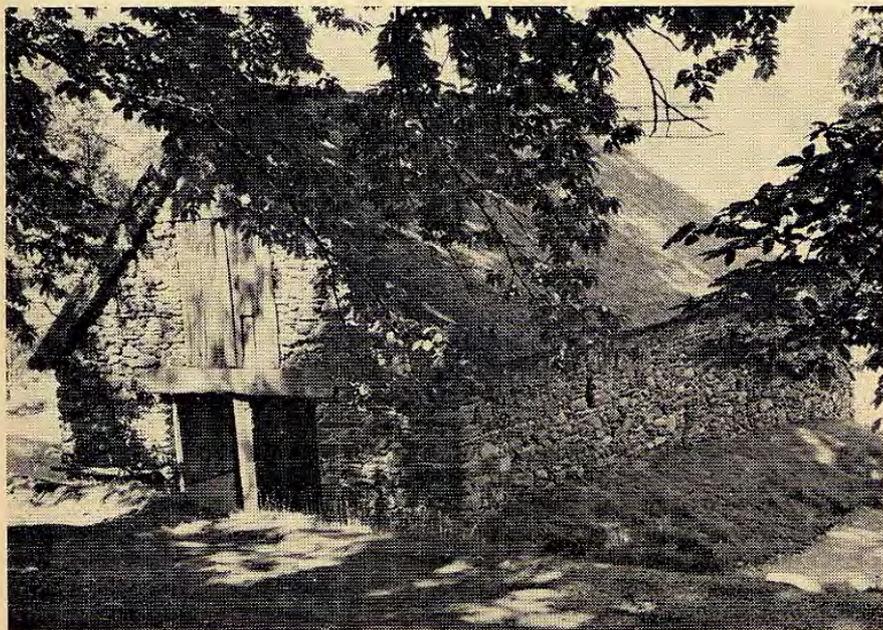
Each pavilion can hold around one hundred – so that the total capacity of the City is five to six hundred. To date, the City has accommodated 120,000 pilgrims, 31 % of whom were non-French (i.e. Spanish, Italian, Belgium etc. – very few Irish people avail of the Cité-Secours, which is perhaps a pity). They come for five days and five nights and are maintained absolutely free of charge. There are cases of individuals coming to stay at the City though in general pilgrims come in groups organised at Parish or diocesan level.

THE CHAPEL

One of the great attractions for visitors is the chapel, which, though built as recently as 1956, is an exact replica of the barn at Bartres, a small village, just outside Lourdes where Bernadette spent a year as a shepherdess. It is complete with a thatched roof, which is so realistic it even lets in rain at times, bare stone walls and, in place of more orthodox pews, milking stools covered in sheepskins. The altar is a simple stone block with a wooden beam laid across it. Beside this stands an old shepherds lantern which serves as an altar light. At the back of the chapel on either side of the door, are two confessionals: only a conspicuously transparent iron-grid separates priest from penitent and I couldn't help feeling that most

people, unfairly perhaps, would think that this was carrying simplicity too far.

This chapel is not much used by the actual pilgrims staying at the City. They understandably prefer to go to the grotto or the Basilica in Lourdes town. Also the chapel is small, being capable of holding only eighty people. For larger pilgrimages there is an open air church with the seating actually terraced out of the mountain itself. There the altar is a millstone, which is doubly symbolic because Bernadette's father was a miller and because the Host is made from grain ground in a mill. The Chapel is particularly suited for con-celebrated Mass. Towering above the altar is an enormous twenty foot high wooden cross. In 1946, there was a pilgrimage held by prisoners of war in thanksgiving for their release from the German camps and in 1966 there was a commemorative pilgrimage during which forty men carried that cross through the stations of the cross down in Lourdes, later placing it where it now stands. Anyone who has seen the torturous stations at Lourdes will realise what a feat this was. Nor is this the only historically interesting cross at the City, for just beside the refectory there is a small cross put there by refugees from the Hungarian revolution in Budapest in 1956, when they came in pilgrimage to Lourdes the following year. The inscription reads, "O Virgin Mary, justice for the oppressed Hungarians."



THE CHAPEL,
a replica of
the barn
at
Bartres.

Beside the path leading up to the chapel there is a stone from the Grotto, a constant reminder that the function of the City is to serve the Grotto: the Cité Secours is not an end in itself; it is the means to the end of enabling people to make a better pilgrimage.

CONVERTED FARMHOUSE

Before 1955, the buildings which now constitute the dormitories and refectories and infirmary belonged to the farmyard of the original property. The cow-shed has been converted into a reading room or conference hall. The barns and hay loft are now dormitories for the priests who come as chaplains to the various pilgrimages, and for the seminarians who work there. The pig-sties have become small apartments for the other personnel of the City – not, I am sure a reflection on their importance. In this section of the City there is perhaps a lesson for us in Ireland: for it is an excellent example of how to convert without destroying. The cow-byre now a reading room, has been converted to serve its new purpose without changing its original character. The names of the cows still hang above their feeding boxes. The same beams still support the roof – and all around the walls hang farm implements: flails, pitchforks, churns and harnesses. This room typifies the theme of the City's design – functional yet imaginative and attractive. It is centrally heated because in winter it is used by large groups of retreatants (priests, seminarians, nuns, brothers, soldiers, groups from Church Action, etc.), instead of pilgrims. Beside the reading room is the infirmary which is only equipped to deal with minor accidents and illnesses; neither sick people nor invalids are received at the City. There is sufficient provision made for them in the town of Lourdes.

Stretching out from the infirmary is the newly-built refectory. This magnificent building is seventy-five yards long and sixteen yards wide and is capable of seating over five hundred people; using a self-service system, this number can be fed in one hour. The kitchens are bright, modern and well ventilated; and would be the envy of many a first class hotel. The food, a matter of no small importance to those staying at the City, is excellent. Once the meal is finished, the pilgrims place their trays on the conveyor-belt and from there they are loaded into dish-washers.

An enormous fresco occupies the end wall of the refectory. It portrays the miracle of the loaves and fishes set against a background of Lourdes. Apart from Our Lord Himself, the fresco includes people like Bernadette, Pope John and Marshall Petain. An inscription reads "Christ is bread shared," a fitting theme for the refectory of the Cité-Secours.

THE SECOURS-CATHOLIQUE

Of course the Secours-Catholique is a very competent and professional organization. It approaches social work as a business proposition. It's involvement is world wide. There are five other Cité-Secours, including one in Jerusalem. It is much involved in helping the under-developed countries in Africa, and played a great part in the relief of Biafra. The Cité-Secours St. Pierre itself is an enormous project. There are 1,000 sheets to be washed every five days, and 1,850,000 meals have been served since its opening. These figures are some indication of the scale of the undertaking.

How does someone come to the Cité-Secours? If they are French, they simply apply through the Secours Catholique, which has regional branches all over the country. If non-French, then they must go to Caritas, the international charitable organization based in Rome with national representation throughout Europe. In Ireland however, where Caritas does not exist, a letter from their parish priest, or a permit from the Catholic Welfare Bureau, will suffice. It is left to the discretion of these bodies to decide whether someone is incapable of paying Hotel expenses. They can come only once in their lifetime.

Fifteen hundred tourists visiting the city in one day is, during the peak season at least, the rule rather than the exception, and most of the tours and organized pilgrimages to Lourdes include a visit to the City in their programme, though it is amazing the large number of people who have come to Lourdes year after year without ever having seen it. The Cité-Secours is an exercise in charity: it is utterly uncommercialised. Even the bus service bringing visitors to and from the Cité is provided free of charge, as are the guided tours (the guide work is done mainly by students and seminarians). At the end of the tours visitors are asked to give donations,

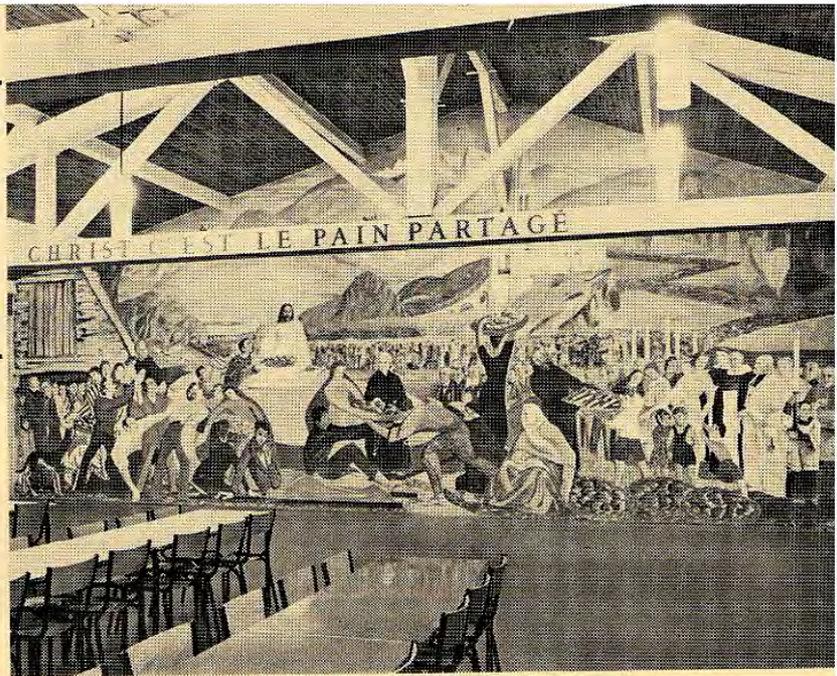
THE REFECTORY,
showing the fresco
by Ambroselli.

Christ is bread shared.

and it on the generosity of these visitors that the Cité is based. As one of the brochures says: "The Cité is a great symbol of the charity of those like you who keep it in existence." The majority of the people I spoke to at the Cité were agreed that not only were the Irish visitors the most interested but that also they were among the most generous.

VOLUNTARY WORK

The Cité is, practically speaking, closed from October to March. There is a small permanent staff of fifteen who remain there all year round. These include administrative personnel and secretaries as well as chefs and workmen, and some nuns. During the peak season (May to September – when pilgrimages begin to come on a more regular basis) the Cité is staffed almost entirely by voluntary workers: housewives, nurses, students, seminarians. These come from all over the world (places as far apart as Nigeria, and Vietnam) and from all walks of life, and give their services voluntarily for three or four weeks. Ireland is well represented mainly by clerical students from various seminaries. In July, the number of voluntary workers was ninety, and this was not including a group from the youth section of Secours-Catholique who had come specifically to deal with the teenagers in Lourdes and to interest them in the Cité. Living conditions are very good, and for those who wish to undertake some charitable work there could hardly be a more rewarding or interesting outlet. A basic knowledge of French is necessary. Anyone interested can write for information to: Cité-Secours, St. Pierre, B.P. 106, Lourdes, 65 France.



The Cité-Secours has given many many people the opportunity of coming to Lourdes who would never otherwise have had the chance: Poor people who have perhaps prayed all their life for this pilgrimage; old people who have come perhaps to prepare for their death; young people who have come perhaps to prepare for their life . . . And what is more, at the Cité, there is no stigma attached to poverty. No one is made to feel inferior. The site is one of the best in the region: beautifully situated in healthy rugged mountain scenery, it commands an impressive view of Lourdes, its chateau and its parish church. And the buildings are no makeshift wooden shelters smacking of cast-off charity, but rather attractive, comfortable, well built pavilions. All the dormitories and bedrooms have been designed specifically so that the rising morning sun shines in through the windows . . . and all around there is silence and peace. Indeed it has been said that Monsignor Rodhain, the originator of the Cité has made "a Lord of the poor." At the Cité-Secours, commented one pilgrim, "One is proud to be poor." As one who has been there and worked there, I know what they mean.

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Senior English Debating Society

THE activities of the Senior English Debating Society may be broken into three categories: Society Debates, Competition Debates, and Inter-School Friendlies.

Two Society Debates were held during the school year, the opening one being on the 30th September 1969. This was somewhat of an historic occasion, being the first time that members of the Teaching Staff had taken part in such a debate. A large attendance was present in the Art Room in anticipation of oratory of the highest quality and they were not disappointed. The speakers for the Government were Rev. Fr. H. F. Moloney C.S.Sp., Mr. Sean McCarthy, Karl Opperman and David O'Sullivan. The opposition speakers to the Government were Rev. Fr. Cyril Byrne C.S.Sp., Mr. P. Quinn, Edward Wigglesworth and Mark Burke. In the chair was Derek Jennings. While all of the speakers spoke extremely well on the motion, "Science has done more for civilization than Religion" Mr. P. Quinn must surely have been the best speaker of the night. In a very scholarly and well-thought-out speech he pointed out that, "progress as represented by the fruits of science has not made man any the more civilized." When put to the vote the motion was carried by a majority of three votes.

The next meeting in this category was held on the 28th Oct., 1969. The Rev. Fr. C. Byrne was in the chair. Walter Scales, Alan McShane, and Mark Reade were speaking in support of the motion, "Apartheid is the only proper solution to the Racial problem." They indicated the tremendous differences which exist between whites and blacks, differences in thought-patterns, social customs and religion. The Opposition, which consisted of Gerry Duffy, Robert McKell and Patrick Power explained the evils of Apartheid, particularly as exemplified in South Africa. "If the world is to survive," they concluded, "there must be inter-racial marriage." The motion was carried by four votes.

The Society was represented in two Debating Competitions this year: The Aer Lingus and the Safety First Association of Ireland. Nine speakers represented the College in these Debates. They found that the motions as set by the two sponsors were somewhat lacking in the scope they should have provided for cut-and-thrust debate. Even so the speakers gave a good account of themselves, receiving very high marks in the Aer Lingus Debate and reaching the quarter-finals in the Road Safety. They eliminated C.B.S., Crumlin, having debated that "More affluence means more Accidents." They also defeated Holy Faith Greystones, the motion being, on this occasion, "Too many people benefit from roads." Mr. Sean McCarthy was in the chair on both occasions.

The Maryfield College were our opponents in the quarter-final. The College Team was composed of D. O'Sullivan, K. Opperman, and D. Jennings opposing the motion, "The penalties imposed by the Judiciary encourage traffic offenders." They quoted from Garda Files cases of weak penalties being imposed by the Judiciary and showed how these had encouraged careless driving. They stressed the fact that motorists are like children: unless they fear punishment they will not be good." The arguments put up by the girls were lively if not always relevant. A rather desultory debate resulted in the defeat of the motion by the house with whose decision the Judges concurred.

The first of our three friendly inter-school debates was held in Clontarf against The Holy Faith Convent. Clontarf were putting forward the motion that "The only solution to the present Irish problem is another Act of Union." In his summing-up Ciaran Mooney, showed the dry wit for which he was well known. Mark Burke spoke like a true economist, Paddy Power in the style of a Fenian.

The next debate was with Templeogue College. The motion was "Non-violent

protest is an inefficient means to achieve a political end." Mark Reade, Walter Scales, Karl Opperman and Mark Burke spoke in opposition to the motion on behalf of the society. Templeogue showed a good command of their subject and forced the Mary's team to call upon all their oratorical skill to get the verdict by a mere two votes.

On the 20th February we again spoke against the Holy Faith students of Clontarf. This time they were our guests in Rathmines. Clontarf came looking for revenge and they

got it. They opposed with fiery conviction, "Girls should be educated to be wives and mothers." This was the ninth and final debate, in what had been an outstanding year for the Society, so that it is with great expectations we look forward to next year.

Finally, a word of thanks to Rev. Fr. Cyril Byrne C.S.Sp., and Mr Sean McCarthy for their help and encouragement during the year.

DEREK JENNINGS



Photo : C.S.Sp.

Final Benediction at Rathmines Parish Corpus Christi procession, L. Kennedy and L. Barry officiate.

Cumann Diospóireachta na Gaeilge

LEIS na smaointe nua-aimsire go léir atá tagtha ó thaobh múineadh teanga de, cuirtear níos mó measa ar labhairt na teanga anois ná mar a chuireadh cheana seo. Tá scrúdú cainte san Meanteist agus san Árdteist, agus tuigtear anois go bhfuil sé i bhfad níos tábhachtaí do athbheochaint na Gaeilge go mbeadh an dalta in ann í a labhairt go líofa.

Bhí an tÁdh linn i gColáiste Naomh Mhuire go raibh an tUasal Pól MacMurchú againn mar mhuinteor Gaeilge. Do thug seisean éifeacht labhairt na teanga, agus do rinne se ana-chuid oibre le ceardaíochtaí *audio-visual* agus le díospóireachtaí chun an aidhm seo a chur i gcrích.

O thaobh díospóireachta de, is cuimhin liom san dara bliain na díospóireachtaí a cuireadh ar siúl idir 2a, 2b agus 1a. Díospóireachtaí cuíosach neamhfoirmiula a bhí i gceist ach do thug siad ana-chuid cabhair dúinn chun Gaeilge a labhairt, agus freisin thug siad cleachta dúinn ar oráidíocht go ginearalta.

An bhliain ina dhiaidh (1968) do fuairamar ár gcéad caoi chun labhairt in aghaidh scoileanna eile nuair a ghlacamar páirt ins na díospóireachtaí a cuireadh ar siúl ag Ógra Éireann (fé stúiriú na mBraithre Críostaí). San chéad bhabhta do bhuaileamar lenár

gcáirde croí Colaiste Naomh Louis agus do bhuaileamar—bhíomar ar an céad foireann díospóireachta Gaeilge as an gcolaiste seo riamh a bhuaigh ar Naomh Louis: tosach maith. Ach cé gur labhramar i gcúpla babhta eile ní raibh an tÁdh céanna linn.

'Sé an coras ata ag Ógra na go mbíonn ceithre cainteoir ar gach foireann. Tugtar an rún dos na foirne fiche noiméad roimh tosnú an dhíospóireachta, agus fhaid agus atá na foirne á ullmhu, bíonn saghas saor-dhiospor-eachta ar siúl ina mbíonn cead ag an lucht éiste an rún a phlé. Ceadaítear dos na cainteoirí labhairt ar aon taobh den rún is mian leo. Ní mór dóibh labhairt ar feadh ceithre noiméad. Ag gach díospóireacht bíonn moltóir i láthair nach bhfuil aon bhaint aige leis na foirne.

An chéad bhliain eile, bhíomar arís san comortas Ogra Éireann agus an uair seo shroiseamar na leath-chraobhacha. Do theip orainn dul níos fuide, ach bhíomar ag éirí níos fearr.

An bhliain seo (1970), socraíodh go gcuirfí dha fhoireann isteach san gcomortas Ógra Éireann, agus freisin go nglacfaí páirt ins an comortas Gael Linn. D'éirigh leis an fhoireann ón ceathru bhliain i ndíospóireacht le Mount Sackville, ach ar an lá ceana do buadh ar an fhoireann as an cúigiú bhliain. Do labhramar i cúpla díospóireacht eile ach níor éirigh le aon ceann dos na foirne áit d'fháil ins na craobhacha. Ainneoin é seo, ag an díospóireacht deireanach den bhliain, a tionóladh i gColaiste Oaklands, sheas Bráthair Chríostaí suas ag a deireadh agus duirt sé go raibh an-dul-chun-cinn déanta ag an Coláiste s'againne ó thaobh díospóireachta de. Tráth, dúirt sé, ní raibh moran meas ag scoileanna eile ar fhoireann díospóireachta as Coláiste Naomh Mhuire, ach anois 'bé a mhalairt an scéal. Is mór an moladh é sin do mhuintir an choláiste seo, múinteoirí agus b'fhéidir go mbeidh an tÁdh linn as seo amach agus go neireoidh linn áit d'fháil ins na craobhacha. Ar aon nós táimid buíoch do Ógra Éireann agus Gael Linn de bharr an chaoi a thugann siad do dháltaí scoile bheith páirteach ins na comortaisí seo.

Ba mhaith liom freisin buíochas a ghabháil, thar cheann na ndaltai uile, don Uas. P. MacMurchú agus an tUas P. L. Ó hAnnraoi as ucht an chabhair a thug siad dúinn agus as ucht na hoibre go léir a rinne siad ar ár son san coláiste.

DAITHI Ó SUILLEABHÁIN

Legion of Mary

STELLA MARIS PRAESIDIUM

SENIOR

THIS Praesidium has, at present, eleven members and members have remained at about this level over the last three years. The Praesidium is responsible for running the Marian Boys' Club, which caters for ex-Industrial schoolboys, orphans, and their friends. There are approximately sixty boys attending the club regularly. Most of these boys are friendless and homeless or from broken and unhappy homes. The Brothers, through their constant help and interest, build up special relationships with these boys, but to achieve these personal contacts the Praesidium must have sufficient help and there is, at present, a chronic shortage of helpers in the club. People wishing to help in the club need not be members of the Praesidium and any assistance would be most welcome. Anybody interested may call in to the club on any Tuesday, Thursday or Saturday night.

The club owns its premises at 23, Upper Gardiner Street. Activities include table-tennis, billiards, darts, chess and draughts. There is also a coffee room and television room. Regular film shows are held throughout the year. Tara Street baths are hired for an hour each Saturday night and football matches are played in the Summer. It is hoped to run Educational classes and to have a Drama group next year.

The club's financial position is strong. The overdraft in the bank now being in the region of £400 from its former 'peak' of over £5,000. This dramatic reduction has been achieved by the unrelenting efforts of the Finance Committee and associated Committees, by generous grants from Comhairle le Leas Oige, and by the contributions of the Golden Guinea Club run by the St. Mary's College P.P.U.

The Finance Committee under the chairmanship of Mrs. C. Mangan, and the

Management Committee under Mr. Dermot Sullivan deserve great credit for their efforts over the years. Our Spiritual Directors and Chaplains, including Father P. McCarthy, C.C., Reverend Father P. J. Murray C.S.Sp., Reverend Father J. Hurley, C.S.Sp., Father J. Beere, C.S.Sp., and Father A. Carragher, are also due our most grateful thanks.

The Praesidium also supplies an officer to the Intermediate Praesidium.

DANIEL COVENEY

STELLA MARIS PRAESIDIUM

JUNIOR

IN 1968, it was decided to amalgamate the two school praesidia with Tim Kelly as President. It has been a satisfactory arrangement as fewer wish to join the ranks than of old. Over the past few years, attendance at meetings has averaged out at about six plus our dynamic President, though there would be a few more on the rolls. This year attendance tended to drop even further, so that the time of the meeting was brought forward to Saturday at 12.30 which suits a good deal better.

The work remains mainly the same, visitation of St. Luke's Hospital in Rathgar. The patients there are always very pleased to see the arrival of the brothers as many of them are from the country and don't have many visitors. Occasionally other temporary work had been done and the members are always welcome to visit the boys' club in Gardiner Street to help the Senior Praesidium in their worthwhile work. Fr. Darcy has remained Spiritual Director over the years.

D.D.

COLLEGES' VOLUNTEER CORPS

THE Colleges' Volunteer Corps was founded by His Grace the Archbishop of Dublin in 1961 during the planning stages of the Dublin Diocesan Celebrations for the Patrician Year. Then known as the Congress Volunteer Corps, it was formed from among the senior students of the boys' secondary colleges within the Archdiocese of Dublin. Clad in a distinctive uniform of dark grey trousers, white shirt with yellow epaulettes, green tie and yellow beret, they were in attendance as guards of honour to religious and civic dignitaries and as stewards and couriers. With the conclusion of the Patrician Congress, His Grace had at his disposal a body of trained youths who had formed new friendships and had learnt the value of united effort and co-ordinated planning. The Corps then became permanent and changed its name to the Archbishop's Volunteer Corps and later to its present name the Colleges' Volunteer Corps. Today co-ordinated planning and united effort have brought together not only youths from various schools but also past pupils, since Corps membership is open to those between the ages of sixteen and twenty one.

During the Patrician Congress there were three groups within the College, and with the permanent establishment of the Corps they amalgamated to form one group. The Corps is involved in many fields of social work, including work with the blind, aged, itinerants as well as youth clubs. At the present time members of the St. Mary's Group are involved in youth and itinerant work. Projects such as the redecoration of old people's houses have also been undertaken, sometimes in co-operation with other Corps groups.

Education plays a vital part within the Corps. The prospective member attends one evening lecture a week in the Dublin In-

stitute of Adult Education; these are given by experts in various fields including University and Dublin Institute lecturers as well as lay and religious social workers. As part of their training, the 1969-70 first year members undertook various projects. Those in the St. Mary's Group were involved in an itinerant project. Besides the above there are courses and conferences for second year members and leaders as well as the Youth Diploma Course in the Dublin Institute of Adult Education for older members.

