

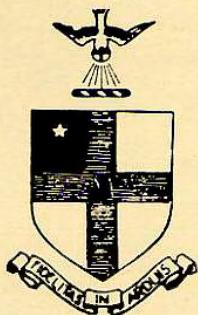
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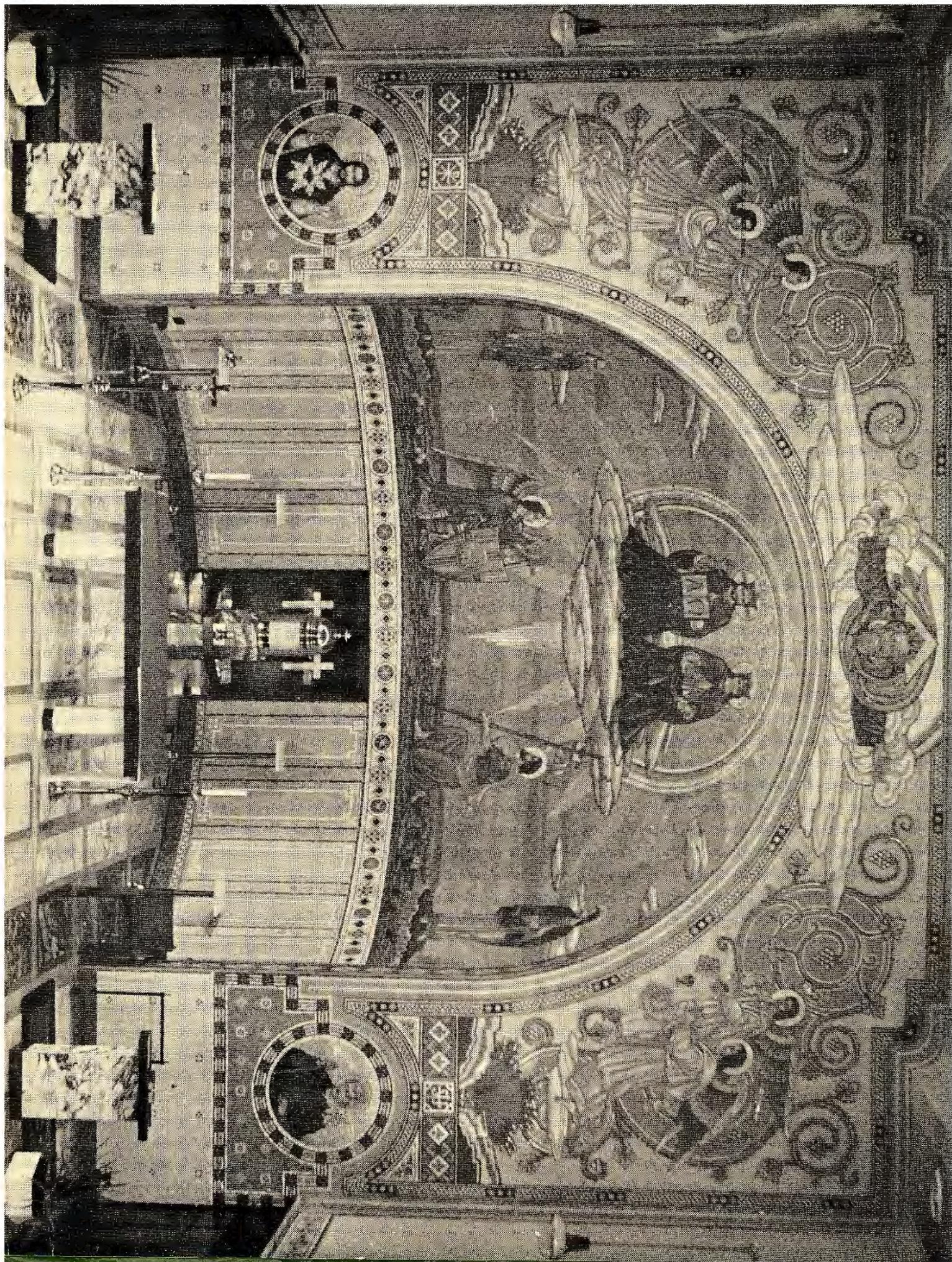
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FRONTISPICE

This is a photograph of the interior of the College Chapel showing the Altar and Sanctuary. It shows the altar facing the People of God with one ambo on either side. These were redesigned from the marbles and other stones which composed the original altars. Behind the altar stands the tabernacle on Moroccan onyx base.

The Chapel itself was built in 1953. The Mosaic of the interior of the dome was erected in 1958. The theme of the mosaic in the Chapel was designed to incorporate the entire message of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and therefore a complete understanding of the theme can only be appreciated if one takes into account the floor mosaic in the Nave.

The dome centre-piece depicts our Divine Lord as the Alpha and the Omega while Mary is seen as Queen of the Universe with Crown and Sceptre. Beneath are St. Michael the Archangel and St. John the Baptist flanked by the Apostles Saints Peter and Paul.

The mosaic front is by way of completing the original theme. Above is the Eternal Father. On either side can be seen the sheafs of wheat and the vine grapes, symbolising the sacrificial offerings, with the angels of incense bearing the gifts to the throne of God. Below this on either side are representations of the Sacred Heart and St. Joseph. The floor of the Sanctuary is composed entirely of polished marble.

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Editorial

AWARE that photography is more compelling than the printed word in captivating our readers' interest, we have once again widened the scope of our photographic coverage of the year's activities. We hasten to add, nevertheless, that what the many generous contributors have written in these pages is well worth your perusal. What they relate may not always record success in the school's many undertakings, because success after all is an elusive commodity. Apart from being an authentic record, they witness to the dedication and endeavour, the tremendous spirit which is the characteristic hall-mark of St. Mary's boys both past and present, whether in the academic field or the sport's arena.

It was a year not without interest and achievement. The completion of the Scout den and the Scout camp to Kandersteg, Switzerland, were undoubtedly mile-stones in the history of the College Scouts. Two of our past students were ordained to the priesthood—Fr. Paddy Connolly S.M.A., and Fr. Brian Horgan O.P.—ad multos annos. In the sportsfield the J.C.T. Cricket team won the Leinster Cup for the first time since 1948, and the Under 13s brought the Provincials' Cup back once again to Rathmines. Recorded here also are the outstanding achievements of the St. Mary's R.F.C., successes and the honours accorded to Sean Lynch, Denis Hickie, and Johnny Moloney.

Last September, Fr. Sean Little of the Gambia, who had earned a niche of honour during his short stay in the Senior School, was appointed Dean of the Junior School. May success crown this new undertaking. Our congratulations go to Fr. J. Hourigan in his recent appointment as National Director of the Pontifical Association of the Holy Childhood. He spent many fruitful years as Dean of the Junior School, a post he has held since 1964. Many of his former pupils will remember him for his kindness and particularly in his interest in environmental studies, the kernal of which can be found in his recent publications for Primary Schools, on this theme.

The tragic death of Allen McDonnell early in the year was a sad occasion for us all both teachers and students. We extend our sincere sympathy to his parents and brothers and sisters. This year also saw the death of many former teachers, Fr. Sean Nealon C.S.Sp., Mr. John Gallagher, Fr. Paddy Townsend C.S.Sp., Miss Mary Brinkworth and Miss Courtney. To all we ask that God may grant them eternal rest and the reward they must richly deserve.

It remains for us to thank sincerely all those who have helped in the production of this Annual, especially those who have contributed articles and photographs, in particular Mr. James G. Maguire. Much valuable assistance has been given by countless generous helpers who sought information or 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. L. Egan and the staff of Irish Photo Engraving Company, and to Mr. S. Sinnott and the staff of John English & Co., Ltd., for their generous help and unfailing courtesy. Finally we thank the 'Irish Times', The 'Irish Independent' and the 'Irish Press' for their courtesy in permitting us to reproduce various articles and photographs.

FR. HENRY F. MOLONEY C.S.Sp.

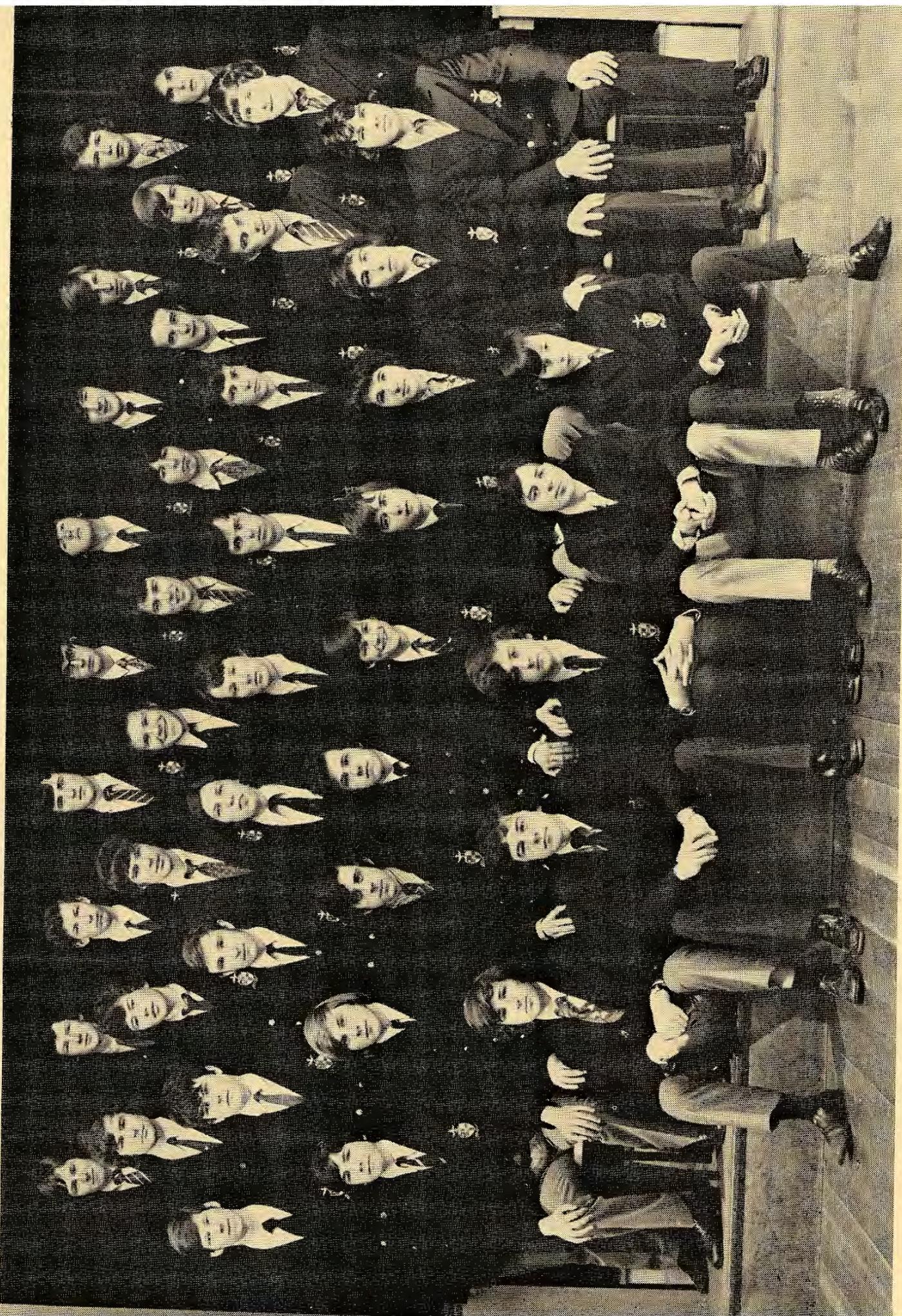


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SENIOR SCHOOL PRIZEWINNERS

1971—1972

SPECIAL AWARDS

<i>General Excellence Gold Medal</i>	...	Willie Ryan
<i>Past Pupils' Union Gold Medal for Studies in Leaving class</i>	...	Eoin O'Cofaigh
<i>Past Pupils' Union Gold Medal for Studies in Intermediate class</i>	...	John Sheehan
<i>Fr. Ernest Farrell Memorial Gold Medal for Religious Knowledge in Sixth Year</i>	...	Paul Flynn
<i>Honours List Silver Medal</i>	...	Patrick Salmon
<i>Senior English Debating Medal</i>	...	Michael O'Shea

William Ryan receives
the General Excellence
Gold Medal from
Mr. C. J. McCarthy,
President of P.P.U.



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SIXTH YEAR

M. McDonnell, T. Shanahan, M. Walsh, J. Jordan, M. Walsh, E. O'Cofaigh, G. Keating, J. Oliver, C. Callan,
D. Deering, N. Hendrick, K. Deering, D. Hooper, D. Ledwith, P. Gilsean, D. Bennett, P. Rogan, D. McGrath
P. Fitzgerald, J. Quinlan, R. O'Connor, D. Greene, D. Nevin, D. Coveney, J. McCullough, C. Hefferon, T. McGovern
T. Kennedy, P. Walker, P. Leavy, M. McCabe, W. Ryan, P. Shaffrey, E. Gibson, G. Boland, A. Ward,
S. Conheady, D. Walsh, P. Salmon, A. Reardon, M. Egan.



FIFTH YEAR

G. Fearon, J. Mulvey, P. O'Regan, F. Kelly, S. Sheehan, P. Gormley, A. Kennedy, J. Raftery, P. Walsh, D. Moloney
G. Delany, T. O'Higgins, M. Leadon, M. Cunningham, D. Davis, V. O'Gorman, E. Keane, D. O'Higgins, D. McShane
L. Healion, J. Doyle, T. McDonnell, P. Byrne, G. O'Malley, R. Stokes, J. Doddy, H. Reardon, H. O'Neill
†P. Maguire, D. Quinlan, E. Melvin, D. O'Connor, D. Walsh, J. Collison, L. Traynor, P. Norton, D. Hammond, G. Ashman
G. Godfrey, S. Bowe, P. Kirley, R. Le Bas, M. Carmody, J. McCarthy, D. O'Neill, K. Arigho, T. Tierney, J. Gallagher
† Deceased

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Eoin O'Cofaigh receiving the Gold Medal
for studies in Leaving class. This medal is
presented by Past Pupils' Union, and on this
occasion by Mr. C. J. McCarthy
President of P.P.U.

Eoin O'Cofaigh also received a Department
of Education Open Scholarship awarded on
results of Leaving Certificate (1A, 5B's, 1C).

He received a Prize in French in Entrance
Scholarship Examination U.C.D.

And also Prize for French Essay
Alliance Francaise



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BOOK PRIZES — 1970-71

Sixth Year

Religion: Paul Rafter

Irish: Eoin O'Cofaigh
Maurice McCabe

General Average: Patrick Salmon
Patrick Shaffrey
Paul Flynn
Maurice McCabe
Paul Rafter
Roderick O Connor

Honours List: Mervyn Walsh

Harry Reardon
Edward Melvin

David O'Connor
Desmond Walsh

Fourth Year:

Gerald Conheady
John Sheehan

John O'Neill
Francis O'Gorman

John Sheehan
Gerald Conheady
Paul McGovern
John O'Brien
John Keogh

Honours List:

Eoin Redahan

Fifth Year

Religion: Michael O'Shea
Gerard Godfrey

Irish: Peter Norton
Donal O'Higgins

General Average: Peter Norton
Donald McShane
Michael O'Shea
Gerald Delany

Third Year

Cahir O'Doherty
Peter Beirne

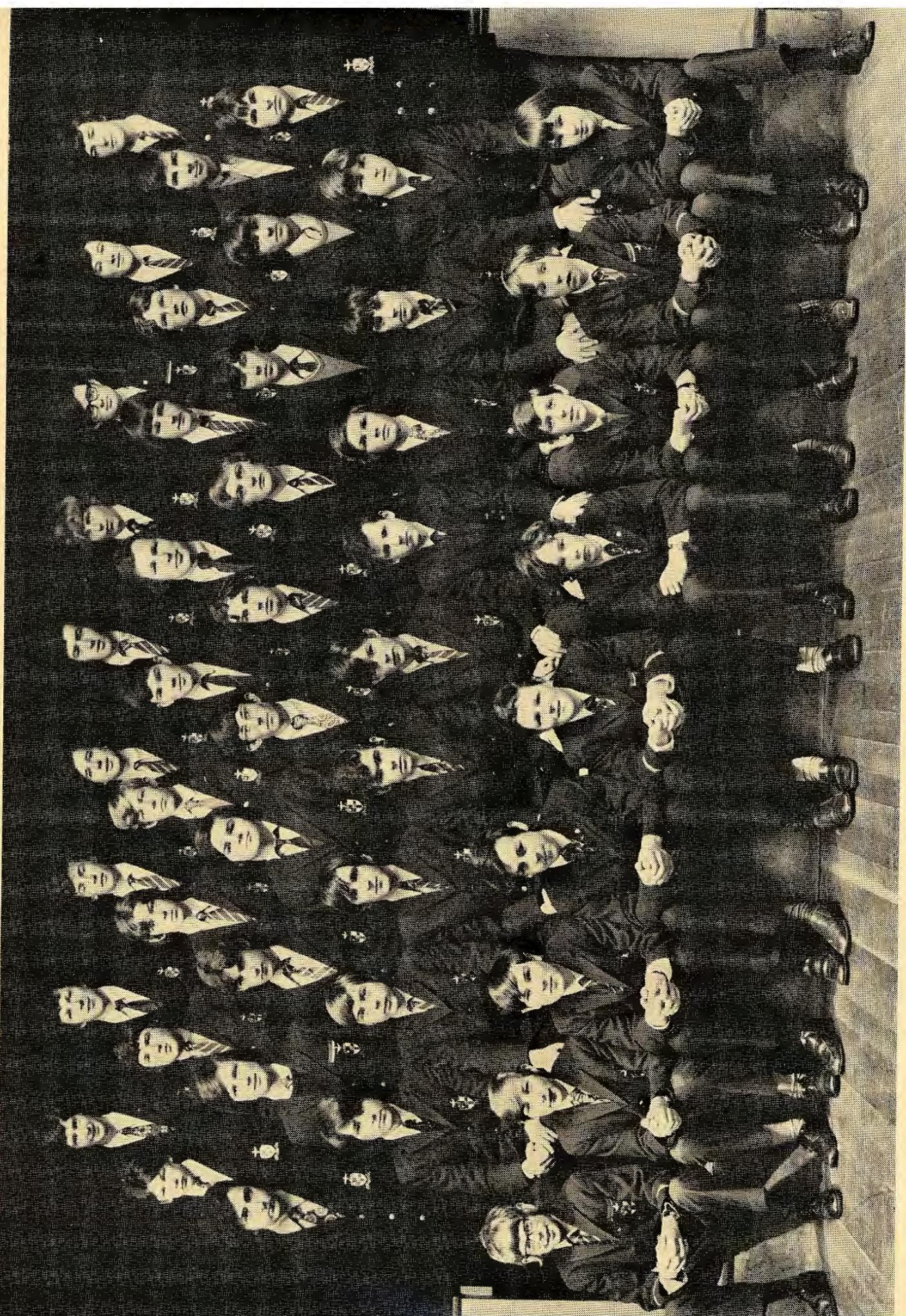


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BOOK PRIZES — (Continued)

Third Year (Contd.)			
<i>Irish:</i>	Desmond O'Neill James Lynch		Donal Lonergan } ex Peter Fennell } aequo
<i>General Average:</i>	Kieran Bulger Paul Cooney Paul O'Reilly Peter Beirne } 1st Eamonn Flood } Paul Doyle	<i>Honours List:</i>	Michael Byrne
<i>Honours' List:</i>	Michael Fanagan	<i>First Year</i>	
		<i>Religious Knowledge:</i>	Niall Burgess John Tracey
		<i>Irish:</i>	Eoghan Corish John Tracey
		<i>Second Year</i>	
<i>Religious knowledge:</i>	John Hamill Maurice Moylett	<i>General Average:</i>	John Tracey Alexander Redmond Stephen Raftery Francis Butler Eoghan Corish Niall Burgess
<i>Irish:</i>	Ian Long Patrick Delaney	<i>Honours List:</i>	Anthony Bennett Derek Quinn Dominic Keegan Paul Maguire John Redahan
<i>General Average:</i>	Maurice Moylett John Hamill Ian Fitzgerald Paul Barnwell Mark Thornton		

LEAVING CERTIFICATES 1971-72

Bennett, Derek		Hefferon, Colm	m	O'Connor, Roderick
Burns, Colm		Hooper, Denis		O'Dwyer, Thomas m
Boland, Gerard	m	Keating, Gerard		Oliver, John m
Callan, Ciaran		Keogh, John	m	Quinlan, John m
Conheady, Stuart	m	Leahy, Philip	m	Rafter, Paul m
Coveney, Denis	m	Leavy, Patrick		Reardon, Alan m
Cullen, Gerard		Ledwith, Donagh		Ryan, William m
Deering, David		McCabe, Maurice		Salmon, Patrick m
Deering, Kevin		McCullough, John	m	Shaffrey, Patrick m
Egan, Michael	m	McDonagh, Eoin		Shanahan, Thomas
Fitzgerald, Peter		McDonnell, Martin		Walker, Patrick
Flynn, Paul	m	Magee, Colm		Walsh, Declan m
Gibson, Eamon	m	McGovern, Tommy		Walsh, Michael
Gilsenan, Paraic	m	McKell, Bruce		Walsh, Mervyn m
Godfrey, Richard	m	Moore, Liam	m	Ward, Anthony
Greene, Donal		O'Cofaigh, Eoin	m	

m — Matriculation to University with at least two honours Leaving Certificate or pass in Matriculation.

FOURTH YEAR

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



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INTERMEDIATE CERTIFICATES 1971-72

Charleton, Peter	<i>h</i>	McGoldrick, Brendan	<i>h</i>	Redahan, Eoin	<i>h</i>
Coghlan, Gerard	<i>p</i>	McGovern, Paul	<i>h</i>	Redmond, Colin	<i>p</i>
Conheady, Gerald	<i>h</i>	Murphy, Richard	<i>p</i>	Rice, Mark	<i>p</i>
Doyle, Patrick	<i>p</i>	O'Brien, John	<i>p</i>	Rothery, Eoin	<i>h</i>
Fanning, Declan	<i>p</i>	O'Flanagan, Terence	<i>h</i>	Sheerin, Colm	<i>p</i>
Gallagher, Peter	<i>h</i>	O'Flanagan, Oliver	<i>p</i>	Schuster, Alexander	<i>h</i>
Geoghegan, Colin	<i>h</i>	O'Gorman, Francis	<i>p</i>	Shannon, Raymond	<i>h</i>
Keogh, John	<i>p</i>	O'Higgins, Raymond	<i>p</i>	Sheehan, John	<i>h</i>
Levins, David	<i>h</i>	O'Neill, John	<i>h</i>	Smith, Neil	<i>h</i>
McCarthy, Dermot	<i>h</i>	O'Reilly, Francis	<i>h</i>	Sweeney, Fergus	<i>h</i>
McDonald, Gerard	<i>h</i>	O'Toole, Lorcan	<i>h</i>		



Senior School Roll

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6th YEAR

Bennett, Derek
Boland, Gerard
Callan, Ciaran
Conheady, Stuart
Coveney, Denis
Creedon, Michael
Cullen, Gerard
Deering, David
Deering, Kevin
Egan, Michael
Fitzgerald, Peter
Flynn, Paul
Gibson, Eamonn
Gilsenan, Paraic
Godfrey, Richard
Greene, Donal
Hefferon, Colm
Hendrick, Noel
Hooper, Denis
Jordan, James
Keating, Gerard
Kennedy, Terence

Keogh, John
Leahy, Philip
Leavy, Patrick
Ledwith, Donagh
McCabe, Michael
McCormick, Conor
McCullough, John
McDonagh, Eoin
McDonnell, Martin
Magee, Colm
McGovern, Thomas
McGrath, Donal
McKell, Derek
Moore, Liam
Nevin, Dermot
O'Connor, Roderick
O'Cofaigh, Eoghan
O'Dwyer, Thomas
Oliver, John
Quinlan, John
Rafter, Paul
Reardon, Alan
Rogan, Patrick
Ryan, William
Salmon, Patrick
Shaffrey, Patrick
Shanahan, Thomas
Walker, Patrick
Walsh, Declan
Walsh, Mervyn
Walsh, Michael
Ward, Anthony

5th YEAR
Arigho, Kenneth
Ashman, Gerard
Bowe, Stephen
Byrne, Paul
Carmody, Martin
Collison, James
Cunningham, Michael
Davis, Donal
Delany, Gerard
Doddy, Joseph
Doyle, John
Fearon, Gerard
Gallagher, John
Godfrey, Gerard
Gormley, Paul
Hammond, Declan
Healion, Lee
Keane, Enda
Kelly Felim
Kennedy, Anthony
Kirley, Patrick
Leaden, Mark
Le Bas, Ronan
McCarthy, Joseph
McDonnell, Thomas
McShane, Donald
† Maguire, Padraig
Melvin, Edward
Moloney, David
Mulvey, Dominic

Mulvey, John
Norton, Peter
O'Connor, David
O'Gorman, Vivian
O'Higgins, Donal
O'Higgins, Terence
O'Malley, Gerard
O'Neill, Dominic
O'Neill, Hugh
O'Regan, Paul
O'Shea, Michael
Quinlan, Denis
Reardon, Harry
Raftery, Joseph
Shannon, Declan
Sheehan, Stephen
Stokes, Raymond
Tierney, Terence
Traynor, Leo
Walsh, Desmond
Walsh, Paul

4th YEAR

Charleton, Peter
Clancy, John
Coghlan, Gerald
Conheady, Gerald
Connolly, Brendan
Cummins, Fridolin

† Deceased

THIRD YEAR

D. Raftar, J. Crofts, D. McDonald, E. Tiernan, B. Sheehy, D. Quigley, B. Keane, J. Lynch, A. Molloy, B. O'Connor
D. O'Neill, F. Fitzgibbon, S. Lenehan, M. McKey, D. Lawlor, G. Keating, C. Cantwell, R. O'Connor, R. Murray, L. Quinn
A. Pacitti, P. Healy, J. McManus, N. Byrne, M. Fanagan, A. O'Shea, J. Keegan, M. Waters, G. Hickey
C. O'Kelly, B. Sullivan, J. Treanor, J. O'Callaghan, J. McCullough, M. Walsh, S. Mulvey, M. Sheridan, K. Bulger
P. Cooney, D. Doran, H. McEntee, M. Deegan, J. Farrell, P. Doyle, H. Quinn, P. Shortall, M. Radburn
I. Murray, J. Byrne, D. Le Bas, P. Beirne, I. Conlon, B. McKell, C. O'Doherty, D. White, C. O'Neill, B. White
E. Collins, O. Pomeroy, P. O'Reilly, N. O'Cofaigh, E. Flood.



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SECOND YEAR

C. Sharpe, P. Gueret, M. Moylett, D. Muldoon, P. O'Byrne, C. McCarthy, P. Toland, M. Fitzgerald, K. Farnan, P. Robinson
W. Opperman, D. Cowman, B. O'Brien, J. Connell, D. Cahill, P. Galligan, P. Hughes, A. Daly, J. Cunningham
C. Largey, D. O'Neill, I. Long, F. McEntee, M. Byrne, P. Hourican, K. O'Byrne, B. Foley, B. Quigley, R. McDonnell
P. Walsh, M. Thornton, T. Coveney, F. Roantree, P. Davitt, B. Quigley, S. Burke, B. McDonnell, G. Jones, R. Sloan
K. Murphy, I. Fitzgerald, G. Fanagan, G. Lawler, K. Egan, J. Hamill, G. Byrne, A. Cahalane, D. Arigho, F. McTiernan
L. Costello, A. Sheridan, P. Barnwell, P. McGrath, P. Carmody, J. Gately, P. Delaney, D. Dooley, S. Rice, D. Lonergan
D. White, S. Wafer, I. Delany, D. Murray, P. Fennell, D. Chambers, P. Dunne N. Geoghegan, D. Larkin.

Senior School Roll (Continued)

4th Year (Contd.)

Daly, Paul
Davis, Con
Dorgan, Peter
Doyle, Patrick
Fanning, Declan
Farrell, Michael
Ferose, Aboud
Gallagher, Peter
Geoghegan, Colm
Geraghty, Barry
Greene, Ronan
Hoare, Patrick
Howard, Declan
Keogh, John
Levins, David
McCarthy, Dermot
McDonagh, Terence
McDonald, Gerald
McGoldrick, Brendan
McGovern, Paul
Mulvey, Shane
Murphy, Garvan
Murphy, Richard
O'Brien, John
O'Donnell, Rodney
O'Flanagan, Edward
O'Flanagan, Oliver
O'Gorman, Francis
O'Higgins, Raymond
O'Neill, John
O'Nuallain, Patrick
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, Neill
Sweeney, Fergus

3rd YEAR

Beirne, Peter
Bulger Kieran
Byrne, John
Byrne, Niall
Cantwell, Ciaran
Collins, Eugene
Conlon, Ian
Cooney, Paul
Crofts, James
Deegan, Michael
Doran, David
Doyle, Paul
Fanagan, Michael

Farrell, Joseph
Fitzgibbon, Francis
Flood, Eamonn
Healy, Paul
Hickey, Gerard
Keane, Brian
Keating, Geoffrey
Kelly, Ross
Keogan, John
Lawler, Desmond
La Bas, David
Lenehan, Seamus
Lynch, James
McCullough, John
McDonald, Declan
McEntee, Henry
McKell, Bruce
McKey, Maurice
McManus, John
Molloy, Alan
Mooney, Brian
Mulvey, Stephen
Murray, Ian
Murray, Ronan
O'Callaghan, Jerome
O'Cofaigh, Niall
O'Connor, Brian
O'Connor, Richard
O'Doherty, Cahir
O'Kelly, Ciran
O'Neill, Charles
O'Neill, Desmond
O'Reilly, Paul
O'Shea, Andrew
Pacitti, Anthony
Pomeroy Oliver
Quigley David
Quinn, Hugo
Quinn, Liam
Radburn, Mark
Rafta, Dermot
Sheehy, Brendan
Shortall, Philip
Sheridan, Thomas
Sullivan, Brian
Tiernan, Eunan
Traynor, John
Walsh, Michael
Waters, Michael
White, Brian
White, Declan

2nd YEAR

Arigho, David
Barnwell, Paul
Burke, Simon
Byrne, Gregory
Byrne, Michael

Cahalane, Anthony
Cahill, Declan
Carmody, Paul
Chambers, David
Connell, John
Costello, Louis
Coveney, Terence
Cowman, Derek
Cunningham, John
Daly, Aidan
Davitt, Paul
Delany, Ian
Delaney, Patrick
Dooley, Desmond
Dunne, Pearse
Egan, Kevin
Fanagan, Gary
Farnan, Kevin
Fennell, Pater
Fitzgerald, Ian
Fitzgerald, Michael
Foley, Brendan
Galligan, Peter
Geoghegan, Niall
Gately, John
Gueret, Paul
Hamill, John
Hourican, Paul
Hughes, Paul
Jones, Gerard
Largey, Colm
Larkin, David
Lawler, Gerard
Lonergan, Donal
Long, Ian
McCarthy, Conor
McDonnell, Blane
McDonnell, Robert
McEntee, Francis
McGrath, Pater
McTiernan, Felix
Moylett, Maurice
Muldoon, Declan
Murphy, John
Murphy, Kevin
Murray, Declan
O'Brien, Barry
O'Byrne, Kenneth
O'Byrne, Paul
O'Neill, David
Opperman, William
Quigley, Barry
Quigley, Brian
Redmond, Patrick
Rice, Stewart
Roantree, Francis
Robinson, Perry
Sharpe, Cormac
Sheerin, Declan
Sheridan, Anthony
Sloan, Raymond
Thornton, Mark
Toland, Patrick
Wafer, Sean
Walsh, Paul
White, Declan

1st YEAR

Bennett, Anthony
Birmingham, Michael
Browne, Eamonn
Bulger, Raymond
Burgess Niall
Burke, James
Burke, Mark
Butler, Francis
Byrne, Alan
Byrne, Brian
Chester, Michael
Coman, Geoffrey
Conheady, Paul
Corish, Eoghan
Cullen, Brian
Dagge, Bernard
Donnelly, Edward
Doyle, Richard
Feehan, Michael
Flanagan, Paul
Gannon, Peter
Graham, Michael
Hartigan, Patrick
Healy, David
Holland, Kieran
Jolley, Charles
Kearney, Peter
Kennedy, Bernard
Kennedy, Thomas
Keogan, Dominic
Larney, David
Lynch, Niall
McCann, John
McCann, Michael
McCarthy, David
McGrath, Mark
Maguire, Paul
Morrin, Kieran
Morris, John
Mullen, Thomas
O'Connor, James
O'Duffy, Daniel
O'Kane, Barra
O'Neill, Joseph
O'Neill, Ronan
O'Rourke, Peter
O'Sullivan, Barry
Perot, Shaun
Power, Niall
Quigley, Kevin
Quinlan, Charles
Quinn, Derek
Raftery, John
Rafta, Stephen
Redahan, John
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Woods, Kevin

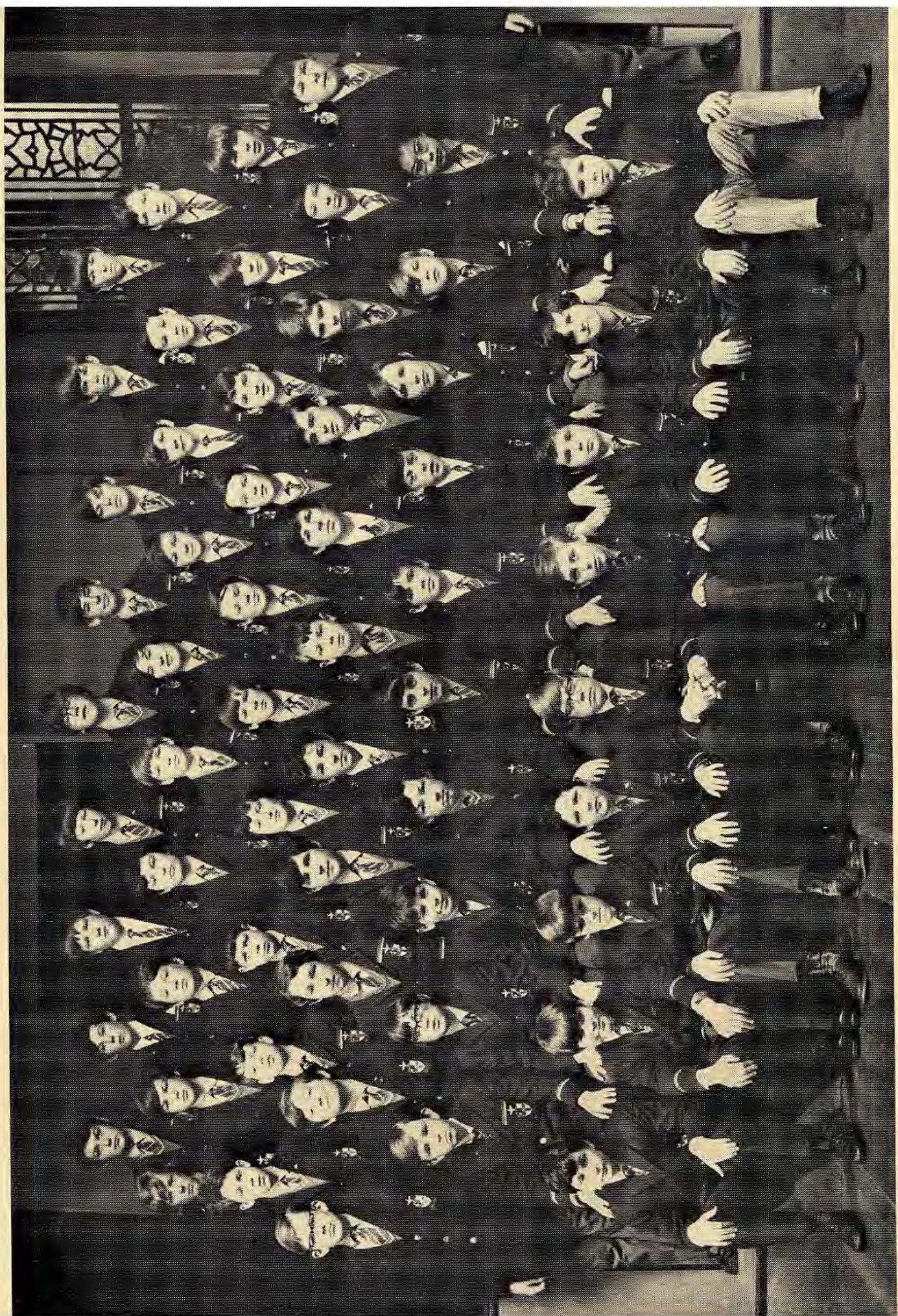


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*Assistant Headmaster and
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Rev. D. Darcy C.S.Sp.

