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Scholarship at Cambridge

ALAN HENRY BRIDLE, only son of Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Bridle, of 71. Harrowiew, Harrow, has been elected to a Major Scholarship at Trinity College, Cambridge, the culmination of a long series of examination triumphs.

When only 12 years of age Alan obtained five passes at Ordinary Level in the G.C.E. examination — for English, Latin, French, history and mathematics. Most pupils are aged 15 to 16 when they take the "O" level examinations. When he was 14 he obtained G.C.E. passes at Advanced Level in physics, chemistry and mathematics — an unusually early age for the Advanced Level standard.

He sat with over 300 other candidates from all over Britain for a Cambridge scholarship in the first week of December, and recently he was notified that he had been elected to one of the 11 major awards.

The examination comprised papers on physics and chemis-

try, theoretical and practical, pure and applied mathematics, a translation paper on a modern language — in Alan's case, French — and three one-hour essays on general subjects.

Alan was born at his present home. He attended Quainton Hall School in Hindes-road to the age of 11. During that time he won 29 major prizes, including trophies for athletic ability.

Brilliant progress

While in the fifth form at Quainton Hall Alan won every form prize. At the age of 11 he sat for a foundation scholarship to University College School, Hampstead and was successful. There he was awarded the Potbury Memorial Prize in 1958, and the Cohen Prize in 1959, both for mathematics. At the age of 16 he won a university state scholarship, and also took further G.C.E. passes at "A" level in mathematics.

His relaxations include playing the saxophone and the clarinet, collecting jazz records, and writing science fiction stories.

This brilliant young man will go up to Cambridge in October and intends reading Natural Sciences.