Besides the social work, the Corps has also been asked to steward at certain functions. One of the most memorable was the Silver Jubilee Celebrations of Our Lady's Coral Society last year,

Every year since 1961, members of the Corps have accompanied the Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes as brancardiers. On the 29th of April 1970, the St. Mary's Group together with the Corps groups of De La Salle College Churchtown, Marian College, Oatlands College and Presentation College Glashule played hosts to an Area Parents Evening. His Grace Most Reverend Dr. McQuaid addressed the parents and met them afterwards. The Corps Chaplain Fr. Gay Slattery also spoke, as did the Group Leaders who gave brief reports on their own groups. The evening concluded with tea followed by a film of the Corps at Lourdes.

The Group wishes to sincerely thank the Very Reverend President of the College, for the interest and encouragement he has shown towards the Colleges' Volunteer Corps and in particular towards the St. Mary's College Group.

CIARAN MOONEY

Group Leader 1969-70

Ornithology Club

1969-'70



Members of the Ornithology Club relaxing after a successful survey of Ireland's Eye.

TOWARDS the end of the first term last year, immediately before the Christmas holidays a club was formed. Its purpose: the observation and study of birds. Our beginnings were modest, but our spirits enthusiastic. Our early members were drawn from first and second year students, although it was open to older boys also. Those who joined were by no means inexperienced, for some had already made bird-watching their hobby.

The observation and study of birds in their habitats and elsewhere needs no explanation or apology. Its primary purpose is to learn more about the wonders of these living creatures in which Ireland in particular abounds. Indeed, our island is in rather a unique geographical position as far as these feathered species are concerned, being the cross-roads of Europe for birds migrating north in the Summer, and south in the Winter, from North and South America, Asia and Africa and as far away as the Poles. Ireland abounds in vast natural reserves for the wintering and breeding of innumerable varieties. Most of us take birds much for granted and scarcely recognise their presence except in Spring song. But isn't that true of almost any wonderful thing we possess until

one day it is no longer there? In some respects man is threatening this vast wealth of bird life and so our budding ornithologist is at heart a conservationist. He has to be, for he realises the necessity of preserving the natural habitats of the birds, if they are to survive much longer in their traditional grounds here in Ireland. In a sense, too, he is a collector, not of birds or eggs but of what he sees, in particular the unusual or rare variety. Perhaps it is the thrill and expectancy of seeing a 'bridled' Guillemot, Peregrine Hawk, Manx Shearwater or Grey Phalarope or watching the great Gannets dive into the sea or maybe even observing the cluster of Razor-bills regurgitating on the rocky cliffs, and listening to the call of the Kittiwake or the Curlew.

Whatever be his particular interest in this field, Dublin provides much for the ornithologist almost at his very doorstep. During the six months since the Club began, its members have taken full advantage of the facilities at their disposal. Bull Island, the feeding ground for thousands of birds ranging over 150 species at the height of the Season in Winter, provided ample scope despite the cold weather. There were numerous visits here. We also took in Booterstown, Sandymount

and Ringsend.

For variety we turned our attention to the Ducks and Geese in Stephen's Green and Phoenix Park and took photographs and added some 60 colour slides to make a splendid collection of some of the most beautiful varieties in the world. The Natural Museum provided us with stuffed examples of all available species ever recorded in Ireland. Not content with our local treasury, we ventured on a day trip to the Saltee Islands, very kindly arranged by John Sutton. This proved a wonderful experience in every sense, for here was a sanctuary of sea birds in the peak of the breeding season, the like of which are not commonly seen. In a few hours we had rubbed shoulders with Kittiwakes, Fulmars Puffins, Razorbills, Guillemots, Shags and Gannets in an unforgettable setting, a memory we shall always cherish.

We rounded off the year by a group visit to Ireland's Eye. Our plans for the coming season envisages trips to the Wexford Slobs and Lambay Island. It is also hoped to extend our club membership and to hold competitions. It is proposed also to train group leaders and to have orders of merit based on ability and experience. Fergus Sweeney, one of the founder members had the honour of being chosen to represent the Club on the T.V. Series in the Autumn Series, "13, 14, 15."

H.F.M.

Top:

1. Discovery of Guillemot's egg – Ireland's Eye.
2. Herring Gull's Clutch – Saltee Islands
3. Colony of Gannets – Saltee Islands.

Centre:

4. Herring Gull chick hatching – Ireland's Eye.
5. Herring Gull chick – Ireland's Eye.

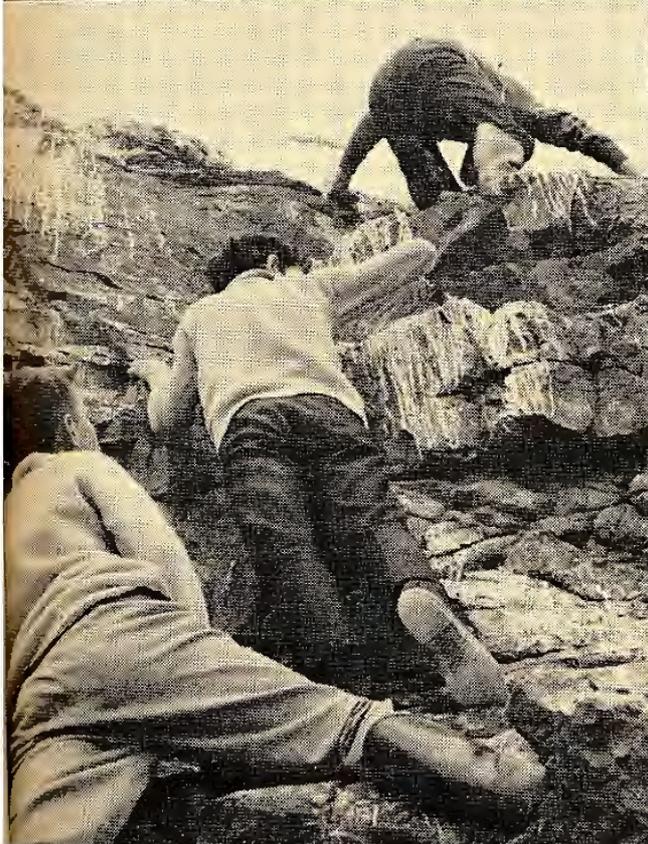
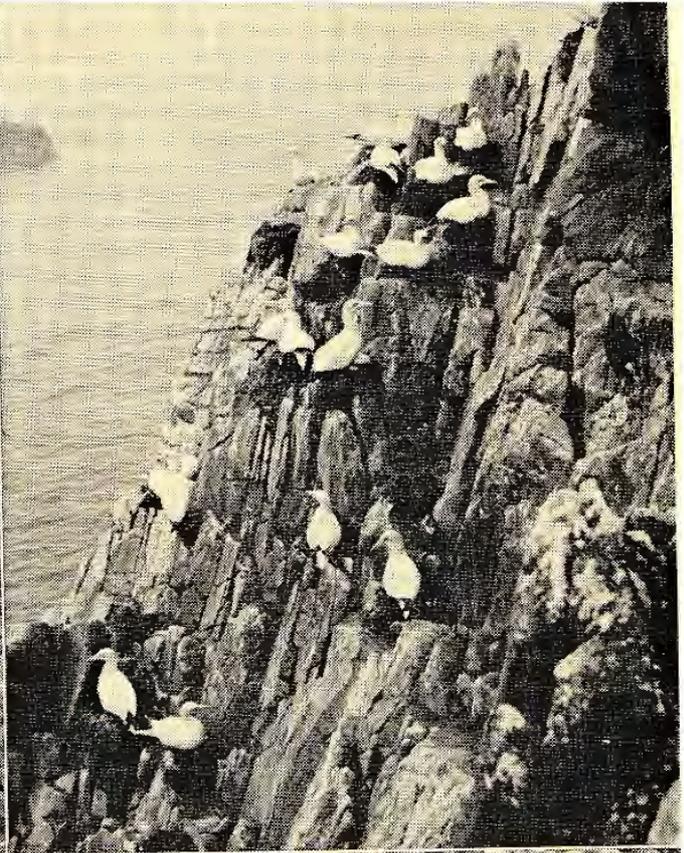
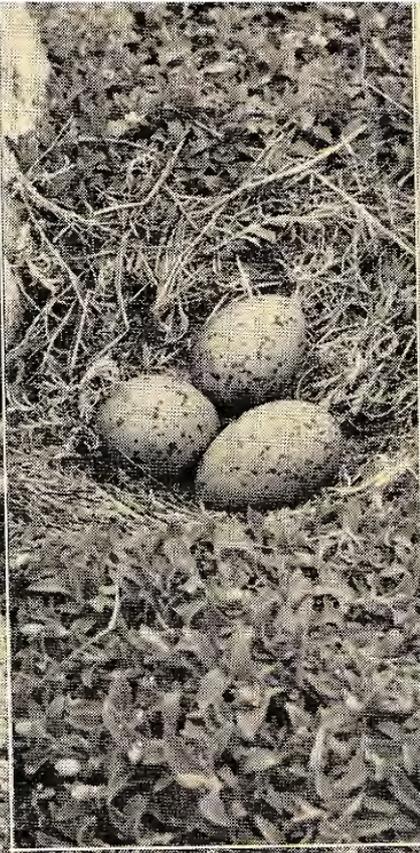
Bottom:

6. In quest of Guillemots and Razorbills – Ireland's Eye.
7. Guillemot chick – Ireland's Eye

Photos: C.S.Sp



'Thought I'd drop in and say, Hello !!!' – R.H.



RED-NECKED PHALAROPE



Photo : C.S.Sp.

Fergus Sweeney, author of the article on the Red-necked Phalarope represented our Club on the T.V., Series, "13, 14, 15," this Autumn.

At the south end of a small Mayo Lough, there is a fenced-in area of about one acre. This is the Red-necked Phalarope's Sanctuary. Here these waders, a little smaller than starlings, breed, the only place in Ireland where they do. This year there were 25 to 35 birds present. Ten young birds were seen.

In Winter this species goes to sea, but they turn up after a storm on lakes and ponds along the coast. They are extremely tame and it is possible to get within a yard of them.

On one occasion, a red-necked Phalarope came out of the reeds and began rocking back and forth dipping its head in the water, then springing up, so that the water ran down its back. Five more birds joined it and proceeded to wash in the same way.

They feed on insects found on the surface of the water or on waterside vegetation. Busily they work their way along the edge of the reeds, picking insects from the water and the rushes.

These birds differ from nearly all other birds during the breeding season. The females are the brighter coloured. It is they who choose their mates and although the male also prospects possible nesting sites, it is one of those selected by the female which is eventually used. The male incubates for 20 days the 4 buff, pear-shaped eggs which are heavily blotched with brown. He tends the chicks when they hatch. They fly after about 17 days.

Their head and upper parts are slate grey with red patches on their back. Their neck is red, hence the name. The under parts are white. The male is a little paler than the female.

This bird is becoming quite rare and the eggs are highly prized by collectors and the bird suffers as a consequence. There has been a slight increase in the numbers in the Mayo colony over the past few years and one only hopes that this trend may continue.

FERGUS SWEENEY,

Swimming

THIS was a year upon which one could look back with satisfaction. Progress was made and we were most fortunate in having the expert coaching of Mr. E. Ince throughout the season. Since Iveagh Baths were not available to the schools this year we had to be content with the facilities at Tara St. Being smaller and shallower than Iveagh we had to limit the age group and the numbers applying. Nevertheless, over a hundred boys benefited from the Friday swimming sessions. Encouragement was given especially to the non-swimmers to attend and the many who availed of this opportunity to learn to swim were amply rewarded at the end of the season. Those who could already swim and had some knowledge of the strokes, learned to perfect the swimming techniques, particularly breathing, under the careful eye of our instructor. For those more ambitious, there was the chance to learn the most difficult stroke – the Butterfly – a challenge indeed, to even the most promising of swimmers. So great was the attendance, interest and talent throughout the cold winter evenings, that it was decided to hold a Gala in March. There were over sixty entries and some 50 prizes to be won. It proved a very worthwhile undertaking enjoyed by all. We owe a sincere debt of gratitude to all those who so generously gave of their time to assist in the running of this event. It is hoped to hold a similar event in the years to come.



John Mulvey
surveys some of
his swimming trophies
for 1969
and 1970.

An account of this year's swimming achievements would not be complete without mention of four particularly talented swimmers in the College. At the top of the list is John Mulvey, winner of the Liffey Swim in 1969. John has always had a keen interest in this sport and joined in 196 . Since then he has represented the College in the Leinster Boys' Irish Schools' Swimming Championships on many occasions. He has taken part in the Tailtean games and in December of last year, represented Leinster against the Ulster Grammar Schools, where he came second in the Junior Freestyle. This year he represented Leinster in the Junior Freestyle Squad Competition. In the Irish Championships, this Summer, he came third in the 100 and 200 metres Freestyle events. Not content with competing in the indoor events, John was successful in the open sea arena, recently when he won the Kilmartin Cup for the one mile handicap off Bray.

Donal and Con Davis are two more swimmers of exceptional talent. They, too, have had their share of success in competitions, representing the College on many occasions. Both are members of Dublin Swimming Club. While both are adept at all four strokes, Donal's forte is perhaps the breast-stroke and Con's, the butterfly. John, Donal and Con have combined well, along with Terry McDonagh, who is a promising back stroker. This year they came fourth in the All Ireland Championships in the Medley Squad, a feat all the more remarkable when one realises that they were a year under age. Just recently Donal and Con Davis came first and second respectively in the Clontarf Sea Swim.

This talent augers well for the future. We wish them every success in the coming season and hope that they will bring honour to their Clubs and the College.



COLLEGE SWIMMING GALA RESULTS

UNDER 15s SECTION

<i>Backstroke 'A':</i>	1. D. Davis	2. J. Mulvey
<i>Backstroke 'B':</i>	1. S. Bowe	2. A. Kennedy
<i>Breaststroke 'A':</i>	1. D. Davis	2. C. Davis
<i>Breaststroke 'B':</i>	1. A. Kennedy	2. S. Bowe
<i>Freestyle Cham. 'A':</i>	1. J. Mulvey	2. D. Davis
		time: 63.3
<i>Freestyle Champ. 'B':</i>	1. S. Bowe	2. A. Kennedy
<i>Individual Medley:</i>	1. J. Mulvey	2. D. Davis
<i>Medley Team Relay:</i>	1. J. Mulvey's team	
<i>Freestyle Team Relay:</i>	1. S. Bowe's team	

Top Left:
Beginners learning the strokes.

Top Right:
Mr. E. Ince demonstrating to beginners.

UNDER 14s' SECTION

<i>Backstroke:</i>	1. S. Mulvey	2. S. Sheehan
<i>Breaststroke:</i>	1. D. Levins	2. S. Mulvey
<i>Freestyle:</i>	1. C. Davis	2. S. Mulvey
<i>Individual Medley:</i>	1. S. Sheehan	2. G. Coghlan
<i>Medley Team Relay:</i>	1. S. Mulvey's team	
<i>Freestyle Team Relay:</i>	1. S. Sheehan's team	

Centre Left:
Smiles in the pool.

UNDER 13s' SECTION

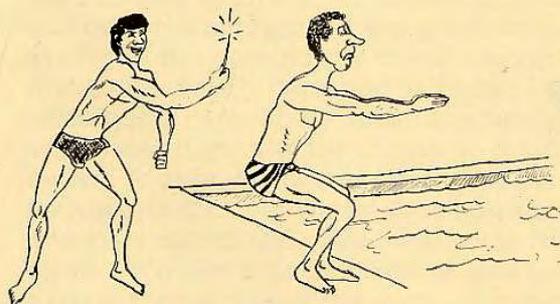
<i>Backstroke 'A':</i>	1. P. Shortall	2. E. Tiernan
<i>Backstroke 'B':</i>	1. B. Sheehy	2. G. Hickey
<i>Breaststroke:</i>	1. J. Farrell	2. D. Rafter
<i>Freestyle 'A':</i>	1. D. Quigley	2. P. Shortall
<i>Freestyle 'B':</i>	1. G. Conheady	2. K. Bulger
<i>Individual Medley:</i>	1. D. Quigley	2. R. Murray
<i>Medley Team Relay:</i>	G. Hickey's team	
<i>Freestyle Team Relay:</i>	G. Conheady's team	

Centre Right:
OUR THREE EXPERTS –
Donal Davis, John Mulvey and
Con Davis.

OTHER EVENTS

<i>Beginners' Race:</i>	1. P. Healy	2. S. Lenehan
	3. M. Walsh	
<i>Consolation Race:</i>	1. S. Mulvey	2. J. McManus
<i>Medley Team Squad:</i>	St. Mary's v. Templeogue	
	—St. Mary's team: J. Mulvey, D. Davis C. Davis, T. McDonagh.	

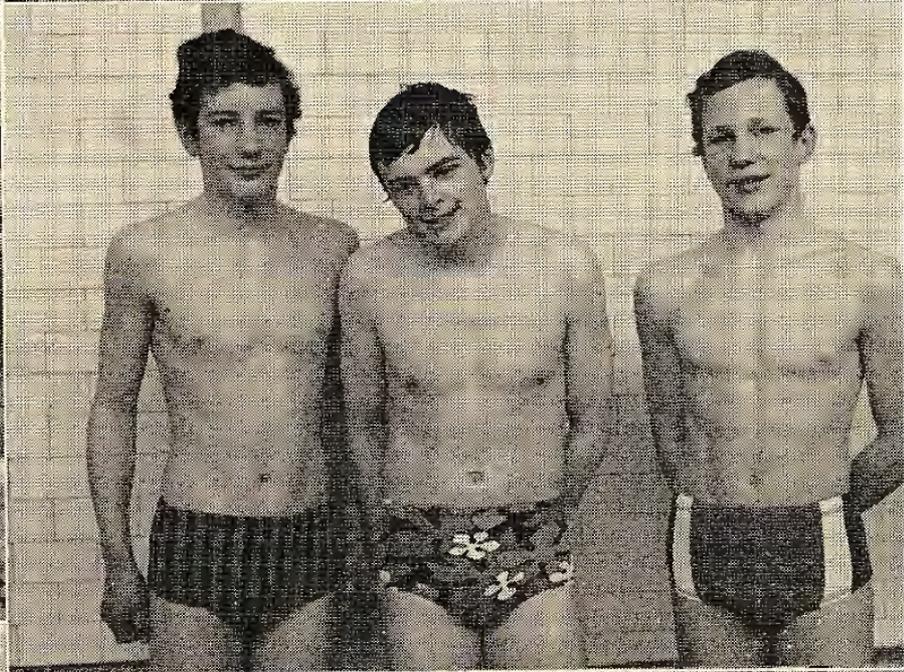
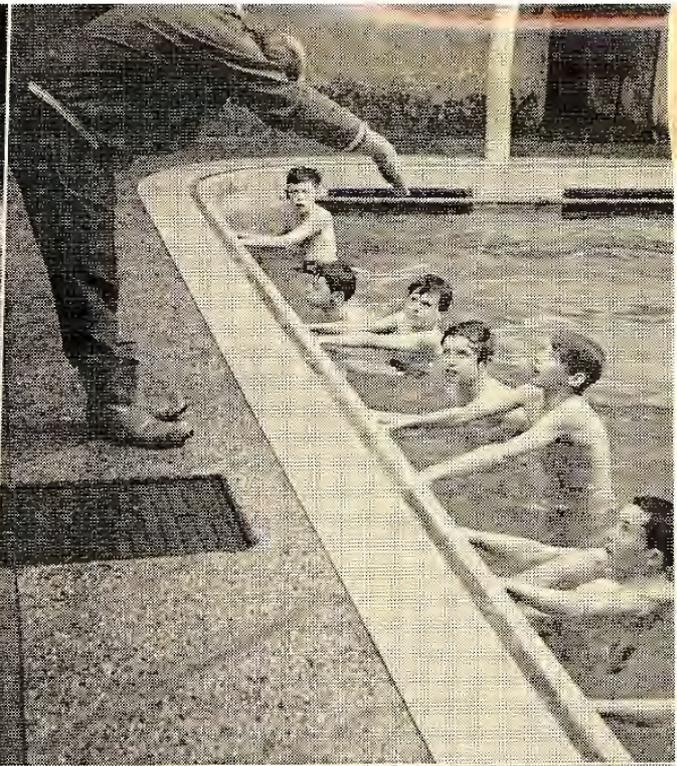
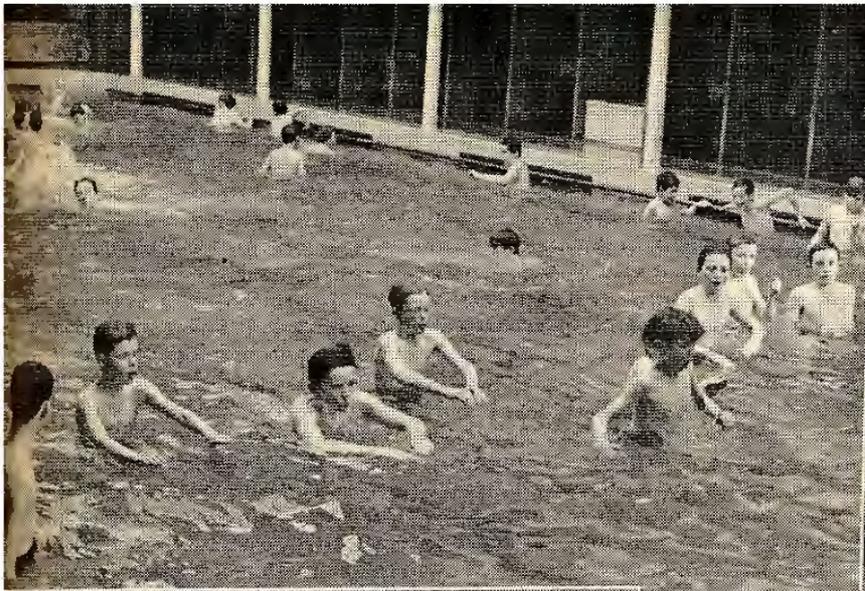
Bottom Left:
Some of the advanced swimmers
cluster for a snap.



'This should be a record leap.' – R.H.

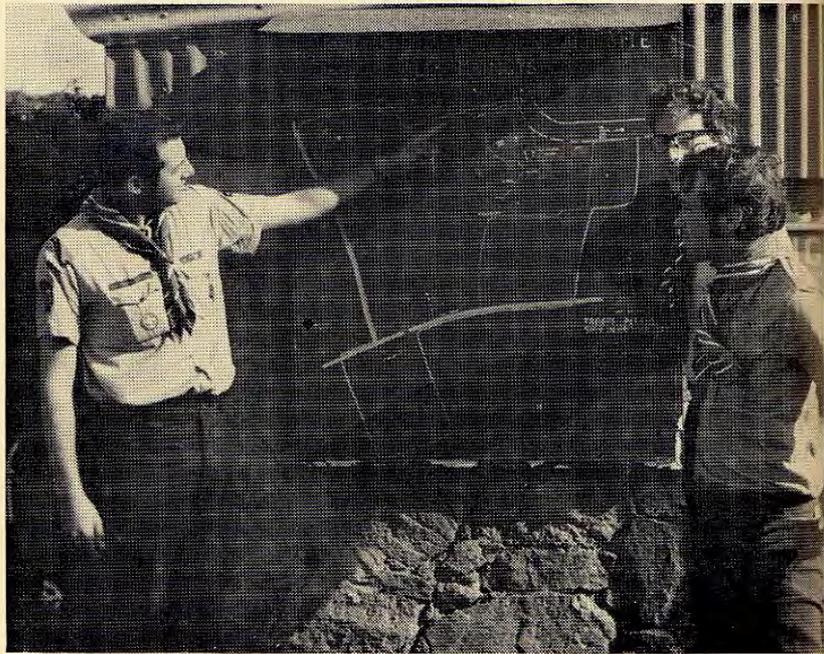
Bottom Right:
While the beginners are being
coached, the others relax in some
fun and games.

Photos: C.S.Sp.



Scouting

THE 7TH / 8TH DUBLIN TROOP



Scout Chiefs survey map of camp site, Guernsey.

THE past three years have seen many changes in officers in our unit but perhaps the most significant change of all has been the splitting in two of our ever growing troop into the 7th and 8th Dublin troops. After much deliberation it was felt that the only way to cope with the numbers seeking admission was to start the second troop and while it has meant an extra call on officers, so far the call has been answered. The troops alternate their meetings on Fridays and Saturdays and the arrangement is working out.