Junior Form Master:

Rev. H. Moloney C.S.Sp.

Bursar:

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Rev. G. Lord C.S.Sp.
Rev. N. Gavin C.S.Sp.
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Mrs. B. Roberts
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Miss P. Cassidy



FIRST YEAR

B. Kennedy, R. Bulger, S. Roantree, M. Feehan, T. Kennedy, B. Dagge, D. McCarthy, J. Burke, P. Kearney
B. O'Sullivan, N. Lynch, P. O'Rourke, K. Woods, C. Quinlan, P. Sullivan, M. Chester, J. O'Neill, J. Redahan, K. Holland
J. McCann, D. Quinn, S. Raftery, K. Morrin, J. Turley, T. Mullen, K. O'Quigley, N. Burgess, M. McGrath, J. Whelan
B. Byrne, A. Byrne, P. Flanagan, D. Healy, B. O'Kane, M. McCann, B. Culleton, P. Hartigan, E. Corish, R. O'Neill, E. Donnelly
F. Butler, C. Stokes, J. O'Connor, A. Bennett, E. Browne, N. Power, P. Redmond, M. Birmingham, M. Graham, S. Perot
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THE COLLEGE PLAY



"THE HAPPIEST DAYS OF YOUR LIFE"

By

JOHN DIGHTON

WHATEVER about the effect upon an audience of straightforward drama or a Whodunit, few will deny that the greatest cathartic effect a person can experience is produced by a good laugh. Normally people come away from such a theatre-show more or less moved as the author would wish, but all the time their faculty is at work assessing the competence of the various actors in the interpretation of their parts. If the actors happen to be schoolboys, their portrayal of character must be of a particularly high amateur standard, if the appreciation of their audience is to pass beyond being more than dutifully indulgent. For nowadays audiences have been so well educated in the professional theatre through the cinema and especially through television (to say nothing of the live theatre itself) that there are few plays they have not seen. If they do happen to visit an amateur show they cannot help drawing comparisons, from which the amateur actor suffers. It is just another mediocre play registered and their praise tends to be patronizing. So much for serious drama. Not so for the farce. Of its very nature this theatrical piece revels in the ridiculous, in a combination of a multiplicity of ludicrous situations that could never really happen together. All this any audience will willingly concede so long as that specifically human feature, spontaneous and prolonged laughter, can have a night out so to speak. The essence of acting farce is to move fast and yet to keep on hitting the punch-line (of which there are a very great number) as many times as possible. If this is achieved everybody is in good form, the sheer impossibility of the many incongruous situations is forgotten, no defects of staging and few of acting are noticed, except by the most fastidious, and when the curtain falls for the last time, everyone is happy, while for the actors the play has been a huge success.

So for choice of our yearly production 1971, we took the 1948 prize-winning play of the English Theatre, 'The Happiest Days of Your Life', hailed by the critics as the greatest

1. *Tassell:* You haven't seen Miss Harper?
Pond: Never mind Miss Harper...

2. *Mrs. Peck and (Mr. Peck)* This looks like the staff side, dear. I'm afraid we've come in the back way.

3. *Hopcroft:* How'd you like to earn half-a-crown?
Rainbow: I'd like to see it first.

4. *Mrs Sowter:* Edgar!

5. *Miss Gossage:* Not very home from homey is it?

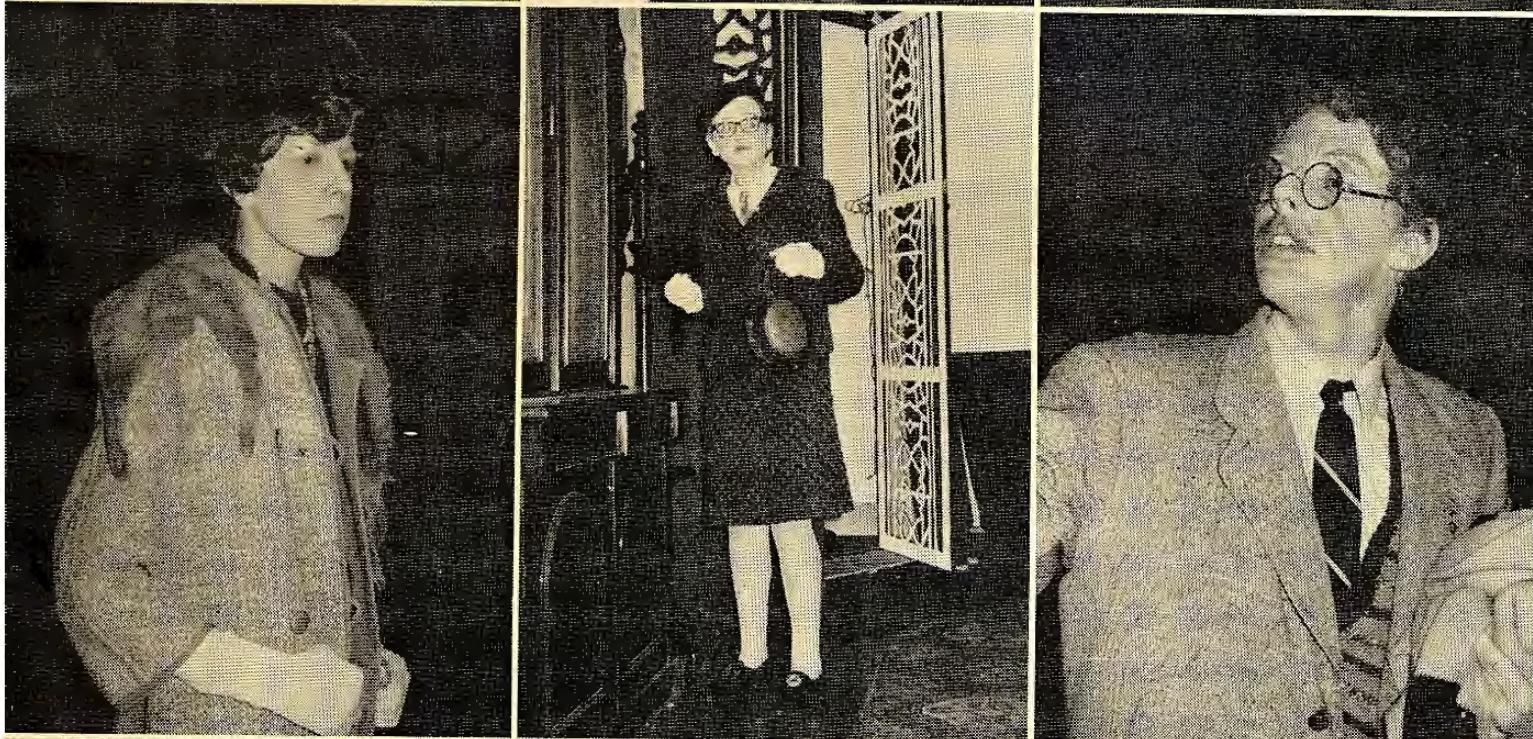
6. *Billings:* What position do you (to *Pond*) sleep in?

7. *Mr. Sowter:* Are you trying to waste our time?

8. *Rainbow (Miss Harper)* Sleep one on each rack, one on the seat, and there's still room for ninety-six...

9. *Barbara:* I was down at the baths and I saw the boys...
Whitchurch: Barbara, don't tell stories.

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farce since Charley's Aunt of 1910. The theme is the aftermath of evacuation in wartime Britain 1946. At Hilary Hall School, evacuated for the duration of the war, the boys are back at the beginning of the summer term. Godfrey Pond the Headmaster is happy to welcome once again his assistant masters Dick Tassell (ex-R.A.F.) and Robert Billings who had accompanied him on the evacuation. He is proposing, despite the protests of his colleagues and the school porter-cum-groundsman, Rainbow, to implement a government order billeting with them another school St. Swithin's, whose premises have been bombed. Hasty arrangements are made for the emergency but consternation is widespread when St. Swithin's on arrival turns out to be a girls' school. No amount of phoning the Department can save the situation and Hilary Hall must settle down to accommodating the St. Swithin's invasion led by their formidable battle-axe Principal Miss Whitchurch who simply lays down her terms and won't take no for an answer. The situation might perhaps be bearable enough but when doting parents of the boys and girls visit the school (completely ignorant of the state of affairs of course) things become really explosive. Eventually the truth is revealed but no explanation will satisfy the two sets of irate parents until loud noises of buses and children's voices announce the arrival of yet another school — somewhere in Whitehall someone had blundered. This time all resolutely unite in the beleaguered Hilary Hall to repel the invaders — and the curtain falls.

We had a particularly good cast this year for the main characters and with them the supporting players found their task easy. But playing farce can be deceptively easy. Every actor can appreciate the main ridiculous situations. He enjoys the play himself, his part is easy to learn and the big moments are there for the equally big laughs. But it is here precisely that the amateur actor can fall down. He may be inclined to forget that the playwright has carefully thought out every line, correcting and re-correcting his script, scores of times, leading up to the major situations with numerous minor ones, each with its quips, sallies, jokes that he means to be interpreted and sent out to tickle the audience. If the actor is to get all the author intended out of the play, he must read the text carefully, seize the intended humour in every line and then transmit it to his hearers clearly, precisely and seriously, oblivious as it were, of the fact what he says is funny or that the situation

in which he finds himself is laughingly ridiculous. A quick pace and precise timing is called for and at no time must the audience be allowed to reflect on how silly really the whole thing is. Instead, they must be gently led along to appreciate good humouredly each incident as it arises and then pass on to the next.



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Fr. F. C. Barry C.S.Sp., Producer of College Play — about to get 'The Happiest Days of Your Life' — off the ground.

Paul Flynn as Pond, Philip Leahy as Miss Whitchurch, Michael O'Shea and Joe Raftery as Billings and Tassell respectively, were all mature enough and had sufficient stage experience to give the necessary interpretation and tempo to the production. Paul as the self-effacing headmaster who tries to please everybody and succeeds in pleasing no one, had the most difficult part to play, as the story revolves round him. His performance was excellent by any standards. His two colleagues the phlegmatic, sardonic, woman-hating Billings and the gay young-man-about-town Tassell were given convincing portrayal by Michael O'Shea and Joe Raftery. For the former the arrival of St. Swithin's spells doomsday while for the latter, especially at

the sight of the attractive Miss Harper, things continue to look brighter and brighter. Appearing at the oddest of moments throughout the play, is the ubiquitous porter, groundsman and general factotum Rainbow, absent-minded, slow on the up-take, pulled here and there by all parties, a typical character part well acted by Peter Fitzgerald.

It is Miss Whitchurch seconded by her demure (at least in her presence) games-mistress Miss Gossage, with their brood of girls and their 'floreat St. Swithin's' who really set the pace for a new tenure of life at Hilary Hall. If the situation for the moment is irredeemable, the Headmistress's terms are clear, precise and all to the benefit of St. Swithin's. Philip Leahy acting in a feminine part for his third year, filled this role with a fortrightness that any president of women's lib. might envy. In addition he looked the part. Gerald MacDonald had some weight to carry in taking on the part of the very 'outdoor-girl' games-mistress who finds time to carry on a teasing romance with the acidic Billings. His sudden entrance in gym-slip and rompers with his "Doesn't take me long to strip for games", is the best in the whole play. Andrew O'Shea, on the stage for the first time, found himself in the shoes and dress of Miss Harper, Assistant Mistress of St. Swithin's. Having, after many rehearsals got the hang of uniting dialogue and movement to his haute couture, he gave a very convincing performance. Julia's parents, the Reverend Edward Peck played by John Keogh and his wife (Francis O'Gorman) provided a number of humorous incidents in their search for their daughter whom Miss Whitchurch successfully keeps from their sight. Their pained resignation will not do for the fiery Mr. Sowter (Rory O'Connor) and his precise wife (Frank O'Reilly) as they storm in looking for their boy Cyril, who of course never materialises. All four did their parts excellently. We had no

difficulty in finding the Hilary Hall 'nuisance' Hopcroft Minor. Out of a large selection we chose Declan Murray. He had nothing to learn from Hopcroft. He and Barbara are the only two school-children who appear in the play. John Sheehan as the latter, made up beautifully in pig-tails and gym-slip, panama hat and the rest, to the bewilderment even of many of the real school-girls who saw him. But take a look at the photographs by Fr. Moloney, which capture some of the moods of the characters and judge for yourself. All the attendant paraphernalia that goes to make an all-round production-decor, lighting, sound effects etc. were in the competent hands of Paul Walsh and his several assistants and everything went well on each night. Actors however come and go as one school year succeeds another but our old friends of the green-room are always there to give the final touches of character transformation.

The English, perhaps the most conservative nation in the world when it comes to traditions have the happy facility of taking a good laugh at themselves and those very traditions they cherish, on the stage at periodic intervals. One has only to think of the Gilbert and Sullivan series, the plays of Wilde or Shaw, Charley's Aunt and many others. In these days of a world-wide decadence in wholesome theatre, they have given us the universally popular Forsythe Saga and the Black and White Minstrel Show. 'The Happiest Days of Your Life' was created in a time of tension when the national spirit of an almost starving nation was at its lowest ebb. Evacuation was a very serious national upset, but in 'The Happiest Days' the whole nation sat back and laughed hilariously. It is a play that will last, maybe appealing more to an English audience, but one that will make people laugh heartily and spontaneously. And laughter is the safety-valve of a nation.

F.C.B.

THE CAST

DICK TASSELL, <i>Assistant Master</i>	Joseph Raftery
RAINBOW, <i>School Porter and Groundsman</i>	Peter Fitzgerald
RUPERT BILLINGS, <i>Senior Assistant Master</i>	Michael O'Shea
GODFREY POND, <i>Headmaster</i>	Paul Flynn
MISS EVELYN WHITCHURCH, <i>Principal of St. Swithin's</i>	Philip Leahy
MISS GOSSAGE, <i>Games-Mistress at St. Swithin's</i>	Gerald McDonald

HOPCROFT MINOR, <i>Pupil at Hilary Hall</i>	.. ..	Declan Murray
BARBARA COHOUN, <i>Pupil at St. Swithin's</i>	.. ..	John Sheehan
JOYCE HARPER, <i>Assistant Mistress at St. Swithin's</i>	.. ..	Andrew O'Shea
<i>Parents:</i>		
THE REVEREND EDWARD PECK	.. ..	John Keogh
MRS. PECK ..	.. ..	Francis O'Gorman
EDGAR SOWTER ..	.. ..	Roderick O'Connor
MRS. SOWTER ..	.. ..	Francis O'Reilly

Senior English Debating Society

THE mechanics of debating is worth outlining for the uninitiated. The first speaker explains the motion, introducing selected arguments to forestall potential counter thrusts by the opposition. The second speaker criticises the opposition arguments in passing as he builds up his own case. The most conclusive evidence is usually reserved for the third speaker who savagely attacks the opposing arguments much to the audiences delight. Desmond Walsh was a good third speaker. It then becomes the turn of the first speaker to sum-up for his team. A good chairman and a correspondingly good audience are most essential for debate. It is the chairman's duty to assert his authority without intruding on the debate as also it is his duty to impart dignity to the proceedings. We learned to our cost what it was like not to have a chairman in the debate 'That a woman Prime Minister would be an advantage to the country.' Our panel on that occasion were Leo Traynor, Donal Davis, Joseph, and the author.

An intelligent audience brings the best from the speakers, and without recinding my comment on the chair's authority, a resounding call of 'rubbish' can force the speaker to remain relevant or prove his point. We had a fine example of audience participation in the debate, 'That modern society has yet to come to terms with the motor-car'. Here Eoin O'Cofaigh, Dominic O'Neill and Michael O'Shea took on our Lady's Grove. Our arguments for the motion were torn to shreds when it was put to the floor.

Listening to the absurd is an integral part of audience entertainment, as also is spotting irrelevancies. For instance in the debate with Alexandra College one speaker digressed on politicians while the motion was 'That the role of the Universities should be to aim at transforming society'. The same could be said in the debates, 'That curiosity breeds destruction' and 'That man's destruction is inevitable'. In the first mentioned debate Eoin O'Cofaigh, Padraig Gilsenan, Donal O'Higgins and Desmond Walsh took on Loreto College, St. Stephen's Green. Here Desmond Walsh's attention caught the repetitious phrase 'man's destruction is inevitable' as

being the only salient argument. At the same debate Donal O'Higgins eloquently stated: 'those who oppose this motion give a vote of confidence to the human race, while those for the motion are disciples of despair'.

Frequently it is not what you say but how you say it that counts. The speaker who appeals to audiences' prejudices can hardly fail. But woe to the speaker who does otherwise. When we debated St. Louis, Rathmines, with Leo Traynor, Tony Kennedy, wise. When we debated with St. Louis, Rathmines, with Leo Traynor, Tony Kennedy, Donal Davis and the author on the panel, Donal Davis won his point when he demonstrated 'That R.T.E., does not represent the people of Ireland' by pointing out that St. Louis did not have any coverage on their International Basketball win. He received thunderous applause.

For the more serious and sophisticated debate one must go to a Road Safety Debate. These are well researched, informative and competently delivered. No statement without substantiation is allowed to pass. While debating against Manor House Raheny on the motion 'That Road Safety Propaganda is Futile', Michael O'Shea was complimented as the best speaker that the adjudicator had every heard. We also met a well-researched panel from Mt. St. Agnes, Miltown.

Mixed debates where boys compete against girls are more entertaining. Girls tend to have better audiences. One problem however, is block voting. This becomes all the more certain in a debate like the one we had during the year 'A Woman Prime-minister would be an advantage to the country'.

To wind up the season we decided to have a nonsense debate with St. Agnes, Dartry. The motion was 'That Black is White'. Needless to say it was eminently successful.

On behalf of the members may I record our sincere thanks to Fr. S. Little and Mr. S. McCarthy for their co-operation and assistance without whose help and experience we could not have enjoyed a satisfactory season.

DOMINIC O'NEILL

ST. MARY'S COLLEGE PAST PUPILS UNION

COMMITTEE 1972/73

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Dermot Hegarty, John Keogh, Gerry Cullen.



Hon. President: CONOR J. McCARTHY

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Our sincere congratulations to CONOR JOHN McCARTHY on his election to the Presidency of St. Mary's College Past Pupils' Union.

Conor attended St. Mary's from 1942 to 1950. During those years he showed considerable talent on the Cricket field. He played on all the representative teams, winning a Leinster Medal on the Under 14s side. Rugby and chess were also among his interests.

On leaving School he immediately went into business and from modest beginnings soon ascended the ladder of responsibility in the business world. In 1960 he was appointed Managing Director of Ryans' Tourist Holdings until his resignation this year. During

those years he was also President of the Car Rental Association of Ireland and Chairman of the Board of Dublin Regional Tourism. Recently he has been appointed Chairman of Pembroke Investments and is on the Board of Irish Ropes. He is also on the Finance Committee of the Catholic Communications Institute. Among his many commitments, Conor was secretary to St. Mary's Lawn Tennis Club for five years and later was elected President.

He married Carol Leach in 1958 and is the proud father of seven children of whom six are boys. Four of these are at present pupils of the College - Conor, David, Patrick, and Desmond.

HON. SECRETARY'S REPORT FOR YEAR 1971/72

ANNUAL MASS for deceased past pupils and professors was held in The College on Sunday 7th November. The attendance of 40, though greater than last year was disappointing. We must thank the College Authorities for their kind hospitality and in providing light refreshment.

ANNUAL DINNER was held yet again in the Clarence Hotel on Wednesday 15th December 1971. There were two records set this year. One being that this was our 5th year in succession at the same hotel and the attendance of 134 was the biggest ever. Thanks for this excellent attendance must be extended to our President Mr. John Fanagan who put a lot of his business hours and free time to contacting people by phone and letter. This year, a Church of Ireland Clergyman was a guest at our top table. In spite of reports which were spread around, the Reverend Gentleman was not in fact private chaplain to Cecil Morton but a guest of our President. The entertainers were drawn from the attendance, which was very gratifying to our Hon. Treasurer as they cost nothing. Altogether, it was the best Dinner ever.

Our **INFORMAL DINNER DANCE** was held on St. Patrick's Day, 17th March in Killiney Castle Hotel. This was our first time having such a function and the attendance wined, dined and danced until the early hours of the morning. The fact that there was a bar extension until 2.00 p.m. should have encouraged a larger attendance but no complaints were voiced as it was a very enjoyable social occasion and the cash books balanced on the right side. This is a function which could and should be developed.

SPORTS FIXTURE held in Kenilworth Square on Sunday 16th May proved also to be a best ever. The attendance of 150 enjoyed an afternoon of sport which had many new red faces participating at cricket, soccer and tennis. The shower of rain was well timed to coincide with afternoon tea which was provided through the good offices of John Bowden and Dan Coveney and their many helpers.

GOLF SOCIETY had a very good season due to the efforts of Golf Secretary, Mr. Frank Nagle. The Union outing was held in Milltown Golf Club where 66 members played and over 60 sat for the meal. For the record book, the Union Cup was won by Junius Horne, off 9 with a Nett 66. Runner-up was David P. O'Sullivan off 11 with a nett 68. Visitors prize was won by Michael (Mick) Lynch off 5 with a nett 62. There were numerous other prizes won also. This year's outing will be held on 1st June next in Milltown.

At the Combined Unions' Outing in Royal Dublin over 60 played and this included 15 Mary's Men. The mixed dinner afterwards proved to be very successful with an attendance of 160. Seemingly the golfers like to bring along their wives or girlfriends to the meals.

COLLEGE SCOUT UNIT 1971 will long be remembered as the year the Unit commenced building its new Den. The leaders wish to record their appreciation of the tremendous work done by the parents committee under the Chairmanship of Sean O'Byrne and to Mr. Philip Shaffrey and Mr. John Carmody who tirelessly supervised the erection of the building.

The cubs held their camp in Courtown and Cub master Jim Kelly represented Ireland at the European Cub Scouters' camp in Denmark. The Venturers were led through the year by Brian O'Kelly. The scouts held their Summer Camp at Deal, near Dover, under Scoutmasters Peter Costello and Derek Jennings. Unfortunately both leaders had to retire at the end of the summer and they were replaced by Arthur McMullan and John Shanahan.

The unit continues to play an active role in the organisation of scouting with Conal Hooper and Jerry Kelly on the National Executive Board. Jerry Kelly is also on the committee of the Federation of Irish Scout Associations.

RUGBY CLUB has once again had a very successful year. The 1st XV commenced the season by winning the Castle Trophy at Stradbroke. In February they won the Leinster Senior League which is considered by some as being a more important trophy than the Senior Cup. A lot of the credit must be given to J. B. Sweeney for his leadership on and off the playing field. Unfortunately, no further rugby trophies were won by the Club, but the Club Golf team won the Lorcan Sherlock Golf Cup. Eddie Wigglesworth, Shay Deering and Paul Andreucetti gained their Interprovincial caps. Congratulations must be extended to Sean Lynch on being selected again to play for Ireland and for the Lions tour of Australia and New Zealand. Credit should also be given to Denis Hickey and John Maloney on their selection for the Irish Team. The foregoing played for Leinster throughout the season and Kevin Corrigan played for Connaught. We are all looking forward to another successful season next year.

MARIAN BOYS CLUB was closed during the summer months of last year. During this period it was redecorated by 5th & 6th year students from St. Mary's. The age group of 17 to 25 which attended the club was considered as being too old. For this reason, when the club reopened in October it was confined to persons aged between 10 and 18. This group was subdivided into 3 further groups and one night of each week allocated to each group. The total attendance at the club is now 85.

The club is now no longer connected to any other large organisation. There is also a boys' committee made up of former members. Total funds raised during the year amounted to £767, due to the efforts of the Finance Committee, St. Louis Musical Society and The Golden Guinea Club. Running costs amounted to £476. The Club is run by Dan Coveney and John Smith with

assistance from Adrian Lee, Nigel Bennett, Jimmy Howard and John Butler, without whose help the club could not function properly. Further help is still required and those who can give one night a week to help out should contact any of the foregoing.

ST. MARY'S LAWN TENNIS CLUB The Season 1970/71 was more successful on the social side than with regard to tennis. The three ladies' and three men's teams were not very successful except that the men's team beat St. Mary's Union at Kenilworth Square. In the club championships, Joe Kilmurray won the men's singles.

On the social side there was a very exciting year, with functions which ranged from a Theatre outing, barbecue and treasure hunt to a Weekend in Kinsale, Dinner Dance and a Barge Weekend on the Shannon. The three main problems in the club were, firstly there are very few College members joining. There are 4 grass and 2 hard courts built by Mary's men for Mary's men and it is a shame that they do not avail of them. The second problem is financial. There are 150 members at present whose contributions alone do not pay the overheads. The third problem is the lack of contact with the Union. With some help from several of the Union's officers steps are being made in the right directions. However, many more playing members are still required and for those who are interested in joining, the ladies or girls outnumber the men. Applications will only be accepted in strict rotation. Contact Des Byrne at Belmont Villas any evening.

Gentlemen, during the past year a step has been made by the committee to raise the Union from being merely a social one to being an active and go ahead one. On the Hon. Treasurers suggestion, three sub-committees were formed: Membership, Objects and Social.

THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE under the Chairmanship of Mr. Sean O'Byrne has gone back 40 years and got together the names of all the 6th year students who have left St. Mary's. At present they are endeavouring to get the current addresses of all those members with the view to contacting each one personally. A giant task one might say but it is being done.

When these members are contacted we feel that it is necessary to have something to offer them as an incentive to reactivate their interest. With this in mind the **Objects Committee** with Mr. Connor McCarthy tackled their task in consultation with Fr. Hurley. It has been proposed and generally agreed that the presentation of a swimming pool to the College would be the thing most in need of here. A rough estimate as regards the cost of this would be £75,000 and needless to say, holding a dance every year would raise nothing like this or even a fraction of it. With help from a wide group of ex Mary's men this amount could be tackled with enthusiasm and the goal reached.

When the functions' committee met with Mr. John Fanagan as chairman, several changes were made in our functions' Calendar. The Dress Dance was dropped as it was felt that the amount of effort required to make it socially and financially successful was too great. This was however substituted with our informal Dance. The 'At Home' in the College was dropped for the reason that attracting the same 50 to 70 people to each At Home was not fulfilling the real purpose of the Union. A Union weekend away was provisionally arranged for May/June of this year. For several reasons this could not be carried out then, but the Talbot Hotel, Wexford has been booked for the weekend, 6th October and we hope that this will be an overwhelming success.

True Merit is like a river. The deeper it runs the less noise it makes. Our President this year

could be compared to this river. The amount of work **undertaken** and carried out by Mr. Fanagan was unbelievable. One would almost think he had some of it **rehearsed**. All I can say is that on behalf of the committee I wish to thank John for all he has done and for the good example set for others.

Fr. Hurley, once again was always at hand to help out personally and to hand the College over to the Union whenever it was required.

To Fr. Kennedy who was always there to keep me on the straight and narrow, which was difficult.

To Ast. Secretary Dan Coveney who undertook a lot of Union work when I was unavailable early this year.

Special thanks must be extended to John Bowden for all the behind the scenes work he did. And to all Officers and Committee Members of the Union who did so much hard work.

Bernard M. Strahan.
Hon. Secretary

UNION SPORTS DAY

A sunny Sunday afternoon in May saw the Past Pupils Union engaged in their annual rejuvenation exercise in Kenilworth Square – the Union Sports Day. As in previous years this fixture pits the youthful skill of the College sports teams against the cunning wiles of Past Students trying desperately to recapture the spirit and expertise they displayed in years gone by. This year the sports covered Soccer, Basketball, Tennis and Cricket.

The College sent out a very strong soccer team to do battle with a Past side which included such notable soccer experts as Laim Birkett, Pat Drennan, Derek Jennings and other well-known personalities. The match was very closely fought and in the spirit of modern day soccer the referee played a major role in issuing warnings and cautions. Still good natured humour prevailed and the match produced some excellent football on both sides, with Liam O'Flaherty scoring a very good goal for the Past. However towards the end age began to tell and the College established a 2-1 lead which they looked like maintaining. But again the referee Dermot Hegarty (a Union member, naturally) made a major contribution to the game, for by judicious use of the stopwatch he permitted play to continue thus allowing the Past to snatch a "last-minute" equaliser. A fitting outcome to a memorable match.

Away from the excitement and noise of the soccer, a Past team led by Tom Shanahan was engaged in a Basketball match with the College team. Again there was a very close match, and this, combined with the good weather produced a very enjoyable game.

In Tennis the Past Pupils were represented by St. Mary's Lawn Tennis Club, and the team included Tom Kirwan, Des Byrne, Tom Cantwell and other old St. Marys students. On this occasion however the College team were narrowly beaten. It was again a very close match, with the College team coached by Fr. Darcy playing some excellent tennis. However the more experienced Past team just managed to win by a narrow margin.

As before, the Cricket match was the centrepiece of the days sporting activities. Due to the heavy Cup programme the College team could not participate. The match was played between a Presidents XI and a Committee XI. The Presidents XI was led by the Union President Conor McCarthy, looking every bit the model of a Victorian cricketer with his elegant side-whiskers and large paunch ! The Presidents XI comprised a motley selection of former cricketers togged out in unorthodox cricket gear ranging from golf shoes to sports trousers. The team included David O'Sullivan, Chris Maguire, Vinny McGovern, Tim Brooder, John

Fanagan, and other former cricketers many of whom had but a scant recollection of which end of the bat to hold. The Committee XI comprised more recent Past Students and included a few of the Colleges first XI. The Presidents XI batted first and produced some notable innings, particularly by Chris Maguire and Johnny Hughes. Altogether they put up a total just short of the century. The Committee XI went in to bat and after a few anxious moments early on when the first wickets fell early, the batsmen settled down. A magnificent half-century by Liam Grissing helped them to pass the Presidents XI's score with three wickets still standing. A departure from the normal rules of cricket was introduced which meant that each member of the fielding side had to bowl two overs. While

adding considerably to the enjoyment, this device at one stage nearly wrecked the game when one well-known member of the Presidents XI bowled wide after wide and raised doubts in the minds of players and spectators alike as to whether the over would ever finish !

Altogether the fixture was very successful and Past and Present mixed and chatted over an excellent tea laid on by John Bowden, Dan Coveney and their lady helpers. Let us hope that the Union Sports Day will be continued and expanded in the future as it provides an ideal communications link between the Past Pupils Union and the College students.

MICHAEL FORDE

Marriages

1971-72

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

Rupert Bagnall	<i>to</i>	Carol Webb
Gerry Carvill	<i>to</i>	Rosaleen Shine
Noel Cooke	<i>to</i>	Brigid McHugh
Paul Doddy	<i>to</i>	Valerie Cotter
Michael Forde	<i>to</i>	Marjorie Lawlor
Paul McLaughlin	<i>to</i>	Pamela Earner
Gary Mangan	<i>to</i>	Joan Carmel Farrell
Gerard Moloney	<i>to</i>	Marie Davitt
Dr. Joe Sheehan	<i>to</i>	Norah McDonnell
Paul Sheerin	<i>to</i>	Edele O'Byrne
Barr, Smyth	<i>to</i>	Jacqueline Coffey
Bernard Strahan	<i>to</i>	Joan Bennett
Brian Swift	<i>to</i>	Jennifer Mooney
Niall Woodcock	<i>to</i>	Mary Daly
Gerry Kelly	<i>to</i>	Mary Ferguson
Myles Breslin	<i>to</i>	Marjorie Gaynor
Dr. Fergus Brady	<i>to</i>	Zara Culleton
Michael Leahy	<i>to</i>	Jan Farrell

*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 your reward of His Kingdom in heaven.*

(New Ritual)

St. Mary's College R.F.C.

HONORARY SECRETARY'S REPORT FOR SEASON 1971-72

THE difficulty in reporting on the activities of a consistently successful Club is that success becomes commonplace and sets too high a standard of comparison. But, by any standard, the past Season has been an outstanding one.

Even before the Season proper began the name and reputation of the Club had been enhanced to an extraordinary degree by the feats of **Sean Lynch** with the Lions team in New Zealand. Sean played in all four tests for the Lions and after this gruelling series of matches, was acclaimed as one of the finest prop. forwards in the game. When Sean came home he captained Leinster to win the Interprovincial title and played for Ireland in all three matches.

The Season proper commenced with a very successful tour in France and then there followed quickly the winning of the first trophy of the year – the Castle trophy at the

Blackrock Festival. After Christmas came victory in the inaugural Senior League and at the end of the Season we won the **J. B. Roche League Winning Cup** – also in its first year – by comprehensively beating Cork Constitution in Cork. In between we played some brilliant football which earned us unstinted praise from all the critics, with an end-of-the-season tribute that recognised the tremendous contribution we had made to the game and acknowledged us as the best Club side in Ireland. It was a pity that this tribute came just after our biggest disappointment of the year, namely, our defeat in the Leinster Senior Cup at the hands of the eventual winners, Lansdowne. Our thanks are due to all who played on this great **First Team** during the year and in particular to the Captain, Jim Sweeney, who never spared himself and devoted himself to the welfare of his players throughout the year. We must also remember



FIRST XV

Photo: J. G. Maguire

Standing: S. O'Byrne, A. Hickie, D. Jennings, D. Hickie, D. Byrne, R. Foley, T. McCormick, C. Ryan, K. Corrigan,
P. Andreucetti, P. Bolger.

