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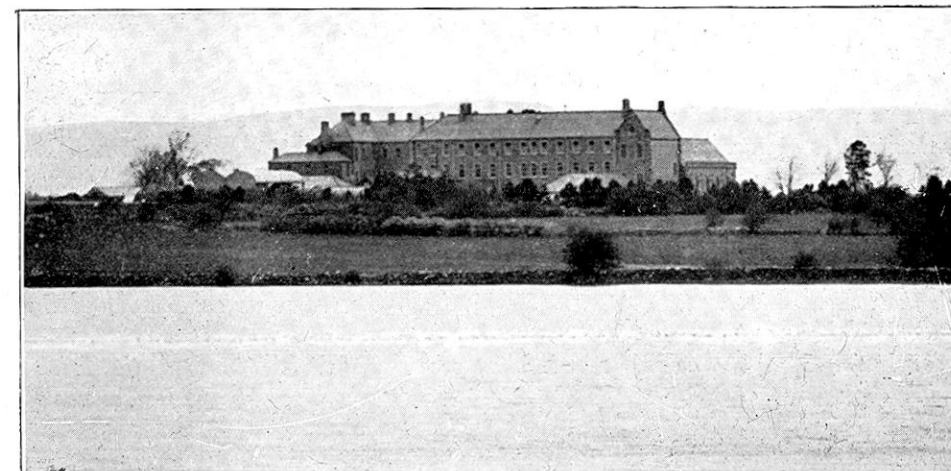
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The Virgin of the Rocks.

Leonardo
da Vinci



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THE desire for beauty is kindled by God in the soul of man. It is an aspect of our immortal destiny. Its full enjoyment must await the life beyond the grave. God's beauty lies scattered about us in colour, line, rhythm. It is the function of the artist to create in humble imitation of the Divine Artist, and show forth His reflected beauty. Art makes life richer and lifts us into the life of the spirit. Here in Ireland in our Educational Curricula little encouragement is given to cultivate the appreciation of what is beautiful and to stimulate creative art. Art is looked on as being outside the range of useful subjects. Its study is left to the private enthusiasm of the few. The results are reflected in various aspects of our national life. Our scenery is beautiful, but our villages ugly. The designs and set up of our houses are often dull and stereotyped. It is not a matter of economy but of mediocrity. In many things we are content with essentials and an existence level, we have not been educated to a sense of finer values. The creative faculty in many has been drugged by the cinema. Our appetite for what is sublime is satisfied by periodic glimpses of the tinselled glamour of Hollywood. In place of creating we are content with what others fabricate.

To turn to events of the year, we are glad to record that, thanks mainly to the energy and perseverance of Father Rector, the heating system in the Boys' Chapel has been switched on to oil burning bunkers. The change is much appreciated. A similar change has been made on the other circuits of the central heating. Renovation has also been done on the front hall and corridors, and a pleasing effect has been achieved.

We are very grateful for the gift of a new projector from some of the Past in U.S.A. It is a very welcome addition. Hitherto we have been relying on the generosity and kindness of our neighbour Mr. Jorgensen for the use of his own machine, and we feel we shall still have to call on him for technical assistance.

This year again, in June, a group of boys will travel to Lough Derg to make the Pilgrimage. Perhaps we may hope that it will become an annual event.

Last Summer brought its changes of office. Father C. Heron left us to join the staff in Belvedere. He has left pleasant memories, and while regretting his departure, we send him

our best wishes in his new appointment. In his place as Minister, we extend a warm welcome to Father B. Brennan who is one of our Past. Father Kilbride has gone to Manresa House. Dollymount. He spent many hard working years here as Prefect, and we send him our regards. In his place we are glad to have Father R. Brennan. Father J. MacAvoy left us for Gardiner St. and we are sorry to lose him. We are fortunate, however, to get in his place Father A. MacSeumais, who is well acquainted with the College. To Mr. M. Hurley in Louvain, and Mr. Mulligan in Milltown Park we send greetings and wish them success in their theological studies; to Mr. P. Benson also, in Belvedere we convey our good wishes. Their work in Mungret is not forgotten.

In conclusion I wish to thank the Editors of, the Irish Independent, the Irish Press, the Irish Tatler and Sketch, and the United States Information Service for the use of blocks and photos.

I make mention also of the valuable assistance of Leo Hickey and his collaborators. To Mr. J. Cullen for his photography, to our Printers and Blockmakers, a debt of gratitude is also due.

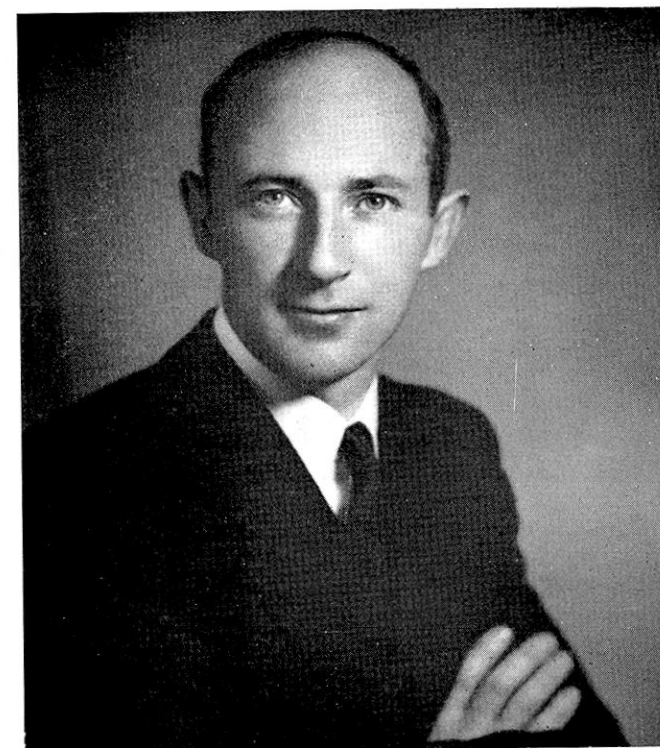
Lastly, I wish to express my thanks to Father Rector, and the Superior of the Apostolic School for their courtesy and help.

The Law

By DESMOND KEARNS, LL.B. (1925-'29)

Graduated in U.C.D. in Legal and
Political Science 1933. LL.B. 1935.
Qualified as a Solicitor 1936.
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The Author

THE Law has always been a popular profession in Ireland and it appears to have a particular appeal for Mungret men if one may judge from the number of them who have become lawyers.

The profession is divided into two branches, viz: Barristers and Solicitors. The Bar is treated as the senior branch of the profession and certainly offers more glittering prospects, but to offset this attraction it also offers the more

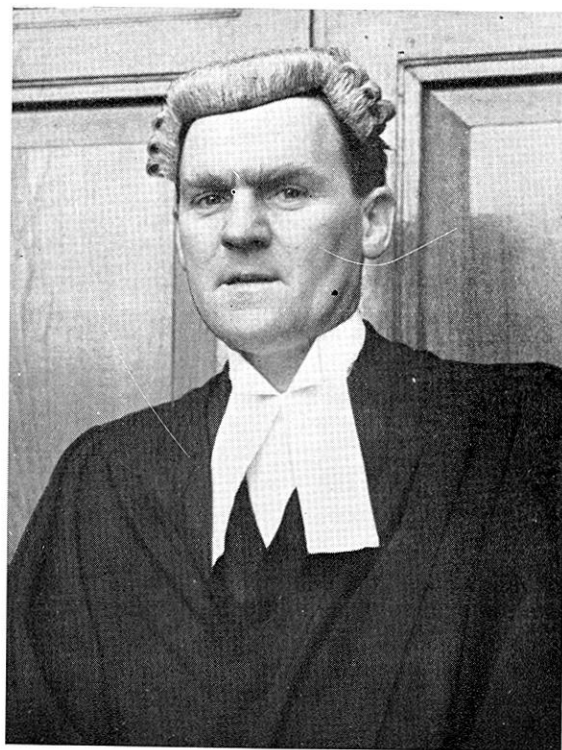
precarious living.

The principal function of the barrister is to plead cases in court, but in addition to his court work the barrister also advises on title and conveyancing matters and on legal problems of particular complexity. The type of work done by solicitors is well-known. On the property side they investigate titles to land, prepare contracts, and wills, assist in the formation of companies and generally advise their clients on the myriad legal

problems which arise in business from day to day. On difficult legal questions they take the opinion of counsel on behalf of their clients, and they also prepare briefs for counsel in cases in which counsel are employed. Solicitors have a right of audience in the District and Circuit Courts and indeed most cases in the District Courts are conducted by solicitors. Appointments to the District Court bench are open alike to solicitors and barristers, but all other judicial appointments are open only to barristers. Generally it may be said that the solicitor is more a man of affairs' the barrister more of a specialist in the law.

In order to become a barrister it is necessary that the student should be admitted a student member of the Honourable Society of The King's Inns,

that he should attend certain lectures and keep terms by dining a certain number of times at the Inns, and that he should pass the Junior Victoria and Final examinations and also a written and oral examination in Irish: while the Bar examinations are not very "stiff" it must be remembered that all examinations are formidable even to the best prepared, for as every schoolboy knows, even the greatest fool may ask more than the wisest man may answer. It is usual and highly desirable though not compulsory for the Bar student to take a university degree and so expose himself to the opportunity of acquiring a liberal education as a basis to his professional training. There are valuable prizes and scholarships to be won at these Bar examinations. The course of study for the Bar, whether one takes a



Judge J. Durcan (1922-'25)

university degree or not may be completed in four years.

After his call to the Bar the young barrister must decide whether he will seek an appointment in the Civil Service or elsewhere or whether he will elect to practise. Only about a third of the barristers called go into practice. If he decides to practise it will be necessary for

to his home a few nights each week, read his papers and learn how the work is done, and he will attend court with his "master" and see how the cases on which he has previously worked are conducted. Devilling with a man on one's own circuit has the advantage that he will be at hand to give some assistance on one's own early cases.



Donough O'Donovan (1921-'24)

Chief State Solicitor

him to choose a Circuit. For the purposes of the Circuit Court the country is divided into nine circuits, and generally a man will elect to practise on the circuit which covers the part of the country from which he comes. Also if he decides to practise it will be necessary for him to "devil" with some experienced Junior—that is he will pay a fee to see another man at his work, he will go

All the barrister's work comes to him through solicitors, and he is not permitted to interview clients except in the presence of their solicitors, so it will be readily appreciated that a good connection with solicitors is a real asset to the young barrister.

The Bar is notoriously slow in the early years and generally it is not wise to contemplate the career unless one has

ample resources. As against that, life at the Bar in the early years is very pleasant—it is very much a continuation of university life and the Bar Library in the Four Courts where the barristers do their work has often been described as the best club in the country. Certainly at the Bar one does not lack good company.

The most desirable qualities for a good barrister are a capacity for hard concentrated work, an ability to seize on the essential points of an argument and ease of expression. Needless to say a pleasant personality is also an asset as in every other profession or business.

To become a solicitor the student must first become apprenticed to a practicing solicitor—the full term of apprenticeship is five years but this may be reduced to four if the apprentice attends certain lectures at a university. There are two professional examinations the Intermediate and the Final together with two Irish examinations which are quite “stiff.” If the student intends to practice in the country it is an advantage to be apprenticed to a country firm. The student apprenticed in the country will attend the Town Agent’s office when attending his lectures in Dublin when he will familiarise himself with the practice of the High Court and the various legal departments with which the solicitor is concerned. For all students but particularly for the man who intends to commence practice on his own after qualifying diligent attendance at his master’s office so that he may learn the routine of practice is most important.

When qualified the young solicitor may go as an assistant in the office of another to gain experience or with a view to becoming a partner in the firm, or he may set up in practice on his own or he may apply for one of the many legal appointments open to solicitors in

the Civil Service. The life of a successful solicitor is not as exacting as that of his opposite number at the Bar as the solicitor has his clerks to do much of his work for him. He misses the camaraderie of the Law Library but his work is generally more varied than the barrister’s and offers closer contact with the life of the ordinary man and generally it is much easier to get some sort of a start in the solicitor’s profession than at the Bar. Further the solicitor’s practice is a valuable piece of property which can be sold on death or retirement or passed on to a man’s family, the barrister’s practice dies with him. While the very successful at the Bar probably earn more than their fellows at the solicitor’s profession the general level of income is probably higher among solicitors.

A solicitor who has been in practice for five years may be called to the Bar on passing the Bar Final examination and complying with certain other requirements—it is not necessary for him to attend lectures or keep terms. The early years in practice as a solicitor are not generally as slow as at the Bar, and if the solicitor does decide to go to the Bar later his training as a solicitor will prove most valuable to him.

•Both branches of the profession are very much overcrowded and it should not be forgotten that barristers and solicitors here are confined to practice in the Twenty-six Counties. There are no openings for them outside apart from a limited number of appointments in the British Colonial Service. However the man who is strongly attracted to the Law will not be easily deterred by these difficulties, and he can be assured that either branch of the profession will offer him a most interesting career, and if he be conscientious, an opportunity of being of real service to his community.

At the Irish Embassy to the Vatican

IRELAND’S first Ambassador to the Vatican was Mr. P. J. Walshe, and in the opinion both of those who control such appointments and of visitors to Rome, the choice has been a happy one. As a boy Joseph Walsh was at Mungret in the years 1901-3, and shone at modern languages and the classics. On the sportsfield also, he was a promis-



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Villa Spada, the residence of the Irish Ambassador to the Vatican

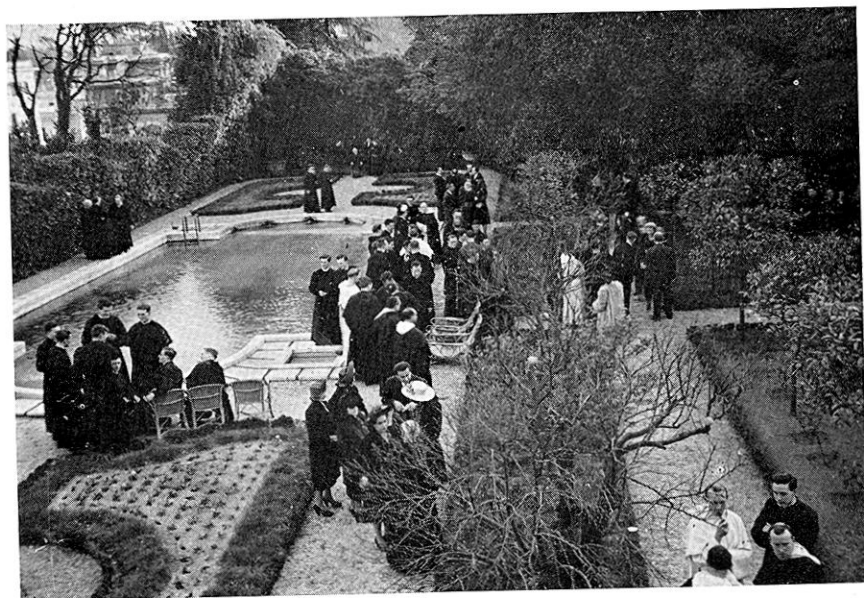
ing athlete. Later on at the University, he studied law, and got his M.A. and L.L.B. Instead of practising as a solicitor, he decided to take up an appointment in the Civil Service. At various periods he travelled widely, and wrote a fascinating article in the 1939 issue of the Annual on the Holy Land.

He had his first experience of the diplomatic service in the early days of 1919 with the



Courtesy of *Irish Tatler and Sketch*
The Ambassador with the President and Mrs. S. T. O'Kelly, and some of the Irish Colony

envoy of the Irish Republic—Mr. S. T. O'Kelly. It is interesting to record that the best friend they found abroad was at the Vatican, Pope Benedict XV. When the Free State was established, Mr. Walshe's linguistic gifts and experience on the Continent made him an obvious choice for the Department of External Affairs. In this sphere, which became



Courtesy of *Irish Tatler and Sketch*
In the Gardens of the Irish Embassy

of increasing importance, as International contacts were established, Mr. Walshe served under succeeding Governments, and became well versed in the confidential work of Foreign Relations. In 1931, he was sent to Rome to arrange for the coming of the Papal Nuncio in the succeeding year, and had a busy time during the Eucharistic Congress receiving distinguished visitors. His work also brought him to many International Conferences at Ottawa, London and Geneva. As Secretary of the most important Department of State, in the years of World War II, he fulfilled an office that called for delicate handling, in a manner that soon brought recognition. In 1946, the Legation at the Vatican was raised to the status of an Embassy—the first abroad, and Mr. Walshe was appointed Ambassador.



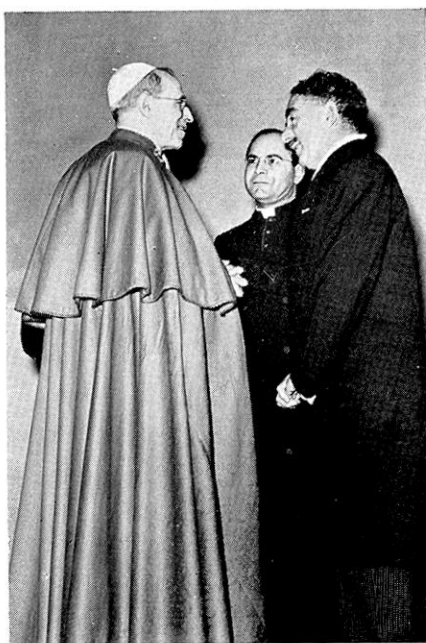
Courtesy of *Irish Independent*
The Ambassador entertains the Papal Nuncio, His Excellency, the Most Reverend Dr. G. P. O'Hara, before his departure for Ireland

In the Holy Year, a Pilgrimage from the College paid a visit to the Villa Spada, the Official Residence of the Embassy, and recently in a letter he gave some further interesting details about it.

Originally built by Cardinal Spada in the 17th century, it occupies a commanding site on the Janiculum Hill. Not far away lies the burial place of O'Neill and O'Donnell. Within the residence, the chapel plays an important element in the life of the Embassy. It contains murals depicting the life of St. Columbanus, by that promising Irish artist, Bernard McDonagh of Sligo. The stained glass window is due to the generosity of the

late Mr. William Dwyer of Cork. In the large room leading to the Chapel, Bernard McDonagh has done other murals illustrating the story of the early Irish Church. Dun Emer carpets recall the work of Irish craftsmanship. Beautiful gardens, such as one sees only in Italy, surround the building. A delightful swimming pool is another attraction.

The Ambassador dislikes formalities, and visitors have pleasant memories of the friendly Irish hospitality. In recent times when official duties permitted, his main interest has been in the building of the Chapel of St. Columbanus in the Crypt of St. Peter's. It is intended as a memorial to all the Irish men and women who from the fifth century to our own time have played a part in the building up of Christian civilisation. The success of this project, which is not yet completed, is due to the initiative of Mr. Walshe ; but perhaps we may speak on this subject another time.



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Irish Tatler and Sketch

His Holiness Pope Pius XII in conversation with

His Excellency P. J. Walshe

Public Examinations 1951

LEAVING CERTIFICATE.