Some of our longest serving officers have now retired from the unit. Louis McMullen who devoted many years first as Scout Master, then as Unit Leader was finding it hard to spare the time after his marriage so he retired from active service though he is always at hand whenever his services are required. We owe Louis a very sincere thanks for all his work for the unit. His place as Unit Leader has been taken by P. Best and Peter is doing a fine job. In turn the Cub Master vacancy has been filled by Gerry Costello and Jim Kelly with D. McSorley and M. McLaughlin as assistants. Conal Hooper too after long service with the unit has given over as Senior

Scout Master to Brian O'Kelly who now has eight fifth years under his able guidance. Jerry Kelly was first Scout Master of the 8th troop and had a very successful year but unfortunately could not continue. However Peter Costello has been a capable successor. Denis Kirby was Scout Master of the 7th for a number of years but when he became District Commissioner he handed over to G. Sharvin who was in turn succeeded by D. Hogan. Fr. D. Darcy has remained Chaplain during all the changes. As well as thanking all those mentioned, we are very grateful to the many other assistants D. Smyth, S. Keeley, B. McGlade, B. Grimson, D. Jennings, P. Andreucetti, B. Strahan, P. McLaughlin and T. Lynch who have given so generously of their time. Finally we congratulate Louis, Peter, Denis, Conal, Frank Dowling, Ross Mahon and Donal O'Sullivan all recent leaders who have married over the few years.

Activities have been much as usual. Each year the Cubs have had their long week-end camp at Courtown, their Christmas party, their visit to the zoo while their athletic cup has hardly been off our mantlepiece. This year they joined the league soccer also. The

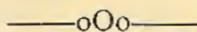
scouts, 7th and 8th together, have had very successful summer camps. In '68 it was at Youldbury outside Oxford where good weather, a swimming pool and a very large and wooded site helped to make it most enjoyable. P. Shaffrey's Hawks and A. Delany's Eagles won the competitions while A. Dalton's Stags won the soccer. The troop also had an easy win over a Scottish troop from the Hebrides which was camping on the site. Windermere welcomed us back in '69 when about fifty scouts enjoyed the boating, swimming, walks and excursions around that beautiful and historic area. S. Flanagan's Tigers and E. Redmond's Panthers were the successful patrols while P. Flynn's Stags retained the soccer trophy. This year we invaded Guernsey with a record breaking party of seventy-seven, including ten officers and five seniors and needless to say we all enjoyed a great holiday under Jerry Kelly as Camp Chief.

When first we split the troop, we had four patrols in each section with Hawks and Tigers the new patrols joining Lions and Wolves in the 8th. This year Buffaloes were added to the 7th and Badgers to the 8th giving ten patrols altogether. They take part separately in most activities and have been

improving positions in the Diocesan Shield. They have had their annual Whit camp, the Patrol Leaders their Easter trek and this year the troops and seniors went hostelling for a week-end at Christmas at Aughavanagh. Several boys persuaded their fathers to go on Father and Son camp week-end at Larch Hill. Combined we reached the final of the soccer competition this year, while we took third place in last year's Gala and were as successful as usual in the Sports. Scouting standards have been maintained and we are glad to be able to boast that we have had two Star scouts invested recently, P. Shaffrey and T. Shanahan, both of the 8th, so they are the first Star scouts of the new troop. Congratulations to both!

Finally our new den!! We all recognise that while the present den has served its purpose over the years, we really need a new one now. To this end a Unit committee and a ladies' committee have been formed and there have been many very successful fund-raising projects. Much has been done, much remains to be done but we all look forward to a new and adequate den in the near future.

D.D.



FOR our 29th Annual Camp we went this year to Guernsey, which is the second largest island in the Channel Islands. For all that we found it very small and quite unpicturesque, rather flat and lacking in trees. But with the prospect of blistering weather for two weeks, I for one, was really looking forward to this holiday, my fifth and last Annual Camp.

We set out from Kenilworth Square on the 24th June, at 6.30 p.m., and arrived the same time the following day, having sailed from Rosslare to Fishguard, then overland to Weymouth to complete the last leg of our journey by sea again. We had to pitch our tents and build our fires late in the evening and being tired after a long journey, this in itself was a hard enough task to accomplish.



Breakfast time with the Wolves on sunny Guernsey.



The store-keepers look happy as they emerge from the store tent with part of their supper supply about to return to their respective patrols, while the tri-colour waves proudly on alien soil in the background.

The weather during Camp did not live up to our expectations. It was very windy, though not wet, for much of the holiday. Quite undeterred we enjoyed our holiday all the same, passing most of the time in such activities as swimming, playing soccer and cooking. If there was one drawback it was possibly that the Camp site was in a partially built-up area, and this with the absence of trees or any wide open spaces did not give us much scope for 'wide games.' We did, however, manage the Treasure Hunt which was won by the Badgers. The absence of trees also left us unprotected from the wind, blending smoke and ashes with our grub.

On the Saturday evening after we arrived, all the patrols set out on a survey of the Island. At first we were not very enthusiastic about the idea, but judging by the standard of the reports sent in, attitudes had changed during the course of the afternoon. The main object was to learn something about the Island and I for one certainly did, such as area, population, political structure, economy etc.

For the Troop outing we went to Sark, a small neighbouring island about twelve miles from Guernsey. Here we spent a whole day touring around on bicycles. It was quite an experience to see how its inhabitants got along without cars. To anyone seeking a nice leisurely holiday, I would certainly recommend Sark.

By this time there was less than a week left on Camp, and the race for the inter-patrol camping competition was really hotting-up, especially in the 7th. The eventual winners in the 7th were the Eagle Patrol, led by their Assistant Patrol Leader, Stephen Sheehan. They won by the mere margin of four marks. Full credit for this great success must go to Stephen in the way he pulled his patrol together after their P.L., Padraig Maguire was taken off the boat to hospital where he was detained for the rest of Camp. The competition in the 8th was won by the Hawks.

One must not forget to mention the soccer competition, between the ten patrols which provided us more with enjoyment than actual competition. This was organised by Fr. D. Darcy, our chaplain, and the winners were the Curlews, led by Willie Ryan. The Final was played on the Sunday before we left.

In many respects the major signal event, the Camp-Fire was held on the Friday before departure. Bernard Strahan, ('Bobalouis'), our Camp-fire chief, led us all the way, helped by items from the Hawks, Stags, P. J. Farrell and the Seniors.

Before we knew it, the last day of camp was upon us. This year, for some unknown reason, a lot of us, especially the younger lads on their first Scout camp, were dreading the last day. They anticipated all work and no play. However, we did manage two swims and with everyone doing their share of work, the boundaries and gadgets were soon dismantled and all that remained were the tents for the last night's sleep.



P/L W. Ryan seems to be demonstrating how to fry Channel Isle tomatoes to his Curlew patrol?

Next morning we were up at 5.15 a.m., and by 9.00, we were ready to go. After Jerry Kelly, Camp-chief, Peter Costello and Derek Jennings, Scout masters, had completed the final inspection we left the Camp site, by bus for the boat. Tired and tanned we arrived back in Kenilworth early the following morning.

For a final word, one should pay hearty thanks to all our officers, the seniors and Fr. D. Darcy, our chaplain, for the way they looked after so many of us - there were 62 scouts on the camp.

PATRICK SHAFFREY
P. L. HAWKS

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PHILATELIC SOCIETY

THE enthusiasm of a few students three years ago resulted in the formation of the College's youngest Society. It is called the Philatelic Society. The dedicated few who got the project off the ground held their first meeting on the 28th January 1968. The membership soon reached 48 students representative of the first four years. For some the novelty soon wore off and now the society's membership consists of 21 boys. The pioneer work of these founder members has ensured that their younger colleagues would have a dynamic society for the pursuance of their hobby in the years ahead.

People often ask why stamps are collected. While justification is not needed for any collectors' hobby, a word of explanation may be necessary. Stamps in all their forms, shapes and colours are invariably things of beauty. They are products of mans' imagination and inventiveness: they bring us a little nearer to countries we only know by name; great men and events of long ago live again. Even our own stamps recall to us the leaders who fought in the 1916 Rebellion. This set was issued in 1956 to commemorate the Rebellion. Many great Irishmen are remembered in our postal history; men such as



Photo : C.S.Sp.

Wolf Tone, who founded the United Irishmen and played an historic part in Ireland's hard-won freedom. This set was issued in 1964. A study of stamps can even make History and Geography interesting.

Stamp Collecting has other aspects besides those of beauty and knowledge. Like most hobbies, it is of immense practical value. Investment in stamps can be a profitable business besides, and indeed there are many big firms throughout the entire world dealing in stamps alone. Stanley Gibbons comes to mind immediately in this context. Part of the fun for the amateur and particularly the school boy amateur is the excitement of finding out that the shrewd purchase of a year ago has suddenly increased a hundred per cent. A typical example was of a collector, in late 1960, who bought a 2/8 stamp from Norfolk Island, issued to mark the introduction of local government to that far off speck in the Pacific. He was probably just keeping up with his new issues. To-day, a fair retail price for the stamp is £7 mint, well on the way to the cost of a full sheet of 80 stamps less than ten years ago. Yet this is not always

WINNERS OF THE PERPETUAL PHILATELIC TROPHY :

Right: Philip Leahy, 1968 and 1969

Left: Peter Norton, 1970.

the case: the stamp issued on the occasion of England's winning the World Cup, was a stamp which started off the big boom in British stamps. Yet not six months later it had flopped completely.

In order to keep interest alive in the society and promote a spirit of competition amongst members, competitions are held during the school year for prizes given by the society. The plum prize is the society's perpetual trophy which for the past two years was won by Philip Leahy, with outstanding articles on the Postal History of Flight and on George VI. This year it was won by Peter Norton with a well written essay on Europa. The standard of entries was remarkably high, necessitating the giving of many consolation prizes. The venue for most of our meetings was in the 6th Year classroom with the attendance always in good numbers for such a young society.

Fr. D. Moloney was one of the founder members. It was, due to his interest that the society got off to a good start. He is a stamp collector himself and his enthusiasm made itself felt in many of the younger students. Last year Fr. A. Carragher was President of the society and continuing the good work of the founder, encouraged the work of the society greatly. So far the keynote of its activities has been an emphasis on friendship in pursuit of a greater understanding of the world around us. In this worthwhile activity as many as possible should be encouraged to participate.

GERALD DUFFY

Senior Rugby

Representative Teams

FIRST XV

1968-'69

SENIOR CUP WINNERS

L. Grissing, E. Wigglesworth, P. Greene, J. Fearon, P. Andreucetti, M. McLaughlin, M. Finlay,
G. Madden, J. Caffrey, D. Jennings (*Captain*), C. O'Conaill, J. Kelly,
G. Aylward, T. Lynch.

Absent: B. O'Kelly

Photo C.S.Sp.



CUP MATCHES

ST. MARY'S 23 pts.
CASTLEKNOCK 3 pts.

This was a very commendable victory for St. Mary's in every way. The Rathmines team played with such zest, spirit and skill, that it would not be foolhardy at this early stage of the competition to make them favourites.

The forwards played with energy and vitality which one associates with players of a higher grade of rugby, and their fierce determined rucking was a telling factor in this victory.

Behind the scrum there was the necessary penetration to translate an abundance of the good "ball" into scores with centre, Andreucetti establishing himself as a player of tremendous potential possessing bulk and speed allied to amazing strength. Andreucetti by sheer force spreadeagled would-be interventions to his progress to score two capital tries, with Fearon and Aylward getting one apiece.

The highly efficient St. Mary's fullback O'Connell, as well as landing a very fine drop-goal, converted three tries, while outhalf Caffrey also showed his resourcefulness in attack converted another.

Irish Press.

ST. MARY'S 20 pts.
GONZAGA 6 pts.

Forty-three points in two outings – that is the impressive total St. Mary's have amassed so far in the Leinster Schools' Senior Rugby Cup. Yesterday at Donnybrook they qualified for the semi-final of the Competition with another vintage exhibition when beating a luckless and hapless Gonzaga by a goal, three tries and two penalty goals to a try and a penalty goal. The searing penetration of the back line enabled them to register another decisive win, which, considering the reputation of the opposition was no mean performance.

Although they gained no distinct edge in the forward exchanges, it was St. Mary's brilliance behind the scrum which made all the difference. They led 8-3 at half-time after having the worse of the battle territorially, while in the second period there was no great disparity between the teams in territorial advantage.

However, once the St. Mary's backs got reasonably good possession, a score almost always looked imminent. Gerard Madden, a perfectly balanced runner and Paul Andreucetti, who invariably needs two or three men to halt him in his tracks, each scored two excellent tries, while John Caffrey converted a try, landed a penalty goal as did Ciaran O'Connell.

Irish Independent.

ST. MARY'S 9 pts.
NEWBRIDGE COLLEGE 8 pts.

St. Mary's, whose Senior brethren are already through to the Final of the Leinster Cup, emulated the achievement of their elders at Lansdowne Rd., when they had one point to spare over Newbridge in the semi-final of the Leinster Schools' Senior Cup. Victory was gained by virtue of two tries and a penalty goal to a goal and a try.

The winners earned their passage to the decider in a game that was in the best tradition of this competition; full of fluid movement and climaxed by the breath-taking finish as Newbridge tried gallantly to gain the vital scores needed to wipe out the four points by which they trailed from the eighth minute of the second half. That they did not quite succeed was a tribute to the excellent St. Mary's cover which throughout the game, was a bulwark that Newbridge found almost impossible to breach.

Newbridge won the game territorially hands down, thanks to the work of a fine pack of forwards. The second period was fought almost entirely in St. Mary's territory as Newbridge worked the ball forward to advantageous positions. However, over-



P. GREENE

gets possession

in the line-out

against Newbridge

in semi-final.

Photo :
James G. Maguire.

anxiety more often courage and know-how by St. Mary's in the face of this assault, saved their line.

Newbridge had the stimulant of an early score, the result of a lovely pass from their scrum-half McGrath to his partner, McClellon, who drew the cover and cut inside to score a fine try after only nine minutes.

Then after thirteen minutes came an example of St. Mary's ability to conquer when the time was ripe. An attack down the right flank was repulsed, if only barely by the Newbridge defence. The ball was switched to the left after possession was won from a ruck; their well built centre Andreucetti took the tackle and parted with the ball at just the right moment to send McLaughlin over for an excellent try.

Now, though they trailed, St. Mary's revelled in that mature ability to capitalize on error. Twelve minutes later flank forward Wigglesworth was on hand to take a pass from his winger, Madden, and dive over the Newbridge line for another good try which was not converted.

Eight minutes after the break Newbridge was penalised and O'Connell was given the opportunity to land a goal from an easy position. He accepted the chance, albeit via both the upright and crossbar to put his side into a four points lead.

From here on it was a veritable Newbridge siege. Finally with four minutes to go, Newbridge won a scrum near the St. Mary's line; held the ball superbly, gained about eight yards of ground and pushed St. Mary's back over their line for a push-over try.

The final moments were not sufficient for Newbridge to score again and St. Mary's gallants had earned them a place in the Final.

EDMUND VAN ESBECK

Irish Times

ST. MARY'S 10 pts.
TERENURE 9 pts.

St. Mary's brought off the great double at Landsdowne Road, for with a victory over Terenure by two goals to a try and two penalty goals in the Leinster Schools' Senior Cup Final, they emulated the feat of their Past pupils who won the Senior Trophy on Saturday.

The last few weeks have provided more excitement and a higher standard of play in Leinster than in any period I can recall over many years of experience and yesterday's encounter was in direct succession. It took some time to warm up, for when Terenure moved to a lead of six points after seventeen minutes with their two penalty goals, they looked to be coasting along to a comfortable success.

Then, two minutes later, St. Mary's scored a try between the posts which was converted, and the match burst into flame. Terenure made it 9-5 with a try in the 23rd minute, but in the 14th minute of the second half, St. Mary's got their second try and when full back O'Connell converted from the edge of the touch line to give his side the lead, the remaining 21 minutes were pulsating.

Terenure, favourites to win the Cup, launched waves of attacks by forwards and backs, but the St. Mary's defence held out - yet the verdict could have gone the other way in the last minute. There was a Terenure scrum under the posts and waiting directly, behind, was Sparks, the outhalf who is a drop goal expert. Had the heel been quick and smooth, Terenure might have got home, but the ball was slow to emerge, and when Sparks did attempt his drop, John Caffrey, the St. Mary's outhalf, was sufficiently close to charge it down - and, in spite of being winded, gallantly fly-kicked out of danger.

Even though it was gained against the run of play, St. Mary's merited their triumph, for they had a wider appreciation of tactics and showed superior teamwork.

Photo: James G. Maguire

M. FINLAY

takes the
ball at his
feet from a
loose scrum
in the final
against Terenure.



When they found their feet the forwards formed the most stubborn barrier, tackling and spoiling like terriers, but also showing speed of reaction in flicking the loose ball out to the backs. Wigglesworth, a positive dynamo of energy, was the best forward on view, but Jennings, Kelly and Fearon were dedicated workers and the whole eight never faltered under the most gruelling pressure.

Both scrum-halves, Aylward and Lynham, gave a consistent service, but thereafter St. Mary's held a definite advantage, for Caffrey varied his tactics shrewdly, knowing the right moment to send his threequarters away, and the centres, Andreucetti and Grissing, were a constant menace.

The full-backs played a notable part in the proceedings. In the 12th and 17th minutes Meade landed two howitzer-like penalty goals for Terenure, from forty yards at a wide angle.

He made a fine effort, too, to convert the try, scored by Flannery. Before that St. Mary's had relieved a long siege, and when Caffrey made an opening Andreucetti moved into the path at speed,

the combined efforts of three defenders, who clung to him like leeches, being unable to prevent him crashing over between the posts.

The conversion caused O'Connell no difficulty, but if he never kicked another goal he will be remembered for that which proved to be the match winner. A probing run along the left touch line was followed by a quick heel from the ruck, and perfectly timed passing gave Grissing the space in which to end a diagonal run by scoring a yard from the corner flag. When O'Connell started his run up he almost had his back to the posts, yet the aim and timing were exact, and the ball went over dead centre.

After that Terenure were the aggressors again, but St. Mary's were not in the mood to let go, and if they had narrow escapes a couple of counter attacks might well have relieved them of any further anxiety.

PAUL MACWEENEY

Irish Times

RUGBY SEASON 1969-70

Photo : C.S.Sp



FIRST XV

Standing : K. Deering, B. Bennett, D. Deering, G. Walshe, P. Greene, A. McShane.
Seated : R. O'Flaherty, L. Grissing, E. Wigglesworth, P. Andreucetti (*Captain*), T. Lynch, R. Geraghty, C. Sweeney.

Front : T. McGovern, G. Aylward.

1970 – The beginning of another decade. In looking forward to the seventies one cannot help looking backwards with reasonable pride to the football distinctions of the past decade. This was the decade of achievement. The S.C.T., reached the Final of the Schools' Cup Competition on four occasions and were victorious on three, in 1961, 1966 and 1969. Only a defeat by a talented Blackrock side in the Final of 1967 deprived us of a fourth victory. As the achievements of 1961 and 1966 have been suitably recorded in previous Annuals, a tribute to the victors of 1969 is due.

This was essentially a great spirited and dedicated team with the ability and the will never to give in. The year began with a number of key positions to be filled and an amount of team building to be done. Under the able captaincy of Derek Jennings, and with suitable positional changes, a pattern began to evolve before Christmas. We were fortunate in that Gerry Aylward, a centre of note from the previous year's J.C.T., fitted in admirably for the vital scrum-half position. His speed and outstanding ability combined with the brilliant football of John Caffrey, as shrewd a performer in the position of out-half as one could ask for, gave us a great pair of halves.

I suppose that John Caffrey's charge down of Conor Spark's attempt at drop-goal in the last minute of the Final against Terenure will be one of the most talked of incidents in that eventful and exciting Final. An accident to Gerry Madden early on in the season brought Paul Andreucetti into the centre position to partner Liam Grissing. This threequarters partnership gave us tremendous attacking ability with an equally powerful defence. The movement of Gerry Madden to the wing was equally beneficial to the team – as he proved himself a great performer in that position. His determined and decisive running were of immense value, especially in the semi-final against Newbridge. The capable sidestepping of Martin McLaughlin on the other wing completed an excellent three-quarter line. This grouping was finally completed by Ciaran O'Connell at full-back, now playing his third season on the S.C.T. Here we had stability itself in the last line of defence and a source of real confidence to all the team up forward. His winning goal kicked from the edge of the touch-line will be remembered as one of the great feats of the

final. The forwards, exceptionally well led by their captain Derek Jennings were not gifted with great avoirdupois, but what they lacked in poundage was made up for in spirit and energy. One could safely say that seldom did a pack of forwards take the hammerings they got against Newbridge and Terenure and by sheer endurance and effort keep together, weather the storm, and keep their end up to the final whistle. Michael Finlay from the previous year's J.C.T., came through as the number One hooker and did a very good job. He was ably flanked by Tom Lynch, whose motto 'not an inch' served him well at all times. Brian O'Kelly propped solidly on the other side. Johnny Fearon and Paul Greene worked the second row and gave themselves without reserve to the momentous task. Jimmy Kelly, brought back from his usual position at prop, quickly adapted to the wing-forward position, and his speed around the field was invaluable. Derek Jennings locked and drove the scrum both by word and example, while Eddie Wigglesworth, at wing-forward, gave the opportunity for consistent attack from the line out while giving a display of dynamic energy all over the field.

This was a side which could not afford to be defensive, having realised that attack was the only method which could bring success. Attack they did, scoring some wonderful tries all through the season and in the competition. It was a great season for the S.C.T. It was also a very enjoyable one, made particularly memorable by final victory, even if that was gained just by the margin of a single point. It was a victory worthy of a great team. Perhaps the greatest tribute was the fact that they defeated such very excellent teams in the Cup Competition.

We congratulate this year's interprovincials, C. O'Connell and L. Grissing who performed so splendidly in Connaught. Also John Caffrey, who captained Leinster in their matches with Connacht and Munster. The game against Ulster was not played due to the lateness of the Schools' Cup Final.

Before letting the Newspapers tell of the Cup matches, may we thank the many referees of the Leinster Branch who co-operated so well in all our games through the season. May we also thank the many Press reporters who recorded our matches in such a readable fashion.

W.K.

G. WALSH jumps
high for possession
in a line out
against Blackrock
in the
First Round



Photo: James G. Maguire

We had seven of last Year's winning side available, and so opened the season with great expectations. Captain Paul Andreucetti soon got his team into shape and early victories against Belvedere, Castleknock and Blackrock gave the necessary stimulus for training.

The Skill of Gerry Aylward at the base of the scrum, combined with the forceful penetration of Liam Grissing, and Paul Andreucetti gave great scoring power behind the scrum.

The problem of feeding the threequarter line remained all through the season and this was further aggravated by the loss of last year's Hooker, Michael Finlay early in the year. This lack of good possession proved our undoing in the Cup where we were drawn in our first game against a very competent Blackrock XV.

Winningwise it was a very successful season, the overall result being :

Played 18; won 13; lost 5.

It was a most satisfactory year for our four Interprovincial players, Paul Andreucetti, who captained the team against Connacht & Munster, Gerry Aylward, Liam Grissing and Eddie Wigglesworth. We congratulate them on their substantial contribution to the Championship Winning leinster side.

W.K.

ST. MARY'S	9 pts.
BLACKROCK	17 pts.

St. Mary's College relinquished their grip on the Leinster Schools' Cup, when at the end of seventy exhilarating minutes, Blackrock went through to the quarter-finals.

A huge crowd turned up to the turbulent drama associated with matches in this competition and they were not disappointed. They bore witness to a magnificent struggle, that had enough good football to satisfy even the most fastidious connoisseur.

The basic trouble for St. Mary's was that in the vital forward exchanges they could not match a superbly drilled Blackrock pack. Possession was an essential quality if St. Mary's were to utilise the undoubted talents of their centres, Andreucetti and Grissing, the latter, a beautifully balanced runner, but Blackrock won a monopoly of the ball.

St. Mary's got the lead after ten minutes when Eddie Wigglesworth, a trojan worker at number eight, landed a magnificent goal from fifty yards. Blackrock threw everything at the holders after this, but could not break the defence. Waldron landed two penalty goals before the interval and gave his side a 6-3 lead.