Seated: A. Byrne, N. Kenny, S. Lynch, J. B. Sweeney (*Capt.*), A. Andreucetti, F. Meehan, J. Moloney.

the part played, and the many hours of hard work devoted by the Team Manager, Sean O'Byrne and the Club Coach, Eamon Carmody, who also coached the victorious Leinster under-19 Team. He also coached the Leinster under-21 Team.

Honours to players were numerous – **Johnny Moloney** gained his first Cap against France in Paris in January, to be followed by two more against England at Twickenham and France again in Dublin. He scored tries in both of the French games, and thus became the first St. Mary's player to score for his country. He also played for the Barbarians, as did Denis Hickie who gained his fifth and sixth Irish Caps during the Season.

In addition to Sean Lynch (who also found time to get married), Denis and Johnny, Eddie Wigglesowrth (who also played for the Leinster under-19 team), Paul Andreucetti and Shay Deering won Interpro Caps for Leinster also, as did Kevin Corrigan for Connaught. In fact, so many honours were gained that it is difficult now to recall them all, and I sincerely hope I have omitted none.

Unfortunately the **2nd XV** won no trophies, but they won their League Section, being beaten by Terenure in the semi-final. That they were not more successful was no fault of the Captain, Eamonn Mullan, and Team Manager, Bill Gray. However, George Hook once again captained the Leinster Junior Interprovincial team for which Ron Foley and Conor Ryan were also capped.

It is a pity to have to report that once again the **3rd XV** appeared to suffer from the fact that they were more or less a buffer between the Senior and Junior committees, and consequently, their playing ability suffered despite the efforts of Dave O'Sullivan, the Captain, and Paddy Moran, their Team Manager.

The **Junior Teams** all did fairly well without actually winning any trophies, and the ability displayed by some of the players gives us much encouragement for the future. Our congratulations are due to the 3rd C Team under the captaincy of Pat McGlade and managed by John Kilmurray, who reached the final of the O'Connor Cup and were beaten by an extremely competent and experienced Terenure side. Our thanks are due to all the Captains and coaches concerned and if I single out Willo Murray for particular mention in this connection, I am sure the others concerned will not object as I think everybody is aware of his tremendous efforts for all Junior players.

Once again, the **Senior and Junior match**

Committees under their Chairmen, Bart Fitzsimon and Chris Maguire, carried out their duties most unselfishly, but yet once more I must repeat what I have said many times previously – namely, that they are severely handicapped by a lack of numbers, and I would earnestly appeal to all ex players to consider devoting at least some of their spare time to the selection committee.

The respective **team secretaries**, Ian Bloomer and Niall Coveney, who, due to studies had, late in the season, to hand over to Diarmuid White, carried out their very onerous task with tremendous application and a very sincere thank you is due to them. Bill Fagan did great work as usual in co-ordinating the two Sections of the Match Committee and acting as liaison with the General Committee.

Whilst our **referees** did not, perhaps, figure quite as prominently as in previous years, nevertheless Tommy Kearns, Eddie French and, to a lesser degree, Mervyn Johnson, Paddy Farrell, Matt Gilsenan and Denis Nagle kept the flag flying in this sector.

I think we should acknowledge the work of Mervyn Johnson and Denis Nagle for acting as bag carriers in all sort of weather conditions, and whilst undoubtedly the rugby we played was an influence of some sort, nevertheless, the work done by Niall Woodcock in organising gate collectors is definitely reflected in the huge increase in receipts as disclosed in the Income and Expenditure Account.

Joe Fanagan, our representative on the Leinster Branch Executive, had the fine distinction of being one of the selectors whose teams, for the Provincial Championship and for the Inter City Matches, were unbeaten throughout the year. He and Gerry Boyd, the Leinster Branch Hon. Treasurer, did fine work on the Executive Committee.

The number of out-of-town teams playing here has been increasing and the Club is greatly indebted to Colm Bevan for his fine work in organising the catering for them. Colm, together with Matt Gilsenan, also organised the special dinner to celebrate Johnny Moloney's first cap for Ireland. Matt had the tremendous task of organising the Annual Dinner for an overflow attendance. Needless to say, all these functions went off perfectly and the Club Dinner reached new heights in every respect.

A big feature of all our functions during the year has been the bar. The size of the attendances threw a lot of strain on the bar committee and they responded nobly. This

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**IRISH RUGBY
INTERNATIONAL
CAPS**



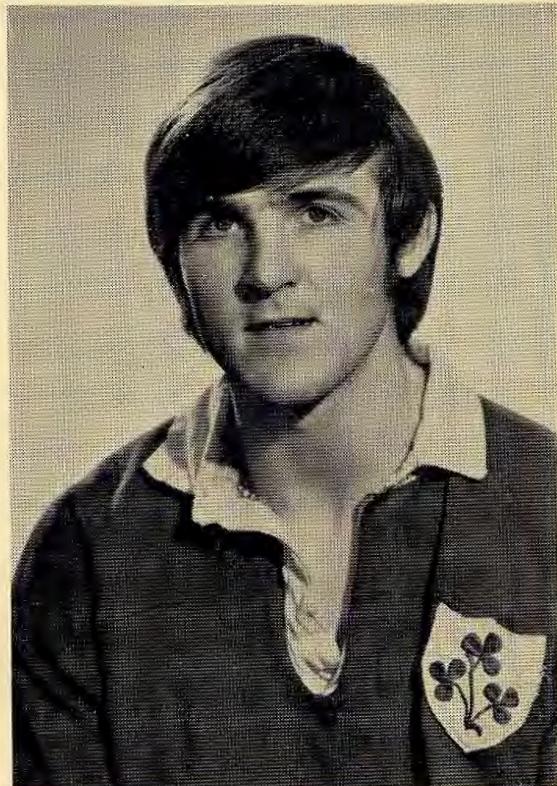
SEAN LYNCH

IRISH INTERNATIONAL AND LION

Photos: James G. Maguire



DENIS HICKIE — IRISH INTERNATIONAL



JOHNNY MOLONEY — IRISH INTERNATIONAL

was most noticeable on the occasion of the League Match against Terenure when one of the largest crowds ever to watch a Club match, and certainly the largest at St. Mary's, posed a challenge which the Bar Committee competently met. Our grateful thanks are due to Denis Nagle, Arthur Costello and the other members of the Bar Committee, and to the bar helpers and "waiters".

I reported to you last year that the Dances, which had been suspended since before Christmas, were to start again in June. With an energetic Committee led by Sean Jennings, Niall Woodcock, Gerry Ebbs, Derek Jennings, the Dances have run successfully since June. The Hon. Treasurer will have more to say about this in his report but the big part played by the Dance Committee and their many helpers in bolstering the finances of the Club must be recorded. I do not think that the general body of members appreciate how essential to the Club is the continued success of the dances and how difficult it is to run them successfully without the co-operation of the members. This has been pointed up quite clearly by recent Court proceedings, the distinct possibility of which was referred to in my report for last Season. In this connection I would say that the objections to the Club Registration were not centred on, or confined to, the activities on the nights of the dances. The outcome of the Club's application for Registration, and the opposition to it, will not be known until the District Justice gives his decision on 31st May. Whatever the outcome, the events leading up to the present position would suggest that certain features of the Club activities need careful attention and action by the Committee.

Irrespective of social and fund-raising activities, the ordinary work of Club operation and maintenance goes on. This is work for which the members have very little consideration and the only time reference is made to it is when there is a complaint. There were not many complaints this year and for this we must thank Henry Roche who looked after the grounds, and Alberto Andreucetti, who "did" the Clubhouse. They also had the job of "breaking in" a new groundsman who, unfortunately, has now left us so that they, or whoever takes over, will have to do it all again.

A sub-committee was appointed to examine the proposals put forward by Diarmuid O'Donovan and Nicky Kearns for a new Constitution. The drafting of this has been completed and is now ready to go to the Com-

1. Spot the Ball! . . . just one of those awkward moments.

2. International Celebration Dinner — Fr. W. Kennedy C.S.Sp., J. Moloney and P. Bolger

3. Johnny — daring, elusive.

4. Eddie — gather round me boys!

5. My guess — 'three little rugby wives' — or are they?

6. Over to you! It looks so easy doesn't it?

7. Jubilation in victory

8. 'Jerusalem!' . . .

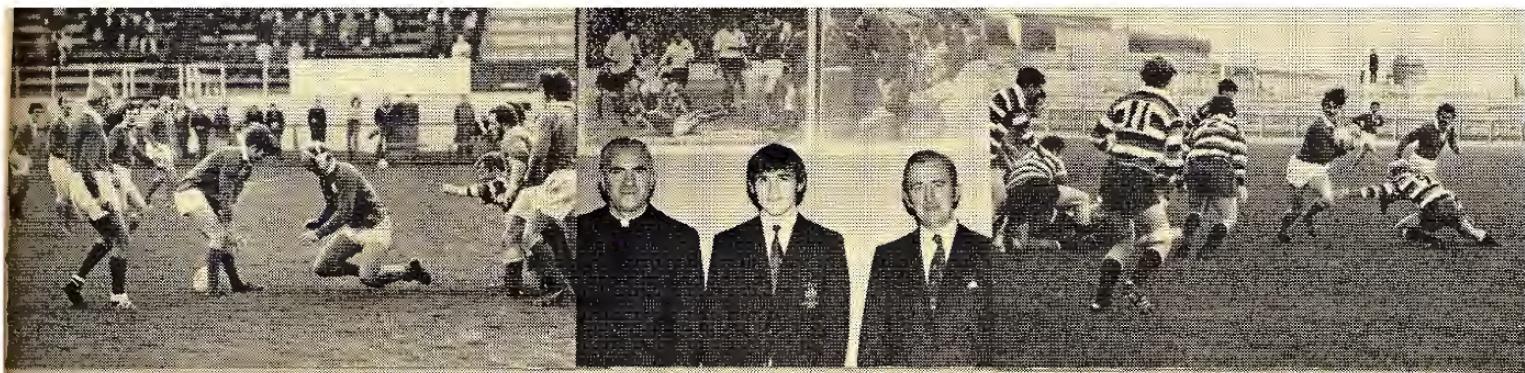
9. Paul — a wiggle here, a wiggle there!

10. The eyes have it . . . and they are not there for the beer!

11. Denis — well, we have to score now and then.

12. Paul leading the charge of the St. Mary's foot brigade.

Photos: James G. Maguire



mittee for consideration. However, in view of possible legal complications arising from the Court proceedings already referred to, it is probable that further alterations may have to be considered.

St. Mary's College has, as usual, been a wonderful support to the Club and I would like, on behalf of the members, to thank the President, Father Hurley, his representative on the Committee, Father Kennedy, and all the members of the Community for their encouragement, advice and help during the year.

I have already referred to the amount of extra work thrown on to different branches of Club administration such as catering, bar, etc. by the increase in the number of "foreign" fixtures. This also meant extra work for our

President and a number of our Senior Members who undertook responsibility for maintaining our high reputation for hospitality. Prominent among those were Lorcan Gogan and Bill Meehan, both past Presidents, and Sean O'Byrne. Apart from the social aspect of his activities, which alone would have distinguished him, Paddy Bolger was a great President. His work in Committee was outstanding and he established a strong link between the players and the "alecadoos" which has led to a Club spirit of which many Clubs would be envious. May I say that the success and honours which we have achieved in the past year, have, in my opinion, been due to this excellent Club spirit, and as long as that same spirit continues in the future we need have no worries in the years ahead.

H. MC GUINNESS
(Hon. Secretary)

Our Deceased Past Students

Raymond McInerney was tragically killed in a traffic accident in the United States during the year. Raymond came to our attention only last year as one of the 1946 Leaving group. Soon after leaving School, Raymond emigrated to America where he took up business in California.

Colm O'Lochlainn, D.Litt., Celt., the noted language enthusiast and Gaelic Scholar, died this year after a long illness. A Dubliner he was interested in the Irish Language since his early school days in the College.

He was graduate of U.C.D., where he took a degree in Ancient Irish History. He was an assistant in the Faculty of Modern Irish in U.C.D., from 1933-43 and was later Professor of Modern Irish Language and Literature. He had an outstanding knowledge of Irish Literature and music, and published many books on the subject, was well as Scottish Gaelic Culture. He was also an authority on printing, publishing and typography and numerous books were printed under the name of his firm, The sign of the Three Candles. He was also actively associated with the founding of An Oige.

Fergus Mooney died this year in the tragic Air crash near Heathrow. He was one of the 12 Irish Industrialists travelling to Brussels for Common Market discussions. Fergus left school in 1960 and went to U.C.D. and took a degree in Commerce. Subsequently he was with CII for the next two years and was involved in trade and commercial affairs. Among his many interests was Youth movements and while at school he was a prominent member of the C.V.C.

Brendan O'Farrell M.A., B. Comm., F.C.A., who has died, was C.I.E. Assistant General Manager of Finance in Dublin. Having qualified with an M.A., at U.C.D., on leaving St. Mary's. Brendan qualified as a chartered accountant and worked with the E.S.B. for a number of years before he joined C.I.E., in 1964. He was also a member of the Irish Management Institute and was for many years President of the St. Killians' Irish-German School in Dublin. He was awarded the honour of a merit award first class, by the President of the Federal Republic in recognition for services in furthering good relations between the two countries.

Mr. Sean Gallagher died quietly on the 11th April, 1972. We of the older generation of St. Mary's men will remember him with affection. He was one of the founder members of the College on its re-opening in 1926. Born in 1894, he entered University College Dublin in 1912 where he studied French and the classics, taking his master's degree in the latter in 1916. While there, he was a fellow-student of Dr. Farren the present Bishop of Derry and they remained life-long friends. His first teaching appointment was to Mount Melleray Seminary, Cappoquin, in 1916. He went to Rockwell in 1919 where he remained until 1926. In that year he accompanied Fr. J. O'Neill C.S.Sp. to Dublin to serve on the staff of the newly re-opened St. Mary's. He married Miss Honoria Scanlan in 1927. They were blessed with five children —three boys, Kevin, Brendan and Niall (all of whom attended St. Mary's), and two girls. For the next twenty-eight years he devoted himself to the teaching of French and Latin in the college at all levels. The classics were his forte and his first love, and his scholarship in these disciplines was quickly recognised as evidenced by the many articles he was called upon to contribute to various publications. He edited several school volumes of Virgil and Cicero and gave radio talks on the culture and civilization of Greece and Rome. In 1954 as a result of a motor accident he had to undergo a prolonged period of hospitalisation and treatment. He spent just another year in St. Mary's 1956-57, when general debility compelled him to retire a little prematurely, much to the loss of the college. For the next fifteen years until his death he was looked after by his devoted wife.

His students, legion in number, his wide circle of friends and his fellow teachers will remember him as a kind, gentle, fatherly man, modest at all times in the display of his wide cultural reading and profound scholarship. He was the complete professor, thoroughly in command of his subject and dedicated to imparting a love of learning to those under his tutelage. The giddy might at times play upon his leniency and think that 'they had got away with it'—much to their loss, but the serious could not fail to profit by the riches from his intellectual treasury or remain unaffected by the wide scope of his vision, for he was one of those genuine teachers who not only prepared his boys for the examination at the end of the year, but imbued with a deep Faith, sought to fit them for the Great Examination at the end of life itself, 'Si

monumentum requiris, circumspice'. His humanism both theoretical and practical, was a blend of all that was best in the classical and modern languages grafted on to his native Irish culture (he was a fluent speaker of the language) that took its roots deep in old Donegal, the whole permeated through and through by his warm Catholic piety. We feel his loss but we do not begrudge him to heaven. To his wife and family we extend our sincere sympathy. May he rest in peace!

Padraic Maguire was tragically killed when his motor cycle crashed on the night of 9th of September. He was a quiet, unassuming boy who never sought the limelight but who was respected and liked by all who came in contact with him. He was absolutely honest, generous and always cheerful. Padraic had been successful in his Intermediate and had just returned to school to begin his final year of preparation for Leaving Certificate when tragedy struck.

During his many years in St. Mary's, Padraic took part in all the ordinary activities of the school. He was a member of the Scout Unit passing through the cub and scout sections with such distinction that he was made a patrol leader in third year and helped many new scouts along during his two years as P/L of the Eagles. Although of a retiring nature, he was quite talented on the sports' field. His speed and strength surprised many and he had the distinction of playing several matches for the cup-winning junior rugby team of two years ago.

The news of his death stunned his school mates, some of whom had been with him a few minutes before the accident. However, their loss and grief were nothing compared to those of Padraic's own family. With his father and mother, brother and sisters we all sympathise and we assure them of our continued prayers and kind memories.

Lauri Plunkett and **Jack O'Kearney-White** also died during the year. To the relations and friends of all our deceased past students we wish to extend our sincere sympathy. May they rest in peace.

news of the past



SEAN O'BYRNE

Sean O'Byrne ('39)—'Mr. Rugby', has emigrated to New Zealand once again with his wife and two children, last July. Since his return to Ireland in 1965, Sean gave himself unreservedly to St. Mary's Rugby Club in a variety of capacities and indeed played an important role in its recent successes. His presence in the Club and on the rugby field will certainly be missed. He was elected President of the Past Pupils' Union for the year 1970-71. In his capacity as Chairman of the College Scout Unit's Parents' Committee he generously supported the campaign for the erection of a new Scout Den, at the blessing of which Sean was present before his departure. We thank Sean for his generous and unstinting support of the College, the Union and the Rugby Club, and wish him every success in his new undertaking. Indeed we express a hope that some day he may venture to return home again before many years have passed.

Tom Garvey who is paving the way for Irish entry into the E.E.C., appeared in the news recently. He graduated from U.C.D. with an Honours M.A., in Economics and where for a time he was tutor in economics. He also lectured on a part time basis both in U.C.D. and the College of Commerce, Rathmines. He joined A. C. Nielsen of Ireland Ltd., and worked in market research with them in 1957 and 1958. He joined Coras Trachtala early in 1959 and served in the organisations Dublin, New York and Brussels offices. He became marketing manager with C.T.T. in 1967, Assistant General Manager in spring 1968, and General Manager in December, 1969. While at School Tom Garvey was a member of the Boy Scouts and represented the College on both Cricket and Rugby teams. He is at present living in Dublin and is married with four children.



TOM GARVEY

Dr. William V. Reynolds has recently been appointed to the Department of Surgery as Rhinotoo-laryngologist in Mary Imogene Bassett Hospital, which is attached to Columbia University. Dr. Reynolds qualified from the Royal College of Surgeons in 1953. He obtained his certificate in Rhinotoo-laryngologist in the R.C.P.S., Canada in 1960 and became a Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons in 1962.

Fr. Austin Healy C.S.Sp., was ordained in 1962 and has been in Sierra Leone since his appointment there in 1963. In the early years he spent some time in Bo, Yengema, learning the various dialects. Thereafter he was given the task of teaching French to O Level students, first in Yengema and later in Pujehun. He was then transferred to Holy Ghost secondary school in Sequema until this year. In those eight years he taught French and English to the students there and found an outlet for his



FR. A. HEALY
In costume of Honorary Paramount Chief

talent in Drama also. In 1968 he became Principal of this School and has held that post until this year. He brings news of Fr. Gerry Gogan, who has been in Sierra Leone since 1969 when he came there from Biafra. Fr. Gerry is a brother of the famous Larry Gogan and a cousin of two other Holy Ghost Fathers, both past St. Mary's students, Fr. Cotherie Gogan and Fr. Brian Gogan. Recently Fr. Austin was made an Honorary Paramount Chief of the Chiefdom in Sequema in Sierra Leone. We congratulate him on this wonderful honour and wish him many more fruitful years in his missionary work.

We congratulate **Mr. Fred Cogley** on his recent appointment as Head of Sports in RTE in succession to Mr. Michael O'Hehir. Fred has been with RTE for the past 15 years and two years ago was appointed assistant Head of Sport. We wish him every success in his new appointment. Fred brings a wealth of personal experience to this task. While at School he played for Leinster Schools in both Rugby and Cricket and for the Schools of Ireland Cricket Team. Fred began his career in the Journalistic world of Sport, first as sub-editor of sport in the Irish Times and then the Evening Herald. Subsequently he became Irish Sports correspondent of the Sunday Telegraph in London and still contributes to this column.

Fred is married with two boys and two girls. Both boys are attending St. Mary's and share their father's keen interest in sport.

Gerry Fanning hit the sporting headlines this year when he set a new National record of 6' 6" in the high-jump in an athletic match at Darmstadt, West Germany. This bettered Brendan O'Reilly's record set in Dublin as long ago as 1954. In July he was the only man from Southern Ireland to win a medal in the British Championships at Crystal Palace when he broke his own record by jumping 6' 7". He has

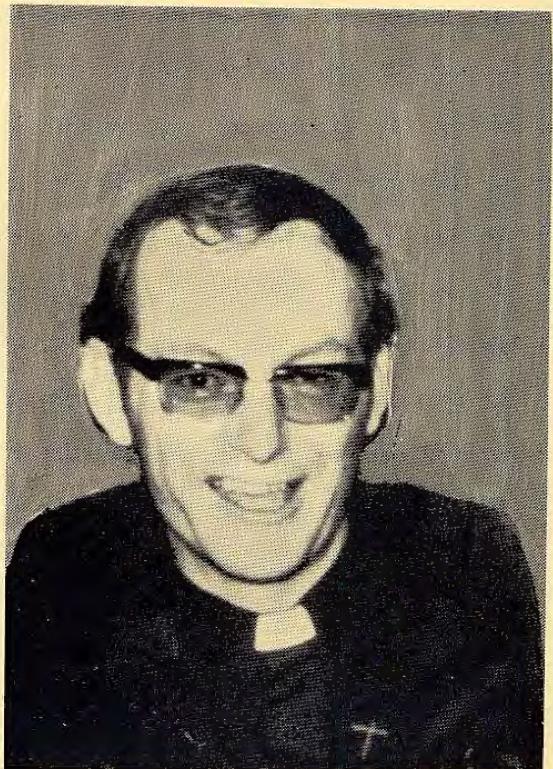
also represented Ireland in the 110 metres hurdles, and won his first high-jump Championship this year. He is at present employed as Cost Controller by Calor Kosangas in Dublin.



GERRY FANNING

Fr. Paddy Connolly S.M.A. (61) was ordained priest this year for the English Province of the SMA. When he left St. Mary's in 1961 he attended Clonliffe College for four years. He spent the next two years working in Local Government in England and then in Dublin for another year. In 1968 he took up his studies for the priesthood again, this time in the SMA Novitiate in Lancashire. The following year he went to the Missionary Institute in London where he completed his studies.

He has been appointed to Nigeria, but a recent serious illness has delayed his departure for a year. He is at present chaplain to the Mercy Convent in Drimnagh and is teaching in the girls Secondary School there while taking his Higher Diploma in Education. *Ad Multos annos.*



FR. P. CONNOLLY

Gerry Duffy achieved unprecedented renown in the Irish Cricket scene recently when he won the Merchant Cup for a record fifth time. His final trophy-winning average of 50·87 though far from being the best of his successful efforts left him well clear of his nearest rivals. This is no mean achievement when one realises that Gerry made his debut in Senior Leinster Cricket as far back as 1947. We wish Gerry many more years of cricket and congratulate him on his many achievements in the past.

Dr. Peter D. Thornton has been appointed General Manager, Marketing & Development, Erin Foods, Europa, Amsterdam. After leaving School Peter went to U.C.D. where he qualified with a Ph.D. in organic chemistry. He joined I.C.I. in Billingham in 1959 as a chemist and then



PETER THORNTON

joined the Product Development Team. He returned to Ireland and joined the Research & Development Department of Erin Foods at Carlow in 1963. In 1965 he was appointed Head of the Food Division in R. & D. In April 1969 he was appointed Product Development Manager in Head office Dublin, a post he occupied until his recent appointment in Amsterdam, where he has now taken residence with his wife and four children.

Fr. Eamonn Quinn O.M.I., ordained in 1965 appeared on the front page news earlier this year when he was instrumental in persuading a man who had spent an hour and a half on a Birmingham hotel roof throwing slates and bricks into the street below to come down peacefully. Fr.

Eamonn went to England five years ago and is a curate of St. Anne's Church, Alcester Street. Earlier in the year he was chairman of the Midland anti-abortion movement which staged a big inter-denominational rally in Birmingham.



DR. JAMES SHEEHAN

Dr. James Sheehan ('56): The dedication and skill of this young doctor has come to our attention in recent months. Dr. Sheehan entered U.C.D. and graduated in Medicine in 1963 obtaining 1st place and gold medals for Surgery, Medicine and Obstetrics. He specialised in Orthopaedic surgery and in 1969-70 took a degree in Bio-Engineering in the University of Surrey, Guildford. At present his main interest is the development and insertion of Artificial Joints. He was appointed Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon to St. Mary's Orthopaedic Hospital in Cappagh in September 1970, and the following April Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon to St. Vincent's Hospital, Elm Park.

Fr. Bernard Kelly C.S.Sp., was ordained in Fribourg in 1962. He spent another year in the University of that city studying Theology. Thereafter he was appointed to Canada, where he spent two years in Neil McNeil High School. He then took up a teaching appointment in St. Augustine's Seminary in Toronto in the faculty of Theology. For the past three years he has been continuing his own studies in Theology in Paris, where he hopes to take his Doctorate in the History of Christian Spirituality. We wish him every success.



FR. BERNARD KELLY

Desmond F. Moore, College Lecturer in Mechanical Engineering at University College Dublin, who has been elected to represent Ireland as a corresponding member of C.I.R.P. (College international pour l'Etude Scientifique des Techniques de Production Mecanique). Dr. Moore has published approximately 40 independent

papers in the areas of lubrication, fluid mechanics, vehicle mechanics and road safety. In 1970 he was awarded a NATO Senior Fellowship in Science to study tribology methods in Europe. Last year, he was invited as participant and co-chairman at the Second International Conference on Vehicle Mechanics at the University of Paris Dr. Moore is a consultant to An Foras Forbartha and an active member of several professional societies.

Fr. Brian Horgan, O.P., was ordained this summer in Tallaght. He has now been appointed to Rome (San Clemente) where he is to continue his Theological studies for two years. Fr. Brian is a brother of Fr. Denis Horgan O.P., who was ordained in 1964. Subsequently he spent one year continuing his theological studies in Fribourg and was appointed to London for a year to do parish work. He then went to Paris for two years to study Catechetics and was appointed to Trinidad for two years. Last year he returned home and is now in Tallaght, Co. Dublin, which is the House of Studies for Dominican students for the priesthood.



FR. BRIAN HORGAN

Giving First Blessing to his Father and Mother

UNIVERSITY NOTES

To all our past students who have been successful in their examinations during the academic year 1971-72 we extend our congratulations and good wishes.

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE DUBLIN

Faculty of Arts:

Rory Deegan	B.A.
Paul Treanor	2nd Arts
Pearse Kearney	2nd Arts
Peter O'Loughlin	2nd Arts
Paddy Power	1st Arts
James Hickey	1st Arts

Faculty of Commerce:

Terry Brown	B. Comm., 1st Cl. Hons.
Sean Cunningham	B. Comm.
Mark Reade	2nd Comm.
John Lee	2nd Comm.
Ciaran Mooney	2nd Comm. (Hons.)
Brian Conheady	2nd Comm.
Gerard Sharkey	2nd Comm.
Aidan Delany	1st Comm.
Tom Tierney	1st Comm.
John Morgan	1st Comm.

Faculty of Law:

P. J. Farrell	1st Law
Paddy Kelly	1st Law
Henry Arigho	1st Law
Malachy O'Neill	1st Law

Faculty of Science:

Peter Brown	3rd Science
Daragh Mulvagh	2nd Science
Joseph Rafter	2nd Science (Hons.)
Richard Foley	2nd Science (Hons.)
Frank Mulvey	1st Science
Michael Colley	1st Science

Faculty of Agriculture

Paul Murphy	2nd Ag.
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Faculty of Medicine:

David Ryan	B.D.S., 2nd Cl. Hons.
Gregory Smith	3rd Dental
Frank Houston	3rd Dental
Frank O'Connor	3rd Med.
Peter Boylan	3rd Med.
Martin McLaughlin	2nd Med.
Kevin Vaughan	2nd Med.
Gerry Aylward	1st Dental
Paul Byrne	1st Med.
Martin Hefferon	1st Med.
Alan McShane	1st Med.
Adrian Nelligan	1st Med.

Faculty of Veterinary Medicine:

Seamus Deering	M.V.B.
Barty McKenna	3rd Vet
Michael Sheridan	3rd Vet
Gerard Madden	1st Vet

Faculty of Engineering:

Martin Butler	B.E. (Electrical) 1st Cl. Hons.
John Butler	B.E. (Electrical) 2nd Cl. Hons.
Francis Kennedy	B.E. (Chemical) 2nd Cl. Hons.
Christopher Noonan	B.E. (Chemical)
Mark Burke	2nd (Electrical) 1st Cl. Hons.
Jimmy Kelly	2nd (Electrical)
David J. Ryan	1st Year
Brian Fitzgerald	1st Year

DUBLIN UNIVERSITY

Faculty of Economics and Social Science:

Donal Donovan	2nd Year: Scholar
Cathal O'Doherty	2nd Year
David O'Sullivan	1st Year (Hons.)
Daniel Hickey	1st Year

Faculty of Medicine:

James Gough	2nd Year
James Godfrey	3rd Year
Annraoi Burke	2nd Year
Adrian Lee	2nd Year

Faculty of Natural Science:

Barry Coyle	B.A.
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Faculty of Science:

Paul McElwee	M.Sc.
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ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS

Frank Brady	FRCSE (Primary)
Frank Dowling	FRCSE (Primary)
Paul Davey	L.D.S.
Billy Hooper	4th Med.
Donal McSorley	2nd Med.
Gerry Byrne	2nd Med.
Timothy O'Flanagan	1st Med.
Brian Molloy	Pre-Med. (2nd Cl. Hons.)
James O'Neill	Pre-Med.

Institute of Chartered Accountants:	
Arthur Costello	Part IV
Austin Colley	Part II
John Cassidy	Part I

UNIVERSITY OF LONDON	
Faculty of Science	
Desmond Cahill	B.Sc. (Maths and Chem.)

COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY:
Kevin St.

Michael Johnson	B.E. (Electrical)
John Shanahan	2nd Year "
Barry Redmond	1st Year "
Brian Costello	1st Year "

COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY:
Bolton Street

Tom Murphy	Architecture (Diploma)
Paddy Hooper	Environmental Economics (Diploma)
Mark O'Connor	Environmental Economics, 3rd Year
Geoffrey O'Connor	Environmental Economics 1st Year
Derek Jennings	Higher Construction Technology; 2nd Year
Dermot Foley	Quantity Surveying 2nd Year
Tom Hefferon	Quantity Surveying; (Diploma)
Bobby McKell	Quantity Surveying 2nd Year.

Where are they now?

SIXTH YEAR—1967

John Ahearne joined the clerical staff of Dublin Corporation. Now employed by the Irish Hospitals Sweepstake in its Ballsbridge headquarters. Unmarried — John, as in schooldays is a prodigious reader and his life-long interest in films makes him a veritable encyclopaedia of cinema history particularly of that present "highbrow cult" the Horror Film.

Cormac Cairns went to the United States where he was employed by the Bank of California in San Francisco. Returned to Ireland in 1959 and joined the staff of Irish Hospitals Sweepstake of which he is now Assistant Staff Manager. Cormac is married with three children — a boy aged 22 and two girls of 15 and 10. He likes to keep fit with some swimming and still enjoys rugby — as a spectator sport.

[You will note that both of our first two names on the roll call work for the Irish Hospitals Sweepstake. We are all still awaiting the big prize!]

Desmond Dempsey, Chartered Accountant. Spent many years on the staff of the Dublin firm of Chartered Accountants, Craig Gardner & Co. Joined T. P. Whelehan, Son & Co. Ltd., of Finglas as Financial Director and is now Deputy Chief Executive of the Federated Dublin Voluntary Hospitals (no prizes for naming them). Unmarried, Desmond is an unashamed "culture-vulture" especially where classical music and the theatre are concerned. In 1948 he helped to revive the Past Students' Dramatic Society (for more details see Paddy Funge below); was for some years a member of the Past Pupils' Union Committee and is still Honorary Auditor to the Union.

James Doolan, Chartered Accountant. Having obtained a B.A. degree and qualified as a Chartered Accountant, Jim became General Manager of Burnhouse (Ireland) Limited at its Ballinasloe factory. He left this appointment to study business administration at Harvard University where he obtained his Masters degree. For several

years he was one of the staff of economic specialists attached to the World Bank – based in Washington, he literally travelled the world on many assignments. Even after his return to Ireland to take up an academic appointment at University College, Dublin, he was invited back to Washington as Visiting Lecturer in Economics to the World Bank, and to Harvard as Visiting Lecturer in the School of Business Administration. Jim is now back in Ireland as Professor of Business Studies at University College, Galway.

John Drumm, graduated in Mechanical and Electrical Engineering at University College, Dublin. Worked for ten years in Newcastle-on-Tyne on engineering research and the design of power station plants. Returned to Ireland in 1961 since when he has been associated with several companies including Weatherwell Ltd., the Southern Chemicals Group and, more particularly, Cement Limited of which company he is now Marketing Director with responsibility for home and export marketing operations. Married with five children – his elder boy Michael is presently at St. Marys – John, in his limited spare-time likes to walk and swim “just for exercise”.

Gerald Fearon joined the family firm of Building Contractors, John Fearon & Sons, he is now joint manager of this successful business with his brothers John and Ted. Married with four girls whose ages range from 19 to 5, Gerry is one of the few regular golfers in this group, being a member of the Grange Club.

Bart Fitzsimon joined the Hibernian Insurance Co. Ltd. Studied law and was called to the Bar some twelve years ago. Bart has specialised in the complicated legal aspects of insurance and now holds a senior management position with the company.

Patrick Funge obtained B.A. and B. Comm. degrees at University College, Dublin. Joined his father's printing firm – the Elo Press which he now manages. Married with three boys, Paddy was one of the leading figures in the revival in 1948 of the Past Students' Dramatic Society. From this society developed nine years later, the Lantern Theatre which, mainly under the direction of Paddy and his wife, has estab-

lished a unique place in Dublin theatre life. Unfortunately, following the fire in the neighbouring British Embassy, a revised insurance premium on the theatre's well equipped and comfortable premises in Merrion Square forced the theatre to close its doors last September. We wish Paddy and the other directors success in finding alternative accommodation.

James Graham graduated in science at University College Dublin. Joined a whaling ship in the Antarctic but has not been in touch with any member of the group for at least twenty years. I am sure my colleagues would join me in hoping that someday one of us may come across him again. It was not until many years after leaving school that I realised how the presence in our class of a member of a Protestant family prepared us in a privileged and unique way for the Ecumenical movement of recent years. Indeed many of us may have considered ourselves “one jump ahead”. The writer is convinced that our experience could well be repeated to advantage in the anachronistic state of Christianity which obtains in the north-eastern section of Ireland today. To you, Jimmy, wherever you are – sincere thanks.