Deasy T. ...	...	HONS	Irish, English, Geography. PASS : Latin, History, Mathematics. HONS CERTIFICATE.
FitzGerald P. ...	...	PASS :	Irish, English, Latin, History, Geography, Mathematics, Drawing. PASS CERTIFICATE.
Henegan. M. ...	...	HONS	Irish, English, French, History, Drawing. PASS : Latin, Mathematics. HONS CERTIFICATE.
Hickey R. ...	...	PASS :	Irish, English, Latin, French, History, Mathematics. PASS CERTIFICATE.
Hurley S. ...	...	HONS :	History. PASS : Irish, English, Latin, Geography, Mathematics. PASS CERTIFICATE.
Kavanagh D. ...	...	HONS :	Irish PASS : English, Latin, History, Geography, Mathematics, Drawing. PASS CERTIFICATE.
Kilkelly R. ...	...	PASS :	Irish, English, Latin, Mathematics, Drawing, Commerce.
Leen A. ...	...	HONS :	English. PASS : Irish, Latin, History, Mathematics, Drawing, Commerce. PASS CERTIFICATE.
McArdle J. ...	...	HONS :	Irish, English, Latin. PASS : French, History. HONOURS CERTIFICATE.
McGough J. ...	...	HONS :	Irish, English, Latin, History. PASS : French, Mathematics. HON CERTIFICATE.
McKeown P. ...	...	HONS :	Irish, English, History. PASS : Latin, French, Geography Mathematics, Drawing. HONS : CERTIFICATE.
McMahon J. ...	...	PASS :	Irish, English, Latin, French, History. PASS : CERTIFICATE.
Moran F. ...	...	HONS :	Irish, English, Latin, French, History. PASS CERTIFICATE.
Moran J. ...	...	HONS :	Irish, English Latin French, History. PASS : Mathematics. HONS CERTIFICATE.
O'Connell A. ...	...	PASS :	Irish, English, Latin, History, Geography, Mathematics. PASS CERTIFICATE.
O'Connell N. ...	...	HONS :	Irish, English, Latin, French, PASS : History, Mathematics. HONS CERTIFICATE.
O'Driscoll T. ...	...	PASS :	Irish, English, Latin, History, Geography Mathematics PASS : CERTIFICATE.
O'Farrell M. ...	...	PASS :	Irish English, Latin, History, Geography, Mathematics, Drawing. PASS CERTIFICATE.
O'Rourke P. ...	...	PASS :	Irish, English, Latin, History, Geography, Drawing. PASS CERTIFICATE.
Toomey S. ...	...	HONS. :	Irish, English, Latin, History, Geography,. PASS : Mathematics. HONS CERTIFICATE.
Webb W. ...	...	HONS. :	History. PASS : Irish, English, Latin, Mathematics Commerce. PASS CERTIFICATE.

MATRICULATION

The following qualified for Matriculation 1951:

Deasy T.	Hurley S.	McGough J.	O'Driscoll T.
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Henegan M.	Kilkelly R.	Moran F.	Toomey S.
Hickey R.	Leen A.	O'Connell A.	Webb W.
	McArdle J.	O'Connell N.	

INTERMEDIATE CERTIFICATE

Bergin M. ...	... HONS.:	English. PASS: Irish, Latin, History, Geography, Drawing. PASS CERTIFICATE.
Bogue W. ...	... HONS.:	English, Latin, French, History-Geography, Mathematics. PASS: Irish. HONS. CERTIFICATE.
Boyle T. ...	... HONS.:	English, Latin. PASS: Irish, Mathematics, Commerce. PASS CERTIFICATE.
Carey E. ...	... HONS.:	Latin. PASS: English, History-Geography, Mathematics. PASS CERTIFICATE.
Considine J. ...	... HONS.:	English, Latin, History-Geography. PASS: Irish, Mathematics. HONS. CERTIFICATE.
Cosgrove M. ...	... PASS:	Irish, English, Mathematics, Drawing. PASS: CERTIFICATE.
Curry E. ...	... HONS.:	English, Latin, History-Geography, Mathematics. PASS: Irish Commerce. HONS. CERTIFICATE.
Dempsey B. ...	... HONS.:	English, Latin, History-Geography.... PASS: Irish, French, Mathematics. HONS CERTIFICATE.
Gorman T. ...	... HONS.:	Irish, English, Latin, French, History-Geography, Mathematics. HONS. CERTIFICATE.
Guiry E. ...	... PASS:	Irish, English, Latin, History-Geography, Mathematics, Drawing, Commerce. PASS CERTIFICATE.
Harnett J. ...	... HONS.:	History-Geography. PASS: Irish, English, Latin, Mathematics. PASS CERTIFICATE.
Harnett P. ...	... HONS.:	English, History-Geography, PASS: Irish, Latin, Mathematics. Drawing. PASS CERTIFICATE.
Harris R. ...	... HONS.:	English, Latin. PASS: Irish, French, History-Geography, Mathematics. HONS.: CERTIFICATE.
Hickey L. ...	... HONS.:	Irish, English, Latin, French, History-Geography, Mathematics. Drawing. HONS. CERTIFICATE.
Hickey N. ...	... HONS.:	English, Latin, History-Geography. PASS: Irish, Mathematics. HONS. CERTIFICATE.
Keyes M. ...	... HONS.:	Irish, English, Latin, History-Geography, Mathematics. HONS. CERTIFICATE.
Killeen M. ...	... HONS.:	Irish, English, Latin, History-Geography, PASS: French, Mathematics. HONS. CERTIFICATE.
Lane J. ...	... HONS.:	Irish, English, Latin, History-Geography, Mathematics. HONS. CERTIFICATE.

Long B. ...	... HONS.:	Irish, English, Latin, History-Geography, Mathematics. HONS. CERTIFICATE
MacCurtain W. ...	... HONS.:	English. PASS: Irish, Latin, History-Geography, Mathematics. PASS CERTIFICATE.
McDermott M. ...	... HONS.:	Latin. PASS: Irish, English, History-Geography, Mathematics. PASS CERTIFICATE.
McDermott N. ...	... HONS.:	English, Latin, Mathematics. PASS: Irish, French, History. Geography. HONS. CERTIFICATE.
McDonagh G. T. ...	... HONS.:	Irish, English, Drawing. PASS: Latin, History-Geography, Mathematics. HONS. CERTIFICATE.
McGrath P. ...	... HONS.:	Irish, English, Latin, History-Geography, Mathematics. PASS: Drawing. HONS. CERTIFICATE.
McSweeney P. ...	... HONS.:	Irish, English, History-Geography, PASS: Latin, Mathematics, Drawing. HONS. CERTIFICATE.
Meaney N. ...	... HONS.:	English, Latin, History-Geography, Mathematics. PASS: Irish, French. HONS. CERTIFICATE.
Mitchell C. ...	... HONS.:	Latin, History-Geography. PASS: Irish, English, Mathematics. HONS. CERTIFICATE.
Morgan C. ...	... HONS.:	English, PASS: Irish, Latin, History-Geography, Mathematics, Drawing. PASS CERTIFICATE.
Moynihan G. ...	... HONS.:	Latin, History-Geography. PASS: Irish, English, Mathematics. PASS CERTIFICATE.
Murphy M. ...	... HONS.:	Irish. PASS: English, Latin, Mathematics, Commerce, PASS CERTIFICATE.
Nolan G. ...	... HONS.:	English, History-Geography. PASS: Irish, Latin, Mathematics. HONS. CERTIFICATE.
O'Carroll B. ...	... HONS.:	Latin. PASS: Irish, English, History-Geography, Mathematics. PASS CERTIFICATE
O'Leary T. ...	... HONS.:	English, Latin, Mathematics. Drawing. PASS: History-Geography, Commerce. HONS. CERTIFICATE.
O'Regan J. ...	... HONS.:	Irish, English, Latin, History-Geography, Mathematics, Drawing. HONS. CERTIFICATE.
Pierse J. D. ...	... HONS.:	English, Mathematics, Drawing. PASS: Latin History-Geography. HONS. CERTIFICATE.
Reynolds T. ...	... HONS.:	English, Latin, History-Geography. PASS: Irish, French. Mathematics. HONS. CERTIFICATE.
Ryan, C. ...	... HONS.:	English, Latin, History-Geography. PASS: Irish, French, Mathematics. HONS.: CERTIFICATE.
Stanley, P. ...	... HONS.:	Irish, English, History-Geography. PASS: Latin. HONS. CERTIFICATE.

Social Study Circle

Royal Irish Academy of Music Results

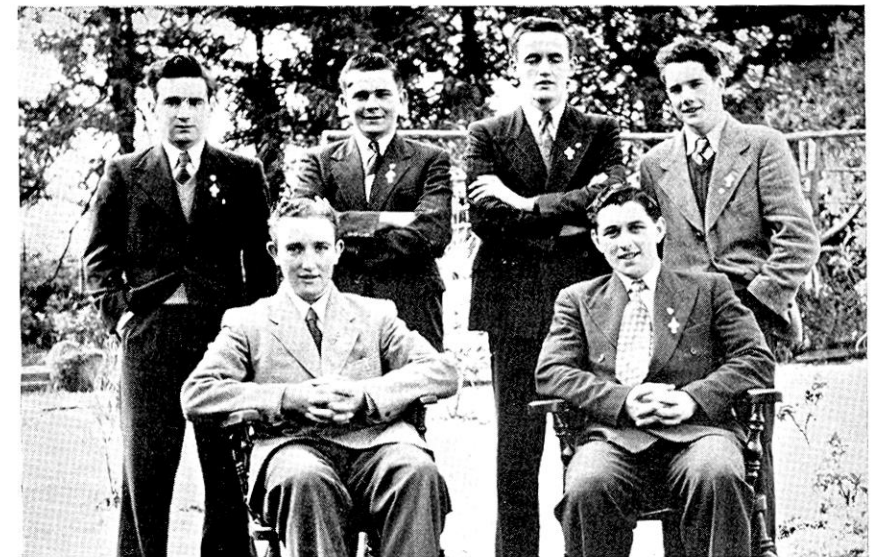
Nolan D. ...	...	Piano	...	...	Grade VII	...	1st Hons.
Corry P. ...	...	Piano	...	...	Grade VI	...	Pass
McCarthy N. ...	...	Piano	...	...	Grade VI	...	Pass
O'Connell J. ...	...	Piano	...	...	Grade VI	...	Pass
Curry E. ...	...	Piano	...	...	Grade VI	...	Pass
Hickey L. ...	...	Piano	...	...	Grade V	...	Pass
James B. C. ...	...	Piaon	...	...	Grade V	...	2nd Hons.
Keyes M. ...	...	Piano	...	...	Grade V	...	2nd Hons.
McDermott M. ...	...	Piano	...	...	Grade V	...	Pass
Hickey N. ...	...	Piano	...	...	Grade IV	...	2nd Nons
Toomey S. ...	...	Piano	...	...	Grade IV	...	2nd Hons.
Young L. ...	...	Piano	...	...	Grade IV	...	pass
Collins M. ...	...	Piano	...	...	Grade III	...	Pass
Hardiman B. ...	...	Piano	...	...	Grade II	...	2nd Hons.
Murphy J. G. ...	...	Piano	...	...	Grade II	...	Pass
Ryan C. ...	...	Piano	...	...	Grade II	...	2nd Hons.
Watson T. ...	...	Piano	...	...	Grade II	...	Pass
Hennessy V. ...	...	Piano	...	...	Grade I	...	2nd Hons.
Morgan C. ...	...	Piano	...	...	Grade I	...	Pass
O'Carroll B. ...	...	Piano	...	...	Grade I	...	1st Hons
O'Carroll P. ...	...	Piano	...	...	Grade I	...	1st Hons.
O'Higgins M. ...	...	Piano	...	...	Grade I	...	Pass
Woods J. ...	...	Piano	...	...	Grade I	...	Pass
Dolan N. ...	...	Piano	...	...	Prim.	...	2nd Hons.
Kelly Jn. ...	...	Piano	...	...	Prim.	...	2nd Hons.
Kelly Jos. ...	...	Piano	...	...	Prim.	...	2nd Hons.
Slattery D. ...	...	Piano	...	...	Prim.	...	2nd Hons.
Ryan A. ...	...	Violin.	...	...	Grade VII	...	2nd Hons.
Flannelly E. ...	...	Violin	...	...	Grade VI	...	2nd Hons.
FitzMaurice J. ...	...	Violin	...	...	Grade II	...	2nd Hons.

SPONTANEOUS applications to the Social Study Circle were received from the very beginning of term, both from last year's adherents and from new aspirants. This was an encouraging sign of the interest taken in social matters.

All felt the loss of Mr. Michael Hurley, the inaugurator of the Circle, who has left us for Louvain, another ancient seat of learning. His letters show that it retains a special place in his affections.

Membership of the Circle is confined to the older boys and is voluntary. Its meetings took place twice each month, on Sundays during evening recreation. A zealous nucleus

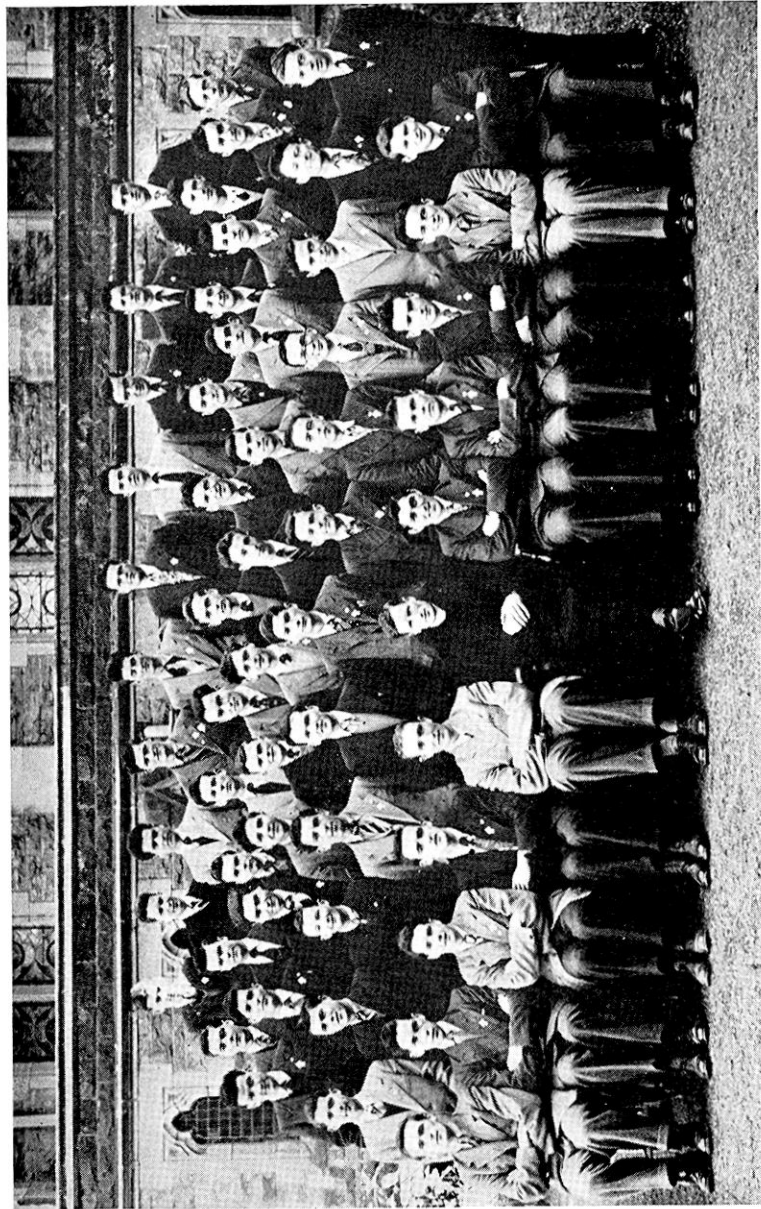
THE PREFECTS



STANDING (L. TO R.): V. Phillips, P. Curry, E. Flannelly, J. Fahy.
SEATED (L. TO R.): J. Moore (CAPTAIN), M. O'Shea.

attended regularly without fail, others anxious to attend regularly were quite frequently impeded by the many other activities of a voluntary nature on foot in the House, which is not lacking in domestic social activities.

The chief work during the year was the laying of a solid foundation in social principles by the study of the Encyclical Quadragesimo Anno. This was also the logical consequent to last year's study of Rerum Novarum. The general aim was to get a sound knowledge of basic principles concerning fundamental matters such as:- the imprescriptable and inalienable rights of man, due to his rational nature and his dignity as a human person, the Family and its position and rights as the fundamental unit of Society, the State, its true function and rights and duties, and their limitation by the prior rights of the individual and the family and the common good. With some grasp of these, current



K. McCabe, D. Baratte, B. Cotrulia, D. Nolan, G. Moyrihan, E. Curry, J. O'Carroll, J. O'Regan, J. W. Pierce.
 T. Teahan, P. Byrne, C. Hennessy, C. Scanlan, T. Boyle, N. Meaney, J. Lane, J. D. Pierce, C. Morgan, P. O'Connor, M. Cosgrove.
 M. McCarthy, S. Connolly, S. Guiney, W. Costello, E. Guiry, M. Murphy, N. Hickey, P. Doherty, C. Ryan, L. Hickey, H. Ryan.
 B. James, D. O'Connor, D. Silke, R. O'Brien, G. McDonagh, L. Young, B. Kingston, T. Finnerty, J. O'Connell, T. O'Neill,
 A. Ryan, M. Pierce.
 L. Parkinson, P. Locke, J. Fahy, E. Flannelly, J. Moore, Rev. Father Brennan, M. O'Shea, P. Curry, V. Phillips, J. Scanlon, R. Parkinson.

topics such as strikes, wages, relation of employer and employed, state legislation, speeches in the Dail erroneous views about the State etc. could be discussed. There is little profit in discussing particular topics unless, fundamental principles are fairly well understood. To give this understanding is the earnest endeavour of the Study Circle.

Unfortunately there was no lack of current difficulties, especially enduring strikes, for discussion. It was noticed that it was not easy to get clear accounts of such matters in the daily papers, also that there was an absence of criticism in the presentation of news of important matters of a social or ethical nature, and little or no attempt to estimate their rights and wrongs in the light of sound principle; so that a sociologist, or even a thinking person does not gain very much from the newspapers as written at present. The Popes have stressed the importance of the Apostolate of the institution of the great modern press. Perhaps the endeavours of groups like our Social Study Circle may in the future bear fruit in this department, such as befits a Catholic and educated community. The Study Circle implements the very useful curricular social programme. The curriculum cannot accomplish everything, voluntary effort is called for, and through it our great educational establishments, with their valuable traditions and experience can do very much.

An encouraging appreciation of the Circle was received from one of the recent Past, whose interest it had aroused in social questions. This, it is hoped, may be taken as a sign that the limited amount that can be done in our Social Study Circle is not without its good effect in this very important and urgent branch of the Church's apostolate.