Within fifteen minutes of the interval, the holders were really at the bottom of the mountain, for Blackrock amassed 8 pts., in this period. The holders, however, were not going to bow out without a fight, and what a grand-stand finish they put in! Forwards like Wigglesworth and Green, a doughty second row, Lynch and K. Deering, who had fought Blackrock all the way for possession got the necessary response from their colleagues, and for the first time the Blackrock eight met their match. Grissing, Aylward and Andreucetti, now seeing more of the ball, ran into the heart of the Blackrock defence, probing for the openings.

Wigglesworth landed another fine penalty goal; and then Andreucetti crashed his way over for a try and hope was born again. But the effort had come too late to keep the Cup in Rathmines. So disappointed they may be, but all who were there to see that great rally and what went before it will not easily forget the heady experience.

EDMUND VAN ESBECK

Irish Times.



Photo: C.S.Sp.

SCHOOLS' INTER-PROVINCIALS 1969-70

E. Wigglesworth, P. Andreucetti, L. Grissing.

G. Aylward.

2nd SENIOR XV

P	W	D	L
18	8	1	9

Our strength in the Second Seniors this season lay in our backs among whom Paul Murphy, Dick Blake, Jack Reade were outstanding. There seemed to be an abundance of forward talent also when the season opened but as the weeks went by and with the demand for regular practice in all weathers, many 'fell by the wayside.' At times the first fifteen called upon our better players when injuries decimated their ranks so that we were often

forced to field weakened teams. However as the table shows we had a reasonably good season. And those faithful players who huddled through the months and weeks of hard matches, inclement weather, regular and demanding practices had the satisfaction of pitting themselves against the best of their counterparts in other schools and at times achieving victory. Our forwards were always on the light side. In tight play exchanges though, David Wolohan as hooker got more than his share of the ball even against the push. All worked hard and indefatigably - Eddie Saab, Jerry Harrington, Gerry Cullen, Enda O'Brien, Mark Burke while Willie Greene, David Savage, Tony Levins and



Photo : C.S.Sp.

SECOND SENIOR XV

Standing : D. Dowling, M. Macdonnell, J. Harrington, G. Cullen, E. Saab, E. O'Brien, M. Burke, R. McKell.

Seated : D. Wolohan, R. Blake, W. Greene, P. Murphy (*Captain*), A. Levins, D. Savage, A. Delany.

Derek Dowling made up in speed and movement about the field, for what they lacked in avoirdupois. Martin McDonnell improved greatly as full-back as the season progressed while Aidan Delaney, Bobby McKell retained their places as a result of constant and dedicated practice.

Having lost the first match against Templeogue, through fielding a weak team, we got a good fillip to the season by defeating Belvedere. Then followed a series of mixed fortunes of wins and losses, as the pattern of our play began to emerge. It was clear that we lacked cohesion among the forwards. Our line-out play and scrummaging both tight and loose, were badly co-ordinated. In broken play however we did better and once we managed to feed the backs we were usually sure of scoring. Even as the season wore on, we were still woefully poor in playing together as a unit. This resulted in the backs getting the ball continually on the retreat instead of getting with the play going forward. And we learnt by this hard experience

that victory in rugby is scarcely ever possible when this happens.

We had an easy draw in the League but due to illness and various other causes we could not field our best teams. We won only one out of three matches played and two points could not qualify us for the semi-final. Despite the elation of our several victories we considered the best match of the entire season was that against Terenure which we lost by 15 points to 3. This was a rare struggle played on a wet pitch in which both teams gave of their very best to produce a high standard of football. It was a match in which the old rugby adage held true: 'the side that makes fewer mistakes will win'; we made too many mistakes that day.

We could not have had a better captain than Paul Murphy. He and Dick Blake our vice-captain, never spared themselves in organizing the team and the practices to the very end of the season. To have succeeded better in the league competition, would not have been a flattering merit for them.

UNDER 16

P	W	D	L
10	2	0	8

LOOKING back upon the net results of the year, the achievements of our Under 16 XV were at first sight not glorious. But then who has pity on the Under 16's? Scarcely have the babes of the previous season's Under 15's donned man's rugby attire, so to speak, when the senior selectors are on the prowl and with a cry of 'give youth a chance,' the best of these youngsters are blooded (and blooded is the word) in the ranks of the First XV. Thus it was that we had to say good-bye to the Deering twins and Tommy McGovern who retained their place and played so well on an unusually strong senior fifteen. Our practices suffered too. Week after week most of our players were called upon to provide opposition for the J.C.T. We like to congratulate ourselves on the fact that we were instrumental in helping them to do so well in their cup series against St. Columba's Belvedere and Clongowes.

Martin McDonnell was our captain and Shaffrey our vice-captain. Martin turned out regularly for the 2nd Senior XV as well, and on occasion played for the 1st XV.

We began the season in the autumn sunshine at Castleknock and having registered a victory, we secretly hoped that all the rest of the matches would be played in such ideal conditions. We had a particularly good match against Newbridge and just when victory seemed within our grasp with a 11-3 lead as a result of a glorious intercept by Martin Gately, something happened after half-time to make Newbridge the winners by 21 points to 11. We like to blame it on the very sodden ground and the impossibility of holding the ball, but in fact, the better team won. The visit to Rockwell was of course the highlight of our season. There after a particularly keen struggle, we lost by the narrowest of margins 3-0. It was worth the pleasant excursion. (Thanks Rockwell!). And we had one glorious moment of victory when with a team strengthened by our senior players, we beat Castleknock; but we know that they too have to sacrifice many an outstanding under 16, to the ranks of the Senior XV. For various reasons we had several fixtures cancelled but whether our final table would have been better graced had they been played, is another question. To all the players who persevered

through thick and thin, through fair weather and foul, through victory and defeat, to the end of the season, congratulations! You made it the Under 16 team 1969-70 and that was an achievement.

J.C.T. RUGBY

WHILE we didn't take the Cup in the last three years, we had the satisfaction of getting to the semi-final on two occasions. The 68 team was led by E. Wigglesworth and G. Aylward and they had a good record in friendlies. In the cup they beat Roscrea and then despite injuries accounted for Gonzaga. A weakened team barely failed to surprise Belvedere in the semi-final but went out only on the second attempt. In 69, J. Harrington led a very fine well drilled pack which specialised in good possession from the loose and in which the Deering twins excelled but unfortunately most of the backs were not of the same calibre and even vice-captain A. Delany suffered quite a bit from injuries. Sometimes things clicked and some good wins were recorded but it was no great surprise that we were barely eliminated in the opening round by Clongowes though only after a replay. In fairness most of the team played magnificently in both games but Clongowes capitalised on individual weaknesses.

An unconsidered team this year caused many a surprise amongst friend and foe alike and had won many admirers before bowing out in the last ten minutes to a very good Clongowes team in the semi-final of the cup. From last year's team there remained only the pint sized Willie Ryan at scrum-half while the record of the group at other levels had not been encouraging. However, somehow or other, the better players from this year's under 14's seemed to complement the fifteens and while we never became a very good side, we managed to become an all round competent one with no real weakness from full back to wing forward except that of lack of size and age. To say the team was young and light is the understatement of the year. We always fielded at least six fourteens and as well as giving away stones in the forwards, some of the backs could have passed unnoticed on any under 13 team. Still these disabilities were overcome by the trem-

endous spirit and fanatical tackling of each and every member of the team.

We can thank skipper Ryan to a great extent for this indomitable spirit. Willie is fearless when it comes to stopping big men and his quiet shrewd leadership and above all his encouragement for the wavering were incalculable to a team which usually found itself dwarfed by the opposition. Willie's speed and passing are well known but the most extraordinary moment of the year was when he slipped the ball over the bar for his first ever goal against St. Columba's for a much needed first score in the cup. The other outstanding back was D. Bennett at full-back. It was hard to fault Derek's displays and while his perfectly timed tackling was copy-book, he was always ready to counter-attack and set up and even score many tries.

The rest of the backs were at least adequate and at times even brilliant. A. Ward forced his way into the side by sheer football; he dropped goals with both feet, kicked penalties and occasionally weaved over for a try. All the threequarters had their moments and there was little to choose between D. Quinlan and fourteens H. O'Neill, P. Opperman and D. Howard. Always ready to stand in were T. Kennedy and G. Delany, two good players despite lack of poundage.

Vice-captain D. Greene led the pack. Donal and D. Hooper our wing forwards never missed a game and were outstanding forwards. Donal's backing up netted many tries while Denis as well as usually controlling the back of the line-outs made things very unpleasant for rival outhalves. J. Oliver and J. Keogh were good hookers and the former's



J.C.T. RUGBY XV

Standing : C. Davis, D. Bennett, D. Davis, J. Keogh, E. O'Cofaigh, J. Oliver, M. Creedon, D. Hooper, P. Opperman.

Seated : D. Howard, D. Quinlan, D. Greene, W. Ryan (*Captain*), R. O'Donnell, H. O'Neill, C. Hefferon.

Front : T. Kennedy,

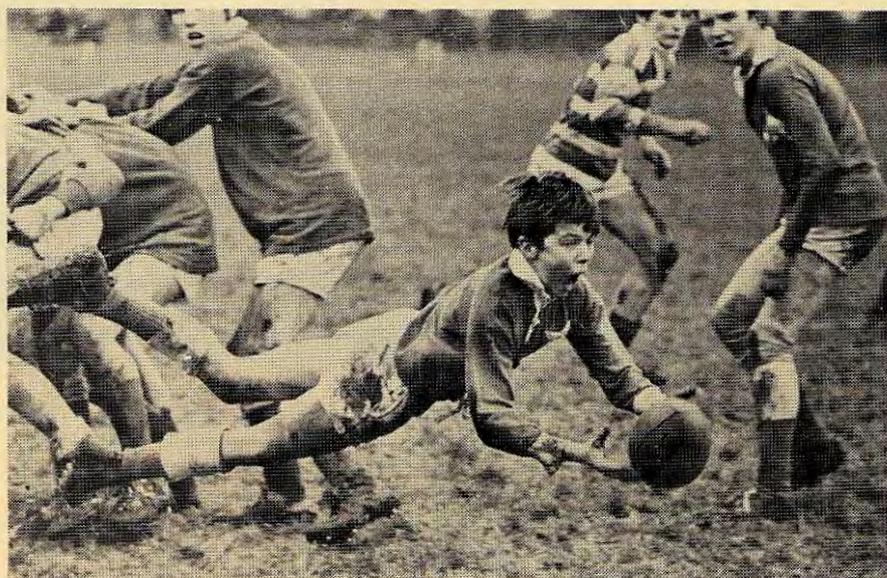
A. Ward.

Photo : C.S.Sp.

line-out jumping and tremendous speed around the field were great assets. The Davis brothers, Con in the front row and Donal in the second gave us most of our shove while E. O'Cofaigh's line-out play just edged him the second row place over M. Creedon. Light C. Hefferon surprised most props and he dislodged several as well as being very fast in the loose. As often as the 13s could spare R. O'Donnell we were glad to have his weight and all round ability and his performances in the cup were noteworthy.

Our friendly record of 15 wins, 8 losses with 262 for and 149 against was satisfactory for this team. Most games were close but we had some sparkling displays from our three quarters back on the fine warm October afternoons especially against Castleknock, Clongowes and de La Salle. On cold days we were well beaten by Terenure, Belvedere, Pres., Bray and Blackrock. Therefore the weather was going to be a very important factor in the cup.

good showing, we were very definitely underdogs for our next match. Belvedere were very fancied all the season to take the cup and had not been flattered by their 19-3 victory over us. Yet a good day gave us a chance and our lads had convinced themselves we could win if we got the breaks. We got one in the first minute when Willie spoiled his opposite number and the ball flew loose for Quinlan to score. With Ward's conversion under our belts, we weren't likely to give in easily. The far heavier Belvedere team dominated exchanges but we held out for a long time. Before half time they scored twice but we were happy to be only three points down. Though the pattern continued, we had the wind in the second half and after a good block down by Quinlan he got the touch again and Tony safely added the all important points. We held on to the 10-8 for a shock win by such a plucky team that some people even fancied us to beat Clongowes and advance to the final.



WILLIE RYAN
gets the ball away
in the cup match
against
St. Columbas.

Photo:
James G. Maguire

At Lakelands the afternoon and field were good. In a friendly we had barely beaten a very good St. Columba's side but there was no doubt about our 9-0 victory here as our forwards gave possibly their best display. Oliver won nearly every strike, O'Cofaigh and Hooper took many line-outs and there was good work in the loose rucks. Yet a good defence kept us out till Ryan dropped that goal. Ward waltzed over for a good try afterwards and before the end Willie made the opening for Greene to score. Despite our

It was not to be however. We badly missed the ill C. Hefferon and the weather let us down. There was a cold blustery wind and persistent light rain. Yet with the wind in the first half, D. Quinlan dropped a neat goal and with Ward's well angled kicking it looked as if we might win. After Clongowes had equalised with a try, Tony dropped his first goal of the cup and we led 6-3 at the break. Clongowes again equalised with a penalty but Tony put us back in front for the third time with a good penalty. Towards the

end, the physically much stronger opposition got on top and they ran in two excellent tries to win deservedly 14-9. Yet our display had again given much pleasure to our followers and we left Donnybrook with the feeling that over the season we had achieved much and that every individual had emerged a better person from his shared experiences, for this was a team in the best St. Mary's mould. Finally we thank our home opposition, especially some of the sixteens who were always ready to practise with us.

D'D.

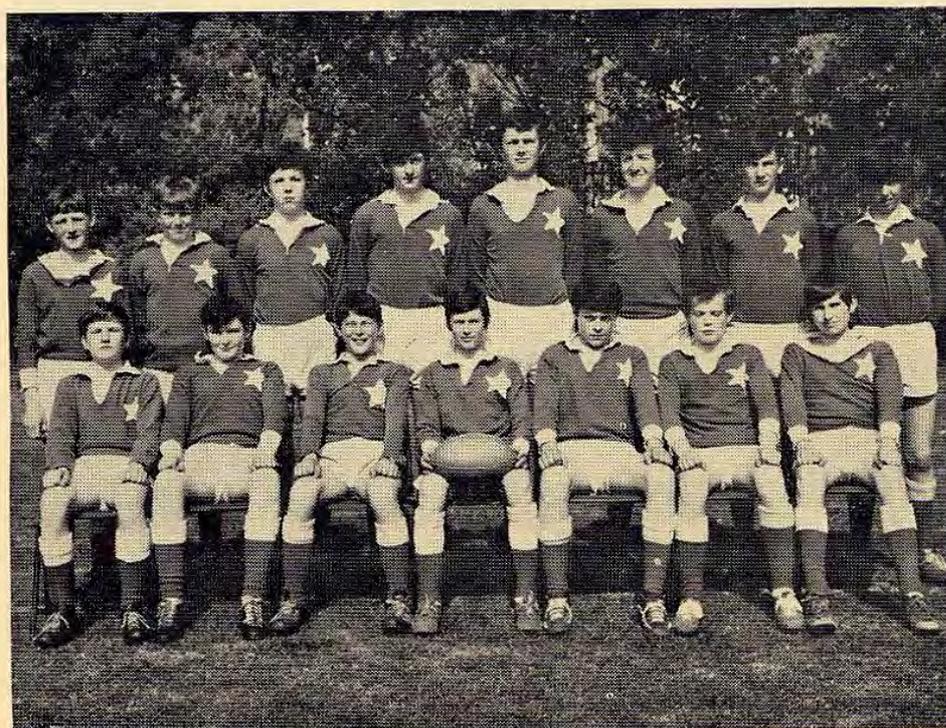
2nd JUNIOR XV

If the chief purpose of 2nd junior matches is to give outside competition to boys who otherwise would never sport the college jersey, then the season was eminently successful. We had plenty of games and plenty of different faces made their appearance. If you really want to know how we got on, we must tell you that success was ours only once. Not having the numbers of the other schools we played, we simply hadn't the depth of talent either. Still before we pass on honourable mention must be made of several who practised with the juniors and tried manfully for the seconds, notably J. Doddy, P. O'Regan, G. Fearon, D. McDonnell, C. O'Doherty and R. O'Connor.

UNDER FOURTEENS

It is hardly fair to write about this year's under 14 group because they rarely had anything vaguely resembling their proper team. In fact only three times did we field at strength, when we beat Belvedere 27-5, Newbridge 24-9 and the other time against Blackrock. This latter match was one of the best at Kenilworth as Rock also were at full strength. Twice we took the lead with brilliant tries but Rock came back to equalise each time. It was still 8-8 a few minutes from the end but Rock then struck twice and won 16-8.

Without our stars, H. O'Neill, P. Opperman, D. Howard, C. Davis, R. O'Donnell and often E. O'Cofaigh and G. Delany who were playing for the juniors, and also hit by injuries, our record for the other matches was not so good. In fact we lost most of our games and took quite a hammering from Castleknock, St. Paul's, De La Salle and Templeogue. We had some good triers, especially C. O'Carroll and C. Callan in the forwards and P. McGovern and captain L. Healion in the backs but we had too many weaknesses. Sometimes the juniors gave us G. Delany and E. O'Cofaigh and then things were a bit better but it was difficult with our cream skimmed off. We hope that when the group gets together next year, it will turn the tables on many of this year's conquerors and perhaps even go on to win the cup.



UNDER 14's RUGBY XV

Back Row

P. McGovern, D. Fanning,
L. O'Toole, E. O'Cofaigh,
S. Sheehan, P. Dorgan, F. Kelly,
G. Delany.

Seated

D. Levins, A. McShane,
V. O'Gorman, L. Healion (*Capt.*)
F. O'Donnell, J. Doyle,
T. McDonagh.

THE UNDER 13s

WINNERS OF THE PROVINCIAL'S CUP 1970



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B. McKell, P. Doyle, S. Lenehan, B. McGoldrick, D. Quigley, B. O'Connor, N. Smith, J. McManus, J. McCullough.

R. Hughes, S. Mulvey, G. Conheady, R. O'Donnell (*Captain*), G. Hickey, A. O'Shea, D. McCarthy.

The season 1967-68 was not very inspiring as regards results. But one must remember that the team was a small side and it did well to cope with the much bigger opposition all round. It was, however, a team characterised by courage and a good spirit. Even so, we were no match for Willow that year in the Cup.

In contrast the season 1968-69 produced a very fine and talented team with all the requirements for a winning side, as indeed the results show. Of the 24 matches played, 20

were won, four only were lost (three of these were to Willow). The forwards were good and gave plenty of possession to the mobile three-quarters who served up some fine tries during the year. Indeed, they achieved a grand total of 498 points for, with only 127 against. The prospects looked good for the Cup and the competition went to a Final between Willow and ourselves. The result could have gone either way and it was only a score given from a melee near the line which ensured the Cup in Willow's hands for yet another year.

Our prospects for the season 1969-70 did not look as bright as the previous year, even though our Captain, R. O'Donnell and his second in command, G. Conheady were hardened campaigners. Much time was given to deciding the composition of the team which was young and inexperienced. Indeed, before the final 15 were chosen, some 30 players had represented the College in the various matches against other schools.

As the first term progressed, it became clear that the forwards were our greatest potential, whereas there were problems in finding a strong and dependable threequarters. It was not shortage of players but rather real skill that was the missing factor. Indeed, right to the very end we had never really solved this problem. We made ample use, however, of the potential talent at our disposal and it was a record season in the actual number of matches played - 31. Of these we won 25; drew 2; and lost 6. Our hopes for the Cup rose early in the season when Willow only defeated us 6-3 in our first encounter and we coped well with other opposition throughout the year. We always had the ability to score tries but often lacked something in defence which enabled the opposition to score likewise. This was another problem which went unsolved virtually to the end of the season, but despite this, if we ever lost, it was never by more than three points.

Certainly Rodney was the shining light and the inspiration of the team, and his skill and courage enabled us to win many a match. His personal score tally for the season was 203 points out of a grand total of 483. We decided very early in the season to play Rodney at the Lock position where he would be most useful, despite the temptation to utilise his potential in the backs or as outhalf. This proved a fortuitous decision. He was ably flanked in the back row by two splendid wing-forwards, G. Conheady and S. Lenehan, who were resourceful in both attack and defence. In the second row were D. Quigley and either P. Doyle or B. O'Connor. These composed the engine room of the forward machine and were equally effective in scrums, line-outs and rucks. D. Quigley was particularly useful in the line-outs. We had two really tough props in B. McGoldrick and G. Hickey and these were most prominent in the excellent rucking which characterised the side as they matured. Last but not least was our hooker, R. Hughes, who was one of the most expert in this field for his age, and combined with the whole pack, served our halves with an

abundance of 'good ball' through the year, but most particularly in the Cup series.

D. McCarthy, better known as Derry, was a quick thinking and excellent scrum-half and though his personal tally was a modest 32, he served many another player with a certain try. Our out-half position was a rather fluid one. S. Mulvey was our final choice and will certainly be remembered for his courage. Our centres were A. O Shea and J. McCullough. Here perhaps was where we lacked something in attack, but A. O Shea's tackling in particular will always be a memorable feature of the year. J. McManus seemed tailor-made for the left-wing and his speed gave the side many a thrilling score. Neil Smith, who eventually filled the other wing position on his retirement from the out-half position was resourceful and intelligent in his kicking and without doubt we will cherish his famous drop goal (the only one of the season) with his left foot against Willow in the Cup, and he had the second highest personal tally of 55 points. C. Sheerin contributed his share at right wing for many matches in the series. We never really found the perfect full-back, but I. Conlon, E. Tiernan and B. McKell all served well in their turn to fill this unenviable position.

The Cup series began in early February. It was to prove the longest and largest competition since the series was introduced. We had a fine win against Templeogue in the first round in really adverse weather conditions. Our match with Blackrock was an easy victory. But at this stage we only drew with St. Michaels in an away match in which we never really looked like scoring. It was rather a down-hearted team which retired to the dressing room that evening. Worse was yet to follow when Willow snatched victory in Kenilworth in mud-bath conditions. We were never less hopeful of victory at the end of round one, as Willow had emerged with full points. We began the second round feeling that we had nothing really to lose now, but we barely pipped Templeogue in our home match and were flattered in beating an under-strength St. Michaels side at home also. Just then a new spirit revived the team with the news that Willow had drawn with Templeogue. Thus we went to Willow fully resolved to win on a day reminiscent of our victory there 6 years ago. Indeed, history was to repeat itself. It was a match, the result of which must surely have rested on the toss. We won this toss and elected to play with the wind. Our forwards dominated the first half

entirely and produced such clean possession which we capitalised on to accumulate 15 points before half time. It was a most sweet victory when the full time whistle blew. The Final was staged in Templeogue and this ended in a 6-6 draw, a fair result really, but we could have won this match. The replay of the Final was a match to remember. Willow scored first revealing our weakness in defence. But we settled down and played a second half, the like of which we never exceeded or even reached during the season. It was to produce

three tries and so reap the victory which once again brought back the Provincial's Cup to St. Mary's. It was a deserving win and full credit to all the players who richly deserved the reward they got. Our sincere thanks to our gallant and worthy opponents who bore their defeat with genuine sportsmanship and we owe a real debt of gratitude to the referees who so generously gave of their time to this memorable competition.

H.F.M.



'It's O.K., Ref., I just want to 'axe' him something.' - [R.H.]

Tennis

OVER the past three years, tennis has continued to hold a great attraction for a big number of boys. Provided weather permitted, the nine grass courts were fully occupied every half-day in the last term, while many made the journey to Kenilworth after school other days also. Unfortunately the weather was a bit of a spoil sport and almost complete dependence on grass courts has prevented better progress being made all round. As a result, our record against other schools makes poor reading but at least we have competed and that really is the important thing.

Our senior team of 1968 was probably the best from the school for many years and had an outside chance of honours. There was little to choose between F. Cluskey, M. Butler, C. O'Donnell, J. White and B. McKenna and each could hold his own with the best. However rain forced us to play on hard courts in the cup and this possibly made all the difference. St. Fintan's beat us in all matches played where a couple of points in our favour could have changed the result. In 1969 and 1970 we also made first round exits being well beaten by Terenure and Gormanston respectively.