John Kavanagh studied for the priesthood at All Hallows College. Ordained in 1953 for an American Diocese, John, to the best of our knowledge, is now a Pastor (Parish Priest in our terminology) in a mid-west State.

Patrick McCarthy was captain of the school in 1946/47. Joined Buckley's Motors, distributors and assemblers of Rootes Group vehicles, where he progressed through the administrative, selling and management functions. Formed the Irish Branch of the Italian scooter manufacturers Agrati of which he is now Managing Director with responsibility for the company's activities in this country and the U.K.

Eamonn Moore joined the staff of the Hibernian Bank. Left to take up a number of posts in England in the entertainment management and hire purchase fields. Returned to Dublin and pursued a career in public relations and advertising with a number of firms, notably the Irish Times.

Joined the Creation Publishing Group in 1969 and is now Circulation Manager for its magazines which include, Business & Finance, Woman's Way, Woman's Weekly etc. Eamonn is married with two boys and five girls including twins aged 3. He takes an interest in motor sports and finds gardening a useful relaxation.

Donal Murphy graduated in Mechanical and Electrical Engineering at University College, Dublin. Donal, who is a bachelor, is attached to the Dublin Engineering Branch of the Department of Posts and Telegraphs.

Dermot Ryan obtained a B.Comm. degree at University College, Dublin. While at College, formed a car-rental company which has expanded into the present group of companies, Ryan's Tourist Holdings Limited, of which Dermot is Chairman. From the original car-hire firm developed a chain of garages and motor dealers, radio-controlled taxis; hotels and tourist agencies. The latter are the two principal activities of the present group which successfully issued shares to the general public some years ago. Dermot is married and has so many interests that the editor might consider a special issue of the magazine devoted to them.

Gerard Tannam Holy Ghost Father. Obtained an M.A. degree in History at University College, Dublin. Studied Theology in Fribourg, Switzerland, where he was ordained in 1957. Taught in secondary schools and seminaries in Tunsania and Nigeria. Has the distinction of being the only member of this class (known to the writer) who has been imprisoned — in Nigeria at the end of the Biafran conflict. Continued his theological studies in Rome where he obtained a doctorate. At present, lectures at the Missionary Institute, London, where students from the English Province of the various missionary congregations attend. Father Gerry has ministered during summer vacations in Germany and the States and maintains his interest in history and literature. For relaxation, he likes a good twentieth century novel or an occasional game of golf.

James Walsh, Chartered Accountant. Having trained in the Dublin firm F. R. O'Connor & Co., Jim held a number of posts in industry notably with Fullers, the confectionery manufacturers. At present Secretary/Accountant to Insulations Limited, Naas Road. Married with four children — 3 boys and 1 girl. Despite a busy career, he has managed to maintain an interest in Gaelic Football and Hurling, Athletics and other sports of which, if I remember correctly, Rugby was rather far down the list of priorities.

We respectfully direct our readers' attention to those firms whose advertisements appear in the Annual. Their continued patronage deserves our sincere thanks and appreciation.

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"A BOY AND HIS DOG"
The winning exhibition in the teenager's section of the Dodder Valley Competition
Photo: Peter Fitzgerald



St. Mary's College Scouts

7th/8th DUBLIN UNIT C.B.S.I., 1971-'72

Leaders of the Unit:

Unit Leader: PETER BEST

Chaplain: FR. D. DARCY C.S.Sp.

Cubs:

Cubmaster: JIM KELLY *Assistants:* MARTIN McLOUGHLAN and AIDAN DELANY

7th Troop:

Scoutmasters: ARTHUR McMULLAN and PAUL SULLIVAN

Assistants: PADDY KELLY, BRIAN COSTELLO and DERRY SMYTH

8th Troop

Scoutmasters: LOUIS McMULLAN and JOHN SHANAHAN

Assistants: P. J. FARRELL and TONY DALTON

Seniors:

Scoutmaster: BRIAN O'KELLY

Assistants: PETER McLAUGHLAN and SEAN FLANAGAN

THIS year represented another successful chapter in the history of the Unit. The events which held the limelight were undoubtedly the opening of the new den and rather appropriately our initial camp in Europe, not to mention the now familiar change in leaders.

The Cubs enjoyed another successful year under the guidance of Jim Kelly, Martin McLaughlan and Aidan Delany culminating in a rather wet but very enjoyable cub-camp in Courtown. However, the Pack also had the distinction of being Area soccer champions and taking 2nd place overall in the Cub Sports despite the handicap of having no under-nines.

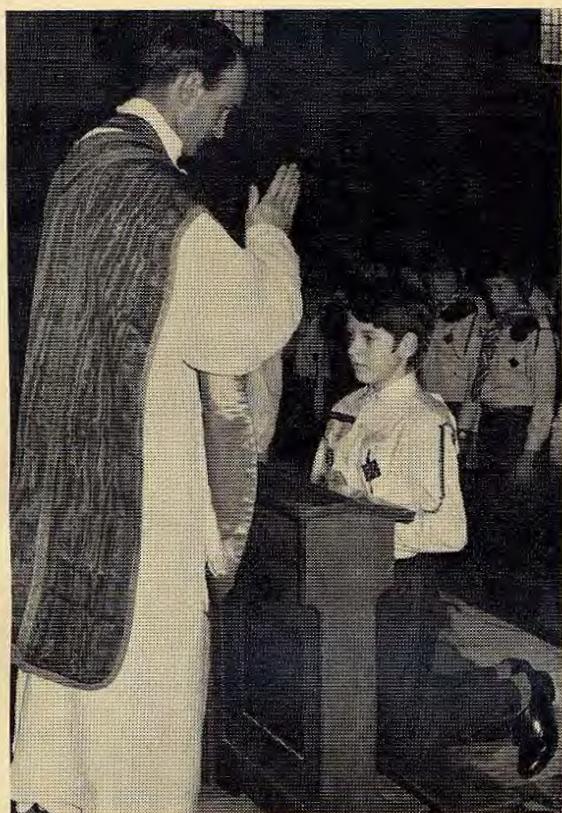
The 7th were unfortunate to lose Scoutmaster Derek Jennings but Arthur McMullan and Paul Sullivan took over and in no time at all everything was running like clockwork again. Paul unfortunately could not spare as much time as he would have liked to but he was able to participate in the major events and certainly ensured that everyone was well fed on camp. The events which come to

mind are the Christmas week-end in the Glendalough Youth Hostel, the P/L's Easter cycling expedition which Brian and Paddy organised and last but most certainly not least summer camp in Kanderstag which was superbly organised by Arthur McMullan.

The 8th likewise lost scoutmaster Peter Costello who is now London based but here again both Louis McMullan and John Shanahan filled the breech and an enjoyable Christmas week-end was spent in Aghavannagh Youth Hostel. Here too the climax of the year was summer camp in Kanderstag.

The Seniors under Brian O'Kelly may not have had the most active of programmes but certainly their help on both Cub camp and Scout camp was invaluable. Brian unfortunately was unable to go on camp due to exams but Peter McLaughlan and Sean Flanagan were there and ensured that a good time was had by all.

The opening of the new den represents a major step-forward for the Unit and the fund-raising committee under the chairmanship of Sean O'Byrne lived up to its repu-



Niall Burgess receives Blessing at College Scouts Investiture Ceremony.

Photo: C.S.Sp.

tation and ensured that this would be the last year of active fund-raising. Our thanks is due also to the Architect Mr. Philip Shaffrey and the building supervisor Mr. Jack Carmody without whose help this job could not have been completed so well and so quickly, not to mention Peter Best, Peter Costello and Arthur McMullan who also put their professional skills to good use in the service of the Unit.

Fr. Darcy despite the enormity of his other commitments in the college was again a corner-stone of the unit and continues to amaze with his tremendous enthusiasm and willingness to help.

Finally our sincere congratulations to Louis McMullan on being awarded the silver medal of merit of the C.B.S.I. to John Maloney on being capped for the Irish rugby team and to Jerry Kelly on his recent marriage.

JIM KELLY
(Cubmaster)

SCOUT CAMP

FOR our 31st Annual Camp we embarked on a trip which was to extend our frontiers beyond Ireland and England to the very heart of Europe, Switzerland. We left Dublin Airport in a chartered Aer Lingus flight on Wednesday 28th June. Dull clouds and squally weather announced our departure. It was a momentous undertaking with over seventy scouts taking off into the unknown. Hardly had two hours elapsed in what must have been for many their first time in a jet plane, when we touched down in Basle. Here a coach collected us for Kandersteg, our journey's end. We arrived at our destination shortly after midnight and settled down in the scout chalet for the first night.

It was here that we spent the next two weeks on camp. The weather never lived up to our high expectations, but did not dampen our spirits or prevent us from having a marvellous time. The campsite itself was well situated, about half an hour's walk from the town, where there was a swimming pool and an ice skating rink, both of which we frequented whenever possible.

Photo : C.S.Sp.



Gareth Byrne and William Ryan who received General Excellence Medals in Junior School and Senior School respectively

The Sunday after our arrival we divided ourselves into two groups taking two separate hike routes. It was intended to reverse the procedure the following week, but weather did not allow of this, as it was too hot for walking. The hikes themselves took us quite close to the Gemmi-pass. While on camp we availed of two coach tours. The weather on the first of these was not great but we set out all the same. We visited the Rhone Glacier on our first tour. We also went to Interlaken, the Grimselpass and the Gorge of the Aare. Our second tour took us to the Gothic city of Fribourg and to Gruyeres where the famous cheese is manufactured and then on to Montreux which was beside the Lake of Geneva. On another occasion when we once again split our ranks into two hikes, one going overnight to Blumlisalp Mountain, the other to Bern the capital of Switzerland, we all had a splendid time.

There was always something interesting to see, particularly in Bern. There was for instance the Bear Pit and the old clock-tower with its moving figures. Bern has about four miles of arcaded streets with what seemed like hundreds of shops. The following day the hikes were reversed and the Bern sightseers went mountaineering. This was an arduous experience and not without danger at times especially near the top where the mountain was covered in snow. However, it was a well worth while experience.

Towards the end of our stay we went to a number of camp-fires which were organised by the French and the Italians. We did not have the time to muster one of our own. We had of course our usual patrol competition and the scoring in this was very close. Four patrols were in the running with only 30 points separating them - the Snipes, the Lions, the Wolves and the Hawks. In the end it was Tony Pacitti and the Snipes who took the honours with the Wolves in close pursuit.

Throughout the fortnight Fr. D. Darcy was able to say Mass in a special shelter out of doors. All good things have to come to an end so the last day came all too soon and everyone was hard at work readying for departure. Since the tents were down we had to avail of sleeping in the Chalet for the last night also. The final inspection over, we embarked on the journey home with plenty of memories and a wonderful holiday to cherish. We arrived in Dublin on the 13th July in the afternoon to a happy reunion with our parents.

In the memory of every scout this had been

the best camp of their entire scouting experience, thanks to our Camp-chief Arthur McMullen, John Shanahan, and Jerry Kelly who organised this tour so well. Our thanks are due also to Fr. D. Darcy and the officers for their contribution in making this the great camp that it was.

JOHN KEOGH P. L. HAWKS

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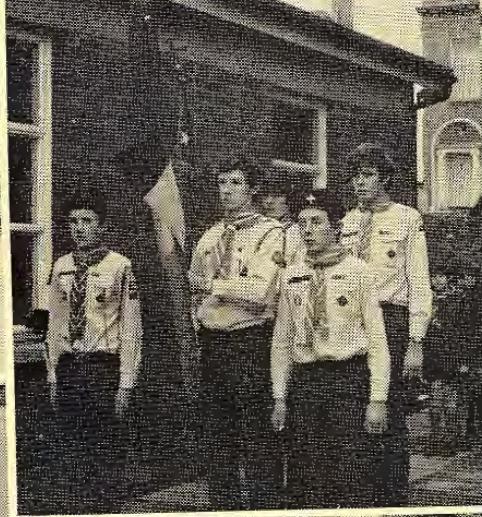
1. Cubs assemble outside the new den.
2. Some of the camp leaders happy to have reached the hut well above the snow line.
3. The colour party leaves the old den.

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4. Shoe-shining down town during 'Bob-a-job'.
 5. Investiture Ceremony in the College Chapel
 6. The colour party arrives at the new den.
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7. Boarding the plane at Basle.
 8. The President, Fr. J. Hurley, blesses the den.
 9. A picnic lunch high in the Alps.
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10. 8 a.m. at 10,000 ft. above sea-level.
11. Soccer on Cub Camp.
12. Rain fails to dampen the good spirits on leaving Dublin Airport for Switzerland.

Photo: C.S.Sp.



Ornithology Club—1971-'72

SALTEE ISLAND

THE club has grown in numbers, though to some extent our activities have contracted during the past year. This contraction was largely due to the pressure of other activities in the school, examinations for fourth year students and of course the weather which was not always very favourable. Indeed, on our first group outing to **Bull Island** the weather provided the worst 'trial by ordeal' that our members have experienced since the outset, hardly the ideal way to initiate newcomers. In all we made about half a dozen trips in groups to Bull Island. This venue is always a source of interest. We went there in varying conditions of weather and tide and perhaps the one thing of interest we discovered was that birds could best be observed on the lea side of the causeway on a windy day at full tide. The waders and ducks tended to be restless and so flew back and forth across the causeway enabling us to see them in greater concentration and from close range as they flew overhead.

During the Christmas holidays there was the usual visit to the **Zoo**, where we augmented our photographic collection of both slides and stills. This year also we managed to take 25 boys to the **Wexford Slobs**. The weather was somewhat more favourable than the previous year. With **Oscar Merne** as our guide in Tommy Dorgan's bus we toured the Slobs viewing from closer range from a more concealed position the Geese and other species. Trying to observe on foot proved an unfruitful experience as the ducks and geese were restless due to the proximity of our visit to the week-end shoot. Still we enjoyed the visit.

The **west pier of Dun Laoghaire** was another of our rendezvous and once again this year we did not go unrewarded. A few of our members explored the new venue near the Blessington Lakes. This proved to be really worth while. Howth and Ireland's Eye were not on our agenda this year. This was understandable in view of the fact that **Saltee Island** provided a more concentrated area for the kind of birds associated with the rocky coasts. Such was the demand for the Saltee trip that we had to arrange two outings. This we did early in the Summer holidays. These

1. Herring Gull nest with egg, hatching chick and chick.

2. Gannet colony

3. Kittiwake chick taking notice.

4. Female Shag with young on rocky ledge.

5. Members enjoy sea trip to island.

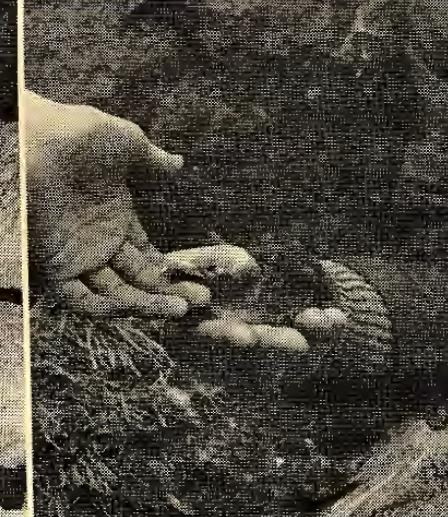
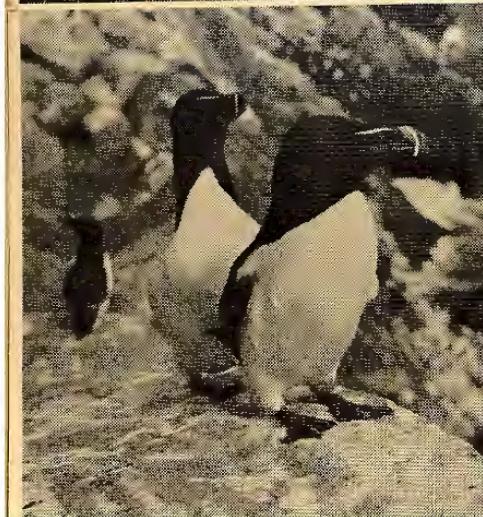
6. Examining Gull's nest and habitat.

7. Razorbills pose for a close-up camera shot.

8. Guillemot colony on S. West of Island.

9. Members hold a Razorbill chick who has wandered from its nest.

Photos: C.S.Sp.



were most successful thanks to the co-operation of parents who generously provided transport to Kilmore Quay, and to Jack Devereux who ferried us to and from the island.

One aspect of bird watching we emphasised this year was bird sounds. We allocated some of our funds to purchasing further records of bird sounds from the R.S.P.B., and played them on Saturday mornings after school, and this stimulated some of the members to accumulate their own recordings from the visits to the various sanctuaries. We enhanced our

photographic collection paying more attention to close-ups than ever before.

Next year we hope to organise the club on more clear-cut lines with the senior members taking more of the responsibility and the decisions, and the setting out of the programme for the year with perhaps competitions and prizes to follow. It is hoped also to contact similar groups in other schools and so provide a wider basis for our activity and establish a wider interest in the hobby.

H. F. MOLONEY

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Philatelic Society

THE Philatelic society made a return after one year's inactivity. In the past the society has always had the personal attention of one of the fathers and this year due to the inavailability of their services as President of the society, the burden of responsibility fell for the first time to one of the senior boys. Philip Leahy, winner of the School competition two years ago, was elected President, with Rory O'Connor as Secretary and Eoin O'Cofaigh as treasurer.

Meetings were held once a week in the College Art Room. Each meeting commenced with a display by one of the members and during the course of the year there were some really good displays. One of these was the display of Irish Overprints by Eoin O'Cofaigh, one which the very best societies would be proud to have. Another of equally high standard was Peter Norton's Europa stamps issued by various members of the European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administration with the same design appearing on all stamps.

In the course of the year the society held two competitions. The first was held at Christmas and was won by the author with a display having the title 'Covers with a story.' This was a display of covers which for different reasons took a very long time to be delivered, and also shown in the display was

the information to be gained from the covers. Second place went to John Quinlan. Our thanks are due to David Feldman for his kind gift of his "Handbook of Irish Stamps" for the first prize.

The second competition was held at Easter and this was for the perpetual cup of the society. This was won by Dermot McCarthy with a splendid display of Australian Christmas Stamps. Here again Peter Norton starred with a display on Ireland which won him second place. For the first time also the society issued a Newsletter every fortnight. For this we were indebted to Eoin Ó Cofaigh who not only edited the Newsletter, but wrote many of the articles within.

One hopes that the society will continue in the coming year which is the 50th anniversary of the first issue of the Irish postage stamp and where Dublin is to be the host for a major International Stamp Exhibition. It will be a great opportunity for enthusiasts to see some really top class displays.

Our thanks are due to Fr. H. Moloney for his help and encouragement during the year and trust that he will give the society the necessary impetus to get off the ground for the coming year.

RODERICK O'CONNOR

“Kibbutz Life”

By

DAVID O'SULLIVAN

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THE main reason I decided to go to Israel this summer was to find out exactly what it was like to live on a kibbutz. The one which I visited for two months was Kibbutz Maa'nit, situated 15 miles east of Hadera and very near the pre-'67 border between Jordan and Israel.

It is a well laid-out kibbutz with plenty of grass lawns and shrubbery. There is a central group of buildings situated beside the 30ft high water tower, consisting of a modern kitchen and communal dining hall which could also be used as an assembly hall or cinema.

A hundred yards away nestled among some trees is the recreational centre – also very

up-to-date and equipped for serving light refreshments in the evenings. Living quarters for the kibbutzniks (people who live on the kibbutz permanently) are comfortable, even if small and not very private.

The food was good and plentiful and there was no shortage of water since the kibbutz is situated on an artesian well. There was even a swimming pool and a small shop which sold everything you could possibly want. Since no money is used on the kibbutz, business in the shop is transacted on the basis of coupons – each individual being allotted so many coupons per week. Volunteers were given 30p worth of coupons every fortnight.



AERIAL VIEW
OF A KIBBUTZ

Photo : Courtesy Kibbutz Representative Office, Regent St., London.

LIVING CONDITIONS

Living conditions for the volunteers are less comfortable, being little more than wooden huts containing four or five rooms with usually three people to a room. Though in fairness these quarters used to be those of the kibbutzniks up to a few years ago.

Every Thursday the volunteers store would be open and there you drew your supplies for the coming week. Work clothes, shirts, shorts, boots and socks; bed clothes; toilet requisites and one hundred and forty cigarettes. The cigarettes were Israeli brand called Silon which were, by all accounts, unsmokable.

Volunteers are supposed to work six hours a day, six days a week. (Saturday the Jewish Sabbath, is your only free day which would normally be great for sight seeing or going to the beach. Unfortunately it is also the one day in the week when there is no public transport and all shops close - (Catch-22?). In practice we worked less than six hours a day because breakfast and breaks were included in that six hours.

We usually started at five-thirty a.m. and worked until seven forty-five when we broke for breakfast. We resumed work at eight thirty and worked until eleven forty-five with a fifteen minute break in between. You were not expected to work to the point of exhaustion, but you definitely had to pull your weight. Anyone going to a kibbutz has definitely got to be prepared to work.

VARIED WORK

The type of work is very varied. It is mostly agricultural but can sometimes involve work in packaging factories or similar light industries. You can find yourself in cotton, banana or avocado fields, or loading live chickens on to a truck for delivery to market.

But the job usually given to the volunteer students in the summer months is fruit picking (apples and pears) which is the least physically strenuous of all the jobs, but also the most monotonous.

The people in the kibbutz are, by complete contrast with the Israelis you meet on the streets and in buses and restaurants, very friendly. And while it is true to say that you are not instantly accepted as part of the kibbutz and that there is a very clear distinction between the volunteers and the kibbutzniks, this is probably because so many volunteers are coming and going during the year that it takes some time to become any way integrated.

I found that it was only at the end of my two months that I was beginning to get to know and make friends among the actual kibbutzniks.

Life tends to be very easy going. Apart from your work which was allotted to you from day to day, no attempt is made to organise the rest of your time. After lunch you can sleep or go for a swim or even go sight-seeing. Israel is so small that there is always somewhere of interest nearby. At

INTERIOR OF A
DINING HALL



Photo: Courtesy Kibbutz Representative Office, Regent St., London.

night there might be a film, in English usually with Hebrew subtitles, or else you could just sit around the recreational centre drinking coffee and chatting.

Sometimes there might be a party or a singsong. This is why, as a holiday, the kibbutz is a great way of getting away from it all. Living on a kibbutz was totally unlike anything I had ever experienced before. There were so many interesting people there of varied backgrounds and nationalities that meeting and talking with them was an education in itself.

More than 26,000 foreign "students" stayed on kibbutzim in Israel this year. Many were Jews but a very high proportion were not. The Jews who came were obviously motivated by a sense of commitment to Israel; the others were simply young people genuinely interested in learning about this rather unique social experiment.

Yet as a way of life a kibbutz has its disadvantages and dangers. The most obvious disadvantage is that not everyone is suited to communal living and that anyone used to western European standards of comfort and privacy would find it very difficult to adapt. Also, life on a kibbutz is so secure that kibbutzniks are subjected to little responsibility or challenges in their daily routine.

This is truer perhaps of the older kibbutzim which are well established and can be de-

veloped no further. Indeed it is because it was conceived as a means for colonizing Palestine before the Jewish state was established, that the kibbutz movement is at present going through something of a crisis of conscience now that the pioneer days are behind.

Due to a shortage of manpower many kibbutzim have been forced to take on hired labour, something which is against the original principles of the movement. Others have become too wealthy for their own good. A certain number of young kibbutzniks (about 18 per cent per year) have found kibbutz living too restricted and dull and have forsaken it for the more rewarding (materially at least) if more demanding life of the towns and cities.

Thus, the kibbutz is no Utopia and is certainly not without its problems. Yet as many disillusioned young Americans I met in Israel were quick to point out, the kibbutz is a healthier, more purposeful and better adjusted society than the type of society at present emerging in the affluent countries of Western Europe. Crime is non-existent and juvenile delinquency unheard of.

But whether the same determination which has enabled the kibbutz movement to overcome the tremendous physical difficulties which it faced in its early years will help it to cope with the more subtle problems of the present day is something time alone will tell.

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SENIOR SCHOOL PRIZEGIVING CONCERT

Verse Speaking – First Year

Tribute to Bishop Shannahan, C.S.Sp.
in Prose and Verse.

Singing Class – First & Second Years

Early One Morning	..	Folk Song
A Boat, A Boat	..	Round
O No John	..	Folk Song

Verse Speaking – First Year

Extract from 'Gus
the Theatre Cat' .. T. S. Eliot

Singing Class – First & Second Years

Happy Wanderer	..	Moller
L'Amour de Moy	..	Folk Song
Lullaby	..	Flies/Mozart
Haiden Roslein	..	Schubert

Verse Speaking – Second, Third & Fifth Years

Extracts from the Experimental Spoken
Oratorio 'Nabuchodonosur' Colm Golden
The choruses in this work are scored for
orchestration, an innovation not attempted
with any subtlety up to the present time.

Singing Class – First & Second Years

Wohin	..	.. Schubert
Nacht und Traume	..	.. Schubert
The Trout	..	.. Schubert
Sylvia	..	.. Schubert

Elocution: Miss Maura Cranny

Singing: Fr. D. M. Maiben, C.S.Sp.

Accompanist: Miss Malone

Photography Club

THIS year a photography club was started in the College, and proved to be a modest success. Meetings were held each week and consisted of a lecture on some aspect of the art, such as developing, printing, or composition of the picture. Following this were questions from the members regarding their own experience and problems.

The aim of the club was three-fold:

1. To interest students in photography as an art;
2. To enable students to take and process their own films;
3. To produce photographs of quality standard with a view to entering competitions.

Outings were arranged in order to put into practice the ideas and techniques outlined in the weekly meetings. Our first venture was to the city centre. On that outing "A penny for your thoughts" was taken as the theme. A Photograph which won the professionals prize in the Leinster Schools' Competition was taken on this occasion. Another photograph taken on the same occasion by Hugo Quinn is to be published shortly in the well-known Photography Magazine *Practical Photography*. Our next outing to Blessington saw no prize-winning shots, but proved a pleasant and informative day. The third and last outing to Seskin, Co. Dublin saw condi-

tions of rain, snow and sun all in the one afternoon which gave a great opportunity for taking the same subject under varying conditions of light and texture. It was on this outing that Paul Byrne took the winning photograph for our own Club Competition.

At Christmas we also entered the Dodder Valley Competition and won first prize in the teenagers monochrome class. I had the honour of having taken the winning exhibit.

"Some magnificent shots of the Dodder were on view in the Exhibition which featured sections for adults, teenagers and children.

"Amazing, too, the number of people who were interested in the photography of the beautiful river. The prizewinners ranged from the people in Rathfarnham to Dun Laoghaire.

"My favourite was "A boy and his dog", a photo of a beautiful dog coming out of the water, dripping wet to meet his master, who was standing at the edge of the river. Even in black and white, the whole atmosphere of the peace and solitude was captured. It won first prize in the teenagers section and was taken by Peter Fitzgerald, Rathfarnham Road".

—*Evening Press*

PETER FITZGERALD



AG AN SÚ

*Chuaigh me go dtí an siú
Chonaic me eilifint agus kangaroo.
Chuaigh me féachaint ar na moncaí,
Chi moncaí mor ina lui.
Bhí leon mor ag siúl síos, suas,
Agus leon beag ag léim anuas.
Bhí lachain aile ag snámh ar an loch
Agus ealai mor ag ithe píosa arán.
Bhí éan mor agus éan beag
I dteach na neanini,
Bhí conini agus luch
Agus moncaí ar na crainn
San teach na h-ainmhi beag deas.*

WILLIAM LEO

★
CAPTAIN OF
THE SCHOOL



★
WILLIAM
RYAN



GERRY DELANY
Interprovincial and Irish Cap in Cricket



KEVIN DEERING (Capt.)
Interprovincial Rugby



Congratulations to
Michael O'Shea
who won the Feis Maitíú Cup
for Extempore Speaking.

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SNOW



*White and
Cold –
Soft and crisp
Glistening
on grass
SNOW – the mountains
and the trees,
a lovely sight.*



PAUL KERRIGAN

COLLEGE ANNUAL 1973

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.

JUNIOR SCHOOL 1971—1972

Prize Winners

General Excellence
Gareth Byrne

Gilmore Art Trophy
Declan Maher

Sportsman of the Year
Paul Dean

Honours List
Brendan McNally 6
Neil Martin 5'
David Kirk 3
Conor O'Nuallain 3'
Liam Byrne 3'

Form 6

- 1. Gareth Byrne
- 2. Brian O'Connor
- 3. Brian Leahy

Form 5'

- 1. Eoin O'Sullivan
- 2. Mark Cosgrove
- 3. Eunan Robins

Form 3

- 1. Mark Redmond
- 2. Mark Lawler
- 3. John Fitzgerald

Form 6'

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

Form 4

- 1. Michael Power
- 2. Michael Sheerin
- 3. Fintan McDonald
- Derek Sweeney }

Form 3'

- 1. Michael Ahearne
- 2. Paul Lucas
- 3. Peter Cosgrove

Form 5

- 1. Patrick Walsh
- 2. Connell Mulvihill
- 3. Patrick Stephenson

Form 4'

- 1. Peter Judge
- 2. Mark Heffernan
- 3. William Leo

Form 2

- 1. Brendan Ward
- 2. Donal O'Kane
- 3. Conor Budds
- John Greany Casey }

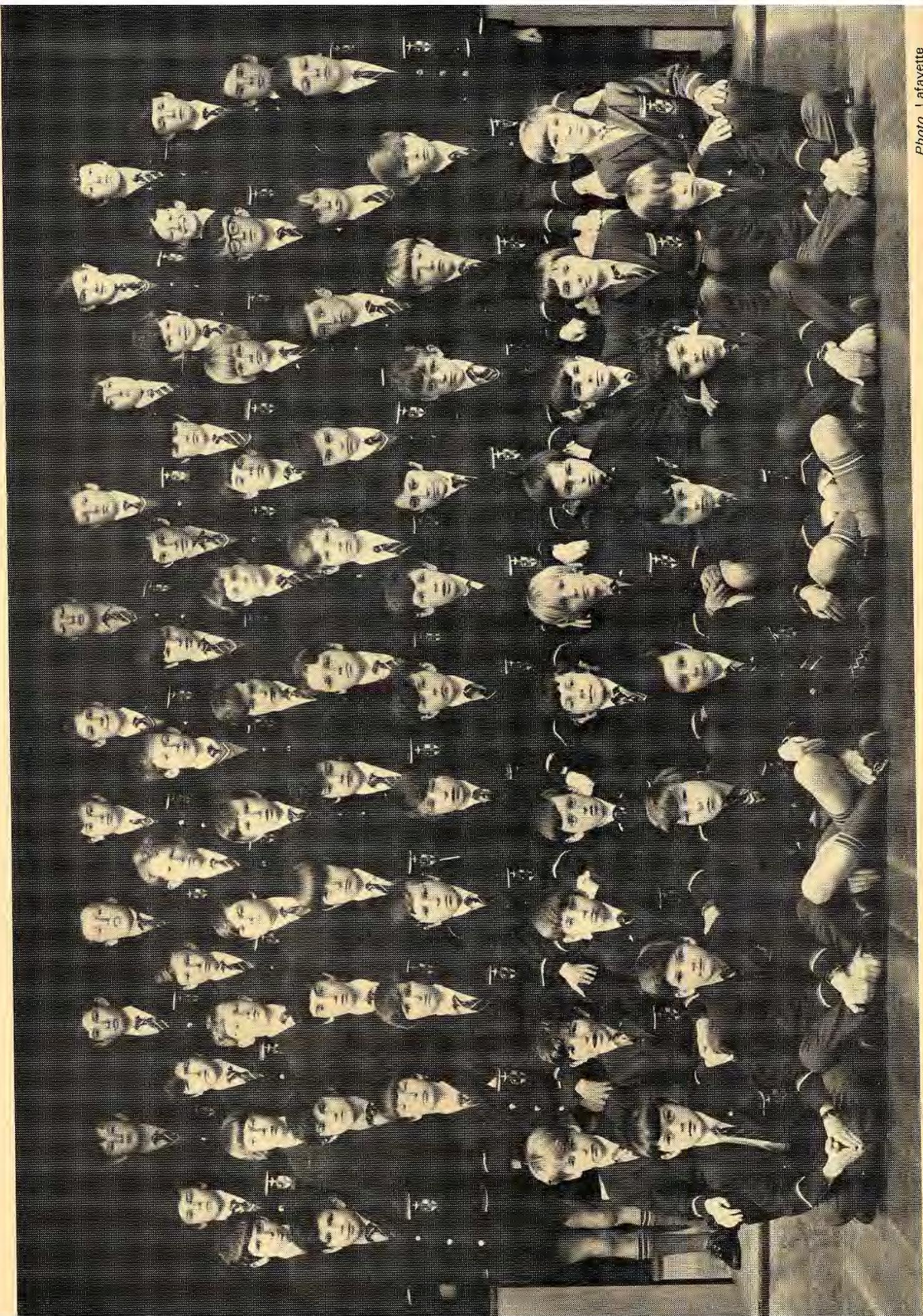


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JUNIOR SCHOOL ROLL

1971-1972

JUNIOR 6

Birmingham, Kieran
 Black, Peter
 Byrne, Brian
 Byrne, Diarmuid
 Byrne, Gareth
 Cogley, David
 Connell, Liam
 Curtis, Cahal
 Dunn, Ian
 Fanagan, Stephen
 Graham, Peter
 Healy, Mark
 Kerrigan, Paul
 Largy, Brendan
 Leahy, Brian
 Lynch, Timothy
 McCarthy, Patrick
 McCarthy, Stephen
 McDonald, Stephen
 McNally, Brendan
 McShane, Peter
 Maher, Declan
 Moylett, David
 O'Brien, Thomas
 O'Connor, Brian
 O'Connor, John
 O'Doherty, Donagh
 O'Moore, Brian
 Power, Albert
 Redmond, Barry
 Rothery, Colm
 Sloan, Karl
 Tannam, Lorcan
 Thornton, Paul
 Tuke, David
 Waldron, John

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

JUNIOR 6'

Armstrong, Edward
 Bowe, Paul
 Burke-Moran, Mark
 Butt, David
 Coffey, Barry

JUNIOR 5

Ambrose, John
 Bennett, David
 Blunden, Patrick
 Booth, Brian
 Cassidy, Connell
 Cleary, Thomas
 Darby, Declan
 Davitt, Peter
 Delany, Hugh
 Donnelly, Stephen



Photo: C.S.Sp.