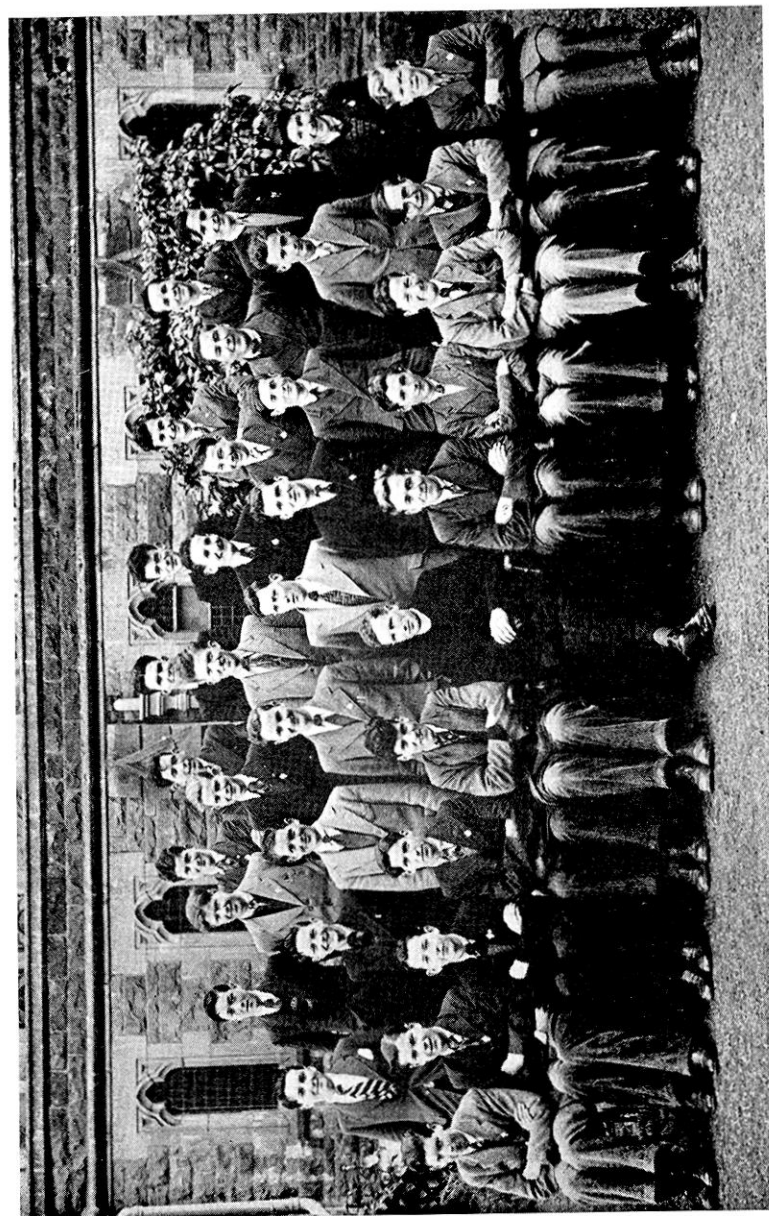
Meetings were always begun with the invocation of St. Joseph, under whose Patronage the great work of combatting the atheistic teachings of the Church's and Societies' greatest enemies has been placed by the Holy Father.

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(CONFERENCE OF ST. NESSAN)

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THE boys of first Club were all members of the Conference. A Conference in a boarding school has not that touch of human interest which comes from the constant dealing and visiting of cases and has to make up for that lack, by reading the accounts and reports of the Society. We have only one case during the year that of an old woman living by herself. To help her with provisions we have opened an account in a local shop. In order to carry out this weekly charity the Committee held a sale of colours and organised a raffle on the Grand National which added greatly to our funds. We are very grateful to the boys of the college for their constant support to the collections and their contribution to the poor-box. The chief aim of the Conference is that the members acquire some knowledge of the work of the Senior Conferences, so that when they leave College they join their own local senior Conference.

Ode to Death

By M. MACKEN (3A)

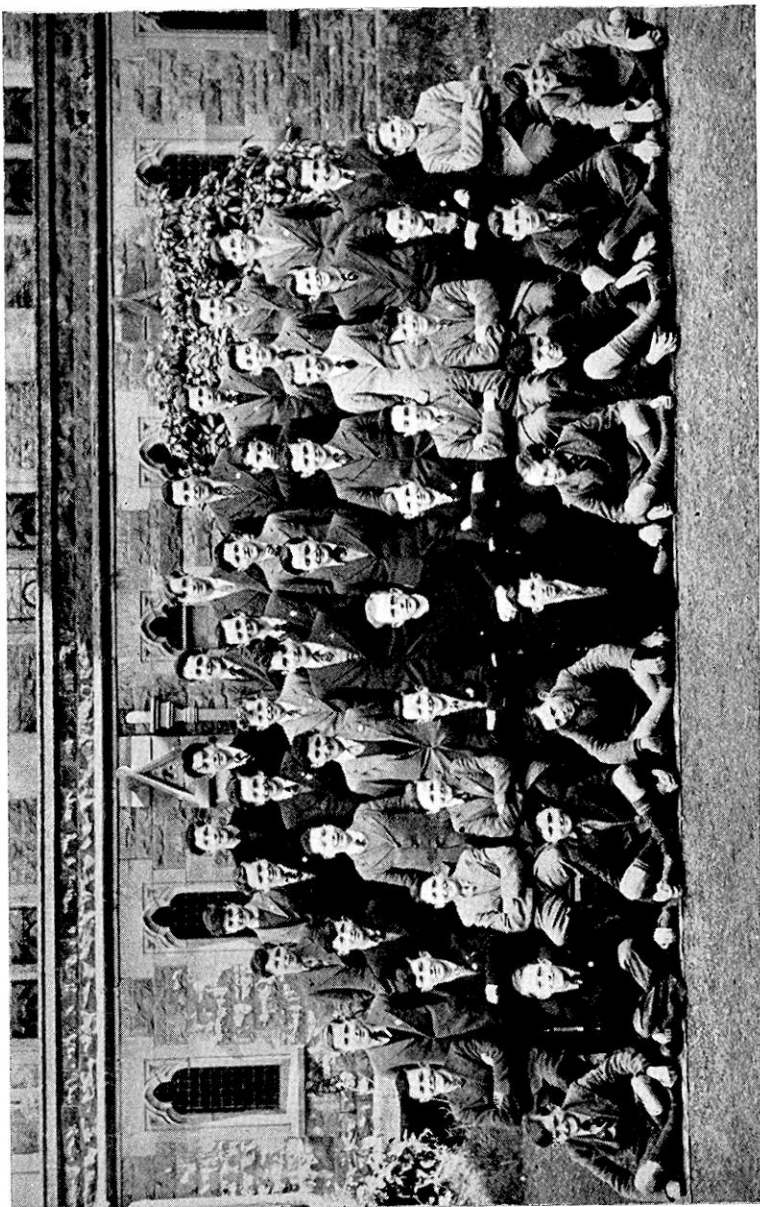
Many a time and oft I've seen you
 Quietly waiting for the prey,
 Now I feel your fingers on me
 For this is my dying day.

See my friends around me weeping
 Kinsmen moaning at my bed,
 Soon I'll leave this happy country
 For the kingdom of the Dead.

You have conquered kings and princes
 Popes and bishops, soldiers true,
 Yet you come to take a poor man
 Who has ne'er done harm to you.

But above, my Father waits
 To receive me in His arms
 There alone you cannot enter
 Not with all your griefs and harms.

But now I feel your fingers tighten
 And slowly comes my dying breath
 Do thy worst, why should I fear thee,
 Come, O Come O living Death.



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SEPTEMBER

5th—"Laden with luggage we totter in
Weary with woe and with fear
Torn with some terrible thoughts of
the days,
That were coming, but now that are
here."

6th—We confidently congratulate J.
Moore, M. O Shea, E. Flannelly, P. Curry,
J. Fahy and V. Phillips on their new
offices. We anticipate many half-days
got through their oratorical eloquence
blended with an emotional appeal.

7th—"We remember the corridors the
classrooms and the desks,
But we're hazy what happened last
season,
You'll excuse us while if the things
that we write,
Are a bit scant of rhyme and of
reason."

8th—Apostolics welcome Father
MacSeumais.

"Fr. McAvooy has gone and has left us
Our hearts after him feel sore
But we hope that this Vice-Superior
Will cheer our hearts once more"

9th—Sunday with a difference
"Oh why these faces all aglow
Oh why these smiles so gay"

Well if the reason you would know
There's no exam. to-day."

10th—A stout representative of 3rd.
Club makes a quick dive in the refectory
to duck a flying missile.

"What's the matter Bernard"
"Oh I'm a bit sick Father"
"But why duck like that,"?
"I thought it might pass over."

11th—

"Who is that man with the dancing feet,
His hair is fair, his smile is sweet
Who scored that wonder goal to-day
With a master bit of play,
It isn't you, it isn't me,
Dear no, 'tis Dan. our referee."

13th—Disastrous news to-day on the
radio. Gloom descends on the College.
"Who hath wrought this dread amaze,"
The price of comics has gone up a penny.

14th—Hurling captains elected. Con-
gratulations to Mick and Bas.
"Look lads' cried Mick" I speak the truth
There's no need to dissemble
We have a team of skill and youth
Let Munchins fear and tremble
They won the hurling cup last year,
This year 'twon't be the same"
And sure we gave a rousing cheer,
"This year 'tis Mungret's game."

15th—Father McAvoy's rockery goes into decline.

*"There's nothing left of me
My gardener's gone away
No food for the honey bee,
I'm fallen to decay."*

16th—Father Hughes holds auditions for the choir and says there's plenty of hidden talent as he hasn't found any.

*"The tables shook, the windows rattled
To drown the noises, the wireless battled,*



Bob shows how it's done

The notes blared thundrous, firm and steady,

"Tis the end of the world" says sweet voiced Eddie."

17th—
*Unwelcome visitor to the study hall,
"Out, out, the study prefect cried in tones
to chill with fear,
Out, Out, you rash intruder you shall not
study here.*

*Do you recognise an order sir or have you
any sense,*

*I pray you do not stare me with such
flagrant insolence.*

*But seeing his words availed as much as
speaking to a log,
He had enough—and by the scruff he lifted
out the dog."*

18th—Retreat opens.

*Silent, O Tongues, go ye and slumber,
For the next three days let's hear no murmur.*

19th—Retreat—Angelic faces.

20th—Retreat—Still silence.

21th—Retreat—The end in sight.

22th—Retreat ends,—Long walks.
Apples blushing in all their glory on the
wayside are a strong temptation, but
we remember Adam and Eve, and yield
not.

23rd—The question of Hamlets
sanity is weighing very heavily on 6A
intellects.

*"Was Hamlet mad as a "hatter" or a tiny
bit "off the screw"*

*At times he seems after a "batter"
There's times when he's sober too.
Often he gives an oration
That proves he has caution and craft
Oh stop all this vague speculation
For Hamlet is driving me daft."*

24th—

*"Timothy thought he should sing for his
supper,
He sang us a lovely old ballad,
At least he began,
Try to guess if you can,
What we did on that day with our salad"*

26th—Father Hughes has a suspicion in
class that P. C-ry is trying a new brand
of chewing gum for the States. Pat,
however, replies that he is merely licking
his lips after last night's celebration.

27th—

*"Oh readers this school is a wonderful sight
There the lads are all working by day and
by night,
Either digging up paths or shovelling up
soil,
Perhaps we'll strike coal boys, or maybe
some oil."*

28th—Even the farm-stock are becoming
more refined. A horse visits the Plan-
tation, and plucks a Dahlia.

29th—Central heating system being
changed over to oil these days. Big
structural alterations on the corridor.
Marble slabs disappear.

*"Oh I could cry—the pipes, the pipes are
falling,
From every wall adown the corridor
The slabs are gone and is it not appalling
That ancient game of push penny's no
more,
It matters not when Autumn gilds the
meadows,
—But when the valley's hushed and white
with snow,*



"The Old Firm"—Martin and Joe

*Ah in the time of biting frost and shadows
If there not fixed, ah then we'll miss them so."*

30th—Rockwell visit us to-day, and
we defeat them by a substantial margin
in hurling.

OCTOBER

2nd—Threshing begins to-day.

*"They heave and strain, and grunt with
pain,
Until the sun's decline,
While we all day, had dreamt away,
But still they say 'twas fine."*

3rd—L. Y—g "I wonder what I'll
do when I get the Leaving Cert?"
B. K.—s—n "Get the old age pension"

4th—

*"How happy is he, who with utmost skill
Can bend the Vice-Superior to his will,
And on the corridor at ease remains,
While all the rest must go to games."*

5th—We welcome Father O'Regan before his journey to Australia.. He says Mass for us.

Joe He—e—y tells us that they went to school together six years ago—in Mungret.

6th—Third Club Debating Committee meet behind closed doors. Brian Coogan becomes Secretary. Mr. Cremins S.J. is to help him with the correspondence.

7th—For the first time in many years, 2nd Club defeat 3rd club in their annual encounter in hurling.

10th—
*"Oh there are two midges in this school
One face is like another's
They laugh and sometimes play the fool,
And they're called the Rooney brothers."*

Keane Cup. Hurling team defeat Christians by a sound margin.

11th—Playday. We try hard to establish some family connection in Limerick, but, Father Rector refuses to go back any farther than the Norman Conquest.

13th—Gaelic games but not according to G.A.A. rules. The Prefect speculates on Rugby chances.

*"The Prefect is filled with great bliss
And he says as he watches the game
If at Rugby they tackle like this
We're certain to win Rugby fame."*

14th—Noises in Apostolics' Dormitory

*"Oh sleep it is a gentle thing
Beloved from pole to pole,
But snoring is a fearful thing,
It shakes my little soul."*

15th—Father E—s in the middle of a crowd means potato picking has started. R. Don—g—n claims that he has just the physique for the job, and has a strong argument with J. Moore.

16th—Spud Picking.

*"Oh men from the fields
Come softly within
Tread softly softly,
And make no din.
The others are studying
Or, at least, they should be,
And the noise of your tramping
Will waken 2B."*

17th—One of the Land Army brings a frog into the Refectory

"Ye noble ode, to commemorate this episode."

*"Every eye was filled with horror and our
loathing dread increased,
As with bound and fearless swagger round
the ref. advance the "Beast"
Inmate of the dark morasses smokey swamp
and quaking mire
With his baleful eyes of evil shooting rays
of lurid fire,
Forward bravely came our captain, and
we lined up in a row,
Leaving him alone to combat equal matched
against the foe,
Forthwith then began the struggle, and we
watched with bated breath,
Every strategy and movement in this game
of life and death.,
But at last our hero triumphed, and with
burning palms we clapped,
And we all resumed our eating, now the
wicked frog was trapped."*

18th—Good game with Munchins ends in a draw. Brendan Long loses some blood on the field, but says he will be able to resume next summer.

Crescent beat the J.C.T. in a friendly match.

23rd—Study door jammed and refuses to open for awhile.

*"The 3rd clubbers seem to like the joke,
With mirth they heave and they rock
But the Prefect's wondering what he'll do,
To the lad who plugged the lock."*

25th—

*"We wake from our sleep to a bellowing
sound,
Loud words and expressions being shouted
all around,
But promptly we're told it is rather too late
At this time of night to rehearse a debate."*

28th—First Club allowed in to see Garryowen v. Lourdes Rugby team

29th—After seeing the Lourdes team, we play Rugby a la Francais.

*"Aux pieds Mes amis, Away with the
ball,
Ne tombez pas maintenant, careful don't
fall"*

*Hatez-vous, Hatez-vous, pass the ball chum,
Ecoutez le whistle, nous aurons un scrum,
Et si vous wonder what is all that,
Remember nous tâchons être Jean Prat"*

30th—Half the school have gone nuts—the other half crackers.

31st—Hallow-eeen Tragedy.

*"A boy with much common sense lacking,
Thought his teeth would do fine for nut
cracking,
A short tale to tell,
A few teeth cracked as well,
So now for a dentist he's tracking."*



"If you have a job to do, give it to us. Transport to any part of the world. Carfuel drivers guaranteed"

19th—Father McDonald in 4A "4² and 2⁴ what's the difference"? R. H—r—s "Yes Father that's what I say, what is the difference?"

20th—Playday in honour of St. Ignatius Pictures to-night. Odette.

21st—6A Exam. Only 4 questions to be attempted, but only 4 on the paper—a paradox, a paradox a most ingenious paradox.

22nd—Remarkable effect of Pictures on youth in 3B.

Master: Where is Capetown?

Pupil: "I have nothing to say"

Master: "Have you any exercise done?"

Pupil: "I have nothing to say."

NOVEMBER

1st—Feast of All Saints. Playday.
*"Well we know the beauties of sweet Raheen
 by now,
 The winding lane the placid grazing cow.
 The erring youth who seeks forbidden
 The stern look, the poor delinquent greets."*

Concert to-night. R. Ca—idy brings in some tomatoes. We fear the worst, however, during the classical pieces he eats them.

3rd—Wise sixth year counsellor to one not so fortunate "Now you will have to find your own feet in the world" By the size of them, he will need the big open spaces.

4th—We give a hearty welcome to the Past for the Annual Rugby match. The Present win by 17-11.

*'Such giants of the past as Martin and Tony,
 And Peter whose kick brought us trophies and joys,
 And others as weighty and equally bony,
 Had smoked far too much to beat Vince and the boys.'*

5th—Maths. Teacher: "You've said 'Ah' 17 times in 2 minutes, how often

would you say it in 5 minutes?

R. MacD—ld "Aaaaaaaaah"

8th—Playday. Folax gets witty
 "What did the red soap say to the green soap?" "Give me your Palm-Olive"
 "What did the green soap say to the red soap?" "Not on your Life-Buoy."

Pictures to-night "The Wooden Horse."

12th—Slim sees a ghost.

*"Old manors and such like can boast,
 Of an elderly family ghost,
 Who's seen on the battlements grey,
 When the moon and the sunshine hold sway,
 But such old fashioned sprites can't compare
 As our terrified B-L can declare,
 With our modern spirit in black,
 Who cycled a bike round the track."*

14th—The Philosophers Hut is being modernised. Ash trays are being installed.

15th—Under 17s v. Glenstal. Not so hot. After a reshuffle of the back line, we emerge lucky winners by 3pts. nil. J. Murphy gets the score.

16th—Work on the new path becomes serious.



Speeding up the Game

*"Martin Curran is there
 With his face set and grim,
 While his helpers are aching
 In muscle and limb,
 He gives out the orders
 With such a sweet smile
 That even John Murphy
 He can beguile"*

18th—Games. J. C. T. defeated 9-6 by a strong Scouts team.

20th—P. Curry gets a 'kind' friend to write a speech in Irish, and with the best intentions produces fireworks.

*"It's dangerous in a discussion
 In a language you don't understand
 To read out a short declamation,
 Of someone who lends you a hand,
 For if he's a practical joker,
 Or has taken a jocular fad,
 You say to a startled debater,
 My honourable sir—you are mad."*

22nd—Soap is a very useful commodity, but Lo—s Sm—th finds it doesn't go well with tea.

23rd—
*"Oft in the stilly night,
 Ere slumber's chain hath bound me
 Dark nightmares cloud my sight,
 When W—h flings shoes about me."*

24th—A Nightmare before the Maths. Exam.