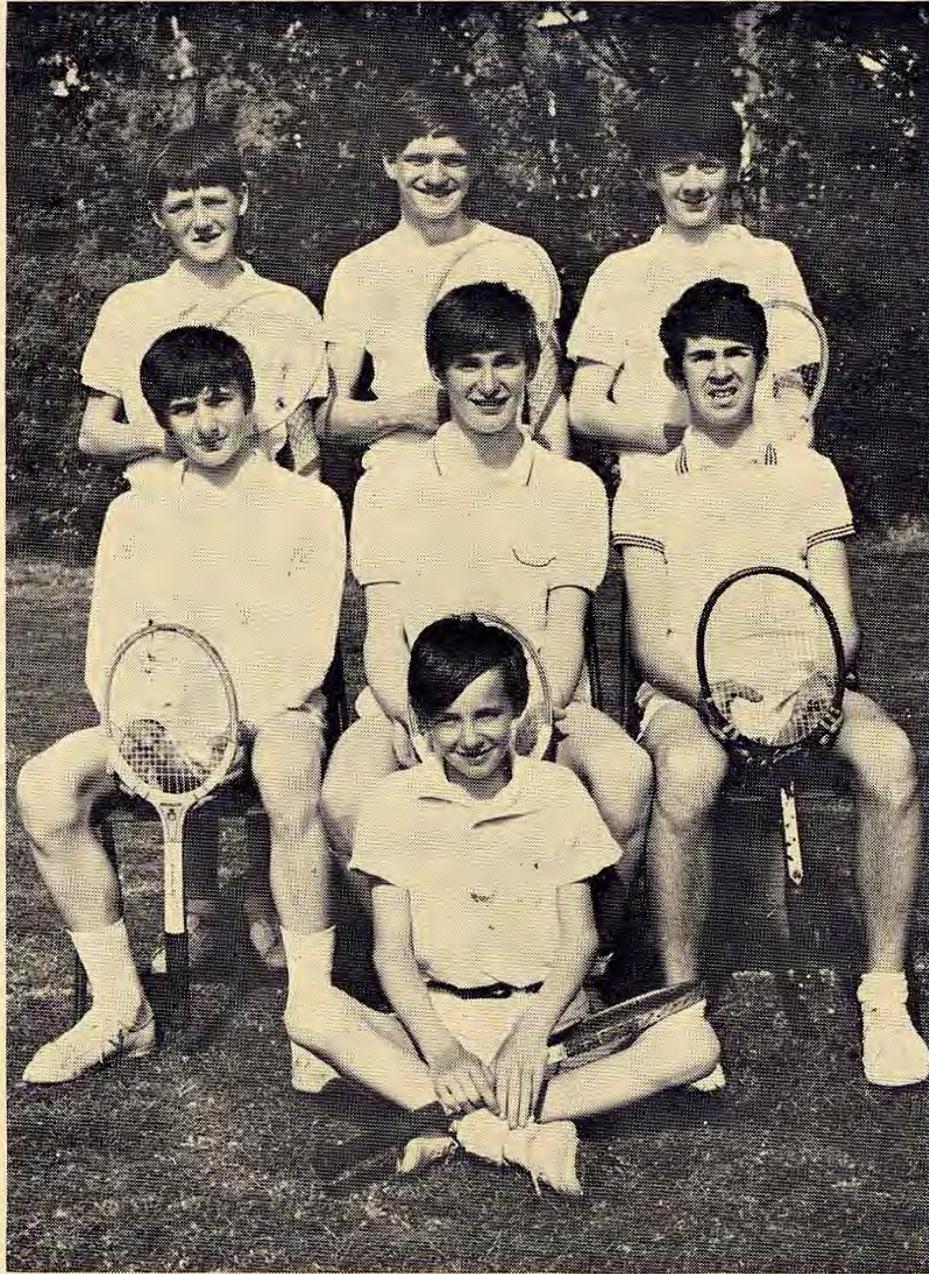


Photo : C.S.Sp.

Standing : P. McGovern, H. O'Neill, H. Riordan.
Seated : P. O'Regan, J. Keogh, J. Doddy.
Front : E. O'Flanagan.

The juniors were only fractionally more successful. In 68, G. Aylward recorded our only win when he beat the Castleknock number one 6-1, 6-1. Our 69 team failed to gain a win against C.U.S. and Moate. While strong Belvedere and Castleknock teams beat us well this year, we should probably have beaten C.U.S. and St. Conleth's if we could have fielded a full team. As it was we were beaten 4-2 by each. J. Keogh, our most promising player, scored easy wins as number

one on each occasion. He partnered H. Reardon to win against St. Conleth's while P. McGovern and E. O'Flanagan had a good victory against C.U.S. At the end of the term our under thirteens had very entertaining games with Belvedere and C.U.S. and showed distinct promise. In fact first year seem to have the talent, interest and perseverance to produce really good teams for the future.

The usual three tournaments aroused great interest within the school. Winners in

68 were F. Cluskey, G. Aylward and J. Marks with C. O'Donnell, J. Rafter and J. Keogh the respective runners-up. Senior finalists in 69 were A. Bourke and G. Aylward while J. Keogh beat G. Boland and P. O'Regan beat J. Doddy in the other grades. E. Wigglesworth was the surprise winner this year when he beat A. McShane in a thrilling final making full use of the 15 a game he was receiving from Alan our S.C.T. number one. There was never much doubt that J. Keogh would win the Inter tournament and he duly obliged. The surprise was that W. Ryan

reached the other semi-final where he made use of his handicap to beat the number two seed J. Doddy. G. Conheady and E. O'Flanagan were the junior finalists.

Tennis has had a boost in the last three years with Nestle's sponsoring of school 'ladders' with individual winners meeting winners from other schools in a knock-out competition. We have four ladders of twenty four boys arranged according to classes and this year's winners were A. McShane, J. Keogh, P. McGovern and B. McKell.

D.D.

CRICKET

JUNIOR XI CRICKET 1970

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Team-spirit and enthusiasm are the dream of every coach. This year's Junior XI had them in abundance. Sheer physical strength is not an essential in cricket but younger teams must have a fair sprinkling of it, if only to overawe the opposition. That being achieved, the talent of pint-size players can revel unimpeded in the greatest of cricket gambits – the surprise element. We had abundant all-round talent among the twelve players available this season. Rory O'Connor our very mature captain; Derek Bennett, John Quinlan, Gerry Delaney, Francis O'Donnell and Terry Kennedy played regularly for the Leinster Club and their experience was a valuable asset to the team. Willie Ryan and Eoin Coffey were strong and correct batsmen while John Shanahan, Brian Costello, David McDonnell and if not great run-getters, could at least stay there. In addition their fielding left nothing to be desired. Ciaran Callan was a sound wicket-keeper. Practices were well attended and organised and the standard of play improved visably as the short season progressed. Besides practice-matches against the Under 14's, we played ten matches during the season and we were very pleased with the over-all result.

We began with an early match against St. Paul's on a gloomy April day, made all the gloomier for us when we lost by 7 runs. Our next match with C.U.S. was also a draw. Following that we met Sanford Park in the first round of the cup. They were all out for 49 but even that can be a cup-winning score in cricket. However Terry Kennedy and Willie Ryan made the score between them and we eventually won by 8 wickets. We travelled to Cabra to meet a strong Belvedere team in the next round. We looked set for victory when we had them all out for 59 but after a few cricket 'accidents' which cost us the wickets of Terry Kennedy, Derek Bennett, and Gerry Delaney, we could only muster up the poor total of 35. It was a very good match nevertheless. After Belvedere had been something like 42 for 2, Gerry Delaney with 6 for 24 and John Quinlan with 3 for 14 ran quickly through the side. We had a return match a few days later when we emerged victors with a score of 81 for 8 against 77 for 9. Later on, we did well to hold a strong High School team to a draw when with over a hundred runs on the board they left us a very short time to bat. But we were not so fortunate against the powerful St. Columba's bowlers, when up in the Dublin mountains on a blustering day, with hopes of remaining in one piece for the Intermediate examination the following week, we decided that 'discretion was the better part of valour' and we had no wish to stay at the



Photo: C.S.Sp.

Standing: G. Delany, T. Shanahan, M. Walsh, E. O'Cofoigh, D. Bennett, D. McDonnell.
Seated: T. Kennedy, F. O'Donnell, R. O'Connor (*Captain*), J. Quinlan, W. Ryan.
(Absent: C. Callan).

wicket. We realised why, a few days before, St. Columba's had won the cup.

Our most consistent batsmen were Terry Kennedy, Willie Ryan and Derek Bennett; the latter with 43 making the highest individual score of the season. John Quinlan was our most reliable bowler but Francis O'Donnell and Gerry Delaney took a great number of wickets also. Ciaran Callan improved with every match as wicket-keeper. He took several valuable catches. He was unfortunate to have been absent for the photograph. So with such a successful season behind us, we look forward to having a good Senior XI next year.

F.C.B.

UNDER 14s, XI

CRICKET is a game which has been our chief representative game for the third term. "How's that?" ... "Not out!" The very familiar appeal, which to the uninitiated seems, perhaps, the only ripple of excitement punctuating a game which otherwise ambles along in what appears to be effortless inactivity. But this verdict on the game would never be acceptable to the player or one who has tried to appreciate the game and enjoyed what to most cricketers is a game of real skill, patience and concentration, and which has all the blends of excitement one could ask for. Unlike other games, this is a game in which so little can alter the direction of a match, and switch the game from elation to

suspense, defence to attack and victory to defeat. Ideally suited to sunshine and warm afternoons, where the turbulent physical exertion of other games makes players uncomfortable, cricket presents a wonderful contrast to the fever activity of rugby football. Indeed, when the weather is suited it can provide really pleasant enjoyment. As a coach and umpire for some years, the writer would consider it a sad day for St. Mary's College, should this game bow-out to the invasion of soccer football.

We were unable to field a Senior side this current season, but one feels and hopes that this was a necessity forced upon us for just this year. There is evidence of an abundance of genuine talent and interest in the other age groups. One can gauge this enthusiasm, when the indoor coaching takes place before Easter. Generally so many apply that one cannot cope with everyone. So far as one can foresee, the future of the game is guaranteed at least for some years to come.

By Easter the selection of the teams has been made and the Captains elected. Early matches are generally played on soft wickets, but as the weeks slip past, the wickets become firm and the competitions and friendly fixtures get well under way.

Last year the Under XIVs had a very successful season. For such a short term there were as many as 18 matches. Of these we won 9; drew 4; lost 5. Gerry Delany was elected Captain and was fortunate in having a team of talent and experience. He emerged from the season with 263 runs scored out of a grand total of 1027. Indeed, there was plenty of scoring ability down the line, as seven other team members scored more than 50. Bowling-wise, the champion was Francis O'Donnell, with 53 wickets by the end of the season. The left arm bowling of G. Delany took 38 wickets and P. Opperman and N. Smith more than contributed their share to the bowling. On the field, we could boast of 44 catches and 18 run-outs. P. Opperman, W. O'Gorman, and C. Callan each took 6 catches. Perhaps the most dramatic closefielder was C. Callan and we will always remember the deep-field throws of P. Opperman, whose ability to shy the stumps at any distance was second to none.

In the early friendlies we won easily over C.U.S., and Sandford, but lost to Belvedere and only managed 10 runs against High School on a very poor wicket. Rain spoiled our friendlies with Terenure and Clongowes, forcing a draw in matches we could have won.



LEAGUE FINALISTS 1969

. . . . we almost made it !

Standing :

V. O'Gorman, P. Opperman,
C. O'Carroll, E. O'Cofaigh,
G. McDonald, E. Redahan,
F. O'Donnell.

Seated :

J. Keogh, L. Healion, C. Callan,
G. Delany (*Capt*), P. Gallagher,
N. Smith, D. McCarthy.

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In the League our first opponent was Masonic. Here we were rather fortunate to defeat a good side; then came a draw with Willow. We beat Wesley in the Front Field, but nearly ran out of overs. Avoca conceded a W.O. Perhaps the most exciting encounter was with Gonzaga which ended in a win by the narrow margin of one wicket. St. Pauls went under to our accurate bowling in the Front Field to give us the necessary points to ensure our place in the Final with High School. The final was held in Blackhall Place. Our prospects here looked rather dim in view of our previous defeat. Winning the toss, we batted first, but runs were hard to come by and so we struggled to a mere 17. However when High School lost 5 wickets for this score at the tea break, it seemed anybody's game. But on resumption of play they passed the total without further loss. This was just not our year. To round off the season we engaged a home and away with Balbriggan. It was a drawn exchange, but most memorable indeed.

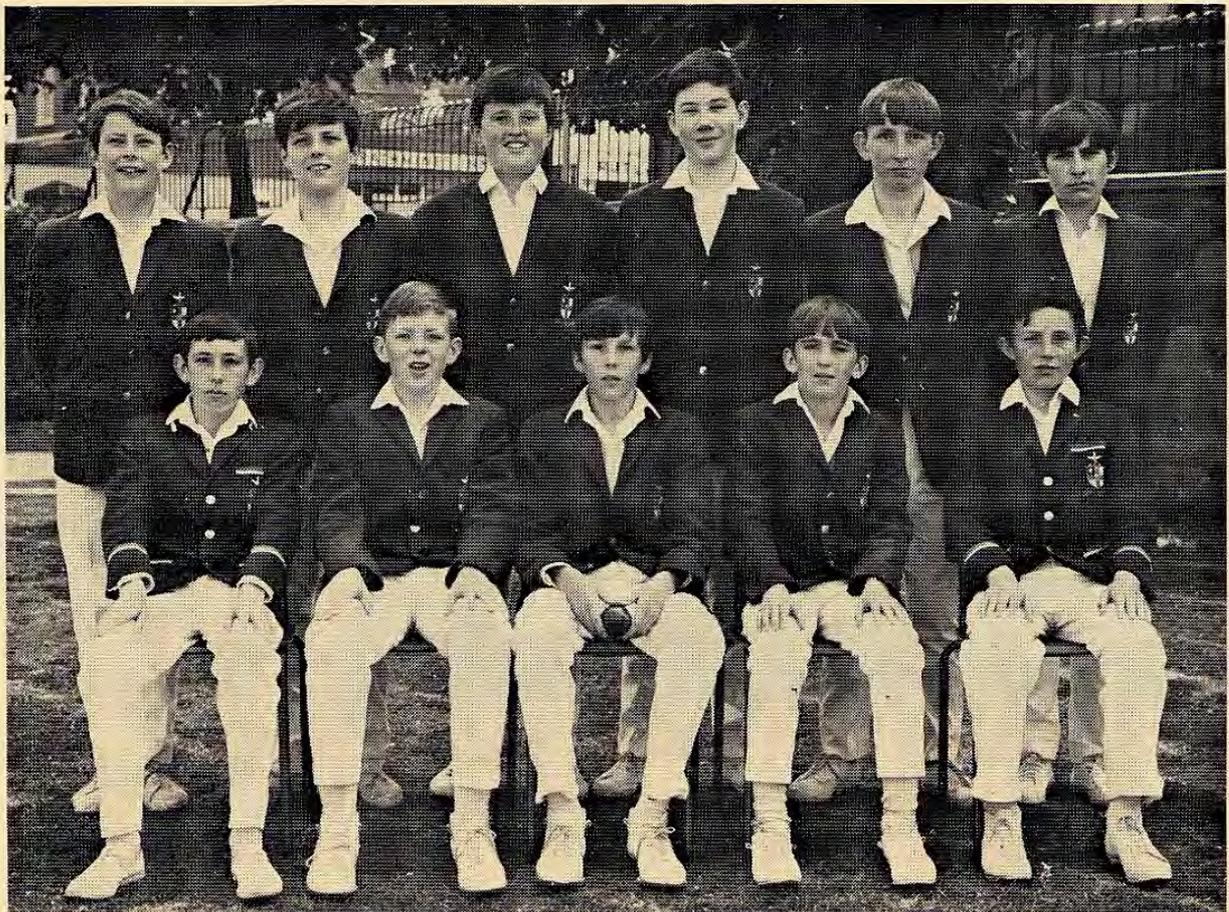
In the 1969-70 season the eligible age for the team was altered and thus we could have fielded our last year's team, but the choice to remain or opt for the J.C.T., was left to the members themselves and so we fielded only five of that side. This enabled us to advance new players on to the side and thus build in some experience for the next season. Indeed we had an excellent season even though we did not actually reach the Final. Besides our two encounters with the J.C.T., we played 10 representative matches. We won 5; drew 2; lost 3. Our grand total of 756 runs was well below last years, but then we had fewer matches. Dermot McCarthy proved an outstanding opener and the leading run scorer. He was ably backed by P. Gallagher. Whenever G. Delany joined our company he proved himself an excellent bat. Neil Smith was a superb bowler and took 45 wickets during the season. Promising, too, were I. Conlon and P. Healy. Perhaps we did lack something in the field and we could notch only 22 catches, P. Healy with 5 to his credit.

UNDER 14's 1970 A TALENTED, DETERMINED SIDE !

Standing : V. O'Gorman, J. Crofts, G. McDonald, E. Redahan, C. O'Carroll, T. McDonagh.

Seated : I. Conlon, P. Gallagher, N. Smith (*Captain*), D. McCarthy, P. Healy.
(*Absent :* J. Keogh, J. McCullough).

Photo : C.S.Sp.





Under 14's

Close-field action
against Mountjoy.

Photo: C.S.Sp.

Our early tactics in indoor training and the almost immediate introduction to grass wickets instead of nets paid dividends as we had an excellent start to the season, by beating Belvedere rather easily. Then followed a victory over C.U.S., and the better of a draw with Wesley. We succumbed easily to an overage side at Mountjoy and could only muster 27 against Masonic. We were drawn against High School in the League, who fielded their victorious side from the previous year. It was a cold misty afternoon, unpleasant conditions for such an occasion. We fielded first and bowled well early on and looked like containing the ability of High School to score runs. But the initiative slipped after a long spell of bowling and they were all out eventually for 58. D. McCarthy and P. Gallagher set off to a cracking start in our innings but runs were few and far

between when their wickets fell, and so we lost the most vital match of the series. We won our next three Matches in the League against Terenure, Sandford and C.U.S., but this proved little consolation in the circumstances.

It was for all that an interesting season, which revealed plenty of enthusiasm and talent. Not least among our enthusiasts was John Keoghan to whom we owe a debt of gratitude for the excellent way he executed the task of official scorer for the side. Indeed, many of the team joined Summer Clubs, particularly Leinster Cricket Club, as also did members from the J.C.T. We were particularly honoured in that St. Mary's College boys were elected Captains and Vice-captains of all the Schoolboy teams of the club.

H.F.M.



'Well caught, Sir!' - R.H.

HOUSE GAMES

TABLE TENNIS

An ideal Winter indoor game . . . There is scarcely a boy in the school who cannot, or at some time did not play this game. It always has enthusiastic followers. Such was the case during the Winter of 1968-69, when it was decided to run three competitions - one each at Senior, Intermediate and Junior level. Robert Foley, who was Gym Prefect that year, was an ideal organiser and his tireless efforts made the competition possible and indeed, a success.

Judging from the lunch-hour frequenters of the Gym, there were already some top class experts at all the levels. But it remained to be seen, whether they might not meet their 'Waterloo' at the hands of some 'dark-horse', lurking as yet unknown.

Conor Molloy won the Plaque for the Junior section, defeating Conleth O'Doherty. This was true to form as was the Intermediate result, when Colm Mullen beat Kevin Deering. The struggle for the Senior Award was between Gerry Aylward and Eddie Wigglesworth. It was Eddie who eventually took the honours after a very close struggle.

Judging from the number of entries, this was a very popular competition. However, it was not possible to run a similar event during the following year, but every effort will be made to re-introduce this event in the coming year.

H.F.M.

SENIOR BASKETBALL LEAGUE

Despite the small numbers who took part in this year's competition, the league itself was a veritable success. Indeed, a number had availed themselves of the basketball matches that were played during the winter months to reach top form, and these were joined by the already fit soccer and rugby players.

The competition was held on a league basis comprising six eight-men teams, of which the top four were to qualify for the knock-out stages. However, the competition was so fierce, and the teams, for the most part so evenly matched, that five teams actually qualified for the concluding rounds.

From the start, Gerry Walsh's team showed its strength and winning all his matches, looked hot favourite. The team captained by Alan McShane was not far behind in skill, and its attack was always to be feared. After a bad start, losing its first three games, the team led by the experienced Derek Jennings came back to qualify. The other two teams who reached the closing stages were John Shanahan's and Mark Burke's. They just ousted the teams of David O'Sullivan, Joe Rafter and Barry Redmond, on whom fortune did not smile too kindly. A number of games in which they were involved were very close and some went to extra time, and these teams just did not seem to get the breaks.

In the quarter-final stage, Mark Burke and Derek Jennings got the better of John Shanahan in a three-cornered encounter and advanced to join Gerry Walshe and Alan McShane in the semi-finals. After an uncertain start, the strength of G. Walsh's team finally told and M. Burke's team had no answer. In the second game, the expertise and tactics of D. Jennings' team proved too much even for the fighting enthusiasm of A. McShane.

All was set for the great final. Derek was appearing in his fourth final in four years while Gerry was trying for his third win in the same period. Derek's team lined out: P. Andreucetti, D. Mulvagh, P. Power, C. O'Farrell, P. Confrey, P. Greene and Derek himself, while Gerry's team was: G. Madden, P. Byrne, T. Lynch, B. Fitzgerald, J. Hickey, and Gerry himself. The game moved slowly in the first half and Derek emerged with a two point lead, mainly due to his own generalship, and the running-off-the-ball by the entire team. However, an early second half onslaught by Gerry's team caught the leaders on the wrong foot and with Gerry's sharpshooters in form, Derek's team got little chance to get back into the game. A comeback in the last quarter proved too late and Gerry's team were the victors by 31 points to 24.

During the season, too, a Blitz Tournament involving teams from the various years along with representatives from the past students was held which proved most popular and most successful.

Our thanks must go to Fr. Cyril Byrne for his help in running the league and to the panel of referees consisting entirely of the boys themselves without whose help the league could not have been run. We wish every success to all those playing in future years.

Mark Burke

INTER LEAGUES

RUGBY

Six fourth year captains and third year vice-captains picked this year's league and a round and a half were played leaving D. Walsh's Wanderers, P. Rafter's Swansea and P. Shaffrey's Instonians level on top with five wins and two defeats each. Further down G. Boland's team had six points, D. Nevin's four while E. Redmond's team failed to get a win though it was most unfortunate on many occasions. At the end of the first round, Wanderers had been strong favourites having won all their games rather convincingly with T. O'Dwyer and P. Gilshan very much to the fore. Instonians lost two matches early on but then proceeded to beat all before them. M. Macdonnell was their outstanding player both in attack and defence but he got good support from P. Shaffrey P. Flynn, T. Kennedy and V. O'Gorman. Surprisingly they rather easily beat Wanderers in the semi-final.

The final though played under very blustery conditions, produced great rugby and a most exciting game. Swansea got off to a dream start when their captain P. Rafter ran nearly the length of the field to score a spectacular try. With D. Deering and J. Connolly dominating the line-outs and C. Callan the scrums it looked as if Swansea must win. Instonians had other ideas however and after a fumble, P. Norton dashed in to score the equaliser. It was a fierce encounter from then to the end. Finally M. Macdonnell kicked a penalty to give Instonians victory, a deserved one because of their great team spirit.

SOCCER

A very successful soccer league was played in the Back Field with four games every Tuesday of the last term. K. Arigho's team remained unbeaten all through the league while J. Doyle dropped only one point. In the final it looked as if John's all round strength with such as D. Bennett, M. Macdonnell and E. Redmond to the fore would triumph over the individual brilliance of soccer international A. Ward and D. Hooper especially after Martin had put in two goals. But with a few minutes to go Tony pulled one goal back and then cheekily took advantage of a misunderstanding to get a lucky equaliser. With time running out D. Hooper headed the best goal of the game and that was that.

BASKETBALL

There were separate fourth and third year competitions this year and both were extremely keen. In fourth year T. McGovern's team : G. Boland, P. Walker, D. O'Riordan and M. Egan dropped only two points in the league and lasted the pace even better in a very exciting final scoring four baskets in the last few minutes to win 42-22 with Tommy himself giving a tremendous display. It was as well he was in such fine form for J. Oliver's team were worthy finalists with John, P. Flynn and C. Hefferon exceptionally good players for a fourth year group.

Third year was only being introduced to the game and while scoring was naturally low, excitement was high all through. J. Connolly's team won all matches in their section with John J. Doddy and H. Reardon the stars. There was a play off in the other section between D. Moloney, S. Sheehan and R. Stokes and the latter won his way to the final. This was an absorbing affair with the initiative going from side to side. A last minute score gave victory to R. Stokes 22-21. Ray and P. O'Regan were undoubtedly the key players but they got good support from E. Melvin, M. Cunningham and P. Kirley.

D.D.