Gareth Byrne receives The General Excellence Medal

JUNIOR 6 & 6'

Egan, Derek
 Ellison,
 Farrell, Alan
 Fleming, David
 Gannon, Kenneth
 Gannon, Michael
 Gowran, Martin
 Gray, Thomas
 Healy, Laurence
 Keane, Colin
 Kinsella, Geoffrey
 Larney, John
 Lonergan, Patrick

McEntee, James
 McGrath, Paul
 Maguire, Shane
 Muldoon, Stephen
 Mulvihill, Conal
 Murray, Francis
 O'Byrne, Lorcan
 O'Connor, Charles
 Redahan, Cormac
 Sherry, Brian
 Stephenson, Patrick
 Walsh, Patrick
 Ward, John



JUNIOR 6 & 6'

C. Curtis, B. Heaney, B. Largey, B. Moore, G. Byrne, J. O'Connor, I. Dunn, D. Butt, M. Crosbie, T. O'Connell
 D. Murphy, R. McGoldrick, M. Hughes, P. Graham, B. McNally, L. O'Connell, J. Waldron, M. Healy, E. Armstrong,
 K. O'Reilly, P. Black
 C. Sloan, P. Thornton, B. Byrne, T. Lynch, D. Moylett, P. Bowe, P. McShane, D. Byrne, U. O'Nuallain, D. Tuke,
 S. Fitzpatrick
 J. Gallagher, C. Kelly, S. McDonald, S. Fanagan, P. Lynch, P. McCarthy, B. Sheehan, L. Tannam, B. Leahy, D. O'Doherty,
 A. Kelly
 K. Birmingham, D. Dunne, A. O'Brien, P. McDonnell, T. O'Brien, P. Corrigan, A. Leahy, J. Doyle, D. Cogley, P. Dean
 C. Russell, C. O'Kane, M. Heffernan, P. Fitzgerald, B. Redmond, P. Kerrigan, G. Dunne, J. Coman, B. Coffey, S. McCarthy
 C. Quigley, B. O'Connor, C. Levins, P. Sirr, P. Mackey, D. Maher, M. Burke-Moran.

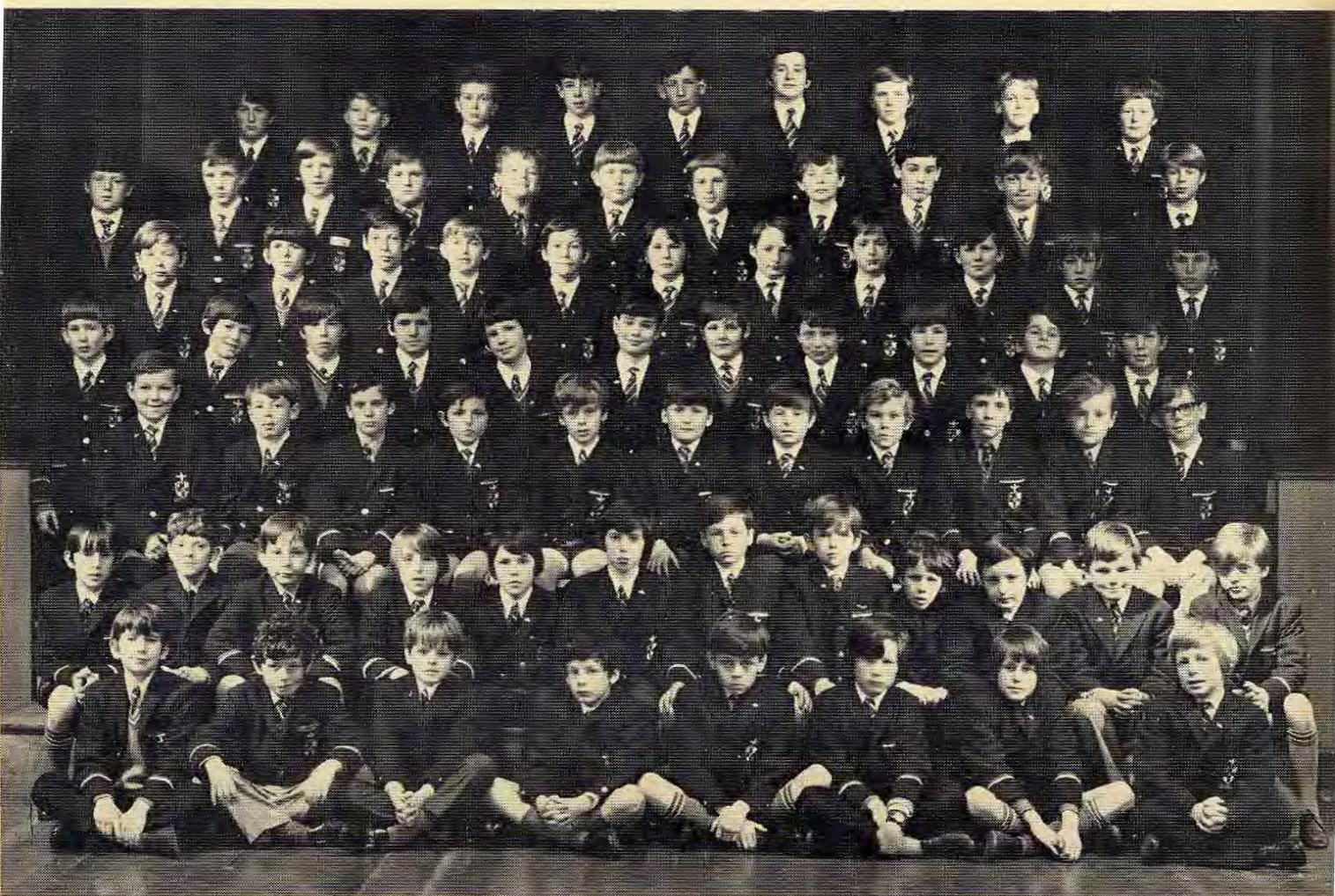


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JUNIOR 5 & 5'

D. Darby, J. Larney, M. Gowran, T. Gray, D. Bennett, C. Keane, C. Cassidy, P. McGrath, G. McCarthy
 J. Hartigan, D. Fleming, P. Davitt, T. Cleary, P. Gallagher, P. Stephenson, G. Kinsella, P. Walsh, C. Doyle, G. Lennon,
 D. Ellison
 M. Byrne, D. McVey, W. Maguire, P. Blundon, R. Byrne, E. Robbins, M. Dooley, D. Sheehan, B. Sherry, P. Devlin
 C. Mulvihill
 N. Winder, L. O'Byrne, H. Delany, J. McCutcheon, D. Corcoran, C. Redahan, C. Murray, A. Whelan, D. Egan, R. Fearon,
 N. Martin
 J. Ambrose, A. Russell, N. Harrington, F. Kerrigan, J. Bennett, P. Walsh, M. Cosgrove, D. Kerrigan, D. O'Shaughnessy,
 L. Healy, M. Crowe
 P. Lonergan, S. Muldoon, S. McGrath, K. McDonnell, J. Clancy, B. Booth, A. Farrell, R. Leo, N. Nelligan, O. O'Sullivan
 K. Gannon, J. McEntee
 K. Ryan, D. Gilligan, J. Ward, S. Maguire, F. Murray, S. Donnelly, C. O'Connor, M. Gannon.

Junior School Roll (Continued)

JUNIOR 5'

Bennett, Jonathan
 Byrne, Mark
 Byrne, Richard
 Clancy, John
 Corcoran, David
 Cosgrove, Mark
 Crowe, Morgan
 Devlin, Philip
 Dooley, Michael
 Doyle, Colm
 Fearon, Raymond

Gallagher, Paul
 Gilligan, Donal
 Harrington, Niall
 Hartigan, John
 Kerrigan, Fergus
 Kerrigan, David
 Lennon, Gary
 Leo, Richard
 McCarthy, Gerald
 McCutcheon, James
 McDonnell, Kenneth
 McGrath, Stephen
 McVey, Dominic

Maguire, William
 Martin, Neil
 Murray, Ciaran
 Nelligan, Norman
 O'Shaughnessy, David
 O'Sullivan, Owen
 Robins, Eunan
 Russell, Arthur
 Ryan, Kenneth
 Sheehan, Declan
 Walsh, Philip
 Whelan, Andrew
 Winder, Nuada

JUNIOR 4

Bowe, Michael
 Brennan, John
 Cassidy, Paul
 Coman, Patrick
 Coman, Denis
 Cooke, Shane
 Cregan, Conor
 Dunne, Colm
 Fearon, Patrick
 Gallagher, John
 Graham, James

Junior School Roll (Continued)

JUNIOR 4 (Contd.)

Hammond, Darragh
Hughes, Kevin
Kelly, Darragh
Leavy, John
Leavy, Martin
McAllister, John
McCarthy, Paul
McCarthy, Paul D.
McCormack, Anthony
McDonald, Fintan
McShane, James
Morton, Edward
O'Connor, Nicholas
O'Reilly, Peter
Power, Michael
Randles, John
Redmond, Gerard
Ryan, Stephen
Sheerin, Michael
Sweeney, Derek
Tallon, David
Teevan, David

JUNIOR 4'

Ambrose, Eamonn
Bennett, Paul
Byrne, Gary
Clancy, Paul
Conway, Fergus
Cowman, Andrew
Cunningham, Joseph
Daly, Shane
Delany, Brian
Drumm, Michael
Drumm, Stephen
Farrell, Malachy
Fitzpatrick, Gerard
Greaney, Thomas
Gilsenan, John
Hanna, Michael
Hefferon, Mark
Hickey, Donald
Judge, Peter
Kyne, Gareth
Leo, William
Magahy, Ian
Martin, Barry
Murray, Paul
Murray, Philip
McDonald, John
McSharry, Michael
O'Neill, Brian
Opperman, Peter
Quigley, Rory
Shaffrey, Philip
Shiel, John
Stephenson, Ultan
Woods, Paul
Wright, Alan

JUNIOR 3

Brannigan, Leslie
Breathnach, Aodhan
Byrne, Edward
Byrne, Ian
Cogley, Niall
Cooke, Conor
Delany, Alan
Donnelly, Philip
Farrell, Shane
Fitzgerald, John
Gueret, Maurice
Kavanagh, Mark
Kelly, David
Kirk, David
Lawler, Mark
Leahy, Patrick
Lynch, Michael
McDonald, Paul
McEniff, Niall
McKey, Derek
Moylett, Paul
Murphy, Martin
O'Brien, David
O'Connor, John
O'Flaherty, Liam
O'Flanagan, Aidan
O'Neill, Padraig
Rafferty, John
Raftery, David
Redmond, Mark
Robins, Killian
Rice, Conan
Tuke, Kenneth
Walsh, James
Woods, Brian
Woods, John



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Declan Maher, winner of The Gilmore Art Trophy

JUNIOR 3'

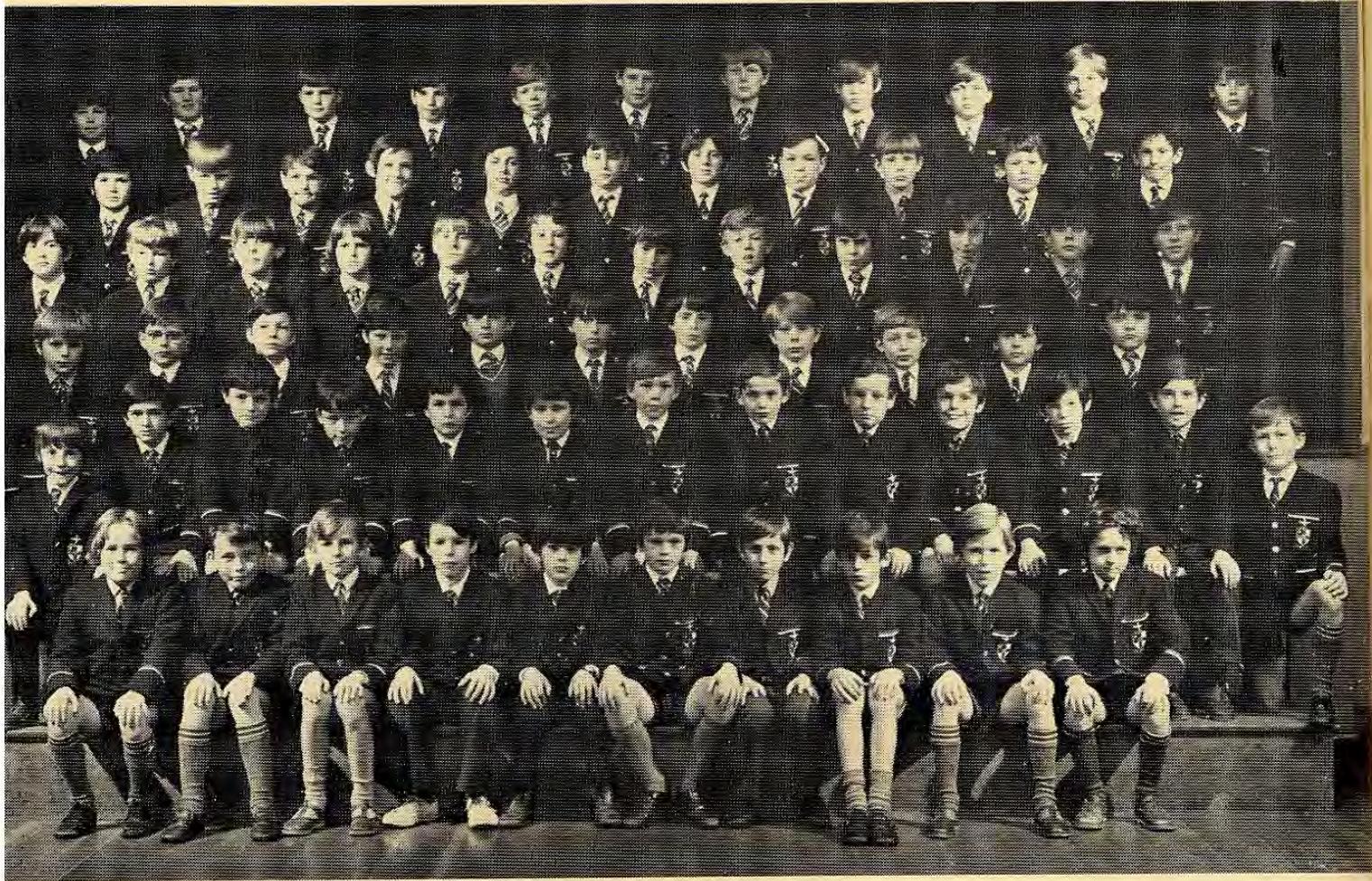
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Burke-Moran, John
Byrne, Liam
Byrne, Shane
Conn, Michael
Cosgrove, Peter
Cremin, Garret
Crofts, Martin
Digby, Anthony
Fagan, Denis
Fletcher, Fergus
Gallagher, Dermot
Gilleece, Noel
Gogan, Troy
Jones, Declan
Kelly, Paul
Lenehan, Paul
Lucas, Paul

McKey, Bernard
McSharry, Ruaidhri
Maher, Jeremy
Meenan, Geoffrey
Nolan, John
O'Connell, Donal
O'Doherty, Ewan
O'Neill, Shane
O'Nuallain, Conor
Quinn, Eoin
Randles, Nicholas
Russell, Robert
Traynor, Vincent
White, Desmond

JUNIOR 2

Blunden, John
Budds, Conan
Byrne, Peter
Byrne, Mark
Cantwell, David
Carroll, Raymond
Cregan, Killian

Davitt, Michael
Geoghegan, Rodrick
Geraghty, Michael
Graham, Gary
Geaney-Casey, John
Hartigan, Paul
Heron, Robert
Kennedy, John
Keogh, John
Lynch, Leonard
McCabe, Shane
McCarthy, Desmond
McCarthy, David
McCarthy, Patrick
McSharry, Ciaran
McSweeney, Mark
O'Byrne, Paul
O'Donovan, Diarmuid
O'Kane, Donal
Power, Raymond
Quigley, Dermot
Quinlan, Michael
Regan, Kenneth
Ronaldson, Patrick
Sheerin, Fintan
Slattery, Mark
Ward, Brendan



JUNIOR 4 & 4¹

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M. Heffernan, K. Hughes, J. Randles, T. Geaney, J. Graham, J. McDonald, P. Murray, P. Oppermann, M. Farrell,
G. Redmond G. Fitzpatrick.
P. Clancy, G. Byrne, A. Cowman, J. McShane, M. Sheerin, J. Brennan, A. Wright, E. Ambrose, P. Cassidy, P. McCarthy,
E. Morton.
F. McDonald, N. O'Connor, M. Leavy, S. Ryan, P. Coman, A. McCormack, G. Kyne, D. Sweeney, P. Fearon, D. Hammond,
J. Leavy, D. Coman.
J. Gilsenan, P. McCarthy, J. Cunningham, B. Martin, J. Shiel, B. Delaney, S. Daly, P. Judge, P. Murray, M. Drumm,
P. Shaffrey.
J. Gallagher, C. Dunne, R. Quigley, S. Drumm, M. Hanna, U. Stephenson, P. Bennett, W. Leo, M. McSharry, I. Magahy
B. O'Neill J. McAlister P. O'Reilly.
M. Bowe, M. Power, F. Conway, D. Hickey, D. Kelly, S. Cooke, D. Tallon, P. Woods, D. Teevan, C. Cregan.

Junior School Games

— RUGBY —

THE 1971-72 Rugby Season got off to an ideal start. It was a most successful season, brimful with pleasure and enthusiasm both for boys and teachers alike. Of course the boys themselves are to be thanked and congratulated for all this success and happiness. They enjoyed every moment of the season and threw themselves into all the games with rare abandon. Health wise we

were visibly blessed and the weather was never so good. This was very evident when one considers the almost perfect condition of the field at the end of the season. We must thank our parents too for their never failing interest and support. There was always an abundance of transport available for away matches even by merely hinting. The enthusiasm of the parents was always very much

Paul Dean receives
the Medal for
Sportsman of the Year
from Mr. C. J. McCarthy,
President of P.P.U.

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Rugby (continued)

in evidence as when on one occasion the referee had to politely tell one Mum to do her shouting on the side line and not encroach on the field.

The Leagues got off the ground in a question of hours. We made three divisions.

There was the traditional Holy Childhood League for all the boys in Form Six and Five. It was keenly contested between all six teams. Mark Hughes, the victorious Captain deserves our congratulations. He was a great Captain and captained a great team. His play was reminiscent of the days when his father, John and his uncles Dermot and Alex donned the Mary's jersey and fought many a gallant battle for Mary's.

The V. Captain, D. Bennett is a powerful built boy and takes an amount of hard tackling to stop him in flight for the line. He is so strong and speedy that he seems to score at will and the beauty of it all is that he is so modest and humble about it all. His father, Mr. D. Bennett is always there to counsel and advise and his mum is ever present to lend an encouraging word. Our sympathies must go to Carol Sloan, Captain of the opposition.

Carol is one of the greatest and a perfect exemplar of determination and grit. His own brilliancy earned a re-play by scoring a try in the last minute. Carol's dad and family were all there in strength for the replay but in spite of the best efforts "Husie" could not be conquered.

The minor League was an innovation for the Under 9s and 8s. It turned out to be a great success and a source of great pleasure. Here we had a bunch of real heroes each thinking himself to be another Sean Lynch, a Denis Hickey or Johnny Moloney. And quite certain that some day they will wear a cap for Ireland. They played with all their heart and stamina. The stipulated time was never enough, they wanted more and more. The poor mums were to be pitied trying to have the togs clean for the next match. And of course the more mud they could display, to the dismay of the bus conductor, the greater the proof of their involvement. As the weeks progressed the development of the basic skills became very evident.

The outside matches were all very keenly contested and for the most part we were



HOLY CHILDHOOD LEAGUE WINNERS

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Standing: L. O'Byrne, D. Fleming, E. Armstrong, C. Cassidy, T. Gray, D. Bennett, B. Sheehan, P. Corrigan.
Sat: P. Mackey, N. Martin, P. McDonnell, M. Hughes, C. Sloan, C. Mulvihill, P. Fitzgerald.

Rugby (continued)

always victorious. Our lads played with tremendous zest and verve and displayed quite a mastery of the game. We had a feeling that our standard was so good that some schools were not too happy to take us on. Our biggest problem was to pick a team as each boy honestly felt that he was the obvious choice for each place.

Paul Dean 'Deano' is one of the greatest. Paul was Captain of the under 12s and a right good Captain too. He is a natural footballer and great things will be expected of Paul in the times ahead.

Paul Thornton captained the Under 11s. If ever a boy showed determination and grit Paul is the man. He is a sixty minute player and no matter what the score, he plays his heart out up to the last minute. Paul is so accustomed to success that he finds defeat a little bitter.

E. Robins was the Captain of the Under 10's. Another gifted, talented lad. He has everything that goes to make a great player. Rare speed, drive, equally good either as a back or forward. Look out for Eunan's name in the years ahead.

John Shiels was elected Captain of the Under 9s. If you are looking for a never ending trier and 'gogetter' John is your man. There is no 'let up' at all. Wherever the ball is there is John too. I'd say the greatest 'backer up' I know. Paul Brooder the Benjamin of the captains made a very favourable debut. Paul is a shrewd captain and marshalled his men in style. They were never beaten and were nicknamed the 'Invincibles'.

It's now the end of the season and we look back with joy and pleasure over the months that have passed. It was a happy season and a successful season. We thank you boys for

MINOR LEAGUE WINNERS

Cup Donated by St. Mary's R.F.C.

Standing:

D. Gallagher, D. Coman, G. Byrne, P. McCarthy,
M. Leavy, P. Donnelly, M. Bowe.

Seated:

P. Murray, C. Dunne, S. Cooke,
A. Cowman, M. Lawler.



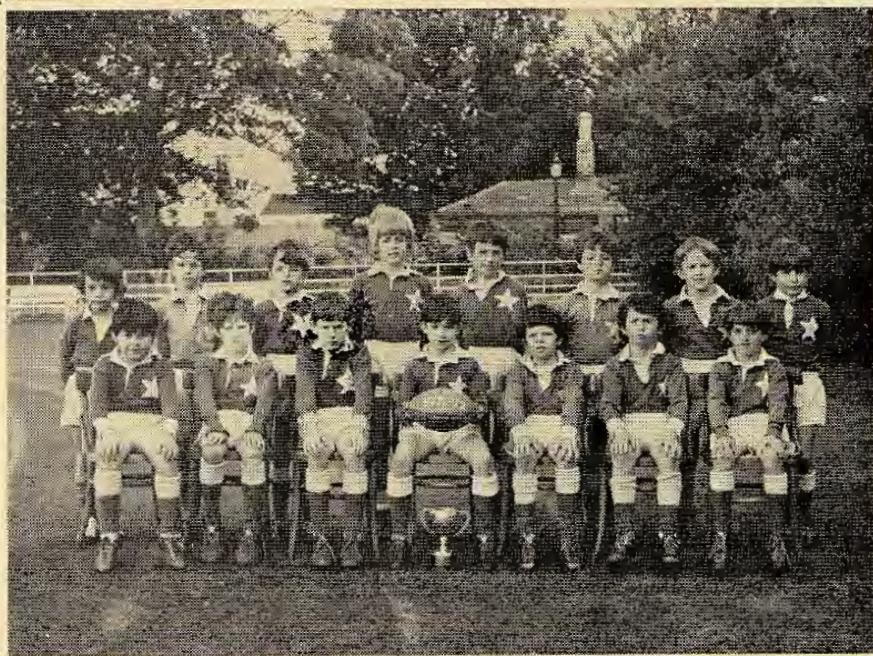
JUVENILE LEAGUE WINNERS

Standing:

J. Burke-Moran, R. McSharry, P. Hartigan,
M. Lawler, D. Kelly, S. Farrell, K. Tuke,
J. Woods.

Seated:

P. Cosgrove, V. Traynor, E. Byrne, M. Redmond,
C. O'Nuallain, D. Fagan, M. Byrne (*Capt.*).



UNDER 9s.

Standing:

J. Raftery, L. O'Flaherty, P. Opermann,
M. Lawler, N. McEniff, D. Hickey, D. Kelly,
P. McDonald.

Seated:

C. Cooke, D. Raftery, A. Cowman,
J. Shiel (*Capt.*), M. Drumm, E. Ambrose,
M. Redmond.

In Front:

D. Kirk, C. O'Nuallain.

Photos: C.S.Sp.



your loyalty and fidelity and the manliness of your conduct. We hope and I know its true that the games have contributed in no small way to the formation of your character. Life can be tough and games can toughen you to play your part in life. If you learn to play

your school games with determination and fairness and vigour then have no doubt that LIFE the greatest game of all, will be a resounding success with God's Grace and Mary's all powerful intercession.

R.L.

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Paul Thornton and Brendan McNally proudly display their Gold Award Badges for Swimming proficiency.

They were the only members of the Junior School to receive this coveted reward. Both boys are also members of the College Scouts.

Photo: C.S.Sp.

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HOLY CHILDHOOD CRICKET LEAGUE

This year's cricket Season got off to a good start due to some glorious weather. The captains chosen were: P. McDonnell, P. Deane, Brian Leahy, P. McCarthy, B. Coffey. As things turned out the teams were very even for some matches were won by as few as one and two runs. In the outcome B. Coffey's and B. Leahy's teams qualified for the Final.

The day dawned cloudy and cold. Brian won the toss and batted first. Wickets fell fast with the opposing Captain Barry Coffey taking 5 and Mark Burke-Moran 4 wickets. The remaining wickets fell to Conor Quigley

Rain interrupted play as the second innings was due to commence. Barry Coffey's team batted on a wet and greasy crease, which presented problems to both batting and bowling sides. In the end victory was assured for Barry's eleven when they passed the opposition total with six wickets still standing.

Full praise to the losing side who put up such a great fight. In particular one must mention Captain B. Leahy, P. Thornton, and C. Sloan.

Barry Coffey

UNDER 12's.

Standing

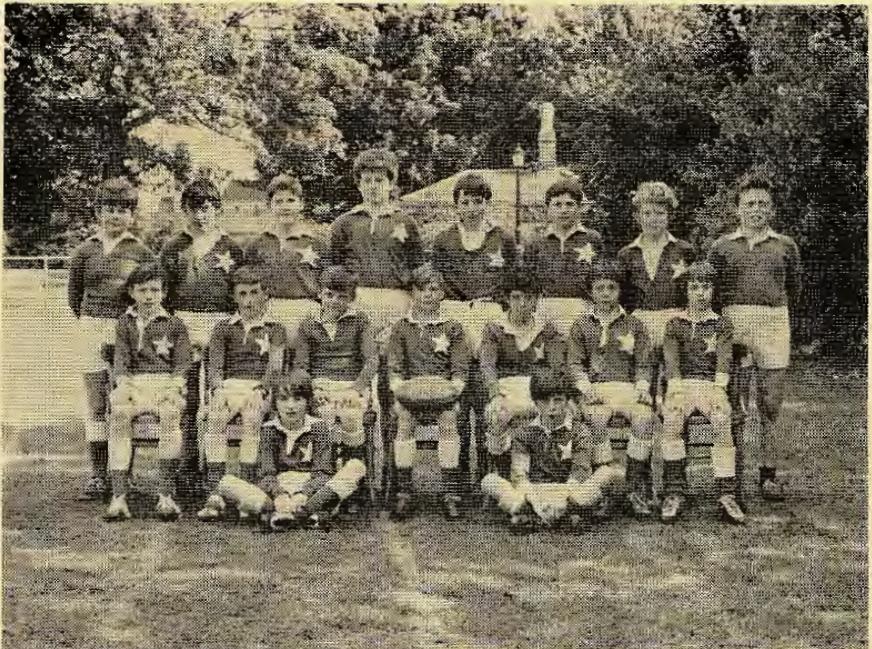
C. Curtis, J. Waldron, G. Byrne, J. O'Connor,
D. Bennett, I. Dunn, P. Graham, B. Largey.

Seated:

M. Hughes, B. Leahy, J. Doyle, P. Dean,
C. Sloan, P. Thornton, M. Burke-Moran.

In Front:

P. McDonnell, H. Delany.



UNDER 11's

Standing:

A. Whelan, J. Gallagher, T. Lynch, C. Cassidy,
D. Bennett, K. O'Reilly, P. Davitt, P. McCarthy.

Seated

D. Moylett, P. Bowe, J. Hartigan, P. Thornton,
H. Delany, S. Muldoon, E. Robbins.

In Front

J. McEntee, L. O'Byrne.



UNDER 10's

Standing

P. Coman, D. Coman, R. Fearon, J. McDonald,
M. Sheerin, J. McShane, S. Cooke, M. Heffernan.

Seated

C. Dunne, J. McEntee, J. Hartigan, E. Robbins,
A. Whelan, D. Hickey, B. Delany.

In Front

J. Gilsean, M. Bowe, D. Teevan.



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JUNIOR 3 & 3^L

P. Lenehan, D. Raftery, P. Lucas, M. Kavanagh, N. McEniff, E. Byrne, M. Lawler, J. Walsh, P. Moylett, R. Meenan,
D. Kelly.
P. Leahy, S. Farrell, D. O'Brien, I. Byrne, P. Brooder, K. Robbins, L. O'Flaherty, V. Traynor, N. Randles, T. Gogan,
L. Branagan.
D. McKey, G. Cremin, M. Redmond, C. Cooke, M. Ahearne, D. Jones, P. Donnelly, P. McDonald, J. Fitzgerald,
M. Lynch, K. Tuke.
D. Gallagher, J. Woods, C. Rice, N. Cogley, S. O'Neill, P. Kelly, A. Breathnach, D. Fagan, A. O'Flanagan, J. Raftery,
C. O'Nuallain, J. O'Conor.
M. Crofts, R. Russell, A. Digby, E. Brophy, E. O'Doherty, F. Fletcher, P. Cosgrove, S. Byrne, D. O'Connell, R. McSharry
N. Gillease, P. O'Neill, B. McKey.
J. Burke-Moran, D. Kirk, L. Byrne, M. Conn, J. Nolan, M. Bowe, J. Maher, E. Quinn, P. Barry, A. Delany, D. White,
M. Murphy.



HOLY CHILDHOOD CRICKET
LEAGUE WINNERS

Standing Back:
B. Heeney, P. Bowe, U. O'Nuallain,
M. Burke-Moran, C. Kelly.

Standing Front:
P. Sirr, B. Coffey (Capt.) C. Quigley,
G. Dunne.

In Front:
C. O'Kane.



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JUNIOR 2

P. Hartigan, D. O'Donovan, M. Geraghty, J. Keogh, R. Carroll, C. McSharry, D. Quigley
 M. Quinlan, J. Geaney-Casey, J. Blundon, P. O'Byrne, M. McSweeney, C. Budds, K. Regan, P. McCarthy
 S. McCabe, J. Kennedy, P. Ronaldson, M. Davitt, M. Byrne, G. Graham, F. Sheerin, D. Cantwell, D. McCarthy
 B. Ward, R. Geoghegan, A. Byrne, D. O'Kane, D. McCarthy, R. Power, K. Creegan, L. Lynch, R. Heron, M. Slattery

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JUNIOR SCHOOL CONCERT

FOR PRIZEGIVING DAY

Junior 6, 6', 5, 5', 4, 4'

- 1. A Pageant of Missionary History – St. Patrick of the 5th century in Ireland and Bishop Shanahan, C.S.Sp. of 20th century in Nigeria.**

Poems

There's a Great Trumpet	T. P. O'Connor
Sounding . . .	F. McCarthy
The Paschal Fire of Tara	Robert Farren
The Going Fourth . . .	T. P. O'Connor
The Mustering . . .	Anon.
The Missionary . . .	

Songs

The Harp that once thro'	Thomas Moore
Tara's Walls . . .	Thomas Davis
The West's Asleep . . .	Fr. Faber
Faith of our Fathers . . .	
Dochas linn Naomh Padraig . . .	T. O Flannghaile

Missionary Hymn

Fr. Burke, C.S.Sp. (Gounod)

How Beautiful are the Feet Handel

2. Irish Dancing

Juniors – Siege of Ennis; Rakes of Mallow.
Seniors – Sweets of May; Cor Beirte.

3. Junior 3 & 3'

Sneezles A. A. Milne

4. Junior 2

The Three Little Foxes . . . A. A. Milne

Elocution: Miss Maura Cranny, and
 Miss M. Cassidy

Singing: Sister Marion

Dancing: Miss L. Tully

Accompanist: Mrs. E. O'Neill

JUNIOR SCHOOL

SPORTS DAY

Front Field – May 27th

Certainly not a day to entice you outdoors with dull, dark clouds and a cold wind biting across the city. We were thankful it did not rain — May being what it was this year. Despite everything all was ready for the start of the sports and quite a successful one too with moments to savour in times ahead. While every Mum wanted her boy to win, they all didn't but it was the spirit that counted. Anyone coming to a sports on a day like that really had spirit.

Pride of place goes to Ian Dunn and the Victor Ludorum. He was favourite from the start of term and he truly showed himself being a champion winning every event in which he was entered. His balanced running warmed the chilled blood of many and made us all wonder what is really in store for him. One parent described him as having the grace and speed of a race-horse. There is certainly a future for Ian in athletics.

A very gallant second was Brian Leahy who tried as hard as he could, gave every ounce of himself and what more can you ask from a St. Mary's boy. Bringing up "the ones to watch" in the years to come were Hugh Delaney, David Bennet and Eunan Robbins in Form 5. There will be a rare old battle next year between them. In Form 4 watch out for Colm Dunne, Pat Fearon, Kevin Hughes and Mark Heffernan. That will be a very interesting tussle in two years time.

But what about three years time and now it gets difficult to predict Mark Redmond, Killian Robbins (brother of Eunan), Niall Cogley, David Kirk, they all have the potential. While those of you who read the Evening papers will have already seen the photograph of Paul O'Byrne, storming home in his races in Form 2 that although we have lost one Paul O'Byrne to New Zealand this year, there may very well be another in the pipeline. But he will have to keep a close eye to Killian Creegan, Paul Hartigan and Raymond Carroll.

Which brings us round to the "non-featured" events of the day. The races for brothers and sisters. I'll just give the names and I don't have to tell you whose sister anyone of them was, or should I say whose daughter. Collette Branigan, Brenda Fearon, Elizabeth Carroll, Teresa Quinn, Deirdre Sheerin, Fiona Bennett. The names bring memories of brothers and fathers. So do the names of the brothers race, Conor Murray, Roger Teevan, Brian Gilsenan.

There you have the main results of the Junior Sports Day in St. Mary's. Despite the almost arctic conditions those of us who braved them had a very rewarding day. We saw champions of the future. But we were all very much indebted to Fr. R. Lehane who, despite the weather, had all organised, spick and span on the day. It was his organisation, drive and personality that made the Junior Sports Day what it was. I know he was very happy to have Fr. N. Gavin there to help him and Mr. D. Morris and Mr. N. Doyle. To our recorders Mrs. B. Roberts and Miss T. Buckley, sincere thanks for the wonderful work they did in arctic conditions. Much thanks is also due to Fr. G. Lord who did the microphone system and music in his own non-inimitable way. A perfectionist and that is all there is to it.

