COLLEGE NEWS

With deep sorrow we record the sudden death, on April 14 in New York, of Mr. John McMahon, Fellow and Dean of the College and Tutor in Jurisprudence. Obituary notices appear on another page.

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James Ingram, later President of Trinity, edited Memorials of Oxford, which was published by Parker in 1837. The prints in this work were most beautifully engraved by J. Le Keux after drawings by F. Mackenzie (who did some of the drawings for Ackermann). There is one print of Magdalen Hall, which is probably the most commonly available print of the Hertford buildings. It is usually sold hand-coloured, while the prints in Ingram are black and white. The colouring may obscure the beautiful lines of the engraving. This print shows from Cat Street (northern end) the two end sections of the present main front, of which the southernmost is the Principal’s Lodgings. The two joined by a curtain wall, where the Dining Hall and Gate are now. This building was designed by one Garbett and built in 1820. Another lovely print in Ingram shows only the railings of the Hertford buildings, but the view, so familiar to Hertford men, of the front of the Schools and Radcliffe Square.

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HART PLAYERS

Scanty cash reserves and the limited amount of acting, production and technical talent in a small college such as Hertford necessarily restrict the scope and number of dramatic productions. These combined problems unfortunately put paid to a projected Trinity ’68 major. But Michaelmas saw a revival in the production, for the O.U.D.S. Freshmen’s Cuppers, of “The Bear”, by Chekhov. Jonathan Lewis directed, and if his entry for the competition won no prizes, it was generally reckoned to be an extremely competent piece of theatre and provided further entertainment in the fierce argument which developed at the adjudication between, on the one hand, the Presidents of O.U.D.S. and E.T.C. and, on the other, Lewis, his cast and the Hertford “claque”.

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The Society was conceived with the intention of encouraging discussion on any topic of interest amongst the members and their guests. An inaugural dinner was held in Trinity 1965; the guests were Professor H. M. Powell, F.R.S., and Professor W. Rushton, F.R.S. Professor R. V. Jones visited the Plot in Michaelmas 1968 and delighted us with his volubility.

HART PLAYERS
Scanty cash reserves and the limited amount of acting, production and technical talent in a small college such as Hertford necessitated restrict the scope and number of dramatic productions. These combined problems unfortunately put paid to a projected Trinity ‘68 major. But Michaelmas saw a revival in the production, for the O.U.D.S. Freshmen’s Coppers, of “The Bear”, by Chekhov. Jonathan Lewis directed, and if his entry for the competition won no prizes, it was generally reckoned to be an extremely competent piece of theatre and provided further entertainment in the fierce argument which developed at the adjudication between, on the one hand, the Presidents of O.U.D.S. and E.T.C. and, on the other, Lewis, his cast and the Hertford “claque”.

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Starting at the top of the 3rd Division, the 1st Torpid had no difficulty in rowing right away from Exeter and the first four or five crews, which was unfortunately all that started, owing to the activities of an inebriated starter. Avoiding the resulting re-row, we started bottom of the 2nd Division on Thursday, behind Trinity. We would probably have caught them before the Gut had it not been for a crab which halted the boat, allowing Trinity a three-length breathing space. By the O.U.B.C., however, we had re-established contact, and were closing on an unlit Kebble as well. In a superb finish Trinity were overtaken along the Barges and we missed Kebble by only a quarter-length.

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APPOINTMENTS

G. Appleton, actuarial training, Standard Life Assurance.
M. W. Brumage, matier, Lime House School.
R. E. L. Brownley, programmer, Mobil Data Services.
J. B. Challen, ordained deacon, to serve at St. Mary, Worpleston, Surrey.
P. D. Clark, master, Repton School.
J. M. Complish, research officer, C.E.G.B.
E. J. Evans, assistant lecturer (History), Stirling University.
G. J. Furniss, assistant to managing director, Continent Corsets Ltd.
M. T. Harris, programmer, B.O.A.C.
M. W. G. Hetherington, C.W. Paton, Ltd.
K. J. Hendron, Friede Ltd.
C. W. F. Hirst, actuarial training, Prudential Assurance.
A. G. M. Hunter, Balnock and Wilcox, Ltd.
C. Pippard, copy editor, "The Plain Dealer," Cleveland, Ohio.
R. S. Smith, Professor of African History, University of Lagos.
D. L. Sternberg, Israeli Forest Service.
J. M. Stimpson, Dean of Business Administration (Harvard) & Senior
Lecturer, Manchester Business School.
R. M. Summers, Unilever.
G. G. Williams, chemistry master, Demtome College.
A. D. Wooster, British Leyland Ltd.

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29 June '62.—A. C. Ryder (1949-50) to Rosemary Ann Wykeham, at Chaw-
ton, Hants.
21 June '69.—M. W. Watn (1967-69) to Karen Elize Anthony, at St. Mary
the Virgin, Oxford.

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OBITUARY
R. H. Brown (’54-56), 1968, retired Master Miller and company director.
E. Krasner, 23/7/68, in Washington.
Rev. G. N. Osinn (1897-1901).

JOHN FRANCIS McMAHON, M.A., LL.B., L.L.M.
Mr. J. F. McMahon, Fellow of Hertford College, Oxford, died suddenly on April 12, 1969, in New York, where he had been acting as consultant to the United Nations Office of Legal Affairs.

The sudden death of John McMahon, at the age of 32, cuts short a career of considerable promise. He had a distinguished academic record at Cambridge, where he obtained first-class honours in the B.A. and took an LL.B. degree in International Law, before going to Harvard, where he gained an L.L.M. After being called to the Bar, he became a lecturer in law at Lincoln College, Oxford, in 1962. He was elected a Fellow of Hertford College in 1963 and appointed a University lecturer. He published a number of articles in the British Yearbook of International Law and elsewhere. He had worked on several occasions for the United Nations, where his abilities and ready friendliness soon made him widely known and admired.

His friends will miss his sympathetic and cheerful presence and the community of international lawyers will regret the loss of his talents and scholarship.

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