JUNIOR LEAGUES

RUGBY

SEPTEMBER! . . . back to school and Rugby . . . the first tog out . . . a chance to get a place on the team, and failing that there is always the house leagues? . . . the Wednesday and Saturday games in Kenilworth . . . and maybe a medal at the end of the year? . . . anyway there is the joy of kicking the old rugby ball around or even the exhilarating game of T.P.O., the Rathmines way . . . "pass before you are tipped," in the Back-field early in the morning or after class.

When all is said and done, there is nothing

quite like the fun of the League Matches and everybody looks forward to the opening encounters. Captains chosen and the teams picked the competition is soon under way. Such has been the case with consistent regularity from time immemorial in St. Mary's. The past three years saw no departure from this tradition. There were some modifications in recent years, but then we are living in changing times and I suppose one must move with the times. Originally there were four competitions ranging throughout the school. The Senior League died a natural death through lack of interest on the part of the boys, who perhaps had other interests, or maybe the younger generation is just becoming soft! The last few years has seen a very keen competition at the Intermediate level in contrast. Clearly the same could be said for the younger lads also - first and second years. It was decided to unite these latter in the one competition instead of the two as formerly and this has proved successful in spite of the disparity in physical size which becomes more and more apparent as the season goes on. Those boys who are fortunate enough to find themselves on the representative teams are of course excluded from participating in the Leagues in order to let the more average player enjoy the game and to shine among his peers.

Since the Intermediate Leagues have been written about elsewhere, I will confine myself to some remarks referring to the Junior League.

The season of 1967-68 saw Wallabies (Michael McAuley, Capt.) as victors, with Ireland as close contestants for the Cup. The following year Donal McShane's team, England defeated France, captained by Stephen Bowe whose team was certainly worthy of being in the final. This year Wales won, skippered by John Keogh. Raymond Shannon's team, Scotland, deserved their place in the final also. During the competition it was not possible to complete two rounds due to absence of key team members on the Under 14's representative team. In the first round Scotland emerged on top with a margin of one point and indeed at that time looked favourites for the Cup. Injury struck Wales when they lost Garvan Murphy after Christmas, but despite this they managed to accumulate enough points to warrant a play-off with Scotland in a final decider. Perhaps the story of this game is best told in the words of the Captain of the Opposition, Raymond Shannon.

THE RUGBY LEAGUE FINAL — JUNIOR

It was a Monday afternoon on the 16th March with lots of excitement rising. The venue was the Front Field. The two teams were Wales captained by John Keogh and Scotland captained by Raymond Shannon. It was yet another Junior Rugby League Final.

Wales won the toss and elected to play up-hill in the first half. Scotland had the first try which went unconverted, but Wales retaliated quickly and in turn scored, Paul Doyle adding the extra points. Then came a series of attacks from Wales which gave them an eight point lead over Scotland. With this convincing lead Wales embarked on the second half with the hill in their favour and looking home and dry. They scored early in the second half but failed to convert. It was then that Scotland came back into the game with a fine run and a score by L. O'Toole. Maurice McKey converted. Nothing daunted, Wales scored again with merely fifteen minutes to go. Scotland fought desperately to get back into the game, but even a score initiated by John Clancy and finished by Lorcan O'Toole failed to catch the 17 point lead of Wales. Then minutes from the end Ciaran Cantwell went over for a splendid try the last score of the match which virtually put Wales in an unbeatable position.

The most outstanding players for Wales were: John Keogh, captain, Garvan Murphy and Paul Doyle, while Lorcan O'Toole, and John Clancy were the most promising for Scotland. But one cannot forget all the other players who gave of their best on the opposing sides. Congratulations to Wales and well played Scotland for a sporting game.

R. SHANNON



JUNIOR CHESS COMPETITION

This year saw the start of a new Chess Competition for First and Second years. A perpetual Cup was donated by Mr. E. Rothery for this event. It was decided to run the competition in the form of a Ladder Tournament, and by Hallowe'en, this Ladder, with 35 entrants was in full swing. Paul Healy, the first person on the top, surprised most boys by holding his place there until after the Christmas Holidays. By this time three challenging opponents had been noted: Dermot McCarthy, Eoin Redahan, and Eoin Rothery who had steadily climbed from the bottom of the Ladder.

As the Competition drew to a close it was Eoin Rothery who reached the top of the Ladder, closely followed by Patrick Johnson. Paul Healy was near at hand in third place. These three, along with Padraig O'Nuallain qualified for the knock-out decider. A draw paired the four protagonists. In the first semi-final, Eoin Rothery defeated Padraig O'Nuallain and Patrick Johnson overcame Paul Healy in the second. The Final itself was the longest game on record during the competition. For a while it looked like P. Johnson all the way, when he almost mated E. Rothery on three occasions. But E. Rothery, a rook and knight down, took his chances and executed an excellent mate in one of the most exciting games of the competition. Paul Healy defeated P. O'Nuallain to win third place and a medal.

It is hoped to run a similar competition in the coming year.

Eoin Rothery

1. Rodney chaired by Willow Park Team to receive 13's cup.
2. Human Pyramid.
3. Boys exercising in gym.



4. Mr. O. Dunne, P.E., Instructor, demonstrates in Gym.
5. J. Keogh holding aloft the Rugby (Junior League) cup.
6. F. Fitzgibbon makes a save in Soccer Final.

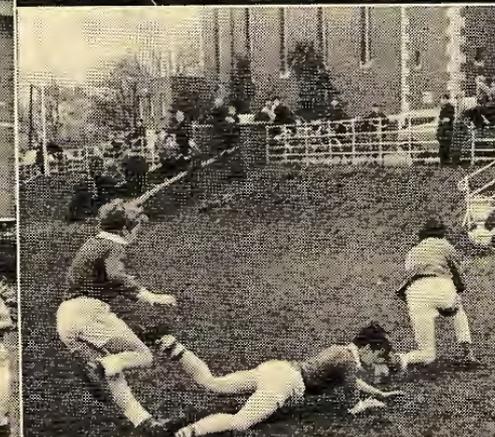
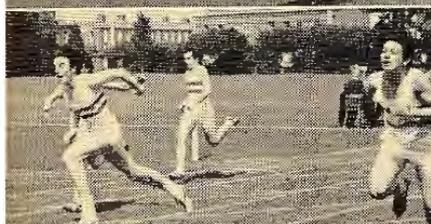
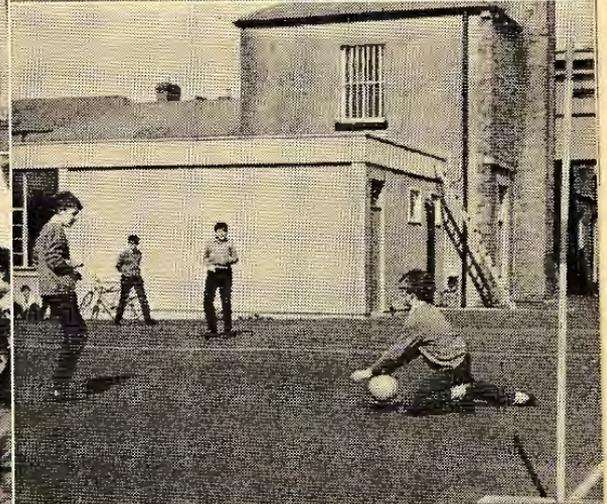
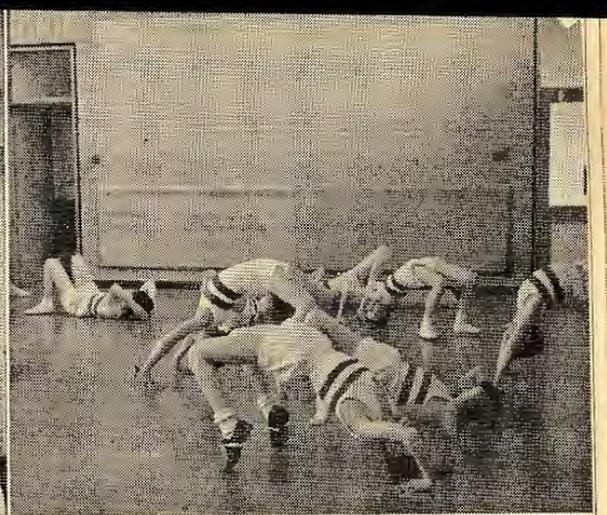
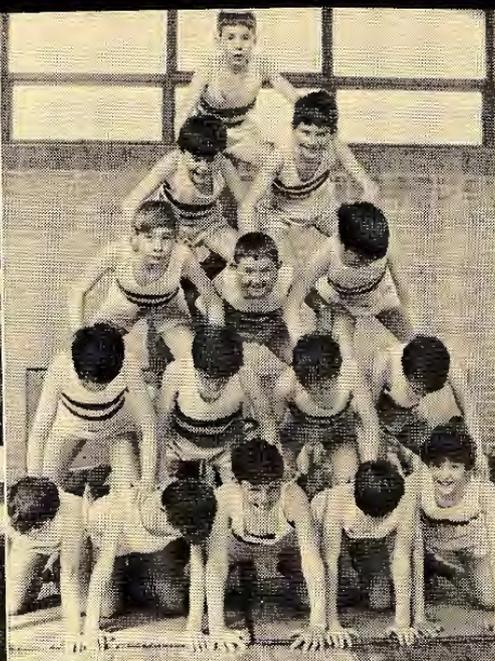


7. P. Rafter wins the Intermediate 100 yards.
8. L. O'Toole scores for Wales in League Final.
9. E. Rothery receives the Chess Trophy from the President.



10. Happy mood, having defeated Willow Park, away.
11. A TRY! League Final.
12. Rodney proudly holds aloft the Under 13's Rugby Cup —

Photos: C.S.Sp.



JUNIOR CRICKET LEAGUE 1970

The Junior League, drawn from a combination of First and Second Years would normally suffer a drain to the Under Fourteens, but this year's selection of teams took into account probable Under Fourteens, and more or less left them aside. This meant that the operation of the league could in no way conflict with the under fourteens programme.

Con Davis, John O'Brien, Lorcan O'Toole, Peter Dorgan, Garvan Murphy skippered the five teams that participated in the league. The standard of play this year was fairly good. Certainly there was great interest all round throughout the season.

It was hoped at the start of the season to play two rounds but this was not possible due to bad weather. So the two teams with the highest points went through to the final. The teams in question were John O'Brien and Peter Dorgan.

The final was played in June on a sunny afternoon in Kenilworth. Losing the toss John had to bat first and gave a good display, scoring 31 before the last wicket fell. John O'Brien and Bruce McKell scored most of their teams runs. Eugene Collins and Richard Hughes bowled very well for Peter Dorgan's team.

The opening batsman for P. Dorgan's team was P. Hughes who hit fourteen runs before being bowled out. P. Dorgan's team retired at 35 runs for 7 wickets.

G. Hickey played well throughout the season. Let us not forget Seamus Lenihan who missed the final due to an injury.

A special word of thanks to our umpires K. Opperman and M. O'Neill.

Peter Dorgan

JUNIOR SOCCER LEAGUE

After a great interest in soccer in 1969, Fr. A. Carragher kindly started another League and received almost one hundred entries. Fourteen captains were chosen to elect seven-a-side teams. There were two sections, the winner of each to play in the Final. The Back Field was divided in two and marked out specially by Fr. Carragher himself.

Before three weeks had elapsed, there were three teams favourites for the Final. In the 'A' Section, Peter Dorgan's team and Declan Howard's and Rodney O'Donnell's teams in the 'B' Section.

The most exciting match was between Coventry (D. Howard) and Chelsea (R. O'Donnell). Francis O'Gorman scored twice for Coventry and it looked like they had the game in the bag, but Rodney was not finished, and raced

through to score two great goals. At this stage it was anybody's game, and with two minutes to go, Coventry won a corner. F. O'Gorman took the vital kick and sent the ball into the path of D. Howard who met it perfectly with his head to score the decider. Coventry went on to win all their games with a total of 12 points. Wolverhampton led by Peter Dorgan won all their games except one, when he lost one nil to Manchester United (D. McCarthy).

It turned out to be a nice day for the Final encounter. Wolves had the misfortune to lose S. Lenehan through injury and B. O'Connor was invited on as substitute. Coventry went into the lead when Declan Howard scored a goal at a moment when a whistle was heard, not the referee's, which distracted the defence due to circumstances not connected with the game. D. Howard scored again and with the score at 2-0, Brian O'Connor ran through and scored the best goal of the match to make the Final score 2-1 for Coventry.

The following received medals for Coventry: D. Howard (Capt.), F. Fitzgibbon, F. O'Gorman, G. Coghlan, M. Rice, A. Molloy, G. Keating.

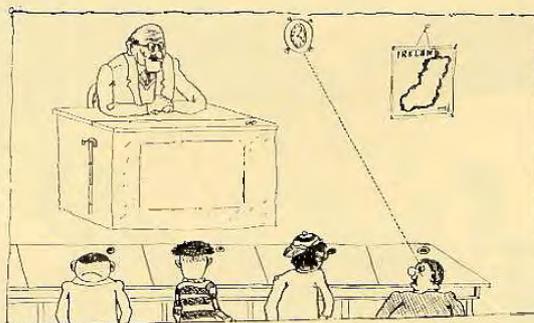
KNOCK-OUT SOCCER COMPETITION

Mr. O. Dunne, our P.E. instructor, sponsored a knock-out competition as a reward for those boys who during the year had aided him to help in raising funds for a boys club. Medals were provided and all the matches were played in the one afternoon. Enda Keane's team reached the Final after defeating D. Quinlan's team by a corner, and D. McShane's by 4-0. Richard Hughes' team also reached the Final after a great match against R. O'Donnell, which he won 3-2. Richard scored two himself and Rodney scored both his teams goals. Thus Enda Keane's and Richard Hughes' teams fought for the honours. Enda Keane won 1-0, with John Doyle scoring the vital goal in extra time from an almost impossible angle. Star of the match was Paul Healy, in goal for Enda's team. At one point I. Conlon broke through and lifting the ball over Paul's head, and ran on to sink the ball in the net, but Paul Healy ran back and whipped the ball from his feet. Later Paul saved a penalty and so thoroughly deserved the medal he received. The presentation was made by Mr. O. Dunne.

With this upsurge of interest in Soccer we look forward to more exciting football next year.

Those who received medals on the victorious team were: Enda Keane (Capt.), Francis O'Gorman, John Doyle, Paul Cooney, Paul Healy, Michael Fanagan, Geoffrey Keating.

Francis O'Gorman



'Never seen a clock before, Barnes, ???' - R.H.

• Soccer •

Senior Schools Soccer Competition

THIS year saw the introduction of St. Mary's College into the Leinster College's Soccer Cup. The season was greeted enthusiastically by a large number of players attempting to secure Places. Raymond Geraghty was elected as captain. For a pre-cup warm up we played teams such as Blackrock, O'Connell's Schools, De La Salle. Though successful in only one of these encounters, the team was shaping up well and valuable experience was gained. Individuals like Kevin Deering in goal, Tim O'Flanagan, our tall centre-half, Barry Bennett, our winger

were showing good promise for the future.

The draw for the Cup was made and we were included with Terenure and C.U.S., and and the leading two on points would qualify for the quarter-finals. The expectation of playing in Dalymount stimulated us to increase our training schedule and so the tension rose. On a very wet and muddy field, we ran out comfortable winners against C.U.S., at Belfield. This pitch, was unsuitable for fast football, but our superior stamina and team work saw us through to win in a game in which our goal-keeper and defence were outstanding. Those notable were Tim O'Flanagan, Tommy McGovern, David



Photo: C.S.Sp.

Standing: B. Byrne, E. Wigglesworth, P. Byrne, D. Deering, W. Coffey, K. Deering.

Seated: B. Bennett, T. McGovern, R. Geraghty (*Captain*), P. Andreucetti, T. O'Flaherty.

Deering and Ray Geraghty, himself, while in attack Eddie Wigglesworth, Barry Bennett and Liam Grissing co-ordinated well.

Our next game was against Terenure away. This game was perhaps the most technical and physical that we had played, yet we remained unperturbed by the robust tackling and showed that we did not lack force either. However, through lack of good ball control, Terenure got the better of us in the second half and secured the only goal. Later in that half, we saw the ball into their net, but the goal was not allowed. This was a game in which the tactics of Ray Geraghty, and the superb goal keeping of Kevin Deering played havoc with the Terenure attack.

However we qualified, and were due to meet St. Pauls in the next section. Pre-match tension was too high and we went on to the pitch unsettled and were soon rattled by two quick goals. It was not until early in the second half that we recovered, moving much

more freely with Barry Bennet at last making room on the wing. The defence solid and linking well with the attack. We began to pile on the pressure and so a goal came, a cross from W. Coffey which J. Reade put in the net. St. Pauls struck back quickly. But then towards the end of the match Paul Andreucetti got the goal of the match, rounding three players he placed the ball just wide of the keeper into the net. With so little time remaining, we were unable to equalize however and so came out losers, but not beaten. So the season closed and the team thought they had achieved something in their first taste of true soccer.

Many thanks are due to Mr. Sean McCarthy, who organised the team as our manager, and without whose help, the team would not have been able to get off the ground.

EDWARD WIGGLESWORTH

ATHLETICS

OUR Athletics team, especially those in the Junior and Senior Divisions, put in some very serious training after the Easter Holidays. The results of the competitions, particularly the Zone Championships were very rewarding and performances in the Leinster and All Ireland, where the competition was much keener, were satisfactory. Cathal Sweeney is to be congratulated on his excellent performance in retaining the Leinster and All Ireland High Jump Championships.

Our thanks are due in a very special way to Mr. Maurice Hogan for his generous help and advice and training throughout the season.

RESULTS

SOUTH DUBLIN REGION:

Junior:
100 metres —1st P. Opperman 12.1 secs. (record).
200 metres —1st P. Opperman 25.3 secs. (equals record).
800 metres —2nd R. O'Donnell
Relay —3rd, St. Mary's
Long Jump —3rd H. O'Neill

Intermediate:

800 metres —3rd K. Deering
Relay —3rd, St. Mary's
Shot Put —3rd P. Walker

Senior:

200 metres —3rd G. Aylward
400 metres —3rd G. Aylward
High Jump —1st C. Sweeney 1.7 metres (equals record); 2nd G. Walshe.
Long Jump —1st G. Aylward 5.6 metres (record).
Triple Jump —1st C. Sweeney 11.48 metres (record).
Shot Put —1st G. Saab 12.07 metres (record).

LEINSTER CHAMPIONSHIPS

Senior:

200 metres —3rd G. Aylward
High Jump —1st C. Sweeney (5' 9½").

Junior:

200 metres —3rd P. Opperman
100 metres —1st P. Opperman

ALL IRELAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

Senior:

High Jump —1st C. Sweeney (1.71 metres).



Photo: C.S.Sp.

Standing: G. Aylward, C. Sweeney, G. Walshe, R. Greene, B. Hughes.

Seated: H. O'Neill, P. Opperman, E. Keane, J. Oliver.

Front: R. O'Donnell, L. Healion.

SENIOR SCHOOL SPORTS

THE Annual College Sports have taken place each year since the last recorded occasion. Space does not permit one to recall each and every individual merit over the three years. Each of those first Sundays in June has been blessed with sunshine. Competition has been keen, and entries large, particularly in the younger age groups. Always a family affair, the keynote has been one of enjoyment in the informality of the occasion. Parents have come in welcome numbers to cheer on the exploits of their sons. These years were not without their particular interest and focus on certain individuals, but apart from these many others at all levels shared in the thrill of victory.

Amongst the keener athletes records were broken.

Of the year 1968, we can say that John Fearon won the Victor Ludorum with Donal Swift close on his heels. Liam Grissing had a time of 2 min. 20 secs., in the new Intermediate 880 yards event. The Past Relay team composed of R. Bailey, B. O Sullivan, J. Moloney and G. Sharvin won the Relay event.

Gerry Aylward took the Victor Ludorum the following year and he also bettered John Moloney's record in the 220 yards, Senior. Two new events were introduced to the Juvenile Section, the High Jump and the

Long Jump, won by P. Opperman and C. O'Carroll respectively. Paul Opperman clipped 0.5 secs from the Juvenile 100 yards. Brian Hughes was the most promising athlete in the Intermediate Section and Enda Keane in the Junior Section, while Hugh O'Neill and Paul Opperman battled for superiority in the Juvenile Section. On this occasion it was the Past who yet again retained the Relay Cup for another year (J. Moloney, B. Gunn, D. Swift and D. Greene).

This year saw Gerry Aylward take the Victor Ludorum award for the second year in succession. Gerry has always shown talent even from the Junior School and has always taken a keen interest in both Athletics and Sports in general. His well known achievements on the Rugby field are amply recorded elsewhere. On this sports day he excelled in the track events, led his own Relay team to victory and beat J. Moloney to the tape in the final lap of the Past v. Present Relay to bring back the Cup to the College after a long absence, in what proved to be the most exciting race of the afternoon.

Cathal Sweeney, who came to the College this year, was the focus of attention in the High Jump and established a new College record for this event. The day previous to this, Cathal won the All-Ireland Schools' High Jump. The Intermediate track events were hotly contested between P. Rafter and P. Gilenan. Kevin Deering set up a new time for the Intermediate 880 yards by taking 5 secs., from L. Grissing's record of two years ago.

At Junior level Paul Opperman and Rodney O'Donnell took the honours. Paul had won the 100 metres and came third in the 200 metres in the Leinster Schools' competitions earlier in the season and his present form indicates a promising future on the track. Rodney must be congratulated on doing so well as he was competing in a Section above his age group in most events and must be credited with equalling P. Opperman's High Jump record of last year. John McManus and Eugene Collins were easily the fastest in the Juvenile Section.

The Band of the I.T. & G.W.U. under the Direction of Mr. J. F. Carroll provided us with a pleasant afternoon's musical entertainment. Our thanks are due to all those who helped in the organization and the running of the events, to those who provided the teas and the refreshments, the stewarding of the Scouts and particularly to Mrs. Fanagan, wife of the Vice President of the Union who distributed the prizes at the end of the day.