1. Action in Musical Chairs — Forms 6 and 6'.

2. Gymnastic Display.

3. The Baton change in Form 3s Relay.

4. Ian Dunn strides home an easy winner in 150 yards race.

5. Mrs. C. J. McCarthy, wife of President of P.P.U. presents the coveted Victor Ludorum to Ian Dunn.

6. Stephen Muldoon in balancing act in Gymnastic Display.

7. Examining one another's medals at the end of the day.

8. Sack Race in progress — Form 5.

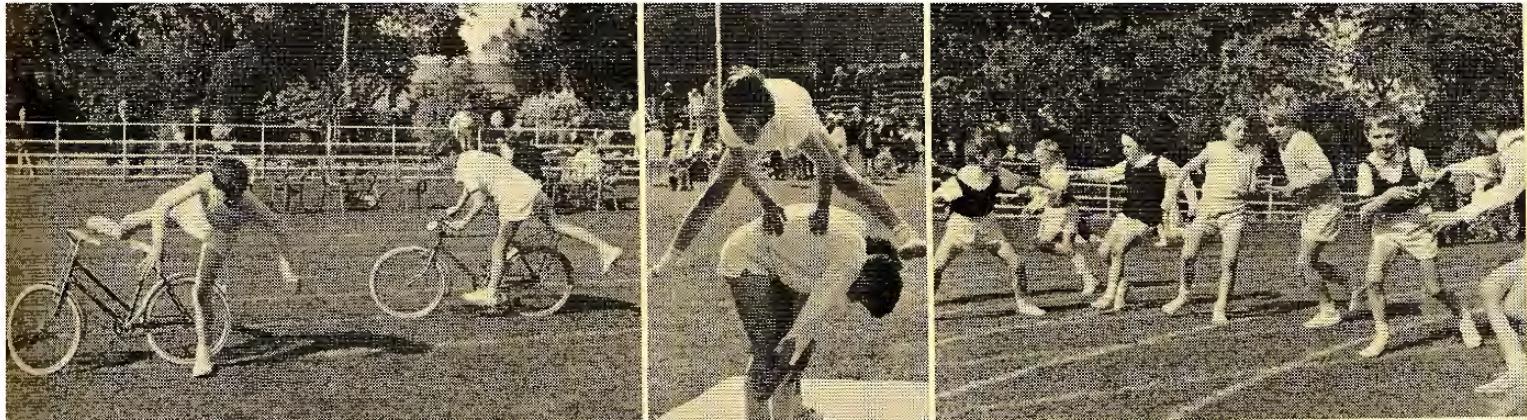
9. The girls try to emulate the boys in sprints.

10. Examining of Trophy by enthusiastic admirers.

11. Carl Sloan making sure the chair is still there.

12. 5' ready for action in the Sack Race.

Photos: James G. Maguire



During the interval a group from Forms 6, 5 and 4 put on a gymnastic display which pleased everyone and our thanks to Mrs. T. Boyle, our Gym teacher. A word of thanks also to the Scouts who were very efficient as stewards and keeping general order.

We were very happy to have the President of the Union Mr. C. McCarthy and his very gracious wife with us and our thanks to Mrs. McCarthy for not only present-

ing the prizes but she had a word for each prizewinner. And that's not easy. Which brings me to Rev. Fr. Hurley who manfully withstood the cold, as President of our College was most appreciative of what was done. But then he directs operations. He was pleased with the day, so were all of us who were there. And we will all thank Fr. R. Lehane for what he did and we will all be looking forward to champions of the future.

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JUNIOR SCHOOL SPORTS RESULTS

80 YARDS

Junior II	1. P. O'Byrne 2. K. Cregan 3. R. Carroll
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100 YARDS

Junior III	1. M. Redmond 2. K. Robins 3. N. Cogley
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Junior IV	1. C. Dunne 2. P. Fearon 3. T. McCormack
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Junior V	1. H. Delany 2. T. Gray 3. P. Blunden
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Junior VI	1. I. Dunn 2. B. Leahy 3. D. Cogley
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150 YARDS

Junior II	1. P. O'Byrne 2. K. Cregan 3. P. Hartigan
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Junior III	1. N. Cogley 2. M. Redmond 3. D. Kirk
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Junior IV	1. P. Fearon 2. K. Hughes 3. M. Hefferan
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Junior V	1. H. Delany 2. E. Robins 3. P. Blunden
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Junior VI	1. I. Dunn 2. B. Leahy 3. J. Gallagher
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220 YRDS

Junior V	1. D. Bennett 2. T. Gray 3. E. Robbins
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Junior VI	1. I. Dunn 2. B. Leahy 3. J. Gallagher
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OBSTACLE RACE

Junior 2	1. P. O'Byrne 2. L. Lynch 3. D. O'Kane
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Junior 3	1. J. O'Connor 2. D. Kirk 3. J. Walsh
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Junior 3'	1. R. McSharry 2. F. Fletcher 3. A. Digby
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Junior 4	1. M. Sheerin 2. J. McShane 3. S. Cooke
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Junior 4'	1. E. Ambrose 2. J. Shiel 3. B. Delany
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Junior 5	1. J. Ambrose 2. S. Maguire 3. L. Healy
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Junior 5'	1. E. Robins 2. N. Winder 3. G. McCarthy
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Junior 6	1. B. O'Connor 2. S. McDonald 3. M. Healy
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Junior 6'	1. M. Hughes 2. C. O'Kane 3. C. Levins
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EGG & SPOON

Junior 2	1. P. O'Byrne 2. D. Quigley 3. R. Carroll
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Junior 3	1. M. Redmond 2. A. Delany 3. J. Fitzgerald
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Junior 3'	1. R. Russell 2. J. Burke-Moran
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Junior 4	1. M. Bowe 2. P. O'Reilly
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Junior 4'	1. P. Murray 2. P. Opperman
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Junior 5	1. J. Larney 2. P. Walsh
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Junior 5'	1. R. Byrne 2. S. McGrath
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Junior 6	1. B. Leahy 2. P. Thornton
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Junior 6'	1. K. O'Reilly 2. C. Levins
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MUSICAL CHAIRS

Junior 5 & 5'	1. D. Egan 2. S. Donnelly
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Junior 6 & 6'	1. G. Byrne 2. C. Quigley
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RELAYS

Junior 3 & 3'	M. Redmond's team
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Junior 4 & 4'	B. Delany's team
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Junior 5 & 5'	H. Delany's team
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Junior 6 & 6'	I. Dunn's Team
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Sports Results (Continued)

THREE-LEGGED RACE		Junior 4'	1. Denis and Pat Coman 2. B. Delany and B. Martin
Junior 2	1. P. O'Byrne and K. Cregan 2. S. McCabe and D. O Kane	Junior 5	1. H. Delany and D. Egan 2. D. Bennett and T. Gray
Junior 3	1. P. O'Neill and M. Redmond 2. C. Cooke and J. Fitzgerald	Junior 5'	1. R. Byrne and D. Sheehan 2. C. Doyle and M. Dooley
Junior 3'	1. G. Cremin and F. Fletcher 2. D. Jones and V. Traynor	Junior 6	1. G. Byrne and J. O Connor 2. B. Leahy and P. Thornton
Junior 4	1. C. Cregan and P. O'Reilly 2. D. Hammond & P. D. McCarthy	Junior 6'	1. K. O'Reilly and M. Burke-Moran 2. B. Coffey and J. Coman

TOYS

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*Lots and lots of boys
Play with many many toys*

*Guns and cars
And Men-from-Mars.*

*Toys that are tall,
Some big, some small.*

*Round toys, square toys,
And woolly Teddy-Bear toys.*

*Toys that squeak
And toys that chriek.*

*Toys like Monkeys,
Lions and donkeys.*

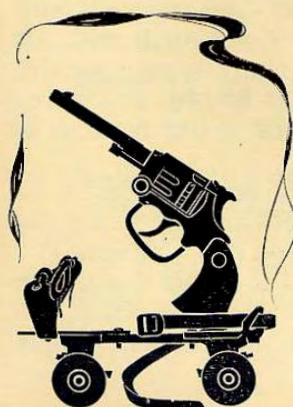
*Toys that bark,
Eyes bright in he dark.*

*Toys that play
and dance, in their own way.*

*Toys that walk
And toys that talk.*

*Rabbits that hop
And come to a stop*

*When they hit a toy train
On its track.*



WILLIAM LEO

COLLEGE SPORT ACTIVITIES

SENIOR SCHOOL RUGBY

REPRESENTATIVE TEAMS

1971-'72

FIRST XV

Captain: K. DEERING

Vice-Captain: W. RYAN

THIS season was a very successful and enjoyable one from a playing point of view, even though final victory in the Cup was not achieved. The effort and enthusiasm put into training made what seemed a very young group into a combined team which gave a great account of itself in the major competition.

Kevin Deering was an automatic choice for captain for the second year, and with Willie Ryan as vice-captain, they threw themselves into the work with real enthusiasm so that by Christmas a very high standard of play had been achieved.

The forwards though light, played very well together and overcame the handicap of lack of weight by exceptional mobility in the loose and good jumping in the line-out.

In the Cup draw we found ourselves against a very capable Belvedere side and experienced the ill-luck of defeat by the margin of a single point after an excellent performance, and a display of traditional cup-fighting spirit.

This year our season continued until Easter as we finished with a game against the New York touring side, St. Francis. This match proved a very satisfactory rounding off of the year, when after a very close first half, we went on to win by the margin of 21-9. Congratulations to St. Francis for a very fine game. This match served to show that the prospects for the future are bright as the Under 16s members will be available for another season.

We thank the many teams with whom we had such enjoyable matches, and we also are very grateful to the many referees who were so kind in refereeing our matches. In this respect may we congratulate Fr. Paul Lavelle on his Ordination to the priesthood in the Dublin Diocese. He was most generous with his time in coming to Kenilworth with his whistle. We wish him many happy years in the priesthood and hope he will still have some time to referee some of our matches in the future.

Congratulations, too, must be given to Kevin Deering who captained the victorious Leinster Schools' Team on two occasions.

Perhaps the quality of the team during the year may best be described by Paul Mc Wweeney in his account of our match with Belvedere in the Cup:-

BELVEDERE	9
ST. MARY'S	8

"After a match of fine and intense excitement from start to finish, Belvedere could count themselves a shade fortunate to survive their defence of the Leinster Cup yesterday.

"They scored a goal and a penalty goal to two tries by St. Mary's and until they went in front for the second time in the 15th minute of the second half they seemed to have no answer to their rivals' more polished technique. When the teams ran on the



S.C.T. RUGBY XV

Standing: P. Opperman, D. Hooper, J. Oliver, T. Dorgan, S. Sheehan, D. Deering, P. Gilsean, D. Greene.
Seated: H. O'Neill, A. Ward, D. Nevin, K. Deering, W. Ryan, T. McGovern, D. Bennett.

pitch, Belvedere looked to have such a clear advantage in weight and height forward that one could only speculate as to how St. Mary's could hope to compensate for the disparity. The very first minute seemed to confirm the holders as likely to win comfortably, for they brought off a slick handling movement towards the left which gave Cloney a clear passage to the line, but a forward pass had spoiled the movement.

"Within a few minutes an astonishing transformation took place for St. Mary's forwards even when forced to concede ground in the set-scrums and rucks began to secure a monopoly of possession and the backs indicated that they were capable of utilizing it effectively. The main plank on which possession was built, however, was the skillful combination of the brothers David and Kevin Deering especially at the back of the line-out. Here is Ireland's most richly endowed rugby family, for the father Seamus was capped nine times, an

elder brother also Seamus is challenging currently for the highest honour, and the two younger ones must have the highest prospects ahead. Their clean catching from touch and their intelligent peeling-off to link up with each other was in the best French mould, and also they were in the forefront of loose rushes which kept the Belvedere defence at full stretch for long periods.

"Their lead was magnificently supported by the other six who swarmed around the field as if released from a hornets nest and only occasionally lapsed until stamina began to ebb in the closing stages could the heftier Belvedere pack even battle it out on level terms.

"Behind the St. Mary's scrum was a small but extremely active scrum-half Willie Ryan who sent out a constant service and had Ward, a likely looking out-half, not damaged a leg earlier on which reduced his mobility, Belvedere might not have

been able to wriggle off the hook.

"The tackling on both sides was as hard and decisive as one could hope to see in a School's match and this limited the progress of the St. Mary's threequarters, but conversely blunted Belvedere's sharpest weapon, the big centres Brennan and Flynn. Yet in the end it was Brennan's sheer strength that decided the issue. Bennett and Nevin the St. Mary's centres never shirked the daunting task of crash-tackling their bigger rivals, but just once they found the defence too severe.

"Belvedere took the lead in the 35th minute when Hickey punished an off-side offence with an accurate penalty shot. The reply shortly before the interval was cleverly executed. After a stormy attack by the St. Mary's forwards the ball came quickly from a ruck and Ryan threw a perfect long pass on the blind side to give Ward a clear passage to the corner flag.

"With a point advantage and the breeze

to aid them in the second half St. Mary's stepped up the pressure and widened the gap in the ninth minute. When Hickey scooped up a pass back from a scrum he took the risk of running out from behind his own line to the open side, a gambit which might have paid dividends had he not thrown a pass to Linns feet and Opperman was enabled to dart over the line and get his hand to the ball first.

"Belvedere woke up with a vengeance and six minutes later Brennan cut through in a handling movement and although staggered by a tackle near the line managed to keep his feet and hurl himself over for a try to which Hickey added the vital points".

PAUL MCWEENEY - *Irish Times*

We congratulate Belvedere on proceeding to win the Cup after several other great displays.

W.K.

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THE SECOND SENIOR XV

P	W	D	L
16	4	3	9

Captain: P. SHAFFREY
Vice-Capt.: T. KENNEDY

While our tally of matches played for the season shows more defeats than wins, we like to think that 'the game's the thing'. In several matches the merest of margins separated victory from defeat. During the season the number of practices when we had the full complement of players were rare indeed. Hence we invariably found ourselves taking the field relying on the individual to 'pull something out of the bag' rather than a concentrated effort of fifteen players all out for victory. This was particularly evident in our forward play where co-ordinated effort more often than not determines the result of matches. The result was that in most of our matches we saw far too little of the ball to be anything like an attacking force. As the League matches drew near we decided to enter two teams for the competition. This meant, inevitably, a dividing of our forces with of course a consequent weakening of

each team but it allowed a greater number to compete in inter-college representative games. While immediate results would suffer, it was felt to be the wiser policy in the long run. As usual we had keen matches against the stronger schools like Blackrock, Castleknock, Belvedere, etc. We did surprisingly well in the cup series. We lost a vital match 10-7 pts. to Terenure who eventually got to the final; they got their valuable six points just when we were poised for a score on their line and someone threw a wild pass which their fast wing obligingly snapped up and ran the length of the field to score between the posts! But that's rugby, and it speaks well for the spirit of the Second Senior League that none of us shed a tear of regret. We were unfortunate to lose the service of Martin McDonnell to the Senior team where he gave an outstanding display at full-back against Belvedere. He was undoubtedly our best player. No reputa-

tions were made during the year but the consistent attendance at practices of P. Shaffrey, T. Kennedy, T. O'Donnell and P. Walker must be mentioned; and some tries by Paul

Rafter often from seemingly impossible positions were noteworthy.

F.C.B.



Photo: C.S.Sp.

SECOND SENIOR XV

Standing: P. McGovern, D. Davis, M. Walsh, T. Dorgan, S. Sheehan, P. Rafter, C. McCormick, C. Davis.

Seated: E. Keane, D. Moloney, D. Walsh, P. Shaffrey, V. O.Gorman, P. Walsh, N. Hendrick.

Front: J. McCarthy, S. Conheady, T. Kennedy, G. Boland.

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UNDER 16 RUGBY XV

P	W	D	L
8	1	1	6

Declan Howard captained our team this year; Peter Dorgan was vice-captain. As in previous years it was rare that we could field anything like a fully representative side as several of our best players were usually in action with the S.C.T., while Rodney O'Donnell was committed to the J.C.T. which he captained. Our best match was against Blackrock at the beginning of the season. We

lost 20-15 pts. after taking the lead for most of the game. After Christmas it was decided that we should enter as a "B" team in the inter-schools Second Senior League. This gave an opportunity for a greater number to play representative rugby. And we were able to call upon some useful players like David Moloney, Donal O'Higgins and Noel Hendrick. We had three hard matches, none of

which we won but the experience did us an amount of good and set the pattern for future Under 16 teams with emphasis on the necessity of keeping up of training after leaving the ranks of the J.C.T. A more than usual number

of matches were not played on account of rain but those played were so spread out that interest was kept up to the end of the season.

F.C.B.

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J.C.T. RUGBY XV

Captain: R. O'DONNELL
Vice-capt.: D. QUIGLEY

ALTHOUGH we failed to hold on to the Leinster Cup we had quite a successful season. The allround ability of the team can hardly be compared to last year's and still there was always the hope that if luck came our way again we could just about retain the trophy. That such a possibility existed was in no small measure due to the presence of Rodney O'Donnell, who was playing his third season on the J.C.T. Rodney was not only automatic captain of the side and its

inspiration but he scored an incredible 46 tries in 25 hard matches and his kicking brought his score to 228 points out of our total of 427. Rodney started the season at outhalf but after a few games it was obvious he would be more useful to the team in his old fullback position. It is hard to say whether Rodney's phenomenal touch kicking, his bone shaking tackling or try getting forays were most useful to his side.

While the rest of the backs definitely played



Photo: C.S.Sp.

J.C.T. RUGBY XV

Standing: C. Sheerin, S. Lenehan, D. McDonald, D. Quigley, J. Crofts, A. Molloy, P. Doyle, M. Fanagan, D. Muldoon.
Seated: J. McCullough, A. Pacitti, G. Conheady, R. O'Donnell (*Capt.*), D. McCarthy, S. Mulvey, J. McManus.
Front: C. O'Neill, N. Smith.

second fiddle to Rodney, their role was nonetheless important. Stephen Mulvey quickly made the scrumhalf position his own. Steve's passing was excellent and his judgement in making breaks was mature for an under fourteen. His partner eventually was Dermot McCarthy, a former scrumhalf. While small and very light, Derry had great hands and knew when to open up and when and how to kick to best advantage. He also kicked several penalties and converts. Since our plan was to make as much use of Rodney as possible, our threequarters were chosen more for defensive than attacking abilities. Gerry Conheady and Michael Fanagan were great tacklers in the centre and Neil Smith and John McCullough were active and safe wingers. Besides, Neil rarely missed a close range kick which brought him 62 points over the season. C. Sheerin and J. McManus played a great many games on the wings and E. Tiernan and A. O'Shea also had their moments but our most versatile player was Charlie O'Neill who was ready to stand in and perform creditably anywhere in the backs.

David Quigley, the only other survivor of last year's team, was elected vice-captain and he led the pack from the lock forward position. Experience gained the previous year was invaluable and there were few better junior forwards playing this year. David was rarely beaten in the lineout and his tackling and loose play were superb. His eventual flankers were Seamus Lenehan and Declan Muldoon. Seamus lived up to his reputation of being a very fast forceful forward and his backing up made him second try scorer with six tries to his credit. Declan had a spell in the centre before his conversion to wing forward. His tackling is deadly and since he is still under fourteen he looks to have a big future as a back row man.

Shane Mulvey, Jimmy Crofts and Tony Pacitti teamed up from the start as the mainstay of the scrum though none of them had played for the under 13s. Inexperienced as they were, they were rarely bested in the tight. Besides, Tony really worked for the ball in the loose rucks and Jimmy was outstanding in the front of the lineout. The second row caused most difficulty. Declan McDonald was first choice but there was very little to choose between Pat Doyle and Alan Molloy. An injury to the latter after Christmas finally sided things in Pat's favour and left Alan carrying the bag for the cup. The only other forwards to seriously challenge were Paul Healy and Brendan McGoldrick who got

several games each.

Our friendly record was quite satisfactory. We won 15 games, lost 7 and drew 2. Most of our games were close and we certainly produced our best form against the stronger teams. We recorded two victories over Terenure though they got revenge too, we beat Belvedere away after they had beaten us early on at home, we surprised ourselves by beating Castleknock 20-0 but our best performance undoubtedly was a 21-6 victory over a good Clongowes team when Rodney scored four great tries.

High School were our first Cup opponents. They had a very fine pack but lost a forward after only a few minutes. Even still we found it hard to get balls in the lineout but a few good ones at the right time gave Rodney the chances he wanted. Three times he came between our centres and quick passing to him on the burst gave him three excellent tries. One convert and a sweet penalty by N. Smith gave us a 17-0 lead but High School's efforts were rewarded towards the end and they scored a good penalty and try leaving us 17-7 winners.

Although Castleknock were highly thought of, we reckoned we could beat them in the second round and go on to tackle Belvedere in the semifinal. We were slow to settle down and a good Castleknock attack yielded six points. However, we were soon back on level terms when Rodney scored a replica of his High School tries and N. Smith converted. From then on we looked as if we could win but it was well into the second half before we went ahead with a marvellous Rodney drop. Though Knock made sporadic raids into our territory, we seemed to be cruising 9-6 into the semifinal. Just a few minutes from the end, a number of mistakes in the middle of the field and slowness in clearing gave Knock a soft and unexpected try and we were down 10-9. Although Rodney tried to rally his troops to remain in the cup, he found there just wasn't time to get the all important score though he shaved the posts with another drop. We were disappointed at the result but we felt we had made a bold bid to retain the trophy and certainly everyone had given of his best.

D.D



UNDER 14s RUGBY XV

Captain: F. O'GORMAN

Vice-Captain: J. TREANOR

This year the fortunes of the Under 14s were varied indeed. If one were to assess things by the number of matches won it was not a great year, but nevertheless we did have our successful outings which were all the more rewarding as they were few. We can look back on some very close fought matches when the score lines could, with a little luck, have been different and weighed in our favour. The panel of boys on this year's side thoroughly enjoyed their rugby and the greatest testimony to this was the way they turned out for practices even though there was no trophy to honour their efforts. For this they must be complimented.

The choice of Captain and vice-captain provided no problem as Francis O'Gorman and John Treanor respectively were elected with clear majorities and so had the confidence of the other members of the team. We were unfortunate to lose the services of Francis and Andrew O'Shea for the greater part of the first term due to their other talents being required for the school play. John Treanor proved himself a very able deputy and on numerous occasions was a great source of inspiration to those playing under his leadership. This was especially so when he was playing as wing-forward, and when he later moved to the full-back position his ability to join the threequarters at the right time, as in the match against Belvedere, produced some very fine tries.

Our regular full-back was Stewart Rice. He possessed rare attacking qualities, not least of which was his elusive side-step. Consequently he found himself more and more among the centres and with great success. The most memorable match was the drawn encounter with High School (4-4), where his piercing thrusts were a constant menace to the opposition. Tommy Sheridan also filled this berth from time to time and his tackling ability was a worthy asset to the team.

Probably the most consistent player we had was our leftwinger, John McManus. He scored in almost all the matches. Even though at times when all seemed lost, he never threw in the towel until the final whistle. The opposite wing position was filled alternately by Maurice McKey and Michael Waters.

Maurice's speed was his strong point which he used to considerable advantage. Michael improved in all phases of the game during the year and it was fitting that his efforts should in the end have been rewarded with two splendid tries against C.U.S., which won the match. Behind the scrum Ciaran O'Kelly was our regular scrum-half, and was responsible on many occasions for setting many good attacking movements. Raymond Sloan at out-half was a tower of strength. His kicking was superb as also was his ability to anticipate what the opposition was going to do. His place-kicking added vital points on more than one occasion during the season. Raymond's competitive spirit was most evident in the match with De La Salle who narrowly defeated us by a margin of one point (8-7).

The high point of the year as far as the forwards were concerned was the match against Terenure in the first term. Though we won this match 14-3 largely due to the terrific drive of the forwards and the clean possession they secured, one felt that the score should have been higher, that is, if the backs had been in better form. Richard O'Connor was easily the most outstanding forward that we had. He dominated the line-outs frequently with excellent jumping, and as wing-forward contributed much to the loose play. Gerard Hickey and Ronan Murray also played in the back row. The former is worthy of special mention for the way in which he always managed to keep up with play. He was the instigator of many a forward rush and often completed his forays with a touch down.

In the second row Dermot Rafter and Conor McCarthy served us well as did Cormac Sharpe, who often interchanged between second row and prop-forward. Cormac was a late comer to the side but soon made his mark with his vastly superior strength. Our regular props were Aidan Daly and David Arigho. The latter worked tirelessly in the scrum and was never far removed from the thick of the action. As substitutes in several matches Brendan Foley and John Murphy made a big contribution to the team. Last, but by no means least, we had an ex-

cellent hooker in Philip Shortall. He played well in all matches, but in none better than our encounter with Clongowes. An away match in adverse conditions we made a slow start and in the heavy going we conceded a try. We came to life about twenty minutes into the half and had Clongowes on the defensive. Our efforts were rewarded with a try just before half time. Early in the second half Clongowes again scored and once more we were in arrears. The winning try eluded us as we continued to press right up to the final whistle. We returned a disappointing

6-8, but all things considered it was an admirable performance.

Perhaps our greatest disappointment during the year was the number of cancelled fixtures due to bad weather. Of the six scheduled matches in the second term, four of these had to be abandoned. However, if this keen disappointment can be taken as a measure of enthusiasm we can feel happy with the years rugby.

K. LEWIS



UNDER 14s RUGBY XV

Photo: C.S.Sp.

Standing: A. O'Shea, R. Murray, J. McManus, C. McCarthy, D. Rafter, G. Hickey, P. Hughes, M. Byrne.
Seated: M. Thornton, S. Rice, R. Sloan, F. O'Gorman (*Capt.*) J. Treanor, C. O'Kelly, M. Waters.

RAIN

*Lashing, crashing against the ground,
A counter-attack from heaven.
Everything looks grey and Gloomy –
No light to lead it away
Lashing and crashing against the ground
Like little bubbles protesting
Against the never-ending stream from heaven.*

BRIAN O'CONNOR

WINNERS OF THE PROVINCIAL'S CUP 1972

UNDER 13s XV

Captain: K. EGAN

Vice-Captain: P. BARNWELL



UNDER 13s RUGBY XV

Photo: C.S.Sp.

Standing: W. Opperman, T. Coveney, C. Largey, M. Fitzgerald, P. O'Byrne, P. Gueret, P. Galligan, I. Long, D. Cowman.
Seated: J. Whelan, P. Delaney, R. McDonnell, P. Barnwell, K. Egan (Capt.) B. Quigley, F. McEntee, K. Holland.
Front: R. Doyle, D. Lonergan.

This was a season thoroughly enjoyed by all apart altogether from our success in bringing the Provincial's Cup once more to Rathmines. We achieved an all-time record with 792 points, winning 24 of our 26 matches. But perhaps it was the quality of football which was the most satisfying. Ours was a well balanced team with talent in both backs and forwards.

Kevin Egan was elected captain and Paul Barnwell was his second in command. Kevin was the kind of leader who won respect by his example rather than by his command. Our forwards were ably led by Paul O'Byrne

who returned from Rockwell College and certainly was an excellent No. 8, ruthless in attack and solid in defence.

The fixture season began well with some crushing victories, and in retrospect, with some of the most spectacular football of the entire year. Even then it seemed we had not fully realised our potential. However, a mere 8-0 victory over Blackrock away was very sobering. An easy run of victories had left us vulnerable in defence and soon we were conceding points which were not always pardonable. Besides, injury and sickness took their toll. Our first defeat came at the hands of

Terenure in an away match. We were 20 points down at half time and this was something we had not bargained for. Before the final whistle we did come back to narrow the margin to 20-13. The lesson was well learned. For even though Terenure were to win the replay in Kenilworth it was a contest of much different calibre and the margin of defeat was a respectable 11-8.

During the season 24 boys represented the College and of these 16 had the honour of scoring. Our leading try scorer was R. McDonnell with 150 points, and P. O'Byrne was a close second with 144. In the Cup P. Barnwell topped the list with 44 points. We were fortunate in having five boys who could kick goals, and as the season progressed, they showed remarkable improvement. Indeed the Captains problem in this area was which one to choose on the field.

A brief resume of each player who participated is called for here: in Captain K. Egan was undoubtedly the most experienced and though he played out-half for some of the season, he soon settled into his permanent place as first centre. His tackle in defence and thrust in attack were hall marks of a very fine player. P. Barnwell, who was easily our fastest winger eventually took on the responsibility of out-half, where his speed, strength and determination provided many a worthwhile score. P. O'Byrne was a very important asset to the team, both for his weight and running with the ball. He was a tough player, but above all he was a genuine sportsman and needless to say because of his size was respected by all both friend and foe alike. W. Oppermann was tailor-made for the hooking position and his work in the line-out was invaluable. His speed was of great advantage in getting to the rucks. The Prop positions were shared by C. Largey, K. Holland, D. McCarthy and P. Galligan. It would be difficult to compare these players as each contributed so much during the year. A word of special praise must, however, go to

K. Holland who was a new-comer to the game and learned his trade with efficiency and thoroughness. Our second rows, P. Gueret and M. Fitzgerald held their places permanently and provided the power in the scrums and some excellent jumping in the line-outs.

Wing-forwards have not been our strongest point in recent years. But, T. Coveney, D. Cowman, F. McEntee and B. Quigley executed their task well. Perhaps in defence they lacked something, but even here D. Cowman's covering showed a mature understanding of the game far above his years. His ability as a kicker ensured him a permanent place on the team. In attack the honours must go to B. Quigley whose speed and elan created scores where there seemed no chance at all. T. Coveney was a late-comer at wing-forward having occupied the 2nd centre position for much of the season. Such was his talent that he even had a spell on the wing. P. Davitt, who played in both centre positions was devastating and fearless in both attack and defence and if he did not always score himself provided his wings with many a certain try. I. Long was also a talented new-comer to the wing position. When P. Barnwell took over the out-half berth, D. Lonergan provided a very useful substitute. What he lacked in size he compensated for with agility and astuteness. In the scrum-half position R. McDonnell who had competed in the Cup matches of the previous season, showed far greater maturity in the current season. His enterprise and strength in around the scrum were high-lights of many matches. He also kicked many a valuable point. Last but not least was our full-back R. Doyle who came to the side late in the season by his own request, and so impressed the selectors with his catching and kicking and enterprising forages in attack that he never lost his place subsequently. Mention must also be made of P. Delaney, J. Gately, J. Whelan, B. O'Kane and I. Delany who played for the side during the season.

THE CUP

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We played seven matches in the Cup and won them all amassing a total of 187 points. In fact we only conceded 6 points and these

were penalties. Our line was not crossed. It was reminiscent of the victories of 1964 when the tally against us then was one dropped

goal. Our home matches provided our most unforgettable football. Away, we seemed to make mistakes which, though they never cost us in terms of tries, made our games less attractive and even sometimes mediocre. For all the ease with which we seemed to win the cup we had our anxious moments. Our toughest match was undoubtedly the return match with Templeogue, away, where the margin of 12-0 victory was to say the least, flattering — a tribute to the spirit of the opposition forwards. Our second match with Willow Park constituted the final. This was a match which Willow generously accepted to play even though our position in the League

was inassailable in terms of points. It was a resounding victory, but more important, the quality of football emulated the expertise with which we executed our earlier victories with more consistency.

Our sincere thanks are due to Fr. A. Flood of Willow Park for making the occasion such a memorable one and to the sportsmanship of Fr. S. Corry. Thanks in particular are due to the many willing Referees: Fr. J. Godfrey, President of Blackrock, Fr. E. Grimes of Kimmage, Fr. J. Cooper, Fr. A. Flood, Fr. N. O'Meara and Fr. S. Little, all of whom generously gave their time.

H.F.M.

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Soccer

SENIOR SOCCER TEAM

Standing: S. Conheady, J. Oliver, D. Deering, D. Hooper, K. Deering, D. Greene.
Seated: G. Boland, D. Neevin, T. McGovern (Capt.) A. Ward, P. McGovern.

Photo: C.S.Sp.



SENIOR SOCCER LEAGUE

1972 saw the entry of St. Mary's College into the first Leinster Schools' Soccer Cup.

By the experience in later years we decided to enter the weak section because we had a very small pool of players to choose from due to the fact that others were engaged in Cricket and Athletics. While still recovering from our defeat by Leinster Rugby Cup winners, Belvedere, we were called upon to play our first round match against St. Andrews. We had the nucleus of last year's team from which to choose this year's side: Tony Ward, Kevin and David Deering, and the author - Tommy McGovern.

To me fell the honours of the Captaincy and Tony was vice-captain. A team was quickly knit together and for our first match we acquitted ourselves well with a 5-4 victory. Tony and Kevin each scored two goals while David added the other. These were ably supported by members of the senior cricket team, Gerry Delany, Patrick Shaffrey, Willy Ryan and Derek Bennett. Their support enabled schoolboy International, Tony Ward, to forge victory with his fine mid-field play. In this match our forwards showed some fine attacking football especially with the help of Paul McGovern and Kevin Deering on the wings. Our defence on the other hand was not so good due to lack of playing experience and St. Andrews took advantage to score four goals.

Following a post-mortem on this match we realised that there was a lot of work to

be done if we were to progress any further in the competition. Friendlies were arranged and it was a credit to the College that so many other schools were willing to compete against us. Of the friendlies before the Cup, we won one, drew two, and lost one, with such results as: High School 7-0; C.U.S. 2-4.

Soon the quarter-final match day arrived and we opposed Mt. St. Fergus Academy. Our opponents being somewhat of an unknown quantity in the football world we felt confident of our chances. The match itself was full of incident and entertainment with bookings, players sent off, and goals 'galore'. However, at the end of extra time and the final whistle we lost 6-8.

Our cup chances lost for this year, we arranged some more friendlies. We produced some very good form and managed to hold the cup finalists, Templeogue, to a 2-2 draw for us, and a draw with a very strong Terenure side. We took the opportunity to blood new players for the next season like, Rodney O'Donnell, Raymond Stokes, Denis Quinlan and Denis Hooper who gained valuable experience.

It was an enjoyable season and we look forward to better prospects in terms of results, perhaps next year, who knows? Our sincere thanks to Mr. Sean McCarthy for his generous help and encouragement all through the season.

TOMMY McGOVERN

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TENNIS

THE courts were marked early this year and it looked as if it was going to be a great season for tennis as the term was quite long and all nine courts were being used in April. The Nestle's ladders were got under way and the separate 'private' ones for the first year classes were a great success in getting first year interested. At the annual general meeting in the Central Hotel it was decided to introduce an under 13 competition which would consist of three doubles and not include any J.C.T. players.

Just before the cups began, the weather got even colder than it had been and we got quite a lot of rain. There was very little tennis for the rest of the season and practices for the teams were greatly curtailed. Our Seniors had a friendly with St. Conleth's and lost most of the singles before rain stopped play. They also had a match with the club in Kenilworth on Union sports' day which was pretty even and enjoyable. We were lucky to eventually get a fine afternoon to play Blackrock at Bective L.T.C. in the Cup but not

producing quite our best form were fairly narrowly beaten in most matches. J. Keogh and J. Doddy looked as if they could have won their three set first and second singles with a little more consistency, M. Mac Donnell and T. McGovern were each beaten 6-2, 6-4 and H. Reardon and P. O'Regan went down 7-5, 7-5 in the third doubles so we were beaten but not hammered as sometimes in the past.

Our Juniors were drawn with Blackrock, Terenure and Wesley and were unfortunate to have to play all matches on hard courts as they were quite a good team on grass. Des Walsh and G. Conheady were our two best players while S. Lenehan and L. Quinn shared the third singles birth. R. Sloan, when available, M. McKey and P. Beirne made up the rest of the team. Wesley beat us 5-1 after a long drawn out struggle. Quinn and McKey as third doubles won convincingly. Against Rock also this same combination remained unbeaten winning 6-1, losing 5-7 and then retiring as Quinn had played a long three set singles. Lenehan and Beirne barely lost a three setter also. Terenure took all three singles but had quite a struggle to take a doubles for victory. The new under 13's also

failed to win a match but likewise were far from disgraced in losing to Moate, St. Conleth's and eventual winners Terenure. D. Cowman, F. Roantree, N. Power, S. Roantree, P. Conheady, F. McEntee, Br. Quigley and P. Barnwell represented us.

A good entry for our four tournaments was sadly disappointed by the weather. The first year one was most successful and by using every dry moment duly reached the semifinal stage where D. McCarthy beat D. Healy and N. Power had his hardest match in disposing of P. Gannon. Niall went on to take the final rather easily in terrible conditions. John Keogh continued his reign as the best school player by taking the senior title without dropping a set. He beat P. O'Regan in the semi-final where H. Reardon surprisingly beat M. Donnell in a good three setter and then John accounted for Harry 6-2, 8-6.

Ladder winners were H. Reardon, B. McKell, F. Roantree, N. Power and P. Gannon. While our teams managed to get through their programme of matches, the weather certainly was a real spoil sport and a season that had begun so promisingly ended very disappointingly indeed.



INTERMEDIATE TENNIS TEAM

Standing:
D. Walsh, M. McKey,
S. Lenehan.

Seated:
P. O'Beirne, G. Conheady,
R. Sloan.

Photo: C.S.Sp.

SENIOR BASKETBALL TEAM

After a lapse of eight years we formed an official Senior Basketball team. The team showed a standard and spirit that has not been equalled in recent years. However, our first match of the season was not so impressive - a 20-70 defeat at the hands of Templeogue College. We were, nevertheless, to benefit from the lessons learned on this occasion. It provided an incentive to train better and improve our game.

It was decided to enter the Leinster Senior Schools Basketball League. The draw put us in section with two other teams. Each team played the other and the team with the most points advanced to group A, while the runners-up advanced to group B. St. Mary's played St. David's Artane, Ringsend T.I., and Terenure. We lost to Ringsend but won the other two and so qualified for Group B. Here we were drawn against St. Kieran's Kilkenny and had a convincing victory 50-40. The flush of victory buoyed us for the next encounter, but perhaps we had relied too

much on John Oliver's 'turn on a sixpence'-shot and Tommy McGovern's 'Lob' shot to carry the day, but to our dismay we went under with a resounding defeat 49-90 to St. Michael's, Omeath.

Though there were no medals to show for our efforts and achievements, we are proud to feel that this season was a most successful one as far as Basketball was concerned and a precedent set which we hope will be maintained in the years to follow. During the season we played 20 matches; won 12; lost 10, a creditable result and a tribute to all the team who played so well.

Our sincere thanks to the Past Students for providing such thrilling opposition and training assistance. We have not forgotten the encouragement Fr. S. Little gave us while in 5th Year. Most of all we would like to pay a special tribute to Fr. C. Byrne, who has been the 'back-bone' of the game in the College for many years.

TOM SHANAHAN

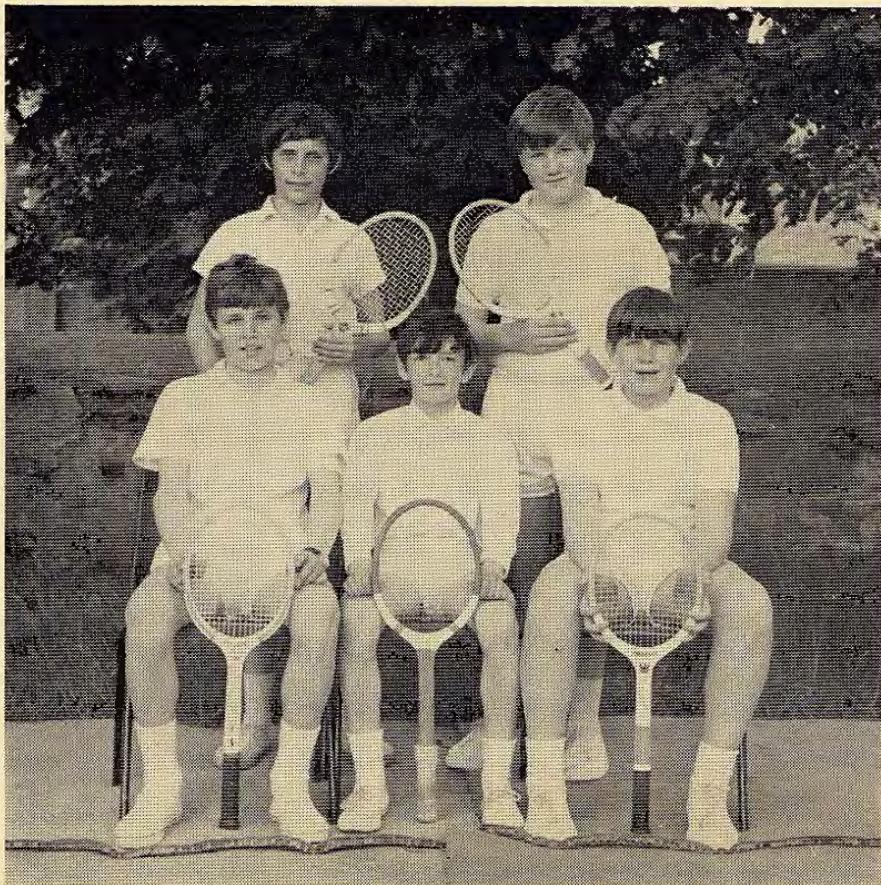
SENIOR BASKETBALL TEAM

Standing:
C McCormick, J. Oliver,
P. Rafter, T. McGovern.

Seated:
W. Ryan, T. Shanahan (*Capt.*),
N. Hendrick.

Photo: C.S.Sp.



**JUNIOR****TENNIS****TEAM**

Standing:
B. Quigley, S. Roantree.

Seated:
D. Cowman, N. Power,
F. Roantree.

Photo: C.S.Sp.

Swimming

In recent years in Ireland swimming has seen a great increase in popularity unprecedented in history and has now become an important form of recreation for both children and adults on a par with other European countries. To some extent the building of swimming pools both private and public has helped to absorb the growing demand. Though some schools have been fortunate to erect their own facilities, many others have none at all or have had to accommodate themselves in the limited Corporation facilities. Until the end of this school year we were enjoying the less fortunate aspect of hiring facilities from Dublin Corporation. We were thankful to have the two small pools in Tara Street. This enabled our many swimmers to have adequate room while ensuring unimpeded scope to our advanced

clientle. However, Tara Street will soon cease to exist. Hence with a real demand and plenty of talent in the school we may have no facilities in the near future.

The season just past was a very successful one, not only in terms of the competitive, but in standards achieved. The initial entries were well up to the numbers of the last three years, though as the year went by some 40% were not attending either through sickness or waning enthusiasm. Mr. E. Ince was in attendance as usual and his first lessons were always to the beginners. Attention was then given to the 'middle' swimmers. The final period was allotted to the more advanced swimmers, the basic requirements for this group being the ability to breathe along with sound strokes, though not necessarily all the strokes. Within this group there was a great

variety of standards. This gave the newcomers goals to aim at and stretched the limits of their ability.

The fruit of the years work was evident in the **3rd Annual College Swimming Gala** and the Proficiency Tests (IASA). We held the Gala in April in Iveagh Baths. For the first time since the re-introduction of this Gala we had a **Senior section**. Here, as was to be expected the entries were limited, and particularly in the individual events, restricted to the most talented. John Mulvey took the Freestyle and Butterfly, Donal Davis the Backstroke and his brother Con the Breaststroke. The **Under 15s section** did not draw as many as was originally hoped and Shane Mulvey dominated this section. On the other hand, in the **Under 14s section**, the honours were more evenly divided. Here, also, two new school records were established. — Philip Shortall in the Butterfly and Gerard Hickey in the Breaststroke. Ronan Murray was over all best with three firsts in the Freestyle, Backstroke and Individual Medley.

In the **Under 13 age-group** the entries were

highest. Here also two records were broken. Colm Largey had a time of 31.0 secs in the Freestyle and broke his own record in the Butterfly with a time of 16.5 secs. John McCann also did extremely well in many events. Bara O'Kane, who won the only two Under 12 events, also took the Under 13s Backstroke.

Thanks are due to our many helpers without whose willing and generous help the Gala would not have been possible — Eddie Ince, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Mulvey, John Petit, Tommy Dorgan and Kieran Cowman.

Following on the Gala in the last term we introduced the **I.A.S.A. Proficiency Tests** and the response from the boys of all ages to this challenge was tremendous. Perhaps the most remarkable aspect of the tests was the number of boys who earned their awards so well, showing great determination and skill. Some 32 boys achieved the Bronze award; 20 the Silver award and 23 the Gold award. It was most gratifying to see the younger swimmers warming to the tasks with such enthusiasm and success crowning their efforts.

The following won awards in I.A.S.A. Proficiency Tests :—

Gold	V. O'Gorman, K. Egan, M. Thornton, P. Thornton, R. Bulger, Ba. Quigley, J. Byrne, G. Coman, E. Teirnan, G. Hickey, R. Murray, B. O'Kane, A. Sheridan, K. Quigley, K. Murphy, J. McCann, C. Largey, J. Treanor, B. McNally, P. Shortall, S. Bowe, A. Daly, P. Delaney.
Silver	J. McCann, R. Bulger, R. Murray, G. Byrne, G. Hickey, D. O'Duffy, K. Murphy, P. Thornton, B. O'Kane, P. Delaney, P. Gueret, B. O'Brien, C. Quinlan, A. Sheridan, K. Egan, P. Maguire, S. Perot, V. O'Gorman, B. McNally, D. McCarthy.
Bronze	K. Quigley, D. O'Duffy, V. O'Gorman, M. Chester, D. Healy, D. Dooley, M. McGrath, T. Mullen, P. Maguire, S. Burke, P. Kearney, C. Quinlan, D. McCarthy, S. Roantree, S. Perot, P. Delaney, K. Egan, P. Fennell, D. Chambers, E. O'Sullivan, D. Byrne, B. Byrne, J. McCann, R. Bulger, B. O'Kane, A. Sheridan, D. O'Neill, G. Byrne, K. Murphy, G. Coman, B. O'Brien, Br. Quigley.

As usual we entered our most talented swimmers for the **Leinster and All Ireland Schools' Championships** and with a measure of success. In the Leinster confined Competition in November at St. Vincents, Donal Davis came first in the Backstroke and second in the Freestyle. In the full Leinster I.A.S.A., Swimming Championships in February **Con Davis won a silver medal in the Intermediate Freestyle** and came 4th in the Butterfly. John Mulvey came 3rd in the Senior Freestyle and 4th in the Butterfly. Both our Senior Squads were 4th in these championships. In the All Ireland Championships in Team later in the year, **Con Davis won another silver medal in the Intermediate Freestyle** with a time of 63.1. **John Mulvey won the Gold medal in the Senior Butterfly** with a time of 69.9 and Donal Davis came 4th in the Senior Backstroke. Our Squads could only manage a 5th place on this occasion.

Late in the season we sent a representative team to Castleknock for an invitation challenge. In the senior section we had a conclusive victory taking all first places. Likewise in the Under 15s section. But in the Under 13s section we did not have all our own way. Brendan McNally did take first in the Backstroke and 2nd in the Breaststroke, but otherwise we were well beaten. Still in overall points we had a clear victory. Perhaps in the coming season we may partake in

similar invitation challenges. One way or the other we are going to have to re-think the possibilities open to us with the prospect of no pool of our own in the very near future.

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Results of St. Mary's v. Castleknock

Senior

Freestyle: 1. C. Davis; 2. S. Mulvey
Backstroke: 1. D. Davis; 2. S. Bowe
Breaststroke: 1. D. Davis; 2. S. Bowe
Freestyle Squad: 1st.
Medley Squad: 1st.

Under 15s

Freestyle: 1. R. Murray; 2. G. Hickey
Backstroke: 1. J. McCann; 2. R. Murray
Breaststroke: 1. G. Hickey
Freestyle Squad: 1st.
Medley Squad: 1st.

Under 13s

Freestyle: 3. P. Delaney; 4. G. Coman
Backstroke: 1. B. McNally; 2. B. O'Kane
Breaststroke: 2. B. McNally; 3. B. O'Kane
Freestyle Squad: 2nd
Medley Squad: 2nd.

Photos: C.S.Sp.

INTERIOR OF GYMNASIUM WITH EQUIPMENT



Top: 1. B. McDonnell on the Rope Ladder.

2. S. Rice climbs Diagonal Rope.

3. F. McTiernan airborne from Trampoline.

Centre: 1. J. Murphy and I. Long negotiating the Wall-Frame Bars.

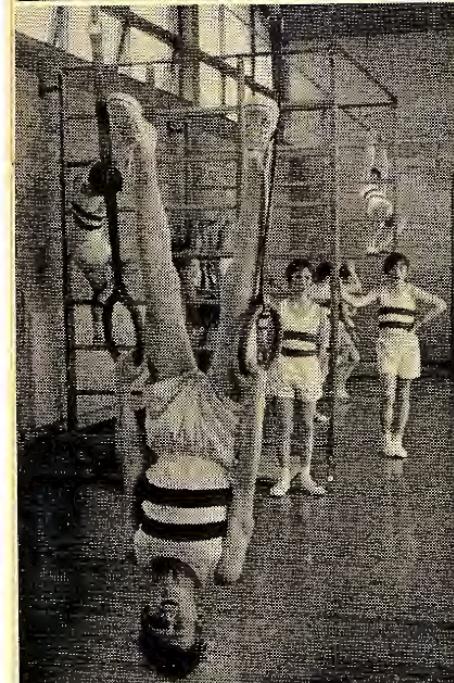
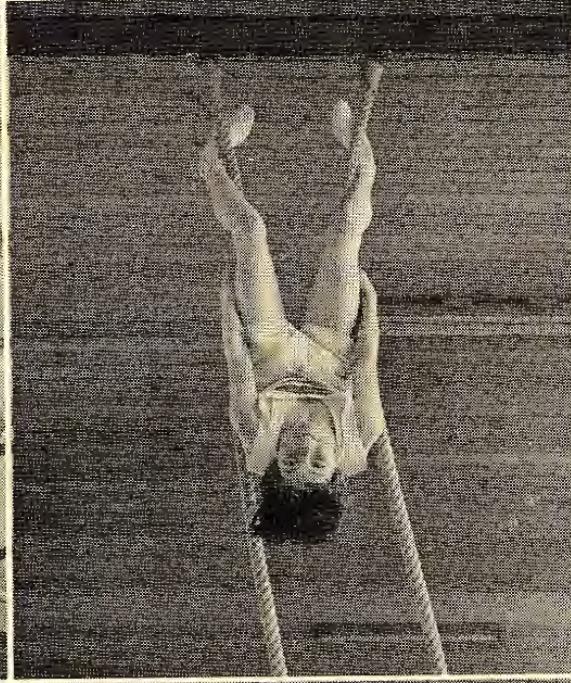
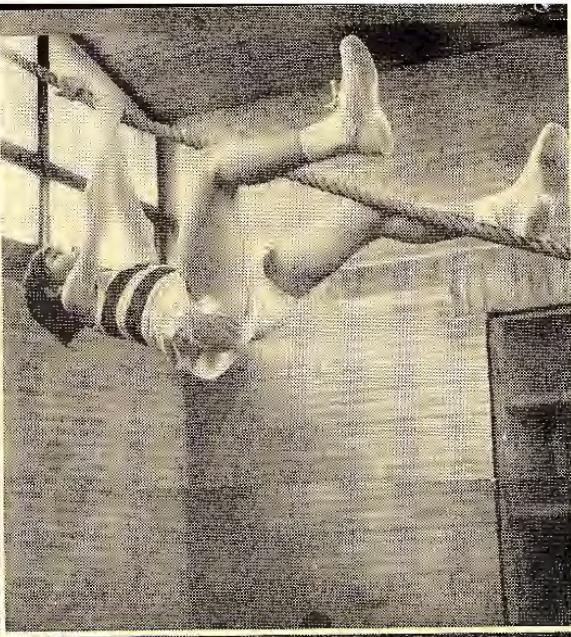
2. R. Bulger suspended from roof.

3. N. Power, B. O'Kane — rope climbing.

Bottom: 1. B. Byrne — upside down on pommels.

2. N. Power suspended on Diagonal Rope.

3. M. McGrath about to climb ropes.



COLLEGE SWIMMING GALA

IVEAGH BATHS — APRIL 1972

RESULTS

SENIOR SECTION

<i>Freestyle Championship:</i>	1. J. Mulvey (60·5);	2. C. Davis	(5 lengths)
<i>Butterfly Championship:</i>	1. J. Mulvey (69·8);	2. D. Davis	(5 lengths)
<i>Backstroke Championship:</i>	1. D. Davis (76·0);	2. C. Davis	(5 lengths)
<i>Breaststroke Championship:</i>	1. C. Davis (91·0);	2. D. Davis	(5 lengths)
<i>Individual Medley:</i>	1. J. Mulvey (126·0);	2. C. Davis	(4 x 2 lengths)
<i>Medley Team Relay:</i>	1. V. O'Gorman's Team		(4 x 1 lengths)
<i>Freestyle Team Relay:</i>	1. C. Davis's Team		(4 x 1 lengths)

UNDER 15s' SECTION

<i>Freestyle:</i>	1. S. Mulvey (46·7);	2. E. Tiernan	(3 lengths)
<i>Backstroke:</i>	1. S. Mulvey (58·3);	2. E. Tiernan	(3 lengths)
<i>Breaststroke:</i>	1. G. Hickey (59·00);	2. S. Mulvey	(3 lengths)
<i>Freestyle Team Relay:</i>	1. D. Quigley's Team		(4 x 1 lengths)

UNDER 14s' SECTION

<i>Freestyle:</i>	1. R. Murray (29·5);	2. R. O'Connor	(2 lengths)
<i>Butterfly:</i>	1. P. Shortall (16·8);	2. B. O'Brien	(1 length)
<i>Backstroke:</i>	1. R. Murray;	2. G. Hickey	(2 lengths)
<i>Breaststroke:</i>	1. G. Hickey (37·2);	2. R. Murray	(2 lengths)
<i>Individual Medley:</i>	1. R. Murray;	2. G. Hickey	(4 x 1 lengths)
<i>Medley Team Relay:</i>	1. B. Foley's Team		(4 x 1 lengths)
<i>Freestyle Team Relay:</i>	1. G. Hickey's Team		(4 x 1 lengths)

UNDER 13s' SECTION

<i>'A' Freestyle:</i>	1. C. Largey (31·00);	2. B. O'Brien	(2 lengths)
<i>'B' Freestyle:</i>	1. J. McCann (33·4);	2. G. Coman	(2 lengths)
<i>Butterfly:</i>	1. J. McCann (16·5);	2. P. Gueret (16·5)	(1 length)
<i>Backstroke:</i>	1. B. O'Kane (35·3);	2. J. McCann	(2 lengths)
<i>Breaststroke:</i>	1. P. Gueret (35·9);	2. C. Largey	(2 lengths)
<i>Individual Medley:</i>	1. J. McCann;	2. B. O'Kane	(4 x 1 lengths)
<i>Medley Team Relay:</i>	1. M. Feehan's Team		(4 x 1 lengths)
<i>Freestyle Team Relay:</i>	1. B. O'Kane's Team		(4 x 1 lengths)

UNDER 12s' SECTION

<i>Freestyle:</i>	1. B. O'Kane (13·3);	2. S. Perot	(1 length)
<i>Breaststroke:</i>	1. B. O'Kane (18·2);	2. D. McCarthy	(1 length)

* indicates school record over the stated distance.

ATHLETICS 1972

Senior Section

400 Metres: E. Keane 2nd

Zone Championships

Junior Section:

100 Metres: J. McManus 2nd
Shot: P. O'Byrne 1st

Intermediate Section

100 Metres P. Opperman 1st
200 Metres P. Opperman 1st
Relay: P. Opperman,
D. Howard,
H. O'Neill,
R. O'Donnell – 1st
Shot: C. Davis 2nd

Leinster Championships

Intermediate Section

100 Metres: P. Opperman 1st
200 Metres: P. Opperman 2nd
Relay: { P. Opperman,
D. Howard,
H. O'Neill,
L. Healion – 1st

All Ireland Championships

Intermediate Section

100 Metres: P. Opperman 3rd
200 Metres: P. Opperman 2nd

ATHLETIC TEAM

Standing: H. O'Neill, C. Davis, P. Rafter, P. Opperman.

Seated: L. Healion, E. Keane, P. Gueret.

Front: K. Holland.

(*Absent:* R. O'Donnell, P. O'Byrne, D. Howard)



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CRICKET

THE SENIOR CRICKET XI

P	W	D	L
9	4	2	3

Captain: RORY O'CONNOR

Vice-Cap.: D. BENNETT



Photo: C.S.Sp.

SENIOR CRICKET XI

Standing: G. Delany, M. Gately, G. Cullen, E. O.Cofaigh, C. Callan, W. Ryan, N. Smith.
Seated: J. Keogh, D. Bennett, R. O'Connor (*Capt.*) J. Quinlan, D. McCarthy.

THIS was an altogether satisfactory and enjoyable season for the Senior XI. We had a competent and well experienced team lead by Rory O'Connor. About nine players had played several seasons with the Leinster C.C. It only remained to get down to practices and of course keeping our eyes on the Public Examinations, to economise our

time and still play our matches. We got off to a good start with three early matches in April against West Indies, College of Surgeons and the Leinster C.C. We won the first and lost the other two but in each we came up against good opposition which was all to our benefit. The league series got quickly under way. We had good victories over St. Paul's

(9 wks.) and Masonic (7 wks.). In the latter match Rory O'Connor had a fine spell of spin bowling taking 5 wickets for 19 runs. We did well to draw with a strong Leprechauns' side, albeit in their favour. Sandford Park fell to us next in a 5-wicket victory but alas, nothing seemed to go right in the match against a strong St. Columba's side. We put them in to bat after winning the toss, in the hope of course, of getting an early breakthrough. They were in no way overawed by the gesture and settled down to bat all the way through for a fine total of 192. We still had hopes. Gerry Delany and Derek Bennett put on a fine 54 between them but when their wickets fell we could only reach the total of 92. These two players were throughout the season the mainstay of our team and they had the honour of being selected for Leinster against Ulster (a match that was not played

owing to continuous rain). Both also played a major part in the defeat of the Leprechauns by the Leinster Schools (the first win for many years) Derek making 42 and Gerry 37. Gerry was besides our chief bowler. He bowled non-stop in the St. Columba's match with the fine analysis of 8 for 62. His efforts were fittingly rewarded when he was one of the two players from Leinster (the other being Currie of Masonic) to be selected to play for the Irish Schools against Wales at Cork. Our congratulations must go also to Neil Smith and Derry McCarthy of the Junior XI who played so valiantly for us this season. Derry proved himself an opening bat of worth (we have not seen such for many a long year) while Neil distinguished himself chiefly as a bowler. Many thanks to Rory O'Connor for his captaincy through a fine season.

F.C.B.

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2nd SENIOR CRICKET XI

Captain: J. KEOGH
Vice-Cap.: V. O'GORMAN

We had enough players this year to form a Second Senior XI and to enter for the inter-school league. Here, we like to think, cricket is played at its care-free best and we know this opinion is shared by our brotherhood in all the other schools. Runs must come fast in these matches of twenty overs and any intimidating bowler with his forty-yard-Lillie-like run must be content to do what damage he can in a limited spate of six overs. The result is a game fast and entertaining with no sitting on the splice or getting oneself dug in. Once at the wicket you are in business right away getting runs or getting out, either one or the other. No one will ask you if you can play a straight bat or whether you know the positions on the field. All you require for membership is a little good-will and a pair of whites. So under the captaincy of John Keogh we took to the field against Belvedere on a rainy day when no other matches were played in Dublin. And we won! It was a good beginning. We scored at the rate of nearly six runs per over in the next match against Sandford Park – everyone getting runs except our semi-

professional captain (cricket helps humility also) winning comfortably by over 80 runs. But it was too good to last. We faced a strong St. Columba's team next and with a total of only 53 runs (of which our captain contributed 15, the highest score) suffered a defeat of seven wickets. St. Columba's went on to win the cup. We had one more match to play, against Castleknock. This we won by four wickets to wind up a short but glorious season. We could hand out credits to each of the eleven of the team but we congratulate Tommy McDonnell in particular who only took up the game late in the season and proved such a find. We cannot forget either the three stingers of catches taken by Garvan Murphy, Tom McDonnell and Tom Shanahan (they had no option of course – they had to save face in the full literal sense) in the Columba's match, which really had our opponents whispering that we were a crack fielding side, whatever about our batting.

F.C.B.



SECOND SENIOR CRICKET XI

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Standing: V. O'Gorman, M. Walsh, T. Shanahan, E. O'Cofaigh, G. Cullen, T. McDonnell.

Seated: G. McDonald, N. Smith, J. Keogh (*Capt.*) E. Redahan, D. McCarthy.

THE JUNIOR CRICKET XI WINNERS OF LEINSTER SCHOOLS' JUNIOR CUP

P	W	D	L
8	6	0	2

Captain: N. SMITH

Vice-Captain: D. McCARTHY

In the 1971 cricket season the Under 14 team had the hardest of luck not to have won the cup. They were beaten by one run by St. Columba's the eventual cup winners. This year, sporting justice was done, so to speak, when practically the same team, now competing in the junior section beat St. Columba's in the final by 6 wickets. It was the crowning climax to a very successful season and in particular it was a personal triumph for Neil

Smith and Derry McCarthy who doggedly pioneered a mediocre side to victory. Neil captained the side spearheading the attack with his bowling and giving consistent stability to the scoring; Derry (V.C.) kept wicket magnificently and opened the batting to set the team on a solid batting spree. The short season opened with two wins, against High School and Wesley. We lost the next match to Masonic School only scoring 36 against

their total of 60; however we were without the services that day of N. Smith and D. McCarthy and the rest of the team got experience in self-reliance.

In the League series we had a very enjoyable and keen game against Sandford Park beating them by over twenty runs with a total of 126 – good batting for thirty overs. This was followed by a surprisingly easy win over Belvedere on a day when nothing went right for them and everything went well for us. We won by seven wickets. But everything went wrong in the next match against Gonzaga. They dismissed us for 37 and beat us by 7 wickets. This meant that we had a play-off against Sandford who by now had an equal number of league points. This was easily the best match of the whole season. We won, but only just, by six runs in a total of 88. In this match we were strengthened by Under 14 players, Raymond Sloan, Kevin

Egan and Paul Walsh. They helped us handsomely, Raymond Sloan scoring 18 and Paul Walsh 8. N. Smith was the man of the match with an invaluable 27 and an indefatigable bowling spell of 6 for 23.

On to the final. It was with some trepidation that we faced up to St. Columba's with their two mature players Anderson and Lament who figured so prominently on their talented Senior XI. They won the toss and went in to bat on a perfect wicket at Sandford Park. But it was our day. Neil Smith got a wicket on his third ball. From that on there was no let-up. In less than an hour St. Columba's were all out for 36 and N. Smith had the fine analysis of 7 for 16. It was Paul Healy who put paid to their hopes by clean bowling Anderson and taking two catches, one of them Lament. But even 36 runs are hard to get, especially in a cup-match. Derry

JUNIOR CRICKET XI

Standing: I. Conlon, J. Treanor, K. Cantwell, B. Sheehy, D. Rafter, P. Healy.
Seated: P. Walsh, R. Sloan, N. Smith (*Capt.*), D. McCarthy, R. McDonnell.
Front: K. Egan, C. O'Neill.

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McCarthy as usual took the brunt of the attack making a valuable 17 n.o. while at the other end Paul Walsh batted well for 6. Only a few more runs were needed and we were home! We had won the Cup 1972. Congratulations to each and every man on the team, for cricket is above all a team game. A special word of congratulations to Ciaran Cantwell who travelled twice from Bettystown to play

in the matches; his father Sean played with the cup-winning J.C.T. twenty-five years ago! The holidays were on. No banners, no motorcade, no hurrahs proclaimed our victory to the College. No matter! The defeats in several finals down the years were remembered even with joy in this thrilling victory of 1972. Congratulations J.C.T.!

F.C.B.

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UNDER 14s CRICKET XI

P	W	D	L
11	8	2	1

Captain: P. WALSH

Vice-Captain: R. SLOAN

The season just gone is well worth while recording. We did not win the cup, but what does that matter? We played 11 matches and had 8 wins to our credit, with two matches drawn and only one game lost. The total number of runs that we scored was 906. There was an enthusiastic response to the indoor Gym practices which began in March. Indeed, all our practices were well attended throughout the season. We were fortunate in having six experienced campaigners from the previous year, comprising two good bats, three bowlers and a fine wicket keeper. Of these three, Kevin Egan, Robert McDonnell and Brendan Foley had earned Leinster Medals on the Leinster Cricket Club's Under 16's Team the previous summer. The experience proved invaluable and a great incentive.

Paul Walsh was elected Captain, and what an excellent choice this proved to be with Raymond Sloan as his vice-Captain. When Easter came we adopted our usual mode of team practice in Kenilworth and the weather obliged. Each Sunday morning we enlisted the generous help of Eamonn Mullen whose emphasis on fielding left a permanent stamp of quality on the team. It was in this phase of the game that we undoubtedly excelled. For the first time in years we had a keeper in Kevin Egan who was prepared to take the ball standing up, and he was of course rewarded with a harvest of stumpings. There were 55 catches held during that short season, with all members of the team sharing the

honours. Special mention should be made of Paul Davitt who took 14 catches in the silly position and Donal Lonergan who delighted us with some marvellous catches at square-leg. Besides the fielding in general was crisp and tight and seldom let us down.

In Paul Walsh we had a batsman of rare quality who could produce all the strokes. He entertained us with many a masterly innings. His total was 336 runs and this was composed of three half centuries not-out. There were memorable partnerships too: the 2nd wicket partnership of 57 between M. Graham and P. Walsh against St. Columbas in the League or again the 3rd wicket Partnership of 68 between R. Sloan and P. Walsh against Cork County. Raymond Sloan, though not Paul's peer, rescued many a game with some good aggressive batting. Raymond's greatest contribution lay in the field where he was impeccable. Kevin Egan took on the task of Keeper and opening bat. The foremost task he executed with rare skill. As a batsman who could do wonders in the middle of the order, he did not always achieve his own expectations as No. 1. Nevertheless he had the respectable total of 99 at the end of the season. Michael Graham, a newcomer to the team, partnered Kevin as opener. His keenness and orthodoxy with the bat earned him this responsibility. His subsequent progress by the term's close certainly justified this decision. Brendan Foley and Hugh Delany were our other chief run-getters.

Perhaps our weakest quarter lay in the

bowling. For once we lacked someone of real pace. Our openers, Robert McDonnell and Brendan Foley had some pace, but often line and length were sacrificed with some unpleasant results. Each of them took over 30 wickets and one must pay tribute, in that along with Paul Walsh, who had a total of 34 wickets to his credit, they bowled out the entire opposition eleven times. They were of course assisted from time to time by M. Byrne, W. Opperman, D. Sheerin, A. Cahalane, R. Sloan and B. Quigley.

The fixture season opened with a home match against Belvedere, who eventually reached the final. This was the only match we lost. Our next game with High School was more rewarding. It was our first victory over High School in four years. We passed their total of 85 for the loss of only 3 wickets. In our next encounter, which was with Wesley College, we elected to bat, declaring at 106 for 5 wickets. We won by 40 runs. The away match with Masonic proved no real opposi-

tion. We met St. Andrew's at home in the first match of the League. Disappointingly this was a drawn match. Electing to bat, having won the toss we made 70 runs in 28 overs, putting the opposition into bat with the balance of 32 overs remaining. It seemed a very fair declaration. In any event they chose not to go for the runs and succeeded in presenting a most boring spectacle of 26 maiden overs, notching only 14 runs for 8 wickets by the close. Let us hope that this kind of cricket is not emulated too often if the game is to survive. Our second League match was with St. Columbas, again at home. Winning the toss we made 108 runs for 4 wickets in 22 overs. There was no mistake this time; we won by 63 runs. We met Gonzaga away in the third League game on a very windy day. Nothing seemed to go right. They scored a modest 50 runs but took 37 overs, leaving us the balance of 23 with which to chase. It proved a task none too easy, all the more so when we lost our first

UNDER 14s CRICKET TEAM

Standing: K. Egan, R. McDonnell, B. Quigley, M. Byrne, P. Davitt, M. Thornton.
Seated: D. Lonergan, R. Sloan, P. Walsh (*Capt.*), B. Foley, M. Graham.
Front: J. Raftery, H. Delany.

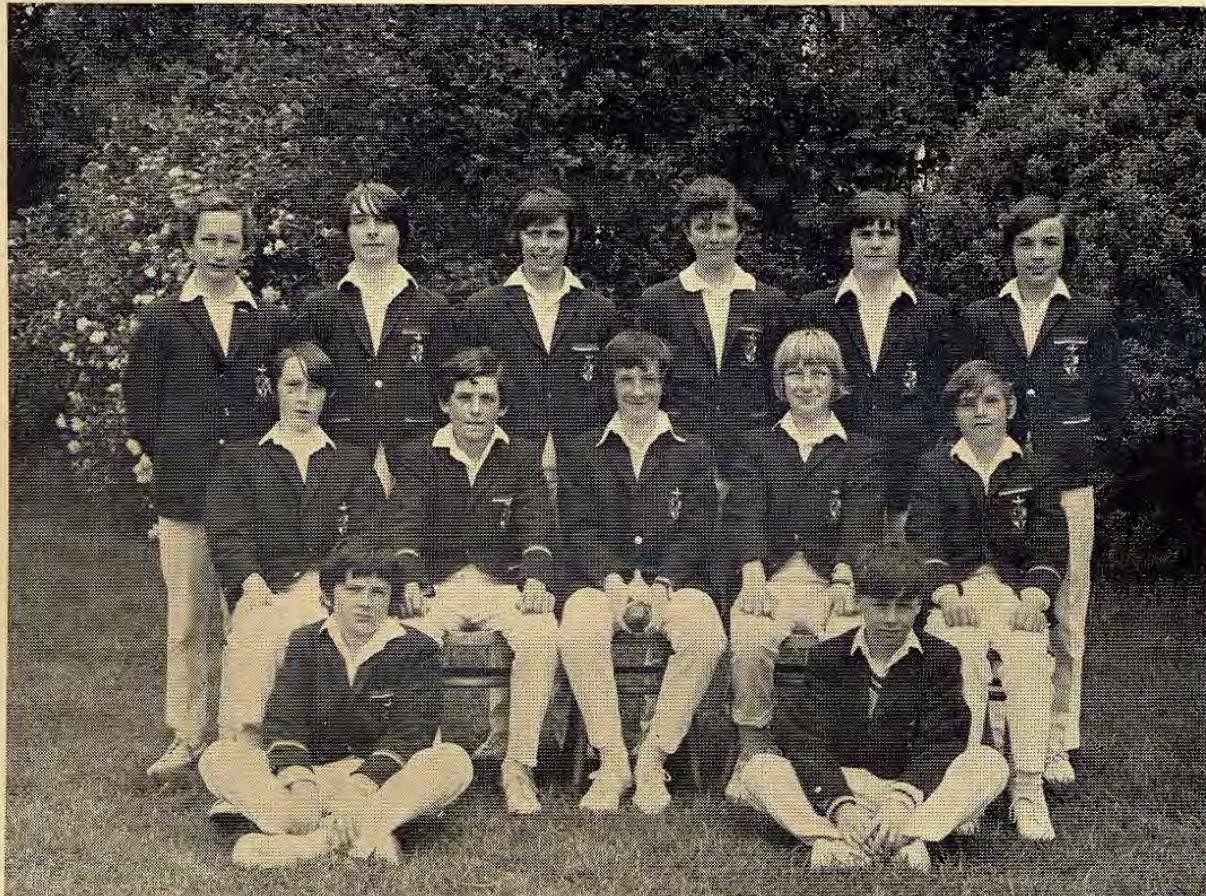


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3 wickets for a mere 17 runs. However, thanks to a valuable partnership between R. Sloan and B. Foley we passed the total without further loss with 4 overs in hand. The final game of the League was with Sandford Park, the eventual winners. This was an away match. The game began well with our bowlers taking 7 wickets for a mere 27 runs, and then the weather took a hand. When play eventually resumed, they struggled to 59 with the remaining wickets. We had replied with only 7 runs into our innings when the weather finally forced us to abandon the match. The replay was a match one would rather forget. For once the bowling was indifferent and the fielding very mediocre. Sandford reached the total of 95 runs but took 40 overs to achieve this. The result could only be a draw. Indeed, we almost lost the match as we were 26 for 5 wickets at stumps. A win in the return friendly with Masonic was hardly adequate compensation.