*"At dead of night when all was quiet
 I dreamt I saw a dreadful sight,
 Square lines and points in war array
 With hordes of yelling formulae,
 Their banners crest was ABC,
 Their battle cry was Q.E.D.
 With circle shields and secant brands
 And polar daggers in their hands."*

*Their chief, 'Cosine' in tangent garb,
 Came riding on a rhombus barb,*

*Co-axel circles hemmed the flanks,
 And bristling angles manned the ranks.
 I turned around and tried to flee,
 But they were far too fleet for me,
 They barred my path with curses fell,
 And then, Thank God, the Morning Bell."*

27th—Public Debate against Crescent in Limerick. All traffic disrupted. Crowds rush the doors. Well, perhaps it wasn't quite so bad, but an audience of 200 intellectuals come to hear us with a sprinkling of those who came to see what we looked like. We suppose the motion that "A Partioned Ireland should take part in the next War," and win by 40 votes.

28th—Final Trial to pick the Munster School Team in Cork. Our representatives move off.

*"They've shaved, they've washed, they've
 combed their hair,
 They've donned their well pressed suits,
 They all have flashy ties to wear,
 They've scraped and brushed their boots,
 They've made their plans—to tackle hard,
 to bind in scrum and ruck,
 And as they leave the College gates,
 We wish them—" Best of luck."*

29th—Congratulations to J. Moore.

DECEMBER

2nd—Under 17s v. Munchins. Our opponents field a heavier team, but we manage to outmanoeuvre them and win by 14-6. Watson, Hickey, and Fahy get a try each and Keyes converts, and gets a penalty.

3rd—Feast of St. Francis Xavier. One of our strong Devotions. Father Naughton takes us on walks.

*"Across the land we march together,
Through bogs, through fields, and purple
heather,
Through hail, through rain we brave the
weather.
But just to-day we get a feed,
So aching feet, we do not heed."*

'Flicks' to-night.

5th—Vac. in sight, no more of this dangerous early rising.

*"The year is near its end,
And the day's at the morn,
The bell goes at seven,
I regret I was born.
Early to rise,
I'm sure it ain't wise.
But early to bed,
I'll stay here instead."*



"Hope it grows." Tim and Leo give a demonstration

7th—Debate to-night. Motions taken out of the hat. Overheard during motion on Radio Eireann: "It's a great country

surely, we pay 10/- a year to Radio Eireann to listen to the B.B.C."

8th—Congratulations to New Sodalists. An agonised roar at 5 a.m. this morning "Get me outa here." But it is only Paddy Curry, who fell into the waste paper basket starting off for Dublin. Wild enthusiasm in Third Club. P. O Carroll beats P. Kelly in the Billiard Tournament.

9th—We welcome Landsowne R.F.C. on their first visit to Mungret. They pay us a compliment by bringing a strong team which includes stalwarts like D. Crowley and an old friend P. Berkery. They win also, by 24-12, but :

*"Though losing the game we suffered no shame,
For we held up the red, yellow, black,
For who can complain of a team that can score,
Three times against Munster's full back."*

10th—Third Club held its Final Debate of the Term last night. R. Burdon takes the Laurels.

• 11th—We go into Thomond Park to see the Springboks play.

*"They certainly were brawny
You couldn't call them soft,
And certainly each swarthy paw,
Could give a nice hand off.
But when the Munster forwards,
Began to really play,
The Springboks felt unhappy,
They ever came that day."*

12th Strong rumours that the Community are training secretly for the Soccer match against us on Sunday.

13th—Leagues in the Apostolic School get exciting :

*"The Leagues are followed with such love
and delight,
That often they end in a nice friendly fight,
As some man in desire his ardour to show,
Kicks ball and opponent, unorthodox you
know."*

14th—Some one who got up early, says he thinks he saw some of the Probables of the Community XI, doing some sprinting early in the morning.

15th—Strange visitor to the study this evening—a real mouse. D. O Br—n greets him as an old pal.

*"He sat upon a theme book,
And gazed from left to right,
I'm sure he felt offended,
When we laughed with all our might."*

16th—Big event to-day. Boys v. Community XI in big Soccer game. Br. Brady stars with his feet, and Mr. Cox makes good use of his chest. The long odds on the Community XI shortened as

the game progressed, and the game ends in a draw.

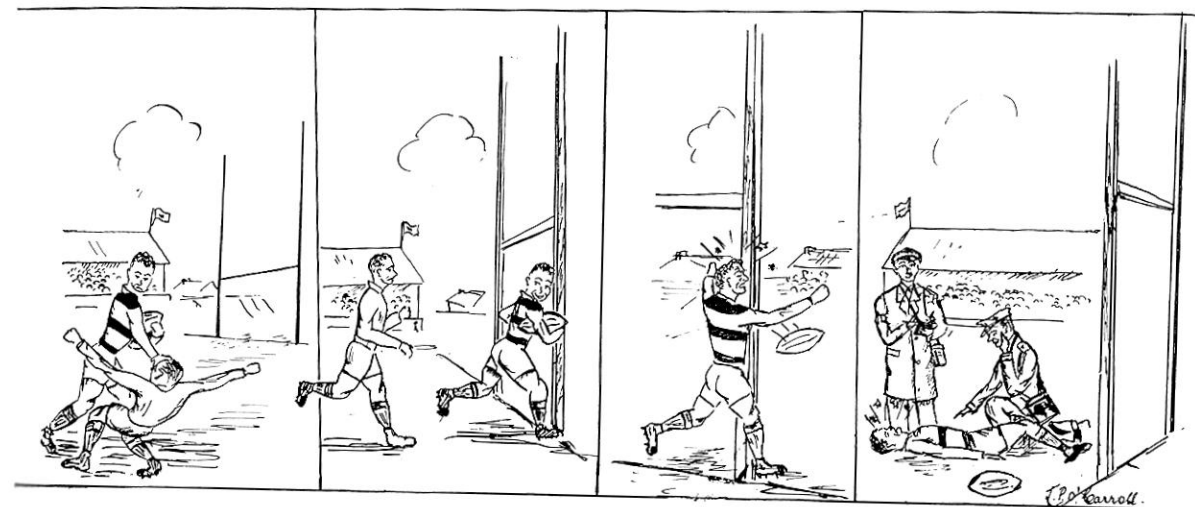
*"They may not look impressive,
They may have hairs of grey,
Their football boots may have hung,
For many a lengthy day.*

*—In theory they were hopeless
Too ancient for the fray,
But when it came to action,
They showed us they could play."*

17th—Blossom Time to-night. We offer our congratulations to the Caste and Father Hughes.

19th—Opera again to night and an improved performance.

20th—
*"Love comes at Blossomtime,
When earth to life is springing,
But when Vac. comes at Christmas time,
We walk the avenue singing."*



cumann na gaeilge

Reádtairne : an tA.C. Ó CURRAIDÍN, S.I.

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Coirte : an Rúnaí, S. Ó MÓRDA, S. Ó SCANNLÁM.

B' í bliain maíe páruil as an gCumann arís i mbliana. Leanad' den gharra, ac' deimead' an t-achú reo—na baili a n-aimmeada' do éadairt irteac' ina mbeirtib', agus gac' beirt aca an gaeilge do éleactad' dá réir, ar fead' adairt áiríro ama gac' lá, agus go gcuirfí an euro ba líofa camte oíob' irteac' ar feiríú an fáinne as veirte na bliana. Glacad' le fíde ball ra gharra, agus cuiread' naonbair oíob' irteac' ar feiríú an fáinne óir, i mí áibreáim, agus o' éirí leo. B' í caigheán maíe órádeacta as na oíoppóireactaí, agus ré an cúir Dlí an puo ba mó' a éarraig camte, agus a cúir na baili as camte. O' éirí go reoig leir an oráma a léiríomar ar oíde féile pádrais. Ir teirtear é ar beoet an Cumann.

An Céad Chruinniú, 7 Deire Fómhair. Do múnig an Reádtairne curpóir an Cumann, do toigad' an Coirte. B' í gac' as na baili a b' í ra gCumann anurad'.

An Dara Chruinniú, 22 Deire Fómhair. "Sé an feirmeoir an tóime ir lú in éirínn a deimeann áirígead'."

An Rialtar Aor. Ó Riam.
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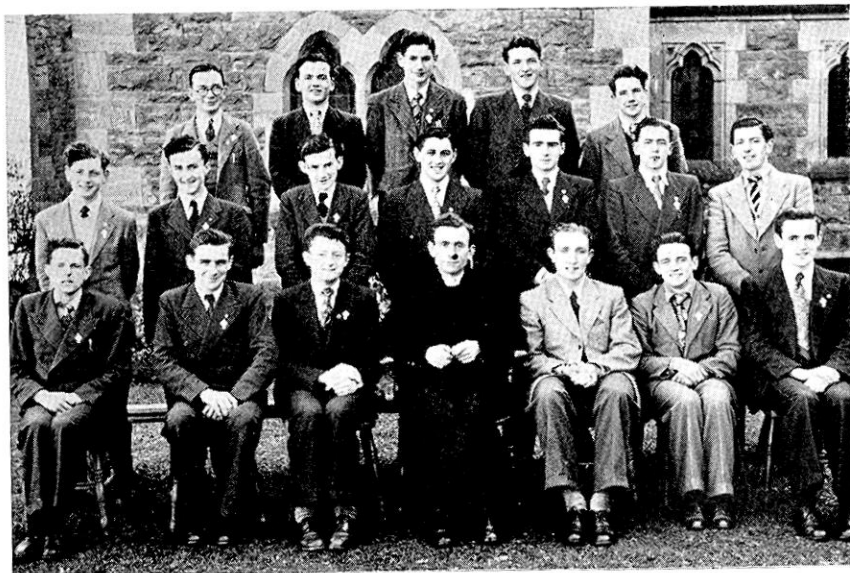
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É. Ó Flannagait
U. Mac Páilip

B' í an buaró as an bhfeadrú.

An Treas Chruinniú, 20 Samáin. "Ir mó' de doéar ná de maítear a éagann ó deoláirte an Rialtar, agus ba éadairt éirí ar."

An Rialtar S. Ó Liam
S. Ó Conaill
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An Ceathrú Chruinniú, 10 Nollais.

Cúir Dlí.

Cúir 1 R. Ó Driam i scoinne A. Uí Riam.
An gharraí—R. Ó Driam.
An Corantóir—Aor. Ó Riam.
Comairleac' an gharraí—M. Ó Séagda.
Comairleac' an Corantóra—Aor. Ó Riam.

Cúir 2 Aor. Ó Riam i scoinne D. Uí Cinnreamam.
An gharraí—Aor. Ó Riam.
An Corantóir—D. Ó Cinnreamam.
Comairleac' an gharraí—A. Ó Riam.
Comairleac' an Corantóra—É. Ó Flannagait.

Breic' an Coirte Daréas 1. Tá an muilneoir, Aor. Ó Riam cionntac'.
2. Níl don cúir i scoinne D. Uí Cinnreamam.

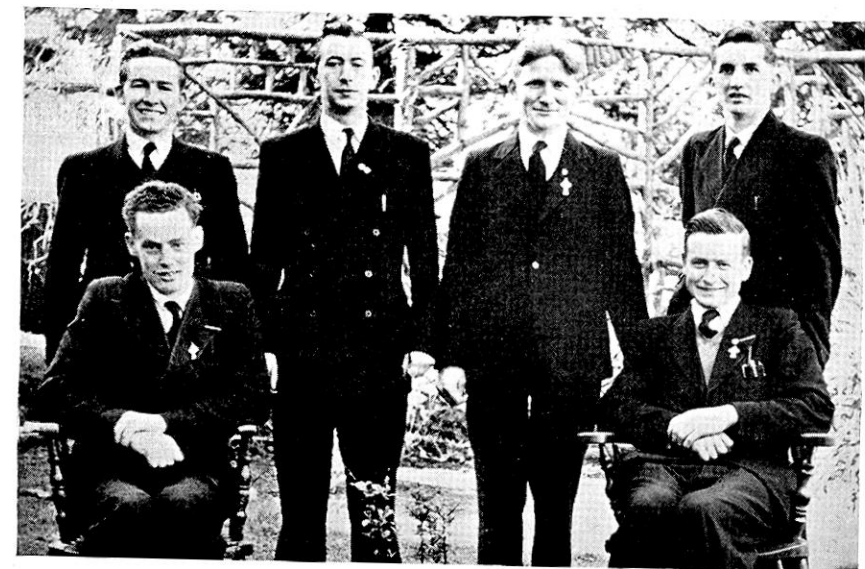
An Cúigiú Chruinniú, 1 Feabhra. "Ir m' an o'atáidáid, agus ní in don tionreac' eile atá raibreac' na hÉireann."

An Rialtar M. Ó Séagda.
J. Mac Donnada.
D. Ó Cinnreamam.

An Fheadrú S. Ó Fácais.
C. Mac Cába.
R. Ó Driam.

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R. Ó BRÉANÓDÁIN DO RÍPÍÓB.

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JOHN SMYTH	D. Ó CINNPEAMAM
DEAN UÍ AONGURA	E. Ó FLANGAITE
AN SÁIRPINT	S. Ó RÍOGÁM

Do léiriú an tóráma suinn reo ar Oíce Féile Pádraig, agus o'leirigh leir tarr barr. Bí an airteoiréad agus an léiriú ar feabhar ar fad, agus baim an luét éirteáda rpoirt agus rult mói ar. Da léir gur tuis na h-airteoirí an tóráma so beaet, agus ba brea mar a o'leirigh ríad le céile mar buion. Cuireadar a seoirte ann, cinnce. Do labradar so ppar agus so náóúre, agus so ríleir leir. Da deacair dume aca do molaó tar an dume eile, mar ní raib airteoir las ma mearc. Bí Seán Ó Mórdá tarr barr mar Jimín—ceapá supab é an 'Ciapraíoc Mallaite' é dá rípe, agus ir iomda gáire a baim ré araimn. Do léirigh U. Mac Coirdealda páirt Mollái so náóúre, agus so h-an-mait, agus ní lú ná rm an molaó acá as out do E. Ó Flangaite, a feabhar a ceapbám ré cat iad na deacraetái a bionn le réiteac as baimreoir tí doíctá, agus com mait agus a réitig ré iad. Bí an bleaetáire (Δ. Ó Ríam) agus na gadaite (D. Ó Síoda, D. Ó Cinnpeamam) an-comaetac ma h-airteoiréad, roir gníom agus camc, agus bí a mbuad ré leir as L. Ó Nógám mar Eilip, agus a 'buaetáil bán,' S. Ó Ríogám, an Sáirpint. Tá molaó mói tuilte as an léiriteoir, an tade. Ó Cupparóin, ar uet na buine oile o'airteoirí a éuir pé ar an ríáire. Níor rparáil ré é péim, ná iadran iad péim as ullmú an tóráma reo, agus bí torad rár-mait ar a raotari uile.

Do léiriomar an tóráma as Féile Luminige ar 27 Aibreán, agus ba ríleir gur baim an luét éirteáda an-tairneam ar, agus fuair na h-airteoirí molaó mói ón molaóir. Or puró é naé raib don fuirpeann eile as iomaioet mpar an ríomn céanna, ní raib don comórtar ann.



First Club Debating Society

Chairman : REV. D. MULCAHY, S.J.

Committee : P. CURRY (Sec.) J. FAHY, P. LOCKE.

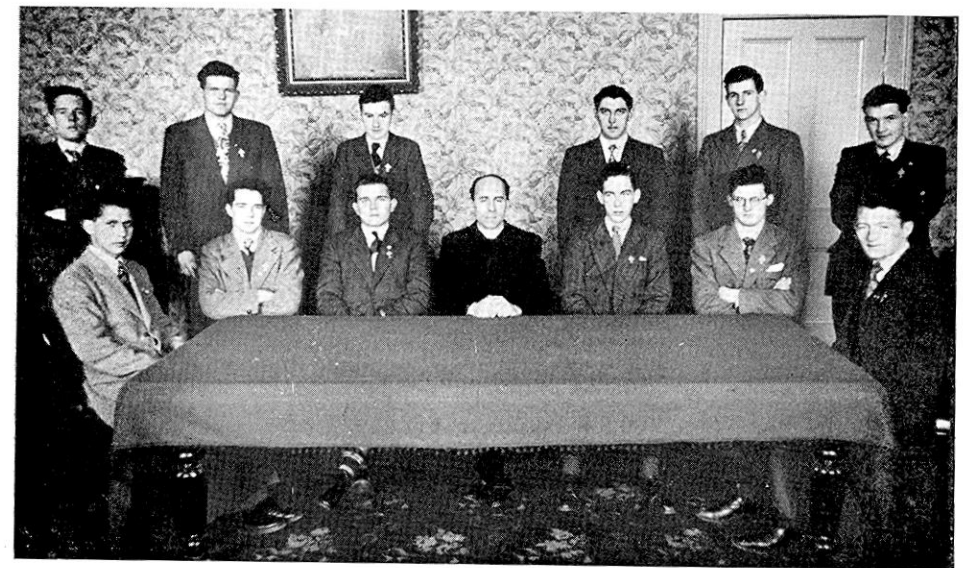
THE debating season ended on a very high note. "The best Final Debate for many years" was the verdict of not a few last April. It was indeed a successful year. We insisted more than ever that each one should be responsible for his own matter. Surprising knowledge of current events was manifest at the debates. An inter-College debate with Crescent was one of the big events of the year. We wish to thank Father Rector of Crescent and Father Purcell for their kindness to us on this occasion. To Father Kelly, who presided at our Final Debate, and to Father Ennis and Father Troddyn, who acted as adjudicators along with him, we are very grateful. To a helpful and interested Committee go the thanks of the Chairman, and also to all the members who helped to make the year so successful and enjoyable. The following is a summary of the year's activity.

First Session : 10th. October, 1951.

Motion—"That competition and material reward tend to degrade modern sport."

Government : D. Holan, L. Hickey, B. James.

Opposition : J. Fahy, T. Finnerty, E. Flannelly.



SPEAKERS AT THE CRESCENT AND FINAL DEBATES

STANDING (L. TO R.): B. Kingston, E. Curry, K. McCabe, M. O'Shea, L. Hickey, M. McCarthy.
SEATED : B. James, J. Fahy, P. Curry, Rev. D. Mulcahy, S.J., P. Locke, D. Nolan, A. Ryan (Debate Medal).

Motion lost by 1 vote.

SECOND SESSION : 7th November, 1951.

Motion : "That State ownership in industrial and commercial concerns has not proved satisfactory."

Government : K. McCabe, E. Guiry, J. O'Connell, E. Ryan.

Opposition : M. Murphy, M. McCarthy, J. Scanlan, J. Harnett.

Motion lost by 11 votes.

THIRD SESSION : 7th. December, 1951.

"Hat Night." 1st. Motion : "That too much attention is paid to games and sport in Irish schools."

FOR : J. Hennessy.

AGAINST : S. Connolly

2nd. Motion : "That an Irish film industry is an immediate necessity."

FOR : R. O'Brien.

AGAINST : N. Hickey.

3rd. Motion : "That the persecution of Catholics is greater to-day than it has ever been."

FOR : L. Parkinson.

AGAINST : H. Ryan.

4th. Motion : "That Radio Eireann programmes deserve the approval of this House."

FOR : M. Pierce.

AGAINST : N. Meaney.

FOURTH SESSION— 13th. February, 1952.

Motion : "That a reasonable standard of living could be maintained in Ireland if our country were suddenly isolated from the rest of the world."