Top :

1. Senior cycle race.
 2. Obstacle race.
 3. Senior 880 yards.
A. McShane, Leads.
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Centre :

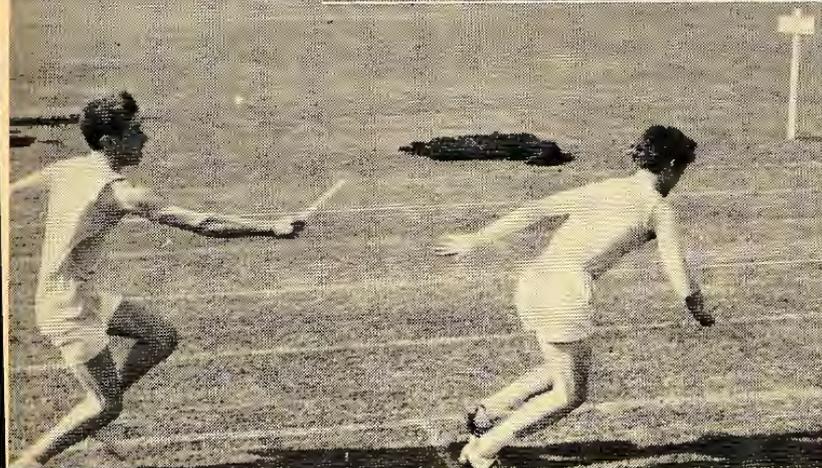
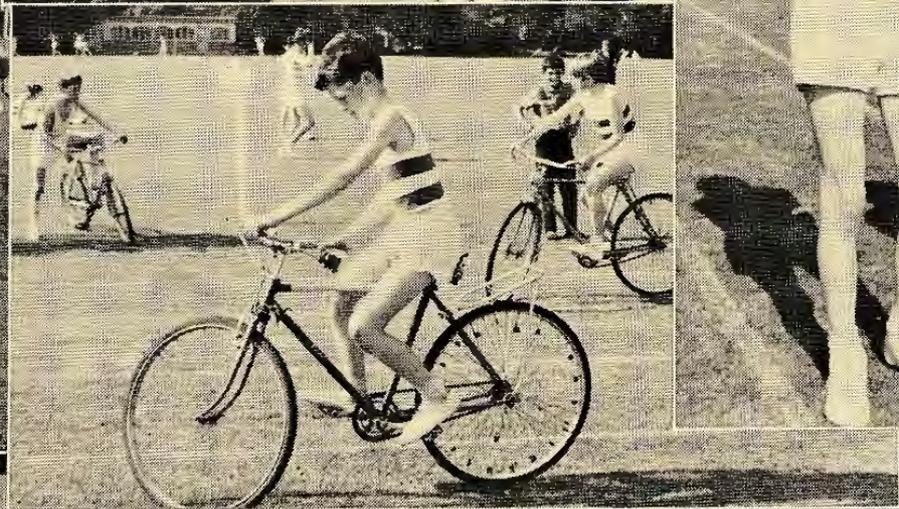
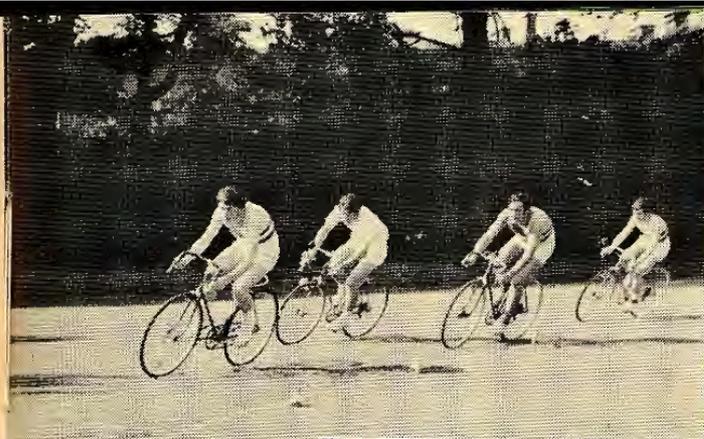
4. G. Aylward receives Victor Ludorum Trophy from Mrs. Fanagan.
 5. B. McKell coasts along in Sack Race.
 6. C. O'Kelly concentrating in Slow Bicycle Race.
 7. B. O'Connor, M. Deegan, blowing balloons in Obstacle Race.
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Bottom :

8. Senior Relay :
— Baton Change.
 9. G. Aylward breaks the tape to win Senior 100 Yards championship.
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College Sports Results—1970

Victor Ludorum: Gerard Aylward

SENIOR SECTION

<i>High Jump:</i>	1. C. Sweeney	2. G. Walsh 5'7 $\frac{1}{4}$ " new rec.
<i>100 Yards:</i>	1. G. Aylward	2. G. Madden
<i>220 Yards:</i>	1. G. Aylward	2. P. Andreucetti
<i>440 Yards:</i>	1. G. Aylward	2. P. Andreucetti
<i>880 Yards:</i>	1. A. McShane	2. J. Moloney
<i>Mile:</i>	1. K. Deering	2. A. McShane
<i>Long Jump:</i>	1. G. Aylward	2. A. McShane
<i>Shot Put:</i>	1. E. Saab	2. P. Andreucetti
<i>Bicycle Race:</i>	1. D. Savage	2. D. Levins
<i>Senior Relay:</i>	G. Aylward's team.	

JUNIOR SECTION

<i>100 Yards:</i>	1. P. Opperman	2. H. O'Neill
<i>220 Yards:</i>	1. P. Opperman	2. L. Healion
<i>880 Yards:</i>	1. R. O'Donnell	2. S. Lenehan
<i>High Jump:</i>	1. R. O'Donnell	2. P. Opperman
<i>Long Jump:</i>	1. P. Opperman	2. D. Howard
<i>Shot Put:</i>	1. R. O'Donnell	2. D. Quigley
<i>Bicycle Race:</i>	1. R. O'Donnell	2. D. Howard
<i>Relay:</i>	H. O'Neill's team	
<i>Musical Chairs:</i>	L. Healion	
<i>Consolation Race:</i>	1. P. McGovern	2. D. Levins
	3. S. Sheehan	

JUVENILE SECTION

<i>100 Yards:</i>	1. J. McManus	2. E. Collins
<i>150 Yards:</i>	1. R. O'Donnell	2. E. Collins
<i>High Jump:</i>	1. D. Quigley	2. E. Tiernan
<i>Long Jump:</i>	1. E. Collins	2. R. O'Higgins
<i>Slow Bicycle Race:</i>	1. B. McKell	2. B. Sullivan
<i>Musical Chairs:</i>	R. Murray	
<i>Relay:</i>	D. Quigley's team	
<i>Sack Race:</i>	1. P. Shortall	2. B. McKell
<i>Consolation Race:</i>	1. A. O'Shea	2. B. McKell
	3. I. Conlon	

INTERMEDIATE SECTION

<i>100 Yards:</i>	1. J. Rafter	2. P. Gilsenan
<i>220 Yards:</i>	1. J. Rafter	2. P. Gilsenan
<i>440 Yards:</i>	1. J. Oliver	2. K. Deering
<i>880 Yards:</i>	1. K. Deering	2. J. Oliver 2'15" new rec.
<i>High Jump:</i>	1. P. Rafter	2. J. Jordan
<i>Long Jump:</i>	1. K. Deering	2. D. Walsh
<i>Shot Put:</i>	1. P. Gilsenan	2. P. Walker
<i>Bicycle Race:</i>	1. M. Macdonnell	2. D. McGrath
<i>Relay:</i>	J. Jordan's team	

OTHER RESULTS

<i>Past v.</i>	
<i>Present Relay:</i>	Present: G. Aylward, C. Sweeney, G. Madden, J. Reade
<i>Veterans : Race.</i>	1. B. Dunne 2. T. Ryan

JUNIOR SCHOOL 1969—70

Prize Winners

General Excellence Medal
MICHAEL BYRNE

Art & Environmental Studies
WILLIAM OPPERMAN

Honours List
OWEN O'SULLIVAN

Junior 6

1. Maurice Moylette
2. Simon Burke
3. Paul Hughes

Junior 6'

1. John Hamill
2. Ian Fitzgerald
3. Felix McTiernan

Junior 5

1. John Treacy
2. Francis Butler
3. Derek Quinn

Junior 5'

1. Joseph O'Neill
2. Eoin Sherry
3. Nial Power

Junior 4

1. Albert Power
2. Brian O'Connor
3. { Stephen Fannagan
Brian Leahy

Junior 4'

1. Peter Sirr
2. Patrick Mackey
3. Seosamh Fitzpatrick

Junior 3

1. Patrick Walsh
2. Patrick Stephenson
3. { Colin Keane
Laurence Healy

Junior 3'

1. Owen O'Sullivan
2. Jonathan Bennett
3. Niel Martin

Junior 2

1. Derek Sweeney
2. Fintan McDonald
3. Colm Dunne

School Roll

1969-70

JUNIOR 6

Arigho, David
 Burke, Simon
 Byrne, Michael
 Cahalane, Anthony
 Carmody, Paul
 Chambers, David
 Cowman, Derek
 Connell, John
 Coveney, Terence
 Davitt, Paul
 Delaney, Patrick
 Delany, Ian
 Dooley, Desmond
 Egan, Kevin
 Fennell, Peter
 Fitzgerald, Michael
 Foley, Brendan
 Galligan, Peter
 Gueret, Paul
 Hughes, Paul
 McCarthy, Conor
 McEntee, Frank
 Moylette, Maurice
 Muldoon, Declan
 Murphy, Kevin
 O'Byrne, Kenneth
 O'Neill, David
 Quigley, Barry
 Redmond, Patrick
 Rice, Stuart
 Sharpe, Cormac
 Sheerin, Declan
 Thornton, Mark
 Walsh, Paul

JUNIOR 6!

Barnwell, Paul
 Byrne, Gregory
 Cahill, Declan
 Costello, Louis
 Cunningham, John
 Dunne, Pearse
 Fanagan, Gary
 Farnan, Kevin
 Fitzgerald, Ian
 Geoghegan, Niall
 Hamill, John
 Jones, Gerard
 Kennedy, Michael
 Largey, Colm
 Larkin, David
 Lonergan, Donal
 Macdonnell, Robert
 McGrath, Peter

McMahon, Seamus
 McTiernan, Felix
 Murphy, John
 Murray, Declan
 O'Brien, Barry
 Opperman, William
 O'Sullivan, Barry
 O'Sullivan, John
 Quigley, Brian
 Roantree, Francis
 Sloan, Raymond
 Wafer, Sean
 White, Declan

JUNIOR 5

Birmingham, Michael
 Bennett, Anthony
 Browne, Eamonn
 Bulger, Raymond
 Burgess, Niall
 Burke, James
 Burke, Mark
 Butler, Francis
 Byrne, Alan
 Chester, Michael
 Conheady, Paul
 Doyle, Richard
 Flanagan, Paul
 Gannon, Peter
 Healy, David
 Hickey, Thomas
 Kennedy, Bernard
 McCann, Michael
 McCarthy, David
 O'Neill, Ronan
 O'Rourke, Peter
 Quigley, Kevin
 Quinn, Derek
 Raftery, Stephen
 Redahan, John
 Redmond, Alexander
 Redmond, Paul
 Sweeney, Karl
 Tracey, John
 Whelan, John

JUNIOR 5!

Byrne, Brian
 Coman, Geoffrey
 Dagg, Bernard
 Feehan, Michael
 Flood, Ciaran
 Gallagher, John



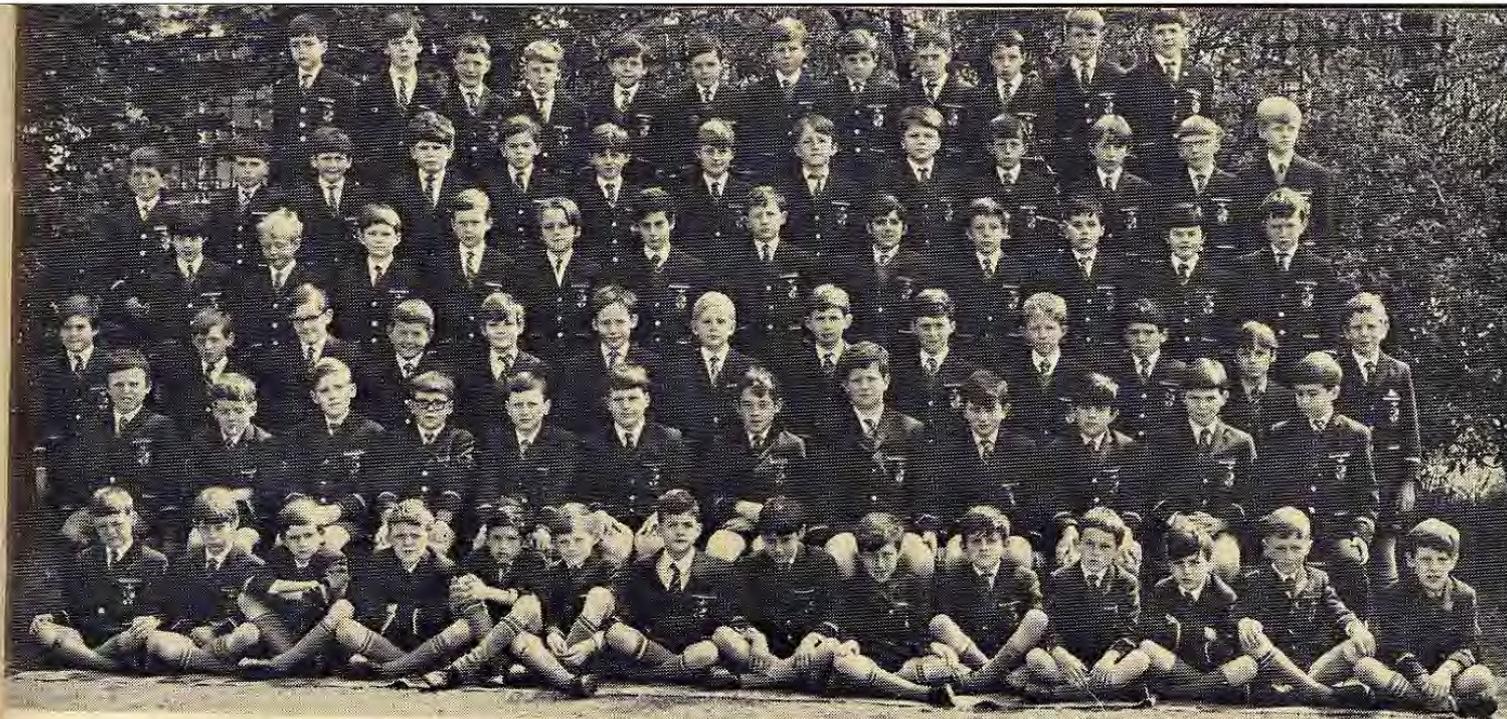
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Michael Byrne receiving the Gold Medal for General Excellence.

JUNIOR 4

Birmingham, Kieran
 Black, Peter
 Byrne, Brian
 Byrne, Dermot
 Byrne, Gareth
 Cogley, David
 Connell, Liam
 Curtis, Cahal
 Dunne, Ian
 Fanagan, Stephen
 Graham, Peter
 Green, Jeffrey
 Healy, Mark
 Keogh, Paul
 Kerrigan, Paul
 Largey, Brendan
 Leahy, Brian
 Lynch, Timothy
 McCarthy, Patrick
 McCarthy, Stephen

Hartigan, Pdraig
 Hartigan, Ronan
 Healy, Timothy
 Keogan, Dominic
 Larney, David
 Lynch, Niall
 Maguire, Paul
 McCann, John
 McGrath, Mark
 Morris, John
 O'Connor, James
 O'Kane, Barra
 O'Neill, Joseph
 Perot, Sean
 Power, Niall
 Quinlan, Charles
 Raftery, John
 Roantree, Seamus
 Ryan, Mark
 Scott, Michael
 Sherry, Owen
 Swift, Paul



JUNIOR 4 & 4'

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R. McGoldrick, A. Kelly, C. Bermingham, C. Russell, B. Redmond, P. Sirr, A. O'Brien, S. McCarthy, P. Keogh, P. Mackay, P. Dean, S. Fitzpatrick.
 C. O Kane, J. Coman, P. Bowe, E. Armstrong, D. Murphy, T. O'Brien, S. Fanagan, D. Tuke, P. Mulvey, K. O'Reilly, P. McDonald, D. Cogley, U. O'Nuallain.
 C. Payne, P. Kerrigan, B. O'Connor, M. Hughes, P. McCarthy, S. McDonald, B. Byrne, D. Butt, P. Thornton, D. Byrne, D. Maher, D. Moylette.
 T. Lynch, P. Fitzgerald, M. Crosbie, C. Curtis, P. McShane, B. McNally, S. O'Byrne, B. Heaney, P. Black, P. Graham, C. Sloan, P. Coffey, D. Raftery.
 B. Largey, G. Greene, G. Byrne, C. Rothery, I. Dunn, T. O'Connell, J. Waldron, J. O'Connor, B. O'Moore, M. Healy, L. Connell, A. Power.
 C. Quigley, J. Hefferon, D. Dunne, J. Doyle, J. Gallagher, B. Sheehan, P. Lynch, A. Leahy, C. Levins, C. Kelly, G. Dunne, D. O'Neill, B. Leahy, P. Corrigan

JUNIOR 3 & 3'

P. Lonergan, S. Muldoon, K. McDonnell, F. Kerrigan, J. McCutcheon, M. Gannon, A. Russell, O. O'Sullivan, D. Gilligan, S. Maguire, J. Ward, S. McGrath, L. Healy, S. Donnelly, M. Crowe, J. McEntee, N. Martin, J. Clancy, A. Farrell, M. Ledgwith, R. Fearon, M. Cosgrave.
 J. Ambrose, D. Sheehan, A. Whelan, D. McVey, H. Delany, P. Blunden, C. Mulvihill, G. Kinsella, D. Corcoran, M. Byrne, K. Gannon, N. Winter, J. Hartigan, P. Walsh, E. Robbins, D. Flemming, R. Stephenson, G. McCarthy, B. Sherry, D. Egan, T. Cleary, C. Murray, R. Byrne.
 N. Payne, P. McGrath, C. Keane, P. Davitt, C. Doyle, M. Gowran, G. Lennon, C. Cassidy, D. Bennett, J. Larney, T. Gray, P. Gallagher, N. Harrington, P. Walshe, D. O'Shaughnessy, C. O'Connor, B. Booth, F. Murray, C. Redahan, L. O'Byrne, J. Bennett.



McDonald, Stephen
 McNally, Brendan
 McShane, Peter
 Maher, Declan
 Moylette, David
 O'Brien, Thomas
 O'Connor, Brian
 O'Connor, John
 O'Moore, Brian
 Payne, Cyprian
 Power, Albert
 Raftery, Dominic
 Redmond, Barry
 Rothery, Colm
 Sloan, Carl
 Tannam, Lorcan
 Thornton, Paul
 Tuke, David
 Waldron, John

JUNIOR 4ⁱ

Armstrong, Edward
 Bowe, Paul
 Burke Moran, Mark
 Butt, David
 Coffey, Barry
 Coman, John
 Corrigan, Peter
 Crosbie, Michael
 Dean, Paul
 Doyle, James
 Dunne, Donal
 Dunne, Geoffrey
 Fitzgerald, Peter
 Fitzpatrick, Joseph
 Gallagher, Joseph
 Heeney, Brian
 Hefferon, John
 Hughes, Mark
 Kelly, Aidan
 Kelly, Conor
 Leahy, Aidan
 Levins, Colin
 Lynch, Patrick
 McDonald, Philip
 McGoldrick, Richard
 Mackey, Patrick
 Mulvey, Peter
 Murphy, David
 O'Brien, Alan
 O'Byrne, Saran
 O'Connell, Timothy
 O'Kane, Cian
 O'Neill, Damien
 O'Nuallain, Ultan
 O'Reilly, Kevin
 Quigley, Conor
 Russell, Christopher
 Sheehan, Brian
 Sirr, Peter

JUNIOR 3

Ambrose, John
 Bennett, David
 Blunden, Patrick

Booth, Brian
 Cassidy, Conal
 Cleary, Thomas
 Davitt, Peter
 Delany, Hugh
 Donnelly, Stephen
 Eagan, Derek
 Farrell, Alan
 Flemming, David
 Gannon, Keneth
 Gannon, Michael
 Gowran, Martin
 Grey, Thomas
 Healy, Lawrence
 Keane, Colin
 Kinsella, Geoffrey
 Larney, John
 Ledwith, Michael
 Lonergan, Patrick
 McGrath, Paul
 McEntee, James
 Maguire, Shane
 Muldoon, Stephen
 Mulvihill, Conal
 Murray, Francis
 O'Byrne, Lorcan
 O'Connor, Charles
 Payne, Norbert
 Redahan, Cormac
 Sherry, Brian
 Stephenson, Patrick
 Walsh, Patrick
 Ward, John

JUNIOR 3ⁱ

Bennett, Jonathan
 Byrne, Richard
 Byrne, Mark
 Clancy, John
 Cosgrove, Mark
 Corcoran, David
 Crowe, Morgan
 Devlin, Philip
 Doyle, Colm
 Fearon, Raymond
 Gallagher, Paul
 Gilligan, Donal
 Harrington, Niall
 Hartigan, John
 Kerrigan, Fergus
 Leo, Richard
 Lennon, Garry
 Martin, Niall
 Macdonnell, Keneth
 McCarthy, Gerald
 McVey, Dominic
 McCutcheon, James
 McGrath, Stephen
 Murray, Kieran
 O'Shaughnessey, David
 O'Sullivan, Owen
 Robins, Eunan
 Russell, Arthur
 Sheehan, Declan
 Walsh, Philip
 Whelan, Andrew
 Winder, Nuada

JUNIOR 2

Bowe, Michael
 Brennan, John
 Cassidy, Paul
 Coman, Patrick
 Coman, Denis
 Cooke, Shane
 Creegan, Conor
 Dunne, Colm
 Fearon, Patrick
 Gallagher, John
 Graham James
 Hammond, Darragh
 Hughes, Kevin
 Kieran, Michael
 Leavy, John

Leavy, Martin
 McAlister, John
 McCarthy, Paul
 McCarthy, Paul D.
 McCormac, Tony
 McDonald, Fintan
 McShane, Jim
 Morton, Edward
 O'Connor, Nicholas
 O'Reilly, Peter
 Power, Michael
 Redmond, Gerard
 Ryan, Stephen
 Schuster, Ivan
 Sheerin, Michael
 Sweeney, Derek
 Tallon, David
 Teevan, David



William Opperman receives the trophy for Art and Environmental Studies.

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JUNIOR 6 & 6'

J. McMahon, I. Delany, D. Murray, B. Foley, M. Fitzgerald, K. Egan, D. O'Neill, P. Walsh, P. Delaney, R. Macdonnell.
 P. Barnwell, N. Geoghegan, G. Fanagan, T. Coveney, P. Carmody, D. Arigho, M. Byrne, S. Wafer, L. Costello, B. O'igley, K. Murphy.
 J. Connell, P. Davitt, J. O'Sullivan, F. McTiernan, M. Thornton, J. Hamill, M. Kennedy, C. Largey, G. Byrne, K. O'Byrne, S. Rice, B. O'Sullivan.
 D. Dooley, F. Roantree, P. Murphy, P. Hughes, P. Galligan, G. Jones, B. O'Brien, K. Farnan, B. O'igley, A. Cahalane, R. Sloan, P. McGrath.
 W. Opperman, D. Muldoon, F. McEntee, C. Sharpe, P. Gueret, S. Burke, P. Redmond, C. McCarthy, M. Moylett, D. Cahill, J. Cunningham
 P. Dunne, D. Chambers, D. White, D. Larkin, D. Lonergan.

JUNIOR 5 & 5'

J. Treacy, P. Redmond, S. Perot, T. Bennett, M. Scott, R. Hartigan, J. Raftery, J. O'Connor, G. Coman.
 M. Chester, M. Graham, P. Gannon, D. Larney, P. Maguire, T. Healy, M. Bermingham, R. Doyle, M. McGrath, B. Byrne, J. Morris, D. Quinn.
 P. Swift, T. Hickey, P. Conheady, N. Power, J. Gallagher, E. Browne, P. Hartigan, R. O'Neill, K. Quigley, P. Flanagan, S. Raftery.
 B. O'Kane, D. Healy, N. Lynch, J. Burke, J. McCann, E. Sherry, B. Dagg, M. Ryan, J. Whelan, A. Byrne.
 P. O'Rourke, C. Quinlan, J. Redahan, D. McCarthy, S. Roantree, R. Bulger, M. Burke, M. Feehan, A. Redmond, B. Kennedy, M. McCann.
 C. Sweeney, F. Butler, D. Keogan, C. Flood.

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JUNIOR SCHOOL GAMES

RUGBY LEAGUES

HOLY CHILDHOOD LEAGUE

The most important sporting competition in the Junior School is undoubtedly the Holy Childhood League which is run off between Christmas and Easter. It is here that our Senior players reveal their Rugby talents and make a name for themselves.

This year we had six teams competing. Each game was keen but it became apparent that the top teams were those captained by Louis Costello, Kevin Egan and Ian Delany. We played two rounds and at the end of the first, Louis had eight points, while Kevin and Ian had seven each. In the second round Kevin's team became favourites as they were winning their matches handsomely. The Final day drew near and Ian Delany qualified to meet Kevin Egan. He had the services of Paul O'Byrne a huge lock-forward, but Paul was missing for the Final. Still there were Frank McEntee, Peter Galligan, David McCarthy, Paul Gueret all fit and ready for the fray. Ian was quietly confident such stalwarts as Raymond Sloan, an able vice-captain, David Arigho, Mark Thornton, John Whelan and Paul Maguire.

During the Minor League Final the rains came and continued to fall throughout the Senior Final. When Father Moloney blew the Final whistle, Ian became holder of the Holy Childhood League, winning 6-3. Scorers for the winners were Mark Thornton and Ian Delany, while Kevin Egan got the solitary try for his

team. It was a hard fought match with trying conditions. In congratulating the winners let us not forget the gallant losers and also the other teams captained by Paul Barnwell, Stewart Rice and Robert MacDonnell.

MINOR RUGBY LEAGUE

We had only four teams participating in this League which provided plenty of excitement and entertainment. The Captains of the four teams were Paul Bowe, John Cowman, Brian Leahy and Carl Sloan. John and Brian failed to qualify for the Final. After the first round it became clear that the final would be between Carl Sloan's team and Paul Bowe's.

What a match it proved to be, hard knocks given and taken. At the end of the game the sides were level 6-6. There were great displays by both captains, also by Patrick McCarthy, Geoffrey Green, Philip MacDonnell and Jimmy Doyle for Carl's team, while Paul Thornton, Paul Dean, Derek Egan and John Gallagher and Mark Hughes shone for Paul's team.