The season concluded with a tour to Cork very kindly arranged by Mr. P. J. Dineen, gentleman of Ireland, and a prominent player of the Leprechauns. It certainly was most enjoyable in every respect not least in terms of cricket and it certainly proved the high-light of the year for the players. Here we played Cork County and Midleton College. Undoubtedly we produced our best form in Cork as can be judged by the results. The match in the Mardyke lasted four hours in which we made 163 for 3 wickets and declared. Our fielding proved the undoing of the Cork side and a second innings did not alter the picture. If the match in the Mardyke had left us tired there was no evidence of this in the encounter with Midleton College the following morning in a near gale wind and drizzle. Again we won

the toss and electing to bat we made 76 for 6 wickets, and declared giving the opposition the chance of a run a minute if they wished to win. The fortunes of the match were well balanced. At no stage was the outcome certain. However, with two overs to go and Midleton 56 for 8 wickets a draw looked the most likely. But in the last over R. McDonnell took the last two wickets in two successive balls. It was a sweet victory and none too soon. It is most fitting here to express sincere thanks to our hosts both in Cork and Midleton for a tour which will remain a cherished memory for all the boys who came.

Subsequently four of this team had the privilege of playing for the J.C.T., against Sandford in the section play-off, defeating them and going on to challenge St. Columbas successfully in the final and ironically, in Sandford Park. Congratulations, Paul Walsh, Raymond Sloan, Kevin Egan and Robert McDonnell. Earlier R. McDonnell and B. Quigley had participated in the Under 13s Single Wicket Competition but without any success.

Next season we look forward to some fine cricket as eight of this year's side are under age for the coming season along with John Raftery who is showing great promise both in the field and as a left hand bowler. Many joined the Leinster Cricket Club during the summer and this makes the prospects even brighter. Our thanks are due to Mr. Liam Graham who so generously gave of his time to accompany the team doing duty as Umpire. Mark Thornton also deserves honourable mention as a very efficient scorer and without whose willing help things would not have run so smoothly.

H.F.M.



MIRACLES

People are miracles
And their bodies are –
Each part doing its own little piece of work;
Each part amazing in its own way;
Each part important,
From the heart to the smallest blood cell,
Until death draw nigh and the miracle of life is
over.

BRIAN O'MOORE

HOUSE GAMES

RUGBY – BASKETBALL – SOCCER – CRICKET – CHESS

SENIOR BASKETBALL LEAGUE

The two leagues this year were eminently successful from every point of view. The first League began in September and comprised seven teams. Because many of 6th year were occupied with rugby, this League was dominated by 5th year students. For four weeks the preliminary rounds were held each Wednesday and Saturday. In the end C. McCormicks, P. O'Regan's, N. Hendrick's and R. Stokes' teams reached the semi-finals. These provided two very closely contested matches and P. O'Regan and R. Stokes reached the Final. There could only be one ultimate victor and despite the gallant efforts of R. Stokes' team the laurels went to P. O'Regan's team – congratulations.

The second League was conducted in much the same manner with of course many more participating on this occasion. The two finalists were H. O'Neill's team, and P. Rogan's team. H. O'Neill was fortunate in having S. Sheehan's 6' 3" on his side, along with the renowned J. Oliver. P. Flynn was also another asset to be considered. All told it was a formidable side to contend with. P. Rogan was not without his array of formidables either – Willie Ryan and P. Rafter. It was not enough to prevail over the might and main of H. O'Neill's team, however, even though the margin of victory was a meagre two points – one basket.

Our thanks are due to the many who offered their services to referee matches, particularly A. Reardon, S. Sheehan, M. McCabe, and D. O'Higgins – and last but not least Fr. C. Byrne.

Tom Shanahan



INTERMEDIATE RUGBY LEAGUE 1972

This year's Inter league followed the same pattern as that of the last few years with fourth year captains and third year vice-captains. We had six teams and although we managed to play only one round of the league each team recorded at least one win. Early on it looked as if Paul McGovern's Constitution was going to go right through without defeat especially after it had beaten Declan Fanning's North 28-22 in a most exciting game. However, Instonians under John Keogh's leadership and with C. O'Neill, E. Redahan, M. Waters and B. McGoldrick showing to advantage scored a sensational 23-22 victory over Constitution and put themselves back into contention. With the last series of matches to come, Instonians, North and Constitution shared the top spot with six points each. Constitution won its match comfortably but it took extra time to separate Instonians and North with North the eventual winners 24-22. The other points in the league went to M. Rice's College with four points while G. Murphy's Trinity and L. O'Toole's Lansdowne shared the wooden spoon with two points apiece.

The final, played in the front field after school, aroused considerable interest especially since Constitution had barely been victorious in the league encounter. With hill advantage J. Clancy opened the scoring for North

and captain Fanning added the points. Constitution soon replied when R. Murphy picked up in the middle of the field and stormed his way in for a great try which P. McGovern converted. The latter then surprisingly put his side ahead with a superb penalty from the sideline. D. Fanning's try before half-time put him 10-9 up but with the hill to face, a one point lead seemed inadequate. Obviously the team thought otherwise for it produced its best rugby in the second half. With D. Rafter, B. Sheehy, and of course Declan himself winning most lineouts, E. Tiernan, J. Clancy and A. O'Shea got plenty of opportunities to try out their opposite numbers and A. O'Shea was rewarded with a fine try. It was only in the last few minutes that Constitution got back in the game. P. McGovern was getting good help from B. O'Connor, C. Redmond, R. Murphy, I. Conlon and M. McKey but it seemed to no avail. However, in the dying seconds they forced a five yards scrum and Paul dived over in the corner. The score was 14-13! His efforts to snatch victory with the convert just failed and the final whistle gave D. Fanning a very deserved win. While we congratulate the victors, we remember that nearly all the matches were enjoyable affairs and keenly contested and that with a little bit of luck any of the other teams could well have been collecting the medals.

D.D.



INTER BASKETBALL 1972

Very few asked to be left out of the ever popular Inter basketball tournaments and we had nine teams in fourth year and ten in third. Victories were well shared in fourth year and only P. Opperman's Robins went undefeated. After three rounds of matches, teams captained by R. O'Donnell, D. Howard, P. McGovern and D. Fanning had each lost one game. By pairing them in the fourth round, we had quarter finals of a type. So McGovern's Swallows and O'Donnell's Finches then played off for the right to meet the Robins in the final. The all round ability of the Finches along with O'Donnell's individual strength gained them a 12-8 victory. The final was tremendously closely contested with the lead changing hands many times. Captains Paul and Rodney had a rare duel and it was no surprise that the whistle sounded at 16-16. Extra time yielded a 20-18 victory for the Robins for whom G. Conheady and J. Sheehan were best after Paul and they got good support from F. Cummins and O. O'Flanagan, while C. Sheerin, B. Connolly, F. O'Gorman and J. O'Neill gave all the help they could to Rodney.

Though third year were only beginning basketball, many promising players emerged. For E. Tiernan's Tigers, Eunan himself as well as B. O'Connor was outstanding and for A. Molloy's Lions, Alan and M. McKey were best. These teams played the decider of Section A. with a 16-10 victory for Tigers putting them in the final though Rhinos with A. Pacitti and J. McCullough starring had run both teams very close. In Section B,

INTER BASKETBALL (Continued)

S. Lenehan was very outstanding and with the support of a good team in T. Sheridan, K. Bulger, J. Farrell and J. Byrne never looked likely to be beaten. Best players on the other teams were R. O'Conor, A. O'Shea, M. Fanagan, S. Mulvey and D. Quigley but none of the teams could match S. Lenehan's Hyenas. The final was more noteworthy for its ferocious and close marking than for shooting but then the wind really played havoc with efforts at the basket. The eventual winners were the Hyenas as expected but it was only by a 5-2 margin. Again we are very grateful to the many fifth and sixth year boys who gave of their time to referee and introduce the younger boys to basketball.



INTER SOCCER 1972

Six matches had to be played each Thursday in the back field so that the twelve teams could get a game. All teams managed at least one win in their five sectional games and only one remained unbeaten, I. Conlon's Benfica in Section B. E. Flood's Berousia and T. Sheridan's Sao Paolo were only beaten by the odd goal by Benfica but each played two draws afterwards and Benfica went through to the final. It looked as if C. O'Neill's Anderlecht would run away with Section A when they bagged 17 goals in their first four matches with only B. O'Connor's Red Star holding them to a goal. However, Ajax under P. Cooney was keeping in touch with the leaders despite surprisingly dropping two points to B. McKell's Real Madrid. In the last match of the section, S. Lenehan, who was chief scorer for Ajax and probably in the whole competition, scored two goals. Anderlecht could manage only one and we had to have a play off for sectional honours. This time Anderlecht produced their best form and qualified to play Benfica in the final. Here they started warm favourites with good soccer players P. McGovern, J. Sheehan, P. Gallagher and of course captain Charlie O'Neill ably backed up by F. O'Reilly, C. Redmond and E. Rothery. Benfica had a fair all round team with C. Sheerin, I. Conlon, D. McCarthy and J. O'Brien the best. Against the wind in the first half P. McGovern opened the scoring with a good solo effort. Great Benfica pressure failed to penetrate a tightly packed defence and Anderlecht took over in the second half. P. McGovern netted a second time and then it was P. Gallagher's turn to put the issue beyond doubt with a fine goal.



JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE

The Junior Rugby League was held as usual. Almost all of the boys in First and second year participated. By way of novelty this year a 7-aside Rugby League Blitz was held in Kenilworth. This was on a knock-out basis, but prizes were given for outstanding performance in each game of the competition. The eventual winners were the team captained by B. Foley: M. Thornton, S. Perot, M. Feehan, P. Hartigan, J. Cunningham, M. Birmingham.

Back to school and a good chance of getting a medal if you are in the House League. This league consists of boys who are not on the under 13s or under 14s rugby teams. Fr. Moloney picks the captain's who spend the day looking for boys who are good players. At the end of the day when the captains find out the good rugby players the teams are picked. The seven teams in the league were: (*contd.*) p. 107

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1. Andrew O'Shea receives final touches of make-up for college play.
 2. Neil McNeil High School Band performing in College Hall under the baton of Russell D. Stachien, Musical Director.
 3. Dermot Mc Carthy with Philatelic Trophy.
 4. John Whelan — keen fisherman.
 5. Kevin Deering with Mike Petri and Dan Ahern of the New York Rugby Touring side.
 6. Declan Muldoon receives Cricket Cup from Mrs. Muldoon. The trophy was presented by Mr. J. Fanagan.
 7. Mark Thornton receives Junior League Rugby Cup. Mrs. D. Thornton is presenting trophy.
 8. Brian Quigley with Chess Trophy on the occasion of winning the Junior Form Chess Competition.
 9. Declan Fanning receives Intermediate League Rugby Cup from Fr. F. C. Barry.
 10. Niall Power confronts John Morris on the chess board.

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Neil Smith presents the Leinster Schools' Junior Cricket Cup to Fr. D. Darcy who receives the trophy on behalf of the college.

Also present are Mr. F. Morrison, Fr. M. Maiben and Fr. F. C. Barry.



INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE RUGBY WINNERS

Standing:
A. O'Shea, T. O'Nuallain, D. O'Neill, B. Sheehy,
E. Tiernan, A. Schuster, D. Rafter, P. Daly.

Seated:
C. O'Doherty, J. Treanor, J. O'Callaghan,
D. Fanning (*Capt.*): J. Keogan, M. Rice,
N. O'Cofaigh



INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE SOCCER WINNERS

Back:
C. Redmond, F. O'Reilly, P. McGovern, P. Gallagher

Front:
E. Rothery, C. O'Neill (*Capt.*) J. Sheehan.



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(Junior Rugby — Contd.)

All Blacks	<i>captain</i>	Ian Fitzgerald
Lions	"	Donal Lonergan
Scotland	"	Paul Walsh
Fiji	"	Mark Thornton
Springbok	"	David Arigho
Wales	"	Felix McTiernan
Ireland	"	Louis Costello

Near the end of September we started the league. After matches boys were discussing their mistakes and planning their tactics. The most unlucky team was Wales, lead by Felix McTiernan because he had a good group but after all the games were over his team had no points. Towards the end of the league Ireland, lead by Louis Costello, and Fiji lead by Mark Thornton, looked as if they were both going to be in the final. But there were still three vital matches: Ireland against Lions; and Ireland against Fiji; the team with the highest points would get a bye into the final. Lions beat Ireland in a very tight struggle. The table stood that Lions had 9 points having played all their games, Ireland had 8 points and one game in hand. Ireland played Fiji with Fiji having only to win or draw to reach the final. Fiji won in the dying minutes of the game, so the semi-final was between Ireland and Lions. Lions were expected to win but Ireland won in the end.

THE FINAL

At last the day everybody waited for had arrived. It was to be played in the front field after school. Ireland were forced to play without Cormac Sharpe their second row forward because of injury. Fiji in blue played down first half. But it was Ireland who scored first. A Fiji forward was caught offside and Ireland scored from the penalty which was well kicked by Declan Murray. Fiji came back hard and soon Conor McCarthy went over Ireland's line for a great try. This brought Fiji into the lead by 1 point. Ireland were held in their half and then Fiji got a penalty on Ireland's 25 yd. line. The penalty was quickly taken by Mark Thornton who ran for the line beating a few men and increasing Fiji's lead by his try. The try was converted by Peter O'Rourke. Half time and Fiji leading by 10–3, Ireland playing down the hill had the advantage and held Fiji in their own half. However Paul Hughes made the extra man to crash over the line to put Fiji further ahead. Ireland played very well but could not get through Fiji's defence. Fiji soon got Ireland on the run when Michael Feehan and Paul Hughes went over for great tries. Misfortune hit Ireland when Stuart Rice Ireland's full back was injured and had to go off after playing a great game. Fiji putting on a lot of pressure and a short kick by Niall Geoghegan was picked up by Mark Thornton who got through the full back to score under the posts for Fiji. The try was converted by Peter O'Rourke. At long last the whistle went and Fiji had won.

We wish to pay a special tribute to Ireland captained by L. Costello whose team played so gallantly in the final despite the injury of his two outstanding players. Thanks are also due to the referees during the season who gave so generously of their free time to look after our matches in Kenilworth.

Mark Thornton

JUNIOR CHESS

For the third year in succession a chess competition was organized for First and Second year students by Fr. H. Moloney. Entries were up by 43 on last year.

The entrants were divided into nine sections each having six contestants. The competition began with great enthusiasm, particularly amongst the first years. The biggest shock of the first round was the elimination of last year's winner, M. Fitzgerald. In this section also last year's losing finalist R. McDonnell also succumbed to the winning streak of P. Galligan.

By Christmas nine boys had emerged to the second round: C. Quinlan, A. Sheridan, E. Browne, P. Galligan, P. Maguire, D. Larney, D. Dooley, Br. Quigley and J. Tracey. Of these P. Galligan, Br. Quigley, D. Larney and D. Dooley had a maximum total of ten points. Early in the second term the competition had narrowed down to the following: A. Sheridan, P. Galligan, D. Larney, Br. Quigley and J. Tracey. It was at this stage that P. Galligan lost for the first time against D. Larney. During the next two 'nail-biting' games, D. Larney also stopped the advance of B. Quigley and also A. Sheridan, and so went through to the final. B. Quigley regained his lost confidence when he beat A. Sheridan in the three-part play off to meet D. Larney once again, this time in the final.

The final, however, clashed with the Junior League Rugby Final which was also played on the 16th March. I was honoured to be present as time-keeper and referee for that important event. From the start it was touch and go, with neither boy gaining any decisive advantage. A good move by Brian resulted in David loosing his Queen. Despite this David counter attacked, while Brian continued to threaten David's King. Unfortunately for David Brian's all-out attack secured the vital checkmate. I think he was as much surprised as David was. Of all the games I have seen this was by far the most exciting.

A. Sheridan

Congratulations to A. Sheridan who also received a medal in the competition for the second year.

It is hoped in the coming year to widen the competition to include third year competitors also.

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JUNIOR CRICKET LEAGUE

This year there was an increase in the number of boys interested in the Cricket League. We had over 90 boys and so managed to pick eight teams. These were drawn in two sections of four teams each. Thus each team had three matches to decide the winner of the section.

Section 'A'	Essex	..	Capt. D. O'Neill
	New Zealand	..	B. Quigley
	South Africa	..	D. Muldoon
	Leprecauns	..	A. Sheridan
Section 'B'	England	..	Capt. M. Byrne
	Cavaliers	..	G. Jones
	Australia	..	P. Gueret
	West Indies	..	K. O'Byrne

An added incentive was given to the competition in the form of a beautiful perpetual cup presented by Mr. J. Fanagan, President of the Past Pupils' Union, for this League.

**JUNIOR FORM LEAGUE
RUGBY WINNERS**

Standing:

K. O'Byrne, M. Moylett, C. McCarthy,
M. Feehan, P. Hughes, B. Dagge, P. Sullivan.

Seated:

M. Byrne, K. Woods, P. O'Rourke,
M. Thornton (*Capt.*), J. Cunningham,
P. Flanagan, N. Power.

Front:

M. Chester, N. Geoghegan.



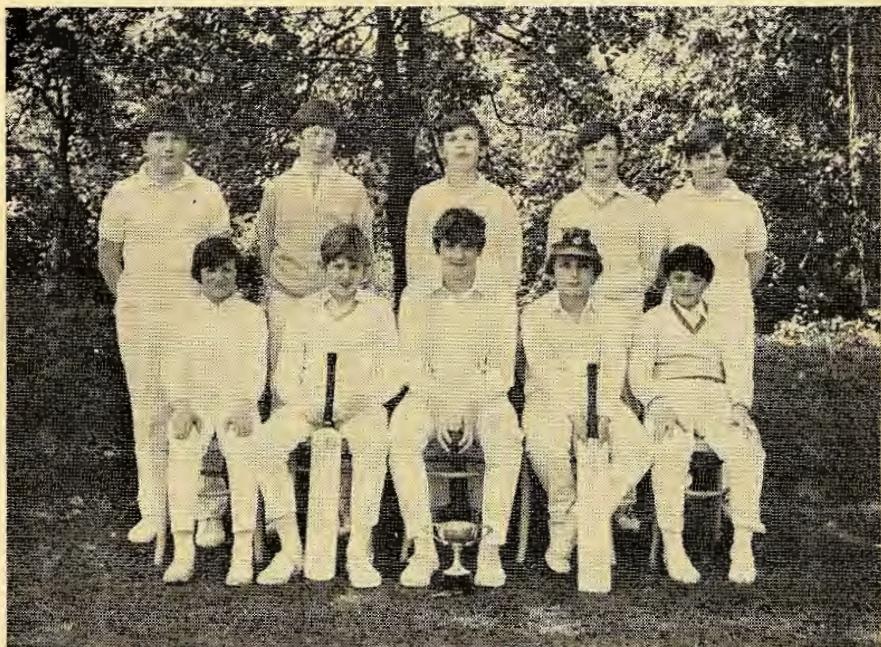
**JUNIOR FORM LEAGUE
CRICKET WINNERS**

Standing:

S Roantree, M Feehan, J. Cunningham,
K. Holland, F. Roantree.

Seated:

P Dunne, S. Burke, D. Muldoon (*Capt.*)
A. Byrne, D. O'Duffy.



**JUNIOR FORM LEAGUE
SOCCER WINNERS**

Standing:

A. Cahalane, M. Thornton, D. Healy, J. Murphy

Seated:

C Stokes, D. Dooley (*Capt.*) T. Mullen.

Photos C.S.Sp.



(Cricket League — Contd.)

The competition got under way early in the season. There were some very exciting and keenly contested matches. All the talent had not been 'creamed-off' for the Under 14s Cup team as was proved by some tremendous batting totals, excellent bowling (here we might mention L. Costello in particular), and also some talented and spirited fielding.

In section 'A,' D. Muldoon, captaining South Africa emerged clear victor not having lost a match. In section 'B' the story was very different. Three of the team each acquired four points, having won two matches each and lost one each. This provided a problem as there was no time for a triple play-off. It was then decided to choose the three best players from the respective teams — each being expected to bat and bowl for three overs with an Under 14s fielding side. Bonus points were added for different aspects of credits in batting and bowling. It proved an interesting and exciting Sunday morning's cricket. In the end, England (M. Byrne's team) topped the bill with an eight point lead and so qualified to meet South Africa in the Final. What an exciting and nail-biting final it proved to be, best told in the words of Umpire Paul Gueret:

THE FINAL

South Africa won the toss and decided to bat first. The openers were P. Dunne and A. Byrne. It was some time before P. Dunne was eventually caught by P. O'Rourke. In came S. Roantree and he was soon bowled by the skipper of England, M. Byrne.

The middle order did well to score moderate runs against the spin-bowling of M. Byrne and D. Sheerin, not forgetting of course the close fielding of M. Thornton and P. O'Rourke. The final result of South Africa's innings was 63 for 9 (there were only 10 players in the side). Congratulations to A. Byrne who scored 24 runs, not out.

England's openers were P. O'Rourke and A. Daly who were surprisingly out for only 3 runs. Their wickets were taken by S. Roantree and A. Byrne respectively. In went G. Fanagan, and M. Byrne. Between them they scored 39 runs and looked like putting their team on the road to victory. They were eventually both clean-bowled by S. Roantree.

By now it looked as if England had victory in their grasp. They were 42 for 4 and needed only 22 runs to win with 7 wickets in hand. D. Sheerin and M. Thornton after scoring six runs were also bowled by F. Roantree. But by this time they only needed 15 runs to win. G. Coman was then out to S. Roantree. Then came a most exhilarating period of bowling and fielding. With only 5 runs to win and four wickets in hand England appeared sure of victory . . . The next three wickets fell to A. Byrne in one over with some brilliant catches by M. Feehan and P. Dunne. Still needing five runs to win, D. Sheerin and J. Burke made 2 runs between them before D. Sheerin was finally caught behind by the excellent keeping of P. Dunne to the bowling of S. Roantree.

The final score of this most exciting match, which I have ever umpired was 63–61 for South Africa. The new Cup was presented to the Captain D. Muldoon by Mrs.

Muldoon, a fitting climax to what must surely have been the match of all time in Kenilworth.

Paul Gueret

Thanks are due to the boys who umpired the various matches during the season, especially P. Gueret and P. Walsh in the Final. We are most grateful also to Mrs. Byrne who provided cakes for the teas on more than one occasion.

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JUNIOR SOCCER LEAGUE

There were seventeen teams in the Soccer League this year. The weather was good throughout enabling the competition to proceed without interruption. It was most entertaining and exciting and the talent was second to none. Because of the number of teams involved the league was divided into three sections.

The following were the teams and the captains:

Waterford	P. McGrath
Arsenal	D. Dooley
F-Troop	G. Fanagan
Brazil	D. Murray
Derby Co.	P. Hughes
Stoke City	N. Geoghegan
Cork Hibs.	D. Chambers
Liverpool	T. Coveney
Birmingham	J. Connell
Celtic	I. Long
Shamrock Rovers	J. Hamill
Aston Villa	P. Delaney
Leeds	B. McDonnell
Chelsea	S. Rice
Manchester Utd.	I. Delany
Everton	G. Byrne
Spurs	P. Carmody

Three teams emerged with highest points — one from each section. These were Arsenal, Leeds and Aston Villa. In the play-off Leeds defeated Waterford by 3–2. Leeds next took on Arsenal without two star players, Barry Quigley and Colm Largey, but were allowed to substitute B. Foley. Nevertheless they were beaten by 5 goals to 0. However, they were not eliminated yet. They suffered another defeat in an exciting game with Aston Villa. This resulted in Aston Villa meeting Arsenal in the Final.

What a final it proved to be. Arsenal won the toss. From then on it was goals 'galore' from start to finish. The man of the match was undoubtedly Tom Mullen, with no less than four goals for Arsenal. At half time Aston Villa were 5–1 down. They launched a counter attack at the commencement of the second half, but David Larney was a stalwart in defence. Then with minutes to go, Arsenal were awarded a penalty. Mark Thornton was on the spot, but Villa goal keeper, Michael Graham, brought off a fine save. From the restart, Colm Stokes received a pass on the half way and beat two defenders to score for Arsenal. It was all over.

Well done Villa for a good sporting game and thanks to the generous referees, D. Hooper, D. Moloney and V. O'Gorman.

Paul Flanagan

COLLEGE SPORTS - KENILWORTH - JUNE 1972

Victor Ludorum: Paul Opperman

SENIOR SECTION

<i>*High Jump:</i>	1. P. Opperman (5')	<i>100 Metres:</i>	1. D. Howard (12·4 secs.)
<i>*100 Metres:</i>	2. P. Rafter		2. H. O'Neill
	1. P. Opperman (11·6 secs. new record)	<i>*200 Metres:</i>	3. L. Healion
<i>200 Metres:</i>	2. E. Keane		1. R. O'Donnell (25·8 secs.)
	1. P. Opperman (23·9 secs.)	<i>400 Metres</i>	2. H. O'Neill
	2. E. Keane		3. D. Howard
<i>*400 Metres:</i>	1. E. Keane (55·7 secs.)		1. S. Lenehan (59 secs.)
	2. P. Rafter		2. P. McGovern
<i>800 Metres:</i>	1. D. Deering (2 mins. 18·5 secs.)	<i>800 Metres:</i>	3. T. McDonagh
	2. J. Oliver		1. R. O'Donnell
	3. T. McGovern		2. S. Lenehan
<i>1500 Metres:</i>	1. T. McGovern (4 mins. 42 secs.)	<i>High Jump:</i>	3. D. Quigley
	2. K. Deering		1. D. Fanning
<i>Relay:</i>	1. P. Opperman's Team		2. R. O'Donnell
<i>Long Jump:</i>	1. P. Opperman (19' 11") record	<i>Long Jump</i>	3. E. Tiernan
	2. E. Keane		1. D. Howard (17' 6½")
<i>Shot:</i>	1. K. Deering (32' 2½")	<i>Shot:</i>	2. S. Lenehan
	2. P. Opperman P. O'Regan		3. H. O'Neill
		<i>Bicycle Race:</i>	1. R. O'Donnell (38' 5½")
			2. S. Sheehan
			3. C. Davis
		<i>Relay:</i>	1. J. McCullough
			2. M. Walsh
			1. L. Healion's Team

JUVENILE SECTION

<i>100 Metres:</i>	1. P. Barnwell (13·5 secs.)	<i>100 Metres:</i>	1. J. McManus (12·5 secs.)
	2. P. O'Byrne		2. D. Muldoon
	3. I. Long		3. E. Collins
<i>*150 Metres:</i>	1. P. O'Byrne (18·9 secs.)	<i>200 Metres:</i>	1. J. McManus (27·3 secs.)
	2. P. Barnwell		2. D. Muldoon
	3. I. Long		3. R. O'Connor
<i>High Jump:</i>	1. C. Largey (4' 4½")	<i>800 Metres:</i>	1. W. Opperman (2 mins. 28·4 secs.)
	2. C. Quinlan		2. T. Coveney
	3. G. Fanagan		3. P. Hughes
<i>Long Jump:</i>	1. K. Holland (14' 7" new record)	<i>High Jump:</i>	1. J. Treanor (4' 4¾")
	2. P. O'Byrne		2. J. Keegan
	3. R. Bulger		3. J. Byrne
<i>Relay:</i>	1. P. Barnwell's Team	<i>Long Jump:</i>	1. J. McManus (15' 1")
<i>Slow Bicycle Race:</i>	1. I. Delany		2. E. Collins
	2. D. Keogan		3. C. Sharpe
<i>Sack Race:</i>	1. D. Quinn	<i>Relay:</i>	1. L. Costello's Team
	2. J. Treacy		
	3. T. Mullen	<i>Bicycle Race:</i>	1. R. Murray
<i>Consolation Race:</i>	1. P. O'Rourke		2. D. Muldoon
	2. N. Power		3. K. O'Byrne
	3. E. Donnelly	<i>Musical Chairs:</i>	1. B. Quigley
<i>Musical Chairs</i>	1. P. Maguire		2. M. Thornton
	2. C. Quinlan	<i>Shot:</i>	1. P. O'Byrne (34' 4")
			2. J. Treanor
			3. C. Sharpe

OTHER RESULTS

Veterans' Race: 1. D. Blake and D. Fanagan

Past v. Present Relay: 1. Past: R. Bailey, J. Moloney, B. Gunn, D. Swift

College Senior Sports

KENILWORTH SQUARE

ON the occasion of the College Sports this year, the weather was perfect despite the gloomy prospects and ominous signs of rain during the morning. The attendance was good even though this was the holiday weekend, and as always the occasion had its moments of interest, excitement and humour. Perhaps the events themselves lacked edge in that the talented athletes were sometimes without keen opposition, and this despite the handicapping. However, this year more prizes were given as it was felt there were very many well deserving third places. A bronze medal was introduced into all events where the number of entries were adequate.

In the **Senior section** of the Sports Paul Oppermann, who competed in both Leinster and All Ireland Sports dominated most of the events. This was certainly a credit to Paul, who, one must remember, was under age to compete at Intermediate level. He went on to win the Victor Ludorum with four firsts and a second, setting up a new 100 metres record of 11.6 seconds. He also set up a new Intermediate record in the Long Jump of 19' 11". Enda Keane also did well in the overall points total. Perhaps the most disappointing event in this section was the High Jump where the winning jump was more than 7" below the record.

In the **Intermediate section** talent was more evenly distributed and many shared the honours. There were, however, no new records, despite the presence of the talented Rodney. R. O'Donnell did come out on top in this age group as he did last year in the Junior section, where records were broken. A back injury causing Rodney some distress was probably the reason for the tameness of events in this section. S. Lenehan did well in the long distance events. D. Howard was promising in beating H. O'Neill in the 100 metres and also taking first place in the Long jump.

The **Junior section** saw D. Muldoon emerge as a challenge to the speed of J. McManus in the sprints. John is showing great promise

as can be seen by his times returned in the sprints compared with those in the age group above him, the Intermediate section. In the High Jump we had the same three finalists as last year, but this time J. Treanor out-jumped J. Keegan. R. Murray won the Bicycle race for the second year in succession. In this section also there were no new records. However, there was one interesting feature, the winning of the Shot-Put by P. O'Byrne from the Juvenile section. We hoped to introduce the Tug-o-War as a new event in both this and the Juvenile section, but our rope was unable to stand up to the combined tug of ten men aside. Our repeated attempts to repair the rope and the subsequent snaps provided sufficient entertainment to justify its inclusion and we hope to have this as a permanent event in the future.

In the **Juvenile section**, the track events were dominated by three talented youths: P. O'Byrne, P. Barnwell and I. Long. Though P. Barnwell just pipped P. O'Byrne in the 100 metres, the latter won the 200 metres well. He also set up a new record in the Long Jump of 14' 7". With the departure of this very talented all-rounder for New Zealand in July, the contest will now be between P. Barnwell and I. Long. But my view is that there lies more hidden talent in this age group which may emerge on the next occasion.

It was pleasing to see the Past v. Present Relay event return again, though the Cup was won on this occasion by the Past Team. We were no match for the pace of R. Bailey, J. Moloney, B. Gunn and D. Swift. In all, the day went well with the prizes being shared by many of the contestants. Our thanks are due to all those who helped to make this a memorable occasion, Mr. Starter (Maurice Hogan), the stewards, Fr. Byrne for the Teas, Michael Stephens for the preparation of the grounds. Our thanks especially go to Mrs. C. J. McCarthy, wife of the President of the P.P.U., who honoured us in distributing the Prizes.



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Paul O'Byrne with younger cousin, also Paul O'Byrne
—both keen athletes.

We wish 'bon voyage' to **Paul O'Byrne** who has emigrated to New Zealand which is really the land of his birth. During his one and only year in the Senior school, Paul left his mark in the sports arena. He was an excellent forward on the Under 13s' Rugby team which brought back the Provincials Cup to the College. In the College Sports he did very well in both track and field events. Here he set up a record in the Long Jump. In particular he excelled in the shot and sprints, taking the Under 14s' shot in the East Regional Championships (BLOE), an Under 13s record throw in the Dublin Championships (BLOE) and second place in the 100 ms, 200 ms and Long Jump. Undoubtedly we will hear more about Paul even in far away New Zealand.



1. P. Barnwell just pips P. O'Byrne in 100 m.
 2. L. Costello coasts home in Relay Final.
 3. P. Opperman takes the tape in 100 m.
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4. J. Moloney receiving trophy for Past-Present Relay victory
 5. Mr. N. Doyle and Mr. T. Newell assisting on Sports Day.
 6. M. Chester in Slow-Bicycle race.
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7. C. Quinlan and P. Maguire make a dash in Musical Chairs.
 8. W. Opperman winning the 800 m. race.
 9. Obstacle race.
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10. K. Bulger hands to D. Quigley in Intermediate Relay.
 11. P. Maguire trying his fortunes in the Musical Chairs.
 12. P. Opperman receives the Victor Ludorum Trophy from Mrs. C. J. McCarthy.
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13. P. Opperman winning the Senior High Jump.
14. D. Healy and J. Tracey in Sack Race.
15. 'Blowing-up' balloons in Obstacle Race.