Government : P. Byrne, D. Silke, T. O'Neill, C. Hennessy.

Opposition : D. Nolan, T. Teahan, W. Costello, L. Young.

Motion won by 23 votes.

FIFTH SESSION : 13th March, 1952.

Motion : "That in present day Ireland it is difficult to justify the G.A.A policy of exclusiveness."

Government : P. Harnett, J. O'Regan, G. McDonagh, N. Meaney.

Opposition : M. Cosgrove, G. Moynihan, T. Boyle, J. O'Carroll.

Motion won by 17 votes.

SIXTH SESSION : FINAL DEBATE : 7th. April, 1952.

Motion : "That great states have been a factor more against, than for, the peace and welfare of the world."

Government : D. Nolan, E. Curry, P. Curry, A. Ryan, P. Locke.

Opposition : J. Fahy, B. James, L. Hickey, M. McCarthy, K. McCabe.

Motion won by 11 votes.

INTER-COLLEGE DEBATE.

Crescent v. Mungret, in the Crescent Hall, 27th November, 1951

Motion : "That Ireland, if still partitioned, should be neutral in World War III."

MUNGRET (Government) J. Fahy, M. O'Shea, B. Kingston, E. Curry, L. Hickey, P. Locke.

Motion won by 40 votes.

AWARDS

Medal for Excellence in Final Debate : A. Ryan.

Second place in Final Debate : B. James, P. Locke (a tie).

Best extempore speaker of the year : B. Kingston.

Life as a Ship's Surgeon

By DR. J. GEAGHAN (1934-'38)

Like so many other people, I always wanted to "see the world," and during my time as a ship's surgeon I certainly saw quite a bit of it. As the big liner, on which I was a passenger going out to Port Said to join our own ship, sailed slowly out of Southampton harbour I little knew the varied and interesting experiences that lay ahead of me, all of which I shall always remember. The ship I was assigned to, was on a regular round the world trading cruise, and rarely returned to England. Instead relief crews were sent out from time to time, usually to Port Said.

That trip down the Bay of Biscay and the Mediterranean with short calls at Malta, Pireus and Salonica was very pleasant indeed. The weather was gloriously fine and the sea perfectly calm, and the ten officers and twenty men who were with me enjoyed a real Mediterranean cruise. After about eleven days we arrived at Port Said where we were to stay in a little hotel for about a week waiting for our ship which was coming from India. Port Said may not be one of the most pleasant spots in the world to spend a week, but it certainly is one of the most interesting. Here I had my first experience of the native conjurers who are world famous. I remember one young boy of about sixteen who could command a fortune on any stage. He casually sauntered up to me and took at least six live baby chicks from my pocket so impressively that I began to doubt whether I really had them there. He then asked me to hold a half-crown (my own, of course), in my hand as tightly as I could. He covered my hand with a handkerchief, uttered a strange incantation and exhortings to Allah, and, lo! and behold! when I opened my hand I was grasping a penny. He walked off with a wry smile.

At the end of the week we left for Suez, a distance of about a hundred miles. This journey, mostly through the desert, was very uncomfortable. If we left the carriage windows open we were covered in sand, and if we closed them we were stifled with the heat. One young officer had the misfortune to lose his coat—pinched by a native who had rushed into the carriage, and then jumped off the train which was doing about forty-five miles an hour at the time. We had a stop in Ismalia, and we went for a stroll



The Author

around the town. After about eleven days in an hotel in Suez our ship arrived, and we sailed back through the canal, and on to Marseilles. Our vessel was one of the Victory ships built during the war. It was about eight thousand tons, and its speed about eight knots. It was very pleasant in fine calm weather, but in heavy weather how it did roll. Our orders now were to sail for Halifax. This took us nine days, and we were very lucky with the weather. We did run into one bad swell lasting a few days, and I did feel rather ill and ate very little, but otherwise it was plain sailing.

First we called at Halifax, chiefly noted as one of the few, if not the only city in the world where prohibition still exists! Then we spent a few days in Boston and eventually we reached New York. Here we were for four weeks, and I had a really fine time. I must have met hundreds of Irish people in New York mostly from my own county, and all eager for news of home. They are indeed hospitable, and I had so many invitations to visit them at their houses that were I to accept them all I would have had no chance of seeing the sights of the city. From New York we set out for Montreal.

This trip included a very memorable journey up the St. Laurence river passing Quebec on the way. This river is frozen for four or five months of the year, and is only navigable during the summer months. After entering the St. Laurence, and from then on we were surrounded by indescribable beauty. On either side the river banks were covered with pine trees rising to a height of three hundred feet in some places. Here and there were green fields where cattle were grazing and groups of Swiss chalets clustered around a quaint little church. Some of these villages were situated right on the river's edge, and we were able to see the inhabitants quite distinctly. I forgot to say that there were several great white crosses planted on the top of the hills, which, together with the churches and the place-names, give a striking testimony of the faith of these French Canadians.

On the evening of August 9th, we passed the great Montmorency Falls—100 feet higher than Niagara. It was dark then, but the Falls were floodlit in rainbow colours. Getting to Quebec about nine p.m. was an unforgettable sight. The whole city was a blaze of electricity in which the Citadel stood out quite clearly. An electric bulb shone on every few inches on top of the rampart, and on the southern bank an enormous cross seemed to lie vertically on the side of the hill. We sighted the three crosses on the top of Mt. Royal at the foot of which Montreal is built. Then we passed under the Jacques Cartier Bridge, which provides one with an optical illusion as it appears from a distance that the masts are too tall to go under the bridge. We held our breath as the ship moved slowly under.

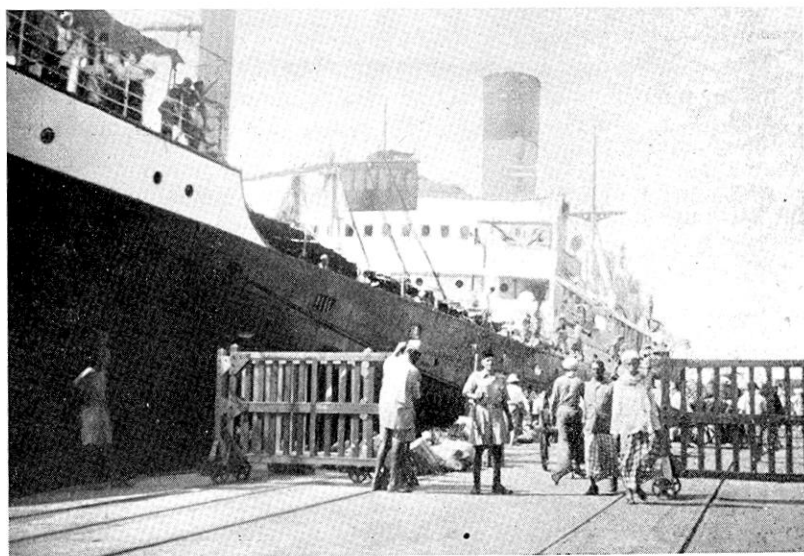
We had finished unloading the ship in New York, and now we started loading again at Montreal for our trip back to the East. This having been completed we now started on a cruise, which was to bring us nearly threequarters way round the world, across the Atlantic, through the Mediterranean and the Suez Canal, and then through the Indian Ocean, finishing up at Singapore. It was a voyage of about eight thousand miles. This journey took several weeks, but the time went reasonably quickly.

In a typical day at sea I got up about eight, with breakfast at eight-thirty. The captain, mate, chief engineer, and myself did ship's rounds at ten-thirty, followed at ten-thirty by coffee. Lunch followed at twelve-thirty, and then, as is the custom on all ships, everybody has a nap until tea. In the evening, after dinner, we played chess or cards. In the afternoon in the tropics we played deck golf or quoits or deck cricket which I always enjoyed very much.

In the Red Sea I got an S.O.S. from a Dutch ship not carrying a doctor, to go to see

one of their crew. We hove to, and a boat was lowered, and I went across to see the man. I left instructions with the chief steward who was acting medical officer, and a few days later they wirelessly to say he was better. On another occasion the cure proved much more tricky. We were crossing the Indian Ocean, and one of the galley boys got a bit of grit in his eye. A usually simple operation proved very difficult because of weather conditions—the ship was tossing around like a cork. It was on the last attempt, having warned the captain that we would have to hit for the nearest seaport as the eye was very sore at this time, that I succeeded. Everyone was very relieved—none more so than myself.

When we arrived in Singapore a soccer match was arranged between the ship and an army eleven. We were all very enthusiastic, and set off in great style. After five



Taking the Mohammedans aboard the "Agamemnon" at Penang

minutes' play I could have collapsed. The temperature was 115 in the shade, and this, coupled with our very long journey at sea, left us very unfit. We were lucky to draw, 1-1. Later in Batana we were invited to play a match against the natives; and what a match it turned out to be. Our opponents arrived in the most varied rigouts, ranging from sarongs to pyjamas. They did not wear any football boots, but this did not give us any advantage, their feet being as tough as the hardest leather. We lined up eleven a side, but immediately the whistle blew the spectators invaded the pitch. The result was complete chaos and we couldn't even see the ball. We stopped the match a few times, but it was of no avail. They were under the impression we were playing the whole village.

We had called to Macassar in the Celebes on our way to Manilla when I had word that I was to fly to Singapore to join another ship. I packed hurriedly and flew K.L.M.

to Batana where I stayed the night. Next morning I flew Royal Malayan Airways to Singapore—a really lovely flight. We flew very low over the Sea of a Thousand Islands, and over Borneo, calling at Palembang. The ship I was joining was carrying Mohammedans who were making the pilgrimage to Mecca. There were twelve hundred of them and two doctors to look after them on the voyage. It is the ambition of every Mohammedan to once make this pilgrimage towards which they save from their earliest days. Having been to Mecca they earn the title "Hagi" and in their own belief are assured of a place in Heaven. Mohammedans are not allowed to eat pork, and in fact, can only eat meat which has been killed by one of their own priests. Because of this we had to bring a large number of sheep and goats, a few of which were killed with great ceremony every morning. Part of this particular journey took place during their Namadan which is a period of about six weeks during which they are not allowed to eat anything during sunrise. All their meals were at night and during the daytime they would not even take aspirins for a headache.

They were a very backward people most of whom had never even seen a ship, and many of them suffered agonies from seasickness crossing the Indian Ocean. Many of them were very wealthy, and could have easily flown there in comfort, but they believed the pilgrimage should be done the hard way. We had a sign erected on the ship pointed towards Mecca to which they faced always when praying, which they did at set times during the day. There was a number of deaths during the voyage, the first of which I will always vividly remember. He was a young boy of about fourteen, to whom I was called urgently to see one night. He had but a few hours to live, and must have been dying for about six months, but refused to give in, in case he was prevented from making the pilgrimage. When he did die the ship was stopped, and with a Mohammedan burial service he was lowered into the sea amidst great wailing. Another



A concert in New York. The New York Philharmonic Symphony Orchestra awaits the conductor

old man died, and as I was trying to explain to his relations the cause of his death four women kept pushing to the front. I protested, and said that I really only wished to see his wife, if he had one. I had overlooked the custom of the Mohammedans. They were all his wives.

You may wonder how I spoke to those people. Well, I had an interpreter with an unpronounceable name, so we called him George. For the first four days at sea he just lay on his bunk complaining bitterly of the tossing of the ship, and informing me "My head it goes round and round; I cannot stand." After we threatened to throw him overboard he eventually got up, but proved a greater nuisance than a help. He had no belief in modern medicine, and usually started morning surgery himself before I arrived. His main treatment was "Sea-water bath," which I think all of them got no matter what their complaint. We also had a baby born on board. I didn't hear about it for three days, and neither did George. He was very angry, as at this stage he was full of his own importance and practically running the ship. However, we had a big christening. Two names were essential, Mohommed, and the name of the ship, but as a compliment to me he was also to have a name of my choosing. He was duly christened Hagi Mohommed Agamemnon Patrick! We said good-bye to our pilgrims at Jedden the port of Mecca and then set sail for home.

While not having seen all the world, I had seen enough to do me for a long time.

Going Home

By H. ROCHE-KELLY (34)

*At long, long last the term is o'er
We'll jump from bed at seven no more
The bus is standing at the door
We're going home.*

*The boys are running here and there
Parents appearing everywhere
The line of cars would make you stare
We're going home.*

*And now the cars have moved away
The school's left standing silent grey
The masters all, are left to pray,
We'll stay at home.*

The Mission Society

WE need money, we need men, but above all we need your prayers." The Mission Society showed itself generous in its efforts to supply, in its own small way, for these needs outlined by the Reverend Patrick McGovern S.J. in his lecture "A Chinese Journey"

The men, who gave of their time to sort stamps were ably encouraged by the Secretaries. Liam Young, John M. Murphy and Brendan Hardiman. This traditional method of helping the Missions was maintained successfully in spite of an initial shortage of stamps.

Ways and means of touching hearts and pockets were discussed and put into practice by Treasurers, Eric Guiry, Edward Carey, and Joseph Kelly with excellent results. Besides the raffle and collection for the Propagation of the Faith, we were able to send the price of many catechisms for the Jesuit Fathers' Catechumens in Northern Rhodesia to Mungret's missionary Joseph Conway S.J. Among the anonymous apostles great thanks are due to those, who helped to sell tickets and provide prizes.

The crusade of Masses begun to ensure the offering of a number of Masses each day for the Missions will, it is hoped from its base in the college spread its columns, wherever its members afterwards find themselves.

As well as the lantern lecture mentioned above our talks included "Missions and Missionaries," and "St. John de Britto" given by Reverend Richard Cremins S.J.

Another very popular feature of the year was the collection of Photographs sent direct to us from our Missionaries in Northern Rhodesia.

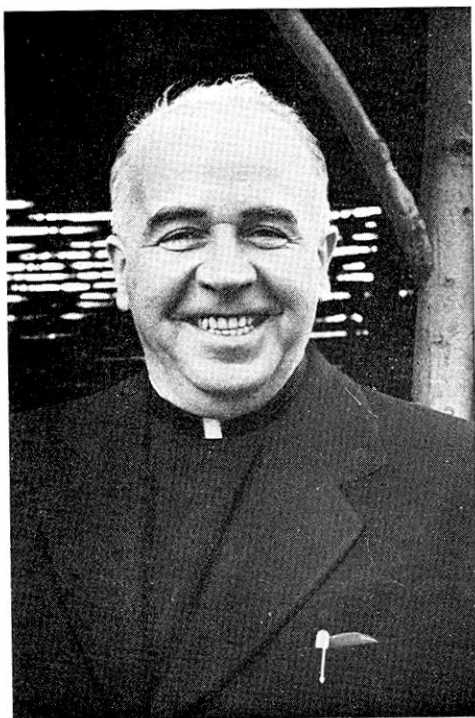
MISSION SOCIETY



STANDING: E. Carey, J. M. Murphy, L. Young, E. Guiry.
SEATED: B. Hardiman, Rev. T. D. Cox, S.J., Jos. Kelly.

Our Past

JOSEPH C. ROBINSON ('22) wrote to us during the year and wishes to be remembered to all his old friends. He has been living in New Zealand almost since he left Mungret. He is attached to the Auckland Harbour Board. His address is Great North Rd., Henderson, Auckland.



Father Tim Long, O.M.I.

We had a welcome visit from FATHER TIM LONG, O.M.I. ('18) in April. He was full of praise for the States, the clergy he met, and the way the Church functions. While we think he did superlatively well in his effort there to interest people in St. Patrick's College, Jaffna, Ceylon, of which Father Tim is Rector, he feels himself that his desires can never be satisfied. His own drive and energy, however, with the help which he has got also from non-Catholics augur well for the future.

DERMOT O'HARA ('48) has now completed his Novitiate in the Holy Ghost Congregation, and is doing First Arts at present in U.C.D.

MGR. G. O'CONNELL ('20) stayed with us for a short time in August. In addition to his ordinary work, he has to superintend the schools. Now and then he is called to mediate in strikes, and does so with success.

During a holiday in Ireland last summer, DR. JOE HANLEY ('42) called to see us. He has pleasant memories of Mungret, and was glad to have a chat over old times.

Mungret was represented at the International Congress of the Lay Apostolate

by DAVID COYLE ('13) always prominent in Catholic Social work. The Irish delegates were welcomed by His Excellency P. J. Walshe.

DR. J. GEAGHAN ('38) called to see us last October while on a short holiday. Elsewhere in the ANNUAL he has written a very interesting account of his experiences as a ship's surgeon. Dr. John is now stationed in Northampton, and very interested in his work.

MICHAEL WATSON ('37) is now a supervisor in the Ford Works at Dagenham.

FATHER TOM KENNEDY ('38) stayed with us for a few days in October. He has been through the ordeal of over a year's illness with several operations. We feel, however, that Father Tom's courage will win through. He belongs to the Diocese of Mobile.

FATHER GARRY COGAN ('22) is now superior of the Zambales district in the Philippines. He has spent twenty-two years there, and went through the Pacific war and the Japanese occupation. He frequently sends accounts of some of the Missionaries in the Far East.

DR. RAYMOND O'BEIRNE ('39) is now M.O. in Waterville.

We offer our congratulations to VERY REV. FATHER ARTHUR CONWAY, P.P., ('22) of Carrieton, Port Augusta, on being appointed a Domestic Prelate with the title of Monsignor. Last year he toured Australia by direction of the bishop, to collect funds for the Diocesan Seminary.

We had the pleasure last year of meeting DR. E. McELIGOTT ('10) who lives in North London. He has built

up a large practice in Southgate, where he started twenty-three years ago. Dr. Edward, who comes from Kerry, once lived in Waterville Hotel. He still keeps in touch with an old school friend Dr. Michael O'Connor of Kilmallock.

FATHER TOM STOKES ('29) has a busy time in Hillston, N.S.W. He is one of our best correspondents, and we owe several items of news to him.



Tim Molony on "Unconditional Surrender"

TIM MOLONY ('31) whose marriage we note elsewhere, has recently purchased a delightful residence at Melton Mowbray, Leicester, where he has gone to live. He is again making a strong bid to repeat his performance of last year of becoming National Hunt Champion Jockey. Apart from racing he is also fond of hunting with the local pack.

We congratulate DISTRICT JUSTICE GLEESON on becoming a member of the North Tipperary County Council National Monuments Committee.

ROBIN SHEEHY ('48) is in U.C.C. pursuing a medical course. In athletics, he is distinguishing himself as a cross-country runner.

We congratulate TIM GEARY ('49) on getting his Diploma in Dairy Science in March. While at U.C.C. he was Chairman of the Dairy Science Committee.

FATHER S. CONNEELY, C.S.S.R. ('16) paid us a visit in February, when he was engaged in giving a Mission in Limerick.

MICHAEL BARRY ('46) is now with a prominent firm of accountants in Grafton St. We note his engagement recently in the newspaper.

In December we were honoured by a visit from DR. KENNEDY O'Brien ('41), and his bride, two days after they had been married in Newfoundland. Dr. Kennedy is Medical Officer to a large American contracting firm, and also in private practice. He found the Irish climate colder than Newfoundland with its several feet of snow. Near him is an old Mungret boy FATHER PETER COONEY ('36). DR. BOB O'BRIEN is also in Newfoundland, and has now a young family. DR. PADDY is in England, and FRANCIS XAVIER is, of course, a dentist in Galway.

C. J. NOONAN ('45) who is now in practice in Newcastle West, was appointed a Commissioner for Oaths last December. We hear that he is a big acquisition to the Newcastle West Rugby Club, and also belongs to the local Golf Club of which many old Mungret men are prominent members.

FATHER GEORGE KEYES ('25) saw a long cherished hope fulfilled when his bishop turned the first sod for the building of his new church in his expanding parish at East Lake.

FATHER P. B. WALSHE ('19) brought along some of his converts to visit us in summer.



Father W. O'Regan

FATHER W. O'REGAN who was ordained last summer, will be well remembered by his old friends who were here with him in the Lay School. He was a prominent figure both on the Rugby field and in the Debating Society, though not exactly in the same way. He was also Second Captain of the College. He did his Philosophical studies in the Apostolic School before going on to All Hallows. In September he came

to see us before leaving for Australia, and showed that he had not lost his sense of humour since the time he left Mungret. In Sale he has come across many old Mungret men including FATHER JOHN O'HEA ('31) now Pastor of Omeo and FATHER JOE DALY ('32) Pastor at Orbost. Now and again he meets FATHER JOHN GALLAGHER ('46) and in FATHER WILLIE's words "we plough up some golf course, frighten a few rabbits and talk of old times."



Father E. Booth, S.J.

FATHER EDDIE BOOTH, S.J. ('38) who hails from the Kingdom was ordained last year at Milltown Park. While in Mungret he won the Senior Medal for Oratory. He is at present completing his theological studies.

PATRICK V. LISTON ('28) is a well-known auctioneer at Newcastle West. He is engaged also in farming.

PADDY BURKE ('30) carries on a large business at Kilfenora, but also farms in a scientific way. He has retained his

old interest in Rugby, since the days when he used to play scrum-half.

DR. PADDY CORRY ('30) is M.O. at Tulla. He is a very popular figure in the locality.

OLIVER LYNCH ('39) is at present working in England.

OWEN O'NEILL ('31) has a large wholesale and retail business in Newcastle West. He is a prominent golfer, and an active worker in running the local parish hall. We hear he is also an expert in photography including telephoto work.

FATHER W. A. TOBIN ('09) has retired from an active ministry after nearly forty years in the diocese of Charleston. Representatives of all creeds gathered to show their appreciation of Father Tobin's efforts to spread the spirit of tolerance. FATHER WILLIE, however, remains as Pastor Emeritus at Florence, where he has spent the last twenty-three years.

TOM O'SULLIVAN ('42) is now an architect with the Department of Industry and Commerce. We were glad to see him for a short time last summer when he came down to do some work at Shannon.

We offer our congratulations to PADDY CAWLEY ('20) on being elected a member of Dail Eireann.

JOHN GLEESON ('43) is medical representative for Parke Davis & Company in the West of Ireland.

T. ALSOP ('23) has now a commission in the Irish Navy, and is stationed at Hawlbowl.

J. MURPHY ('23) now resides in Galway. He is cashier in the Provincial Bank.

FATHER MARTIN CROKER, O.F.M. ('16) has arrived out in Australia to continue his missionary work. He is at present stationed in Sydney.

FATHER JOHN McDONNELL ('40) called to see us on a short visit. We are sorry that his visit to Ireland was clouded by the unexpected death of his brother.

JOHN LISTON ('27) is a farmer on an extensive scale in West Limerick. He is also a member of the Committee of the Castlemahon Co.-op. Creamery.

PATRICK LISTON ('12) lives near us at Rathkeale. He is a solicitor with a long established practice.



Surgeon Commander M. F. Sheehan

Recently we had a very welcome visit from NICHOLAS SHEEHAN ('23) of Dunmore East. He had some misgivings about admitting that it was his first visit since he "graduated." His life interest has been in farming. His brother SURGEON COMMANDER M. F. SHEEHAN

('26) has had a distinguished career. In 1933, he qualified as a doctor in U.C.D. and spent the next few years doing hospital work. In 1937 he joined the Navy and the following year sailed for the Far East and was in China until war was declared in 1939. For the next few years he was in the thick of hostilities, and was engaged in the campaign in Norway, in the Western Desert, and later on in France. After peace had been declared, he became a specialist in Pathology, and after various hospital experiences, was again with the Far Eastern Fleet in the Korean War. Stationed on the Flagship H.M.S. 'Bel-fast' he was in many bombardments of North Korea. During his travels he called to Hong Kong, and met two past Mungret men, Father Eddie Burke S.J. and Father Michael Pelly S.J. Dr. Michael is now Pathologist in the Royal Naval Hospital in Malta. We were very glad to get a letter from him a short time ago, but like all naval men is very modest about his own achievements. Another brother, Willie ('26) can claim an unusual variety of degrees. After leaving Mungret, he qualified as a B.A. B.Com. and taught Commerce for a while in Clonmel Technical School. He then decided to turn to medicine, and took out his degree. He took up work in England and then took the additional degree of M.R.C.O.G. He is at present Gynaecologist in the City General Hospital in Sheffield, and also in private practice.

FATHER MARTIN TOAL D.D. ('22) is at present home in Ireland. We are looking forward to a visit from him.

FATHER MARTIN KINEAVY ('34) called to see us in April. He has been engaged in a good deal of relief work in Australia.

We offer our congratulations to D. B. O'CONNELL ('48) on gaining the Gold



Courtesy

Irish Independent

P. A. (Weeshie) Murphy

Medal for Irish Debate, and the Silver Medal for First Year Speeches, in the Solicitor's Apprentices Debating Society. Last November, we saw his photo in the Newspaper in a distinguished gathering.

P. A. (Weeshie) MURPHY M.R.C.V.S. ('38) is now resident in Cork. He has been a prominent figure in Gaelic Football circles for many years. Back in 1940 he won his first Co. Championship medal with Beara, and a Junior Munster Championship medal with Cork the same year. He holds four Railway Cup, three Munster Senior Championship, and one All-Ireland medal, and recently showed great form in Cork's victory in the final of the National Football League.

Last August, DERMOT RHATIGAN ('48) and JOE RYAN ('48) left London by air to take up positions in the Bank of British West Africa. While in London both had been active in Catholic circles and had taken part in the film 'Behold The Man.' They acted also in the great Catholic Pageant at Wembley. Dermot was stationed first at Jos, but was recently appointed accountant at Ibadan. He is quite settled down in his new surroundings, and as we go to Press, was expecting to be sent to the French Cameroons on relief work. JOE is located at Accra and has begun to feel quite at home with the natives. He has done a

lot of exploring, and has also plenty of opportunities of playing games.

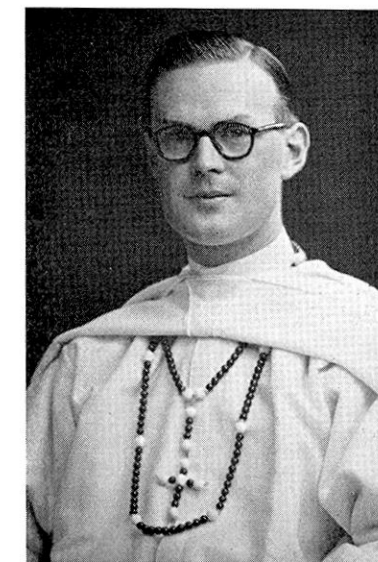
We had a welcome letter some time ago from PATRICK LEO ('41). PADDY is now stationed in Cambridge, and working in the British Civil Service. He has lost none of his interest in Mungret.

HUGH R. DOWLING ('48) is now an Insurance Broker in Dublin. HUGH always welcomes a chat with old friends.

We met an old friend last December for a short time W. STOKES ('48). WILLIE is now doing Second Medical. We wish him every success in his exams.

MICHAEL HOGAN ('49) is now with the K.L.M. Air Lines in their London Office.

NOEL GALLIGAN ('50) is now on the staff of Air Lingus at Shannon Airport. We feel this is a step in the right direction in encouraging Tourist traffic.

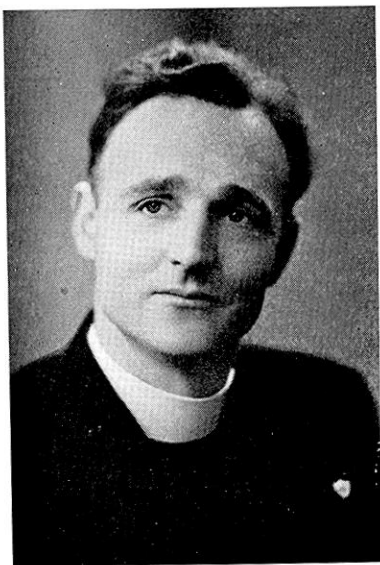


Father R. Cantwell, W.F.

FATHER RICHARD CANTWELL W. F. ('46) was ordained last November at Jedburgh, Scotland. He has the distinction of being the first Dubliner to become a White Father. FATHER RICHARD, who lived in Clonmel did part of his studies in Tunisia. He is at present stationed in Cloughton Hall, Garstang, Lancs.

NOEL PURCELL ('47) is now in the National Bank Kilkee.

GERRY O'CONNOR ('48) is now in U.C.D.



Father A. Kelly

FATHER ARCHIE KELLY ('47) who was ordained last summer, is as full of good spirits as when he left Mungret. He is at present in Kirkcubbin, Co. Down, and sends many inquiries about old College friends. He has plenty of work to do up North, and though he has not told us so, we hear he has received a number into the Church in the short time he has been there. He has promised to pay us a visit and we shall look forward to seeing him.

FATHER JOE COLEMAN S.J.M. ('44) was ordained last July at Ourdcamp Abbey. He did his novitiate in the Society of Jesus and Mary in Switzerland, and his studies in the Catholic Institute at Paris. He had the pleasure there of playing on the College Rugby team. He is at present working in a 'Red' district, and his special mission is the



Father E. Coleman, S.J.M.

winning back of French youth to the Faith. In March he had to pay a sad visit to Ireland on the occasion of his Father's death. We wish FATHER JOE fruitful ministry in his difficult mission. His present address is, Abbaye d'Ourdcamp Chiry, Oise, France.

We offer our congratulations to FATHER MICHAEL O'SULLIVAN ('19) on the consecration of his newly built Church of St. Aloysius at Roby, Liverpool. Archbishop Downey signalled the occasion by conferring the distinction of Honorary Canon on the central figure of the gathering.



W. Fitz-Gibbon reading the Address of Welcome from the European Catholic Community of Hong Kong to Archbishop Riberi, Papal Internuncio to China, who was expelled by the Communists

LIAM EBRILL ('29) B.E. is now resident in Dublin. He is leading engineer in the E.S.B., and was associated with the Poulaphouca and Lough Erne schemes.

FATHER DES MACMAHON C.S.Sp. ('42) spent a few days with us before setting out for Nigeria.

From Hong Kong we had some interesting news from W. G. FITZ-GIBBON ('03) who is now Assistant Registrar General in the Colonial Government. During his stay in Australia last year he was invited to the Episcopal Palace by Archbishop Duhig. He had the pleasant surprise there of meeting two old Mungret men, the COADJUTOR ARCHBISHOP P. M. O'DONNELL, and MGR. ENGLISH. At Wah Yan College, which he visited some time ago he met many old Mungret men. In his letter he mentioned that the editorial staff had slipped up, and made him a Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons, instead of a Fellow

of the Royal Geographical Society. We hasten to correct the error and trust he has not been embarrassed by prospective patients.

We offer our congratulations to an old friend NIALL NESTOR ('43) on obtaining his B.E. last summer. He had a good deal of illness during his studies at U.C.C. so he deserves an extra measure of praise.

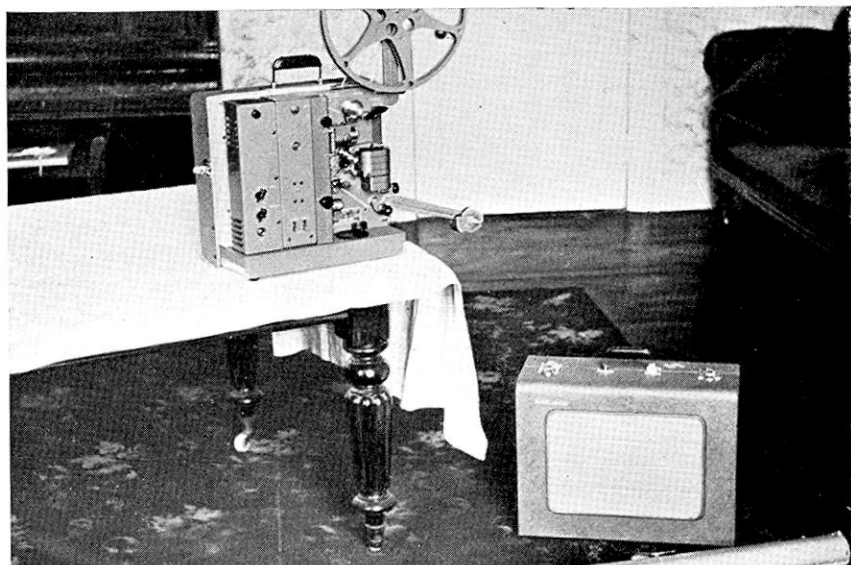
JOE GALLAGHER ('45) is now residing in London. He is with a large insurance company.

FATHER JAMES G. BURKE of Emmitsburg gives us news of the four remaining members of the class of '99. He himself is still at Mount St. Mary's College; FATHER W. CARROLL is in Arkansas; FATHER PAT BRESNAHAN is at Jacksonville; and FATHER MAURICE REDDIN will celebrate his sacerdotal Golden Jubilee at Nashua N.H. on the 29th of June.

BRIAN FITZGERALD ('49) is now in England. He is working with the British Railways.

IGNATIUS O'GORMAN ('47) is now working in Dublin. He is attached to an insurance company.

We were glad to meet PADDY BUTLER ('45) in Limerick. He was helping to make the Crescent Show a success.



Cinema Projector

Some of Our Past in America availed themselves of the visit of the Rev. Tim Long, O.M.I., to the States to get together and send something of use to Mungret. The donors whose anonymity we respect for the moment decided on a 16 millimetre cinema projector. The R.C.A. Victor Model chose itself; the best was good enough and what is good enough for the Dept. of the Navy was bound to be the best. Father Tim was kind enough to bring the equipment along with him on his flying visit here early in April.

We meet PADDY DUFFY ('42) occasionally. He is travelling representative for M. and B. Products.

We are glad to welcome DR. PAT O'DONNELL ('39) back to Limerick. He is now an Ophthalmic Surgeon and in practice in the city.

MICHAEL GATELY ('49) has left Ireland, and is now in the British Army.

Last summer we met JIM COONEY ('48) home on holiday. Jim is in great form, and works in the Austin works, Birmingham.

JOHN McDONNELL ('18) is now in the National Bank, New Ross. He finds New Ross a very friendly place.

DR. NOEL SMYTH ('31) is now in practice in Monkstown, Co. Dublin. His

brother DR. GERRY ('30) has been in England for some years.

MICHAEL CASEY ('31) who was a prominent Gaelic footballer is now with a large electrical firm in Dublin.

LOUIS RODEN ('32) who owns Kostka College, Clontarf, is also director of a big business concern.

WILLIE HARTNETT, M.R.C.V.S. ('32) who hails from a well-known family in Abbeyfeale, is in the Dept. of Agriculture.

TIM J. LYNCH ('32) is a chemist and in business in Santry.

PADDY HALLORAN ('31) is now in the Electricity Dept. in Galway.

FATHER MICHAEL MOLONEY, S.J. ('31) who paid us a visit during the year is now Editor of the *Irish Monthly*. His brother JOHN ('31) is a radio officer with a Charter Aeroplane Co., Starways Ltd., Liverpool, and does a lot of travelling by air. TIM ('32) another brother, is a chemist in Slane.

DR. A. MAC A. SULLIVAN ('31) who comes from Drumcollogher is in the Army Medical Corps.

DR. JOE DANAGHER called to see us last summer while on holiday. He is always interested in Mungret activities. He is stationed in Bramsley, Yorks.

We meet WILLIE O'DONNELL ('39) occasionally in Limerick. Willie was a very accurate shot at handball while at Mungret, and we hear he shows great promise at golf. He occupies a position in Cleeve's factory.

FATHER MICHAEL CASEY ('34) came to see us in June. One of his activities in Los Angeles is running a hurling team. His brother FATHER PADDY ('23) is also in the same diocese.

FLORENCE O'DRISCOLL whom we had the pleasure of meeting last year has the distinction of being in Mungret at two different periods from 1913-15 and 1917-1919. He farms on a large scale at Lissarda, and finds time for the interesting hobby of breeding peacocks.



Peter Fallon, P.C.

FATHER J. P. O'BEIRNE ('31) is now a curate in the busy parish of Crumlin.

CAPTAIN RONNIE MILLAR is now with the Forces in Malay. Ronnie was in various campaigns in the last war, and took part in the landing at Arnhem.

PETER O'DONOGHUE, M.R.C.V.S. ('14) is attached to the Dept. of Agriculture.

FATHER JOHN O'CONNELL is curate in Sandymount. We were disappointed to find that he was not figuring in the Inter-Union Golf Competition last year. We were looking forward to seeing a Mungret team take part.

Above we reproduce a photo of PETER FALLON ('97), P.C. He is at present farming at Lecarrow, near Athlone. He is very anxious to see the Union well established.

PETER SHEEHY ('41) called to see us last May. He is at business in Cork. We were very glad to find that he has almost completely recovered from his bad accident of a few years ago.

ALAN MAXWELL ('42) who is employed in the Publicity Dept. of the Irish Press, was one of the Irish Delegation to London last July for the International Advertising Conference.

We were glad to welcome FATHER R. AHERNE ('21) last June during his holiday in Ireland. He is stationed in the Nebraska Mission.

Another visitor last summer was FR. A. McGRATH ('33). He was home for a while from Los Angeles. He meets many friends from the 'old country' in that area.

EOIN SPILLANE ('48) is now in the Forestry Dept., and is at present in one of the Department's Nurseries in Tipperary. PADDY has a position under the local authorities in Killarney.

WILLIAM IRWIN ('47) is now a member of the Police Force in Birmingham. He is quite pleased with his new position, and sends regards to all old friends.

BRENDAN MURNANE ('42) who qualified as a dentist last summer is now in practice in Nenagh.

CYRIL TARRANT ('33) has a Solicitor's practice in Arklow.

We were glad to get a letter from VINCENT TULLY ('26) sometime ago. He is eagerly interested in the progress of the Union.

MICHAEL ENRIGHT ('49) is now working near Preston. We are looking forward to a long promised letter.

We get periodic news from an old friend in Kanturk, TOM SHEEHAN ('49). TOM is kept busy in his father's knitwear factory in the town. TOM, however, has some other interests including Rugby and Tennis. We had the opportunity of seeing some of his strokes on the tennis court, and he looks like shaping for Wimbledon.

DR. TOM O'CONNOR ('46) is now in practice in Leicester, and is very happy in his surroundings. He is able to indulge in his old love for riding and got a hunter brought over from Waterford.

KEVIN TUOMEY ('42) who saw action with the Forces in Africa during the War, was laid up for a long time with a severe wound in the leg. Kevin is an engineer.

FRANK CARROLL L.D.S. ('24) has a long established practice in Clonmel. It is some time since he paid a visit to Mungret.

NOEL BRODERICK ('37) is now in Birmingham, and employed in the Ministry of Fuel. NOEL is now married and has a young daughter.

* MICHAEL FINUCANE ('37) is a well known figure in Tarbert. He has a large business.

TOM PETTIT ('50) is now in U.C.C. He is studying hard for Law.

We offer our congratulations to A. MCCARTHY ('28) on the Firm's enterprise in establishing a Wool Scouring Plant in Limerick. TONY, whose work often brings him to the Continent, is at present on a business trip to U.S.A.

JOHN O'BRIEN ('46) who hails from Macroom, left Ireland last year for Australia.

SEAN BRUNSWICK ('49) has now a clerical position with a building firm in Dublin.

DAVID CROWLEY ('47) who was formerly in Business in Moore's Hotel, Cork, has now opened on his own in Booters-town, Dublin.

J. G. O'Brien ('13) who comes from a well known Limerick family went into business after leaving Mungret. Later he joined the British Forces and saw fighting in the first World War. Afterwards he again took up commercial life and is now a traveller with a Dublin Firm.



Courtesy of

Irish Press

Captain P. M. Quinlan ('27) interviewing candidates for recruitment at Portobello Barracks

BOYS OF LAST YEAR

JIM MORAN and MICHAEL HENEGHAN are at *St. Mary's Emo, Portarlinton*. DAVID CREMIN and JOHN FAHY are studying at *All hallows*. ROBERT HICKEY is with the *Austin Friars in Carlisle*. P. HEENEY has gone to *Baltimore* to *St. Mary's Seminary*. TOM HARNETT is continuing his studies at *St. Edmund's Seminary Kenmare Wash.* At *Thurles* MICHAEL O'SULLIVAN and JIM McMAHON are together again. *St. John's Seminary Carmarillo California* have got three of Mungret's past : RODDY GORMAN, JOHN LAWLESS and KEN MEEHAN. SEAN TOOMEY is at the *Franciscan Novitiate in Killarney*.
Dentistry : A. LEEN.
Law : J. McARDLE.
Commerce : F. MORAN, J. TOOMEY, W. WEBB.

Agriculture : N.O'CONNELL, F.KENNEALLY J. CURTIN.
Veterinary : T. O'DRISCOLL.
Agriculture College : M. COLLINS.
T. DEASY C.I.E. in Cork.
P. McKEOWN *St. Patrick's Drumcondra*.
L. COSGROVE is in business in *Belmullet*.
P. FITZGERALD has left Ireland and has gone to the U.S.A.
R. KILKELLY is doing *Electrical Training* at a *Technical school in Dublin*.
P. McGRATH : *Hotel Management*.
A. O'CONNELL : *Accountancy in Dublin*.
K. O'MAHONEY : *Insurance*.
G. BROWNE is in business, and farming.
B. BOGUE is also in business in *Limerick*.
T. O'LEARY is in business in *Kanturk*.
G. McDONAGH : *Hotel Management*.
R. COHEN *Radio*.

Marriages

We offer congratulations and wish many years of happiness to the following, and other Old Mungret men who were married during the year :

Charles Murray to Miss Joan Geaghan.
Tim Moloney to Miss Stella Birch.
Louis D'Alton to Miss Claire Derham.
Kennedy O'Brien to Miss Katherine King.
Norman King to Miss Una Moynihan.
Edward Dillon to Miss Maureen Hickey.
Vincent O'Brien to Miss Jacqueline Wittenoom.
Dermot Connolly to Miss Margaret Caulfield.
Mathew Kennedy to Miss Ina Hynes.
Willie Smye to Miss Mary O'Dwyer.
Bernard Scallan to Dr. Margaret Raftery.
Joseph Gallagher to Miss Mary Cawley.
Emmet King to Miss Maureen Kennedy.
Oliver Plunkett to Miss Mary McNally.
Frederick Shackleton to Miss Margaret Farrelly.
Dr. William Roche to Miss Dorothy Jones.
Terence Tuomey to Miss Anna O'Connell.

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A Young Fisherman of Scheveningen. Franz Hals

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The Wash House

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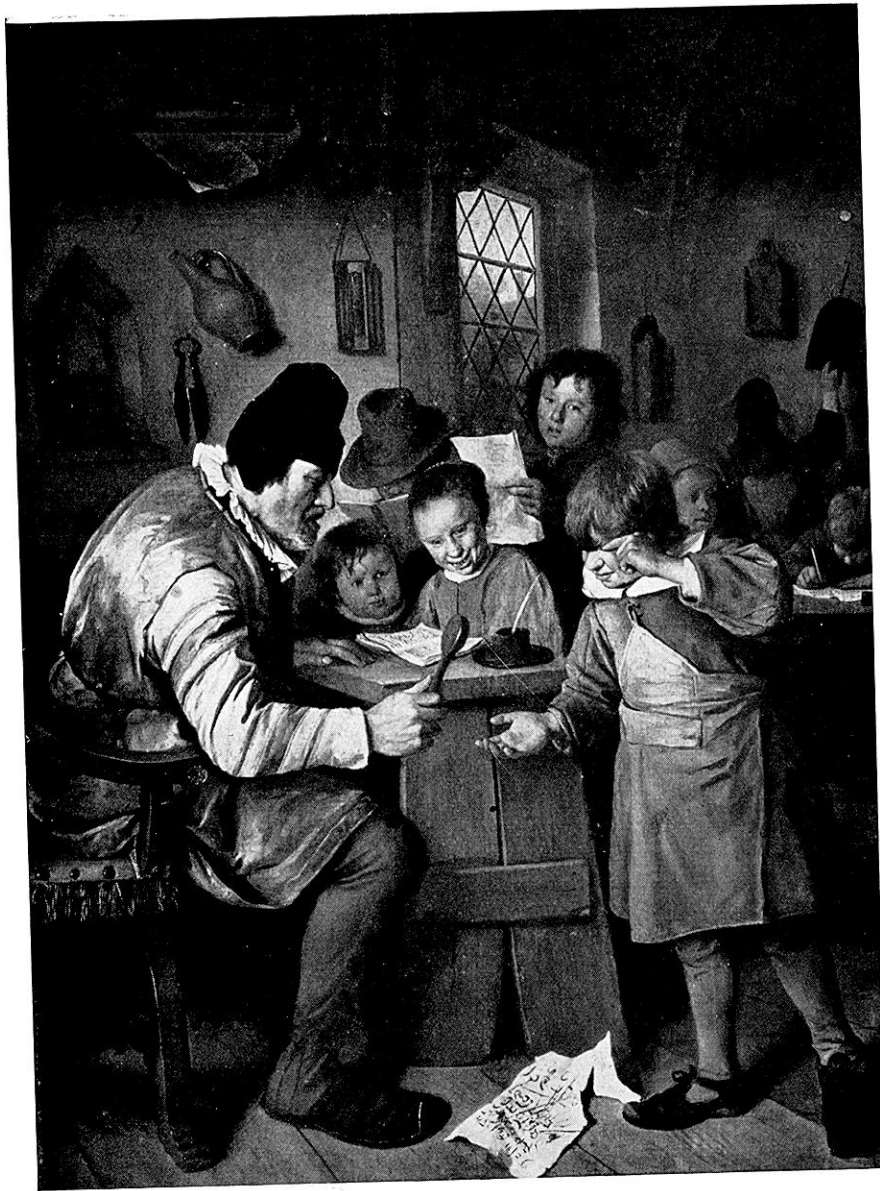
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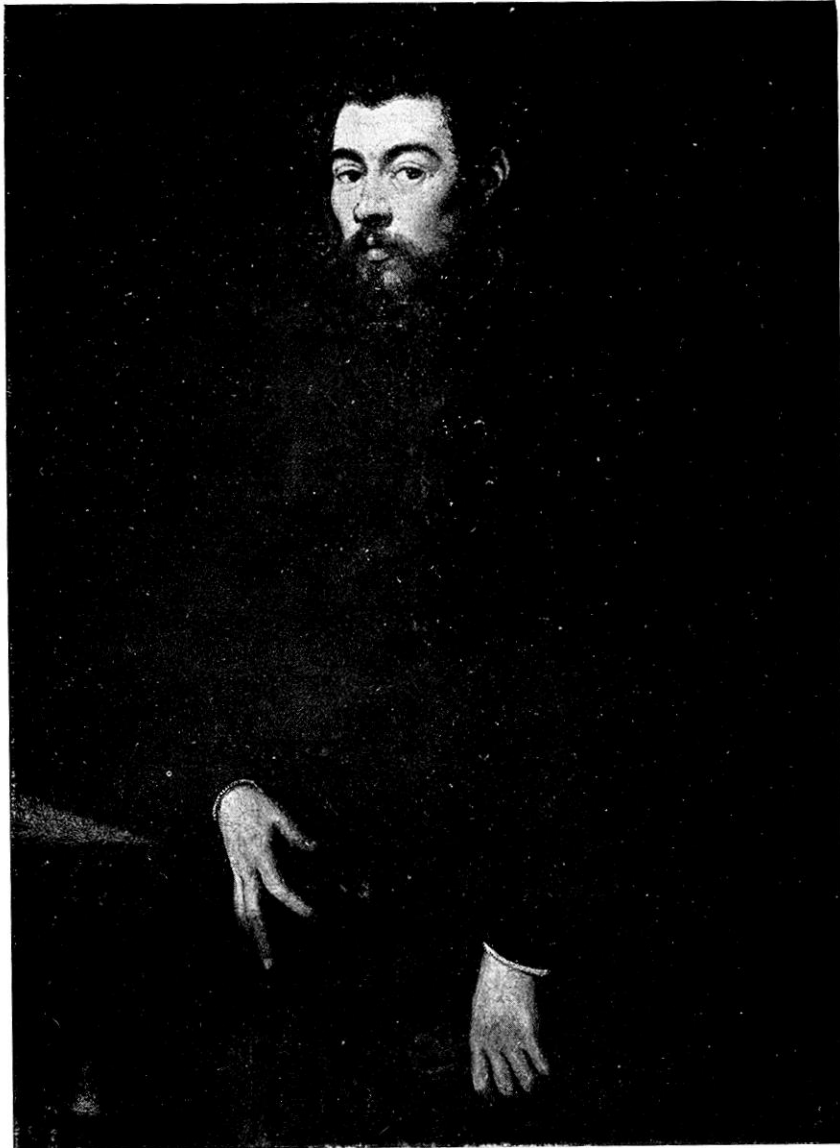
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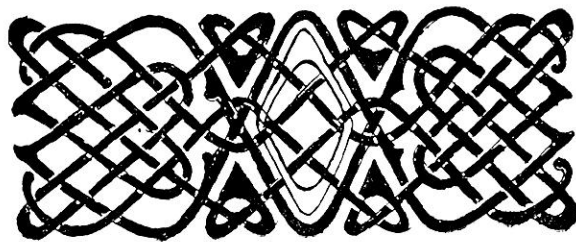


Head of St. Catherine
Corregio the Martyr

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Piping Boy N. Hone (The Elder)



Apostolic Literary Academy, 1952

Chairman : REV. J. A. MacSEUMAISS.J.

President : D. CASHMAN Vice-President : D. KAVANAGH Secretary : C. FOLEY.

SERMONS :	LITERARY PAPERS	ESSAYS :
" Kingship of Christ "	Miracles	Daniel O'Connell
D. Cashman	D. Morrissey	P. Collins
" Devotion to the Blessed Virgin "	Catholic Action	John Mitchell
M. Curran		
" The Cross in Our Lives "	C. Foley	C. Mitchell
J. Power		
" The Sacred Heart "	The Divinity of Christ	Bl. Oliver Plunkett
P. Sullivan	D. Cashman	P. McGrath
" Death "		
S. O'Connor	The Priest and the Social Problem	Wolfe Tone
" Penance "	J. Power	T. Gorman
V. Bane		
" God's Mercy "		
D. Morrissey		
" Sin "	The Academy Prize was awarded to PATRICK O'ROURKE	
C. Foley		
" The Passion "		
N. O'Driscoll		
" The Resurrection "		
D. Murphy		

JUNIOR APOSTOLICS



GROUND : J. McCloskey, P. Cashman.

L. to R. SEATED : B. Dempsey, P. Collins, Rev. R. Cremins, S.J., Rev. J. A. MacSeumais, S.J., D. Kavanagh, M. Killeen, T. Gorman.

2ND ROW : J. Downing, J. Clancy, C. Mitchell, P. Stanley, S. Tansey, P. McGrath, B. Long, J. Dennison.

3RD ROW : P. J. Sullivan, S. Quinlivan, S. O'Rourke, H. Kelly, J. Carroll, A. Delaney.

4TH ROW : J. Rooney, A. Rooney, J. O'Donnell.

Senior Apostolic Debating Society

Motion : "That the Cinema has done more harm than good."

Government .. J. McGough, G. Cahill.

Opposition .. M. Hoare, P. Flanagan.

MR. McGOUGH opened the debate by pointing out that the cinema was more a disease slowly undermining the social organization than an escape from present day social conditions. He considered it detrimental to Christian standards and art and that, in general, the appreciation of literature has suffered from the popularity of the cinema.

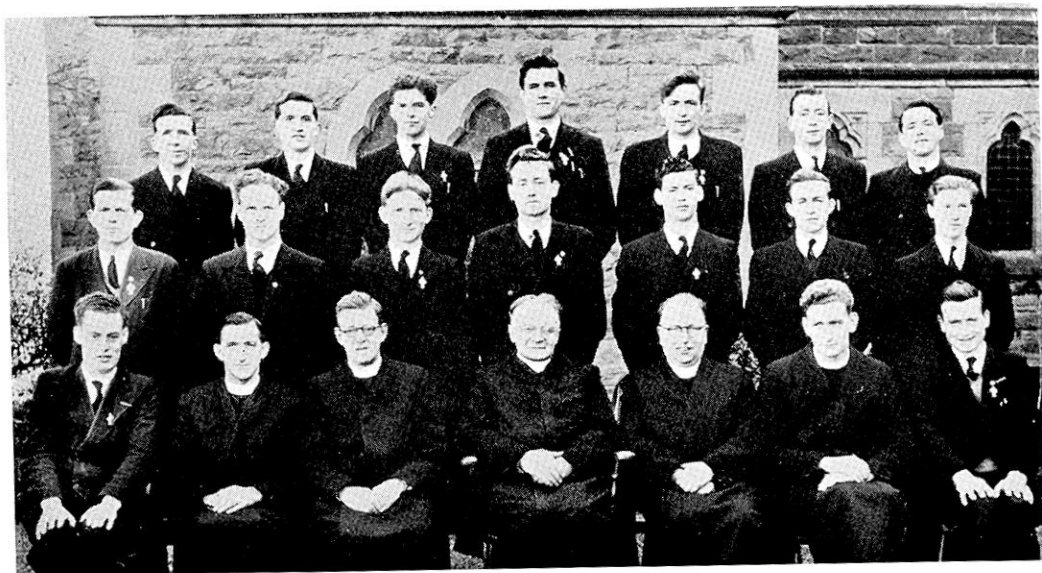
Mr. Hoare replied that the popularity of the cinema was unprecedented in the field of entertainment. Those in authority habitually attributed the ills of society to the influence of the cinema but such criticism was usually exaggerated. Through the cinema the lives of our fellow men were laid bare to us, and, by the help of news-reels, we were given a running commentary of contemporaneous history.

The chief points in Mr. Cahill's speech were : the effect on religion ; the excessive expenditure of money and time ; the subconscious formation of a materialistic mentality.

Mr. Flanagan claimed that films in themselves were good, but that it was only their abuse that led to harm. He showed how much employment was offered by such a popular industry and thought that Catholics could make better use of them for the cause of the Church.

For the motion 20. Against the motion 20.

THE PHILOSOPHERS



BACK ROW : C. Friel, C. Foley, D. Morrissey, M. O'Farrell, M. Curran, N. O'Driscoll, M. Hoare.
SECOND ROW : P. O'Rourke, D. Murphy, S. O'Connor, P. Sullivan, S. McGough, J. Power, T. Acton.
SEATED : V. Bane, Rev. A. Ennis, Rev. J. T. Kelly, Very Rev. F. Joy, Rev. J. Hughes, Rev. T. Cox, D. Kavanagh.

Motion : "That Emigration favours the Irish Nation."

Government .. T. Acton, M. O'Connor.

Opposition .. M. O'Farrell, M. Bourke.

Mr. Acton said that the Irishman's reputation for bravery was won in foreign lands—the result of emigration. He skilfully argued the question that a decrease in population would mean that those left would have to work more and thus the problem of unemployment might be solved.

Mr. O'Farrell held that there was real need for work and workers in Ireland, if we really wanted to improve our country. The emigrant was lost to the country and was a real human tragedy involving the breaking up of families. But it was more than a human tragedy—it was a national tragedy—economic folly, as we were giving to others gratis what has cost so much to produce.

Mr. O'Connor contended that, in our present circumstances emigration could not be avoided. We should not in fact hinder emigration as those who went abroad aided the development of the Church and aroused interest and concern for their mother country.

Mr. Bourke reminded us of the frequent appeals of Irish statesmen to stop emigration. He was not convinced that Irish emigrants were a credit to their country and he discussed the injury done to our native language.

For the motion 8. Against the motion 21.

SENIOR APOSTOLICS



L. TO R. SEATED : M. O'Farrell, C. Foley, V. Bane, D. Cashman, Rev. J. T. Kelly, S. J., D. Kavanagh, S. O'Connor, J. Power, N. O'Driscoll.
2ND ROW : G. Cahill, M. O'Connor, P. O'Rourke, S. McGough, D. Murphy, T. Acton, D. Page, J. Cusack, P. Flanagan, M. Walsh.
3RD ROW : C. Friel, P. Sullivan, D. Morrissey, M. Tansey, M. Curran, M. Bourke, M. Hoare.
4TH ROW : J. Murphy, T. Deasy, P. Gorman, C. O'Connor, J. Toal.

Motion : " That Dissensions among the Irish Nation have done more harm than Foreign Aggression."

Government .. C. O'Connor, J. Cusack.
Opposition .. P. O'Rourke, J. Toal.

Mr. O'Connor held that dissension between Rory O'Connor and Dermot McMurrough was the real cause of aggression by England. Dissensions among the Irish (a) ruined our chances of freeing Ireland at Kinsale ; (b) delayed the formation of an Irish Parliament ; (c) made the already bad condition of the country worse, and (d) paved the way for the decline of the Irish language.

Mr. O'Rourke held that all dissensions among the Irish were caused directly or indirectly by aggression on the part of England. He admitted that dissensions did exist in our country, but in comparison with such dire calamities inflicted on our country by the foreigner, the evils emanating from internal dissension were really insignificant.

In Mr. Cusack's view the dissensions arising from the Confederation of Kilkenny and the episode of Daniel O'Connell could not be laid to the door of the foreigner. They were due to the delays and jealousies of the Irish themselves and thus the opportunity of forming a stable Government was lost

Mr. Toal concluded with an account of the evils wrought by the Danish and Norman invasions. He considered that the evil consequences of the Penal Laws were far in excess of any evils resulting from internal differences.

For the motion 8. Against the motion 14.

Carpe Diem

By A. RYAN (6A).

*Probe not the future. 'Tis a foolish crime
Impelled by eager appetite of heart
To dare assail with Necomancer's art
The God-defended Citadel of Time :
To-morrow may not give to hope sublime
Due harvest of each anxious plan and scheme.
For Death can sudden come with sickle keen
And mow the tender shoots before their prime.
But while to-day a summer branch is ours
Hnag fast, grip tight and let it not spring free
Until it renders up its blossomed store
Fair deeds and thoughts of virtue ; precious flowers
To weave a chapelet for Eternity
And be our joy when we can toil no more.*

Sodality of Our Lady and St. Francis Xavier

APOSTOLICS

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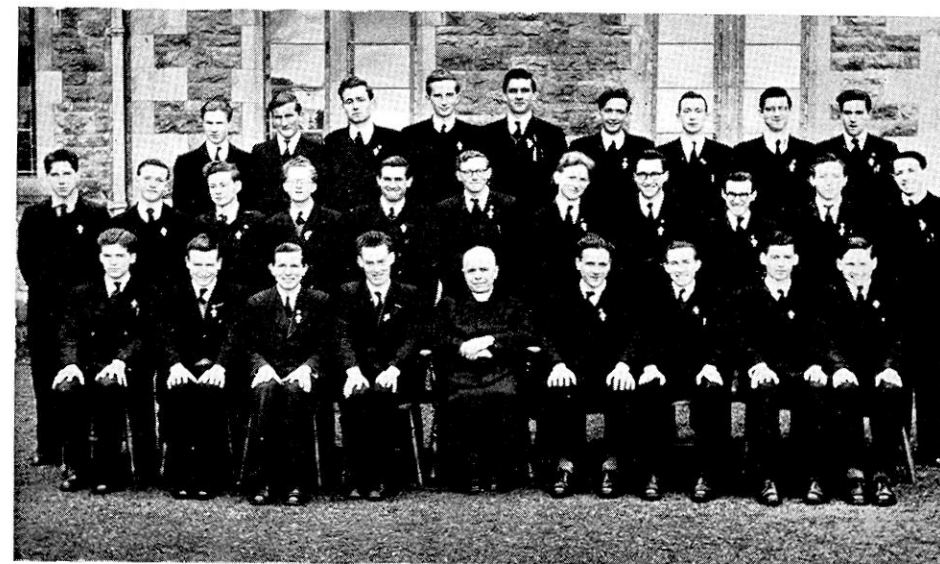
Prefect : V. Bane. 1st Assistant : D. MURPHY. 2nd Assistant : J. POWER.
Sacristan : P. O'ROURKE.

Members from Last Year : V. Bane, M. Bourke, G. Cahill, D. Cashman, J. Cusack, T. Deasy, B. Dempsey, P. Flanagan, D. Kavanagh, M. Kileen, C. Mitchell, D. Morrissey, D. Murphy, C. O'Connor, S. O'Connor, M. O'Connor, N. O'Driscoll, M. O'Farrell, P. O'Rourke, D. Page, P. Stanley, M. Tansey.

Received on December 8th : T. Acton, M. Curran, M. Hoare, S. McGough, P. Sullivan, J. Toal.

Received on May 11th : S. Tansey, P. Collins, T. Gorman.

The regular meetings were held on Saturdays throughout the year. As usual the Little Office of the Immaculate Conception was recited at these meetings. Talks on various Sodality virtues were also given. The usual sections were formed and carried out their light duties, all spiritual, and worth while. The public honour thus shown to Our Lady is a reflection of that given to her privately by each member in his own inner life. May Our Lady's maternal care and protection be with all our members for all time.



Sodality of Our Lady and St. Francis Xavier



LEFT TO RIGHT: K. McCabe, N. O'Driscoll, M. Keyes, L. Hickey, B. Coogan, M. J. O'Connor, A. Ryan

EASTER TERM

JANUARY

15th—
“The cases pile up in the doorway and hall,
On the notice board new lists appear,
The bell clangs its inhuman harsh grating
call,
Once again, boys it seems that we're here.”

16th—We begin to notice all the new
painting and decoration.

“The general rule when returning to school,
Is that faces are not full of bliss,
But that rule can't embrace this exceptional
case,
Coming back to posh place like this.”

17th—Shivering games in an inch of
snow. However we are thawed out by
the sunny return of Dick Pa—k—n—on.

18th—Bedtime Story.

“The hour is late and all good men are
sleeping,
In peace and quiet of silent night,
But yet methinks, unless my ears be faulty
A sound is wafted on the night air cool
The silent sanctuary of Second Club
Resounds to cries, and laughter, joy and
song
What ails them? Can it be the Prefect's
sleeping
Shall I get up and see if aught be wrong?
But no alas, a gentle sound subdues me,
A door has opened, a dark form is there—
For victims let me have recourse to prayer—
Outside door are Walter, John and Brian
Now Walter's in, and John and Brian
remain,
You know dear friends how much hurt it
gives me
To hear a brother suffering in pain.
And did we hear?—old pal, the door was
open

We heard it and to it could not say nay
We turned in bed with full realisation,
That crime, whatever form, does never pay.”

19th In 5A Religious Knowledge Class.
Master: “The primary Properties of
Marriage are Unity and Indissolubility.
Now Noel what are the properties of
Marriage?”

Noel “Aha A House, Father,”

20th—Paddy Dineen brings out a team
to play the S. C. T. but the home team
proves superior.

21st—The annual prize for Courage
and Determination brings a hefty re-
sponse from Third Club. D. M—han says
he's as good as P. Cu—y any day, though
he may concede something in weight.

22nd—Father Fitzgerald has visions
of a big win in the Sunday Newspaper.
Third Club are hoping that he makes the
grade in the Fashion competition, and
gets a radiogram.

23rd—P. Cu—y makes a return to
games to tone up the ‘slags.’ They
keep the same name however.

24th—An Ode to Horace, after some
hours of study.

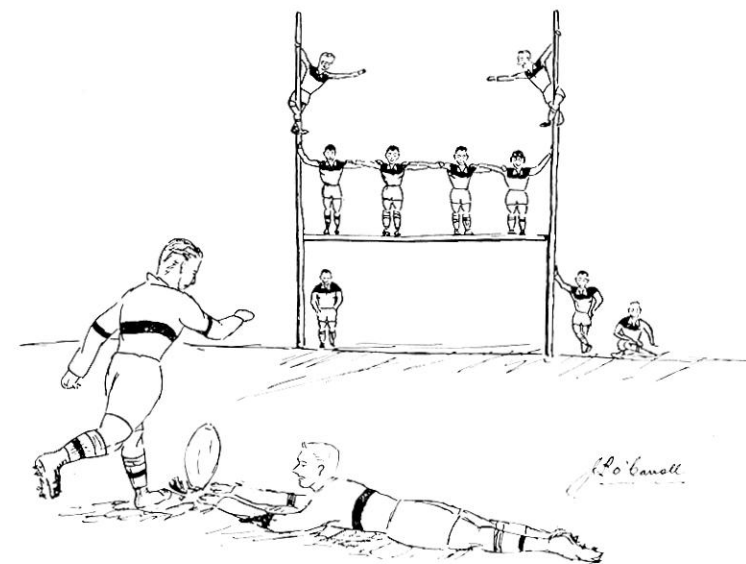
“Sweet Singer had'st thou ever guessed the
dire
And headache pains that would be mine
Thou would'st have left untouched the
Lydian Lyre
And drunk thy wine unthinking—neath
the Vine.”

25th—Black Walk begins. Nearly
everyone starts out on the voyage of
exploration.

26th—Some remarked that a certain
classroom was a bit dark; he should see
it when sparks are flying.

27th—Study Prefect “You can't sing
in here, you know”.

New Arrival “The Master said we
should be able to sing it off.”



While the Referee looks up the rules

28th—Ireland v. France on the Corridor. Ireland win 20 to 1. The one was our Frenchman.

A lively game with Young Munsters. They win 6-0.

An old friend missing.

29th—Visibility on the Black Walk is disimproving. Local haze is becoming frequent.

30th—Cards becoming more common, and a new language floats around.

*"I've done some Latin, Greek, and French,
But up to now I've missed
That novel language whose chief words
Are 'sticking' 'bust' and 'twist'."*

31st—Smiles grow radiant as the Professor writes on the Blackboard 'I like lazy boys' but they disappear when he adds 'to be punished.'

FEBRUARY

1st—Pal No. 1: These voluntary studies are awful, they take all one's energy.

Pal No. 2: When did you start.

Pal No. 1. To-morrow.

2nd—Feast of the Presentation: Congratulations to Father Cusack and Father Brennan on taking their Final Vows. To show that we mean it we take a Playday.

4th—Voluntary studies. At least one student stayed last night, because the bell ending study didn't wake him

6th—Nurse to boy with cut knee
"Don't you know that you shouldn't jump over the gate"

"Yea, that's just it, I didn't jump over, Nurse."

7th—Vi—or H—nne—y has some difficulty in getting his subject into focus with his camera. However, "You're just right now, come here and have a look."

8th—We forgot a very important social event on the 5th., B. James birthday.

*"Your birthday, dear Brendan
Delighted, how nice,
Well since your's insisting,
I'll just have a slice."*

10th—We defeat a Garryowen Selection by 11-8. P. Cu—y flashes down the wing with terrific speed for a crashing score. The cattle scamper all over the countryside.

13th—Playday to-morrow. Tom O'Neill says he is expecting to get a contract to erect traffic lights outside Father Rector's door. Someone else says he will need only a red light.

14th—Playday Pictures to-night "Ghost Goes West." A slip up in the Laundry. We get some of our sisters' uniforms.

*"These silk and satin garments
As soft as soft can be
Were made for dainty forms,
They can't belong to me.
But ah, I fear some gentle soul
Will have a gentle fit
When opening up her laundry bag she finds
My Rugby Kit."*

15th—In 5A Latin Class "Did you look over that at all last night?"
"Well, I overlooked it."

16th—The Apostolics Library gets some new books:-
The Great Caruso by Bryan Dempsey:
The Permanent Wave by Donal Morrissey
Tall Yarns: A Selection by Martin Curran.

18th—A Second Clubber finds his bed suspended in mid air, when he retires to the Dormitory after Voluntaries.

19th—Father Rector gives us a talk in the Study, and congratulates us on our upright life. He adds also that the new plastic tablecloths are very indigestible.

21st—4A History Class.

Master: "Explain the Massacre of St. Bartholomew."

Bright Boy "Simple. St. Bartholomew was just murdered."

23rd—Big singing practices in preparation for the match in Cork. Choral society meeting nightly. The conductor says we are to aim more at volume than melody.

25th—A third clubber asked was it a Feis we were going to in Cork.

26th—Overheard in Apostolic Quarters.
"How far is it from Mungret to Killaloe?"
"Thirteen as the Crow flies."

27th—We set off in great jubilation to Cork but Pres. forwards prove a bit too heavy, and win 3pts nil. A gallant fight and a little bad luck.

28th—We go to town and see Crescent beat Munchins.

MARCH

1st—Permission withdrawn for the Black Walk circuit. Third Club upset.

2nd—West of Ireland v. The Rest. The Rest win 8-5.

*"They take us on, the mighty West
They challenge us (we're all the rest)
They wakened once from slumber deep
But they might as well go back to sleep."*



Ready to start off for the Munster Senior Cup match at Cork

4th—Stone crusher goes into action in big manoeuvres.

6th—We visit Thomond Park and see Crescent beaten by Christians Cork in the Munster Senior Cup.

8th—It's not a gentle game of rugby though it sounds like one at three o'clock in the morning. It's only M. Cosgrove in difficulties with a sleep walker.

We listen in to the Irish v. Welsh match and wonder what is happening to the Irish Team. P. Curry shows lack of practice in kicking a ball. His brother says that as a little boy, he loved the sound of breaking glass.

9th—Mixed thoughts in History exam: Why did Danton go to the scaffold, and why did the Welshmen get so much of the ball?

11th—Latest joke in school:
"What happened the little girl who

was at Mass here this morning?"
"The new Radiator."

12th—Debate to-night on foreign games. The discussion turns on The Walls of Limerick v. The Hoodja.

13th—Playday. Pictures tonight. "Meet the Ghost." Butch decided he wouldn't, and kept his head beneath the chair for the whole programme.

16th—We defeat Munchins in a friendly 9-0. Overheard in the scrum: "I prithee take thy fingers from my throat."

17th—St Patrick's Day. Fr. J. McAuliffe S.J. gives us an eloquent sermon. We celebrate in the Refectory in traditional style. Irish Play to-night. We congratulate the caste and Father Curran.

19th—Heard at Philosophers' Hut.
"Stop Acton"
"Stop what actin'"
"Stop Tom Acton"

PRESENTATION v. MUNGRET AT CORK



During the Game

20th—Third Club study the stars under the guidance of Father Fitzgerald.

*"Twinkle, twinkle little star,
Now we all know what you are,
Lumps of soda, streaks of tin,
Sulphurated hydrogen."*

21st—We defeat Glenstal in the City Cup 21-0.

22nd—J. C. T. defeated by Crescent in Thomond Park, but J. Murphy and B. Silke have to retire during the game.

23rd—We go in to see Hamlet, and like it better than the film version.



"Old Soldiers"

John J. Murphy recuperates after the J.C.T. match

24th—We play Garryowen and get 16pts to their 21, but of course they had one Mungret player on their side.

25th—Photos to-day.

*"First Clubbers put on their ties
Which hit you in the eyes
Second Clubbers throw a shape
With cloths right up to date
But Third Clubbers steal the day
By washing their knees for the fray."*

26th—Historic event: J. O'Co—ell is seen shaving.

*"No longer he's a beardless boy—
A Minor in his Clan.
The safety razor in his hand
Proves Jimmy is a man."*

27th—More photographs to-day.

28th—In 2B.
Master: "What is despair?"
Boy: "It's the spare wheel my father carries on the back of his car."

29th—
*"A Young man in the study with hiccup
Tried out all the cures he could think up,
Till at last without doubt
Mr. Cremins found out
That the others the hiccup could pick up."*

30th—City Cup Final against Crescent.

*"From a ruck out over far
The ball is thrown to Vince
Who neatly drops it o'er the bar
For three points
Then from a touch throw in
Mick throws it out to Tim,
And Noel coolly scores
And so we win."*

Capt. Vince makes a sparkling speech when the Cup is presented.

APRIL

2nd—Under 17s. draw with Munchins.

3rd—Our Italian, Benito makes rapid progress in English. Signor Hennessario and Signor Nolano discuss Italian Opera and the influence of Fra Angelico on the Pre-Raphaelite School.

4th—P—dy Ke—ly can't get his hat on after winning the League.

Butch says he sneezed so hard to-day, that the factory workers went home to lunch at the wrong time.

5th—Grand National to-day. Special Mungret Sweepstake. The Director says the Pension Fund for those in a

certain class will receive substantial help from the proceeds. Billy Murphy wins first prize, and asks someone "what's a 'teal' anyway?"

6th—Under 17 Final against Crescent. We show much improved form, and win the Shield the first year it is put up.

7th—First Club Final Debate. Many eloquent speeches. We congratulate the winner, A. Ryan.

8th—No use wasting time about going home, as we have planned to do a lot of work during the Vac. So we make our departure to-day though holidays don't begin till to-morrow. A few wait on. Au Revoir.



Vincent Phillips holding the City Cup presented to him by Mrs. B. Hurley after the Final

The Sodality of Our Lady

Director : REV. D. MULCAHY, S.J.

Prefect : M. McCARTY. Assistants : B. JAMES, P. CURRY. Sacristan : P. LOCKE

Members from Last year : P. Curry, J. Fahy, E. Flannelly, J. Hennessy, B. James, B. Kingston, P. Locke, K. McCabe, M. McCarthy, J. Moore, D. Nolan, R. O'Brien, J. O'Connell, M. O'Shea, L. Parkinson, R. Parkinson, V. Phillips, M. Pierce, A. Ryan, H. Ryan, J. Scanlan, L. Young.

Received on the 8th. December, 1951 : S. Connolly, E. Curry, T. Finnerty, S. Guiney, E. Guiry, P. Harnett, L. Hickey, N. Hickey, C. Morgan, G. Moynihan, M. Murphy, J. O'Carroll P. D. O'Connor, T. O'Neill, J. O'Regan, J. D. Pierse, C. Ryan. P. Doherty was admitted as he had been received elsewhere.

Received on 11th. May, 1952 : M. Keyes, T. Teahan, C. Hennessy, J.W. Pierse.

The Sodalists are clearly endeavouring to live up to the high standards laid down in the Rules of the Sodality. This way of life which, under the mantle of the Mother of God, aims at personal holiness and at helping and inspiring others, must produce much good if continued in post-school days as earnestly as it is practised now. Regular Saturday meetings and the weekly Dialogue Mass were the external spiritual activities of the year. Again, from the hands of the Sodalists, a Perpetual Rosary is being offered to Our Lady for the success of the examinations. Each member says daily his allotted decade, so that at least eight rosaries are said each day for this intention. May all be faithful to their lifelong consecration, and safely find their way "Ad Jesum per Mariam."



The Sodality of the B.V.M. at Our Lady's Rockery

Sodality of the Holy Angels

Prefect : M. KEYES.

Sacristan : K. CANTWELL

First Assistant : J. J. MURPHY.

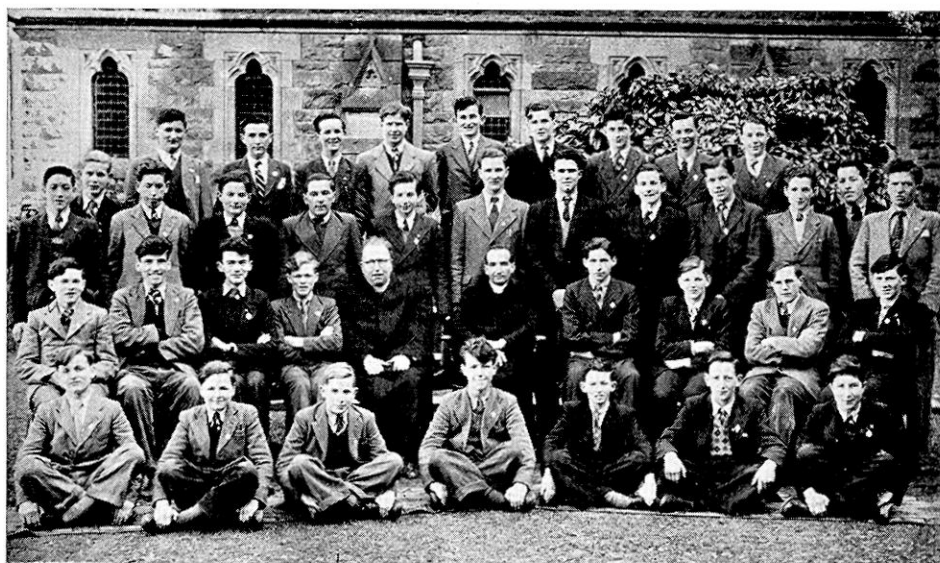
Second Assistant : J. NOLAN