We had ten minutes extra time and with both teams tiring in the heavy conditions, Carl got the all-important try to clinch the issue. Congratulations to deserving winners, but what gallant losers Paul and his team were. It was a happy Carl who presented this team to the Rev. President for their medals.

SOCCER LEAGUES

JUNIOR SCHOOL SOCCER LEAGUE

JUNIOR 5s AND 4s

During the last term we ran off a very successful 7-side Soccer League for Junior 6s and Junior 5s; one also for Junior 3s and 4s. This year was World Cup year and so Soccer was put on a high pedestal among the boys. We had sixteen teams captained by the following: John Hamill, Gregory Byrne, Derek Cowman, Paul Carmody Gerry Jones, Ian Fitzgerald, David Arigho, Desmond Dooley, Patrick Delany, Terry Coveney, Niall Geoghegan, Paul Hughes, Declan White, Brendan Foley, Paul Walsh, and Pierce Dunne. We had some tremendously exciting matches with some brilliant goals.

The semi-finals were Liverpool (G. Jones) against Tottenham Hotspur (P. Carmody) and West Brom., (P. Walsh) against Everton (B. Foley). After two very good games Liverpool qualified to meet West Brom., in the Final. West Brom., were favourites, because they had two very good ball players in their Captain Paul Walsh and William Opperman. Liverpool's key

men were their Captain Gerry Jones, and Robert Macdonnell. The medals went to Paul's team who won 4-1. Paul and Willie scored twice and Robert got the goal for Liverpool.

MINOR SOCCER LEAGUE

This League of 8-side proved very successful and we learned that there is plenty of talent in the lower classes. There were eight teams, Bohemians (J. Doyle), Cork Celtic (B. Leahy), Cork Hibs., (P. McCarthy), Waterford (C. Sloan), Finn Harps (P. Fitzgerald), Sligo Rovers (J. Gallagher) Dundalk (D. Dunne), and Shamrock Rovers (P. Thornton).

The Final played on the last day of school was between Cork Celtic and Waterford, who by their previous displays were favourites. Due to very fine goal keeping by Cathal Curtis for Cork Celtic, the Waterford team were held at bay, and it was Brian Leahy with the help of Andy Whelan, Mark Burke-Moran and Peter Graham who pulled off a surprise victory. Best of the gallant losers were Carl Sloan, Mark Hughes, Colm Dunne and Tim Lynch.

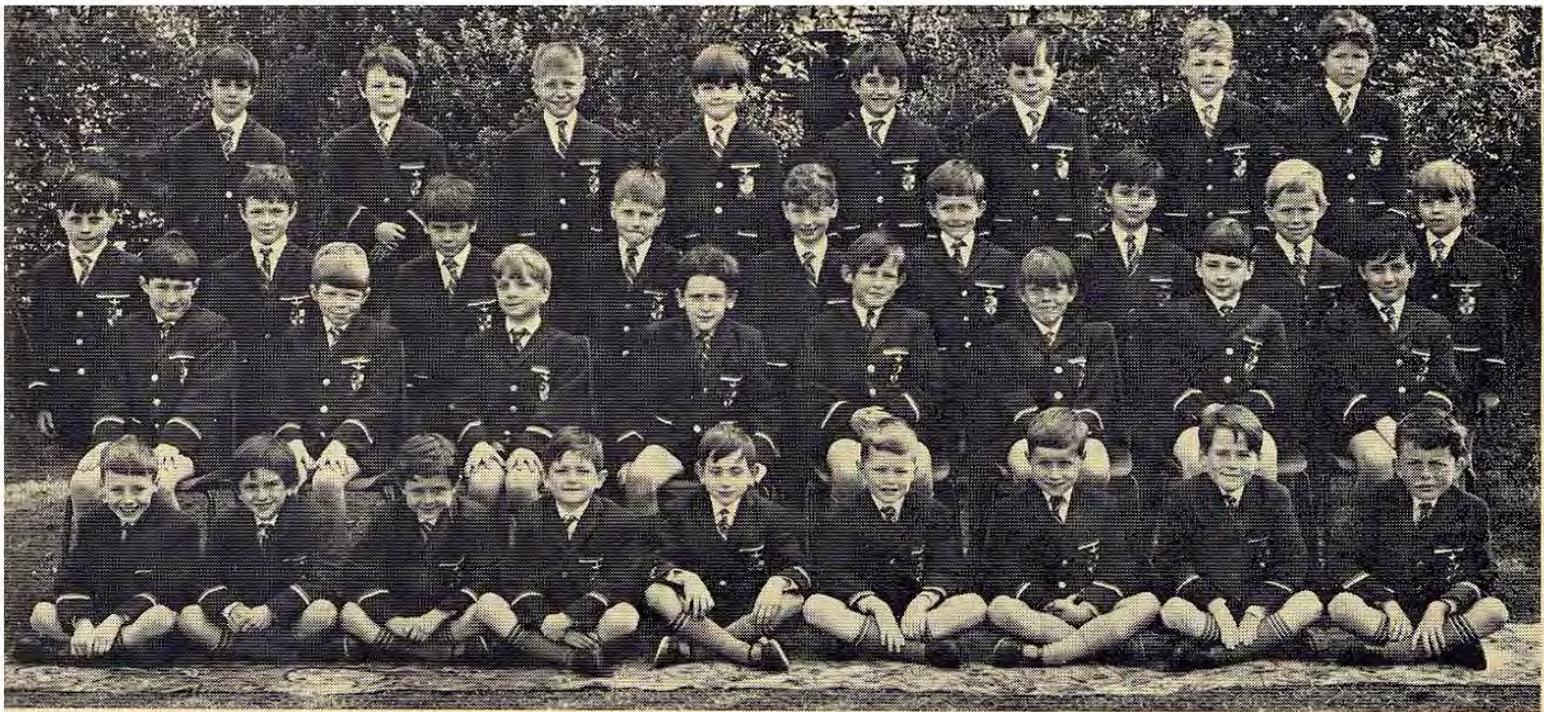


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JUNIOR 2

A. McCormack, P. Cowman, S. Ryan, F. McDonald, J. Leavy, D. Sweeney, P. McCarthy.
 M. Leavy, S. Cooke, D. Cowman, D. Hammond, P. O'Reilly, I. Schuster, D. Teevan, W. Kiernan.
 K Hughes, J. Graham, G. Redmond, E. Morton, J. McShane, P. Cassidy, J. Brennan, M. Sheerin.
 L. Tannam, C Dunne, C. Creegan, J. McAllister, D. Tallon, R. O'Connor, M. P. McCarthy, W. Bowe, W. Power.

CRICKET LEAGUES

CRICKET

This year we were blessed with good weather on Wednesdays and Saturdays and so our Cricket Leagues were successfully run off. We had Leagues confined to boys in classes 6 & 6', 5 & 5', 4 & 4'. There were five teams from top classes and the captains were J. Murphy, D. Lonergan, B. Quigley, D. Sheerin, and A. Calahane. As the League progressed, B. Quigley and J. Murphy emerged as the favourites to meet in the final and so it happened.

In a thrilling Final J. Murphy and his men gained the honours, but not without stern opposition from B. Quigley's team. J. Murphy was a very able captain and his heroes were: P. Walsh, a prolific run-getter; Michael Byrne, whose steady accurate bowling claimed many wickets; D. Arigho, P. Davitt, F. McTiernan. Throughout the season we were impressed by the dedicated frame of mind of B. Quigley to the job in hand - winning the Shield and Medals. Though he failed, all credit to him and his team for making the Final a memorable one. The team was infused with the enthusiasm of its captain and none more so than Willy Opperman, P. Dunne P. Galligan, C. Largey and D. Larkin.

We had four teams in the Junior 5's Cricket League, captained by J. Raftery, T. Hickey, R. Hartigan, and J. Whelan. Here was more evidence of both talent and enthusiasm. There were some thrilling matches

played with Test Match keenness and the series included a tie between J. Raftery and D. Whelan. The Final was a very exciting affair between J. Raftery and T. Hickey. John and his men batted first and when the Innings closed they had reached and passed the half century mark. Was it enough to forge victory against T. Hickey's team who had with him such good run getters as N. Power, R. Bulger, B. O'Kane and J. Gallagher? Thanks to some very fine bowling by J. Raftery in the last few overs Tom had to be content with the runner up medal. It was a really tense final and stars of the winning side were: J. Raftery, P. Conheady, D. Doyle, T. Bennett, and P. Gannon. For the losers none tried harder than captain T. Hickey, N. Power, J. Gallagher, C. Flood and S. Roantree.

Minor League: The glamour and excitement of the Junior 5s and Junior 6's League was missing in this section. Nevertheless there was evidence of both skill and determination in the series. Five teams contested for the honours and the captains were C. Curtis, P. Thornton M. Moran, P. MacDonnell, and P. Dean. After many one sided matches the Final contestants were P. Thornton's team and C. Curtis's eleven. The latter's team helped by some very good batting from B. Leahy and P. Graham were the eventual winners, while the losers had great triers in P. McCarthy, D. Cogley, B. Coffey and D. Dunne.

J.B.

Environmental

Studies

OUR educational visits are usually linked with environmental studies. As we study history using the statues in O'Connell street as starting points, we visited three statues and recorded our observations. These observations brought to life some of our book knowledge and stimulated interest, leading to further historical discoveries.

Our visit beginning at the Davis Memorial in College Green and ending with Parnell in Upper O'Connell Street was a full afternoon. Some of the men taking their regular siesta on the seats at the base of the O'Connell Monument were disturbed for a while that afternoon. At one stage when passing from William Smith O'Brien to Sir John Gray, the guard on point-duty, noticing the studious looking youths with pencils and note-books, stopped the traffic at the junction of Abbey Street and O'Connell Street to allow us to pass. Some, revelling in their new-found importance were seen to swagger across, while others flashed over at 100 metres speed.

Our second visit in June, brought us to Dail Eireann, the National Museum and the Natural History Museum. A visit to the Dail is interesting at any time, but our visit this year, at the height of the 'Arms Smuggle' controversy, was of added interest. Mr. Neil Blaney was recognised immediately at the entrance to Leinster House, where he patiently signed, twenty-two times, ready-made autograph books. The National Museum visit was instructive and interesting, but our visit to the Natural History Museum seemed to be absorbingly interesting for all. It was rewarding to hear small groups arranging to go back again during the holidays to explore further the animals, the fishes and the birds.

On Thursday the 4th of June, Fr. Hourigan, our School Dean, took us on a tour of Dail Eireann. On Rathmines Road we boarded a bus which took us to St. Stephen's Green and from there we walked to the Dail entrance on Kildare St. Inside the Dail one immediately noticed the vastness of the building. In the hall hung the Original 1916 Proclamation. This struck one as being very unusual, mainly because none of us had ever seen a real parchment before. A guide then took the party in hand and showed us the various rooms, ending in the Dail chamber itself.

We were on a balcony looking down on the Deputies and Ministers of the Dail on all sides of the House. The Deputies sat facing the Taoiseach and his Ministers, with the Ceann Comhairle in between the two parties. While I was not very impressed by the chamber itself, it was most interesting to hear the Deputies asking the Ministers questions and receiving the replies. I was very surprised to see so few Deputies and Ministers at such an important meeting. One last memory I took away with me was the picture of Wolf Tone which was hanging in the room next to the Senate.

Following the Dail visit we went to its next door neighbour, The Museum. It was really most interesting. The first thing here that drew my attention was a 52' long dug-out canoe, found in a bog in the West of Ireland. It was very well preserved and kept by the Museum and should be seen by every tourist. Another thing here was the jewellery which consisted of the famous Tara Brooch, the Ardagh Chalice and many other priceless works of Art. There was one room in which these were preserved. The shrunken head from the Amazon particularly drew our attention. The local witch-doctor shrank the head by removing all the bones and pouring hot sand into the head. After this was done he sealed up the lips to prevent the spirit getting out to haunt people.

In the same room there were many unusual musical instruments. These did not interest me as I am not a lover of classical music, but for the keen musician it was a place to see. The top floor is worth a visit by every boy. This room is full of ancient weapons, from cannon guns to revolvers, bows and arrows to swords. Any ancient weapon you could mention is there. On the same floor, too, can be seen the mummified remains found in Irish bogs. It is quite amazing just how old mummies are and yet do not look it.

Another place of interest is the 1916 part of the Museum. Here there is a uniform belonging to the late Michael Collins, although recently it has been stated that the cap does not belong to him. There are many guns, uniforms and letters there also. There was one object that fascinated me: it was a miniature tombstone carved by hand from a bone by an Irish prisoner.

For the Animal Lover the place to visit was the Natural History Museum. The one thing that sticks out most here is an enormous 50', if not 60' shark, captured by fishermen in Brandon Bay Co. Kerry. There was a variety of animals on show, some big and some small. Of the birds there were gulls, thrushes and many other prominent species.

As always all good must come to an end. Our visit had to also. It was an exciting and educational tour which I will remember for some time to come.

IAN FITZGERALD

Poster

Competition

KEEP ST. MARY'S TIDY

The Poster Competition 'Keep St. Mary's Tidy,' arranged in each class throughout the school has the effect of making each boy aware of what has been counselled so often. By designing and making the posters, the pupils themselves become the lecturers, and they suddenly ask themselves: 'What did I do with my bus ticket and my lunch wrapper to-day.'

J.H.

ESSAY by FELIX McTIERNAN

It all started when Fr. Hourigan came into our classroom one morning and asked if anyone would like to enter a competition to promote tidyness in St. Mary's. It occurred to me to make an attempt at this, little thinking that I would get anywhere, but I did.

Litter is the ruination of our beautiful city. The amount of litter we see about us makes work so difficult for the Corporation, that they cannot possibly hope to keep Dublin tidy without peoples' co-operation. To achieve this and to make school children more conscious many competitions and campaigns have been held all over Ireland. My suggestion was that litter-bins all over Ireland should have "more character," in other words should be more attractive to both adults and children.

The competition which I entered has been one of the most successful in the College throughout the past few years. It has made me more litter conscious. I now notice motorists throwing away their empty cigarette boxes, children tossing their sweet papers into the gutter, even adults encouraging their children to be careless about this. What annoys me most is to see people throw away banana skins on to the public path. It was noticeable also that the boys of my class became very litter conscious and indeed were seen to dispose of litter in the waste baskets even during a soccer match.

Would'nt it be a great idea if some 'Keep Tidy' competition were offered to the public, that eventually most people in Ireland would sooner or later become more litter conscious? How much cleaner Ireland would be, and Dublin, too, and so much more attractive to our tourists.



David Quigley proudly holds the Art Trophy for the year 1969. In his final year in the Junior School, David spent much of his spare moments building models. Keen on Art, he also executed some excellent posters, the most memorable being, his "Don't be a Scatterpillar," for which he won 3rd prize in the "Keep Dublin Tidy" Competition in the School. Towards the end of the year David constructed a simple anemometer, a device for measuring the strength of the wind. This was ingeniously tabulated and yet simply executed. He well deserved the honours accorded him at the end of the year. Now in the Senior School, David pursues Ornithology as a hobby and is one of the founder members of the Club.

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Junior School Sports

The plum sporting fixture of the last term, the Junior School Sports was held on May 30th. Although the day was dull, the rain held off, except for one brief stoppage, until all events were successfully run off. Parents and friends of the boys turned up in large numbers and were not disappointed as competitors fought out each event with fierce determination.

In order to give Junior 2s and 3s an opportunity of seeing how things should be done, Junior 6 were the first to come under the starters orders. Louis Costello, Kevin Egan, Anthony Cahalane, Paul Barnwell, Declan Muldoon and William Opperman qualified for the final of the 150 yards, but it was Louis who eventually took the honours with only inches to spare from Kevin and Paul. In this event at Junior 5 level, John Whelan just held off the challenge of Michael Feehan and John McCann. The 80 yards dash for Junior 3s provided Patrick Blunden with a well earned medal, with Hugh Delany and Ciaran Murray filling the minor roles.

The three-legged race had its usual thrills and spills. The strong partnership of Brian Leahy and Paul Thornton gave them a clear win in the Junior 4s race, with the twins Dermot and Brian Byrne finishing second. The Junior 2 Egg and Spoon race gave the onlookers much enjoyment, with the steady running of Michael Sheerin getting the verdict from speedster Colm Dunne. The Junior 3 Egg and Spoon race was won in fine style by John Larney from Derek Egan and Ciaran Murray.

Back in the straight track events again, in the 100 yards for the Junior 4s, well built and speedy Ian Dunne, as expected, won well from Mark Hughes and Brian Leahy. In this event at Junior 6 level Kevin Egan set his sights very securely on the Victor Ludorum by winning from Paul Barnwell and Louis Costello. The Juniors 2 and 3 Obstacle Races provided great excitement with Laurence Healy winning for Junior 3 and Kevin Hughes for Junior 2.

In the centre of the arena Fr. Burke was sorting out the winners of the High Jump. No records were broken, but we saw fine jumping from Paul Conheady when he came first place in the Junior 5s, from John Whelan and Raymond Bulger. In the Junior 6 event, John Murphy won from Colm Largey and Raymond Sloan. The Junior 4 Obstacle race provided a good win for that tough competitor Carl Sloan.

The Interval concluded, it was time for the Musical Chairs. This is a game for which it is essential to have a good ear in order to keep ones chair. The usual fun and scrambles were had by all. Michael Bermingham won from Paul Conheady in the Junior 5 event. Among the 6s the honours went to Louis Costello after a very keen tussle, in which he managed to hold on to his seat from Raymond Sloan.

Back on the track there was the Junior 5s 100 yards where M. Feehan won from P. Conheady and J. Whelan. The 80 yards dash gave Colm Dunne a good win. Kevin Egan had already gained three valuable points by winning the Long Jump at this stage and looked hot favourite for the Victor Ludorum.

Top :

1. Obstacle Race Junior 2.

2 & 3. Breasting the tape.

Centre :

4. "My egg is still on the spoon !"

5. Kevin Egan receives the Victor Ludorum Trophy from Mrs. Sean O'Byrne.

6. P. Barnwell comes home an easy winner.

Bottom :

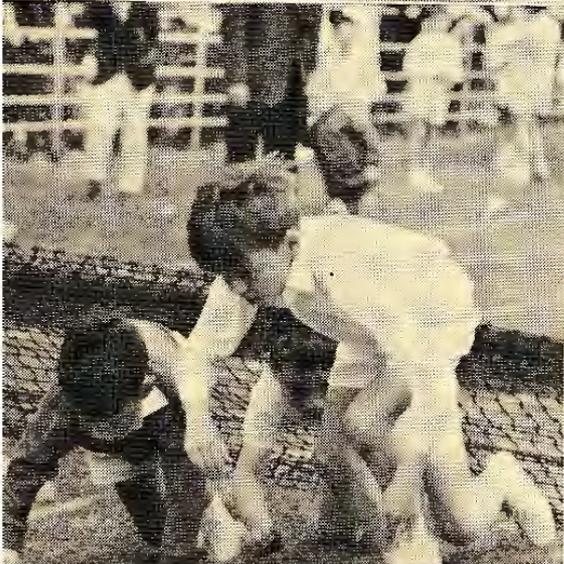
7. Obstacle Race.

8. Fr. J. Beere -
"I wonder if I've forgotten something" ?

9. Baton Change in Relay Race.



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Towards the end of the afternoon came the team events and it was Michael Feehan's team who won the Junior 5s race from Paul Conheady's team. Kevin Egan's relay team won the Junior 6s section. With events so arranged that a boy from Junior 6 and 6' must win the Victor Ludorum, these events in particular were keenly watched. Before the Sports many speculated on the eventual winner: would it be Raymond Sloan? Louis Costello? Kevin Egan? or Paul Barnwell? As the meeting progressed it became clear that the winner of the Gilmore Cup would be Kevin Egan. The continuous stream of races failed to take toll of his stamina and he ended up with three firsts, not including his Relay win, and one second. It was the 220 yards which provided Kevin with one of his best wins: he won from fast finish-

ing Declan Muldoon. So Kevin stole the limelight of the Sports, with Paul Barnwell a deserving runner up. Other strong finishers were, Louis Costello, Raymond Sloan and John Murphy.

So ended the Junior Sports. We must thank all those who helped to make it such a success. To Rev. Noel Sweeney and Mr. D. Morris we extend a special word of gratitude for making the field worthy of the occasion; to Mr. O. Dunne and Mr. N. Doyle at the starter line; to Miss Browne our announcer. And we must not forget the Scouts and our many helpers without whose assistance the day would not have gone so smoothly. Mrs. Sean O'Byrne, wife of the President of the Past Pupils Union presented the prizes.

SPORTS RESULTS

Victor Ludorum: K. Egan

JUNIOR 6s

High Jump

1. J. Murphy
2. C. Largey
3. R. Sloan

Long Jump

1. K. Egan
2. J. Murphy
3. R. Sloan

220 Yds. C'Ship.

1. K. Egan
2. D. Muldoon
3. P. Barnwell

Relay Race

K. Egan's Team.

Musical Chairs

L. Costello

150 Yds.

1. L. Costello
2. K. Egan
3. P. Barnwell

100 Yds.

1. K. Egan
2. P. Barnwell
3. L. Costello

JUNIOR 5s

High Jump

1. P. Conheady
2. J. Whelan
3. R. Bulger

Relay Race

M. Feehan's Team

150 Yds.

1. J. Whelan
2. M. Feehan
3. J. McCann

100 Yds.

1. M. Feehan
2. P. Conheady
3. J. Whelan

Musical Chairs

M. Bermingham

JUNIOR 4s

100 Yds.

1. I. Dunne
2. M. Hughes
3. B. Leahy

3 Legged Race

1. B. Leahy & P. Thornton
2. D. Byrne & B. Byrne
3. F. McCarthy & P. McCarthy

Obstacle Race

1. C. Sloan
2. S. O'Byrne
3. P. Thornton

JUNIOR 3s

80 Yds.

1. P. Blunden
2. H. Delany
3. C. Murray

Obstacle Race

1. L. Healy
2. D. Egan
3. S. Maguire

Egg & Spoon

1. J. Larney
2. D. Egan
3. C. Murray

JUNIOR 2

80 Yds.

1. C. Dunne
2. M. Sheerin
3. C. Cregan

Obstacle Race

1. K. Hughes
2. C. Dunne
3. M. Bowe
D. Cowman
P. Cassidy } *dead heat*

Egg & Spoon

1. M. Sheerin
2. C. Dunne
3. J. McShane

JUNIOR SCHOOL CONCERT

Presented by MISS MAURA CRANNY and

MRS. MARY SPINKS

THE FOUR GREEN FIELDS OF IRELAND IN SONG AND IN VERSE

JUNIOR 6 & 6¹

Munster:

The Bells of Shandon	<i>Francis S. Mahony</i>
Inver of the Shannon	<i>Bligh T. Crosbie</i>
Loop Head	<i>Edmund G. Holmes</i>
Slievnamon	<i>Charles J. Kickham</i>
Are Ye Right There, Michael ?	<i>Percy French</i>

JUNIOR 4 & 4¹

Ulster:

Roads	<i>Sydney Bell</i>
The Lament for Lady Nuala O'Donnell	<i>P.J. McCall</i>
The Blue Hills of Antrim	<i>Seosamh Cathmhaoi</i>

JUNIOR 3 & 3¹

Connacht:

The Star of The County Down	<i>Cathal McGarvey</i>
The Arran Islands	<i>Seamus Heaney</i>
The Lake Isle of Innisfree	<i>William B. Yeats</i>
The West Asleep	<i>Thomas Davis</i>
The Queen of Connemara	<i>Francis A. Fahy</i>

JUNIOR 5 & 5¹

Leinster:

The Ballad of Athlone	<i>Aubrey de Vere</i>
Lights of Dublin	<i>Father P. O'Connor</i> <i>(In China)</i>
The Harp That Once	<i>Thomas Moore</i>
The Foggy Dew	<i>Father P. O'Neill</i>
Gleann na Smol	<i>Father S. MacReamoin</i>

JUNIOR 2

The Band	<i>Eric Newton & Gene McConnell</i>
Jingle Johnny	<i>Elizabeth Gould</i>
All Kinds of Everything	<i>Derry Lindsay & Jack Smith</i>



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UNDER 12's CRICKET

Back : A. Cahalane, M. Byrne, W. Opperman, R. Sloan, B. Quigley, K. Egan.

Front : D. Lonergan, P. Walsh, J. Hickey, R. McDonnell (*Captain*), B. Foley, L. Costello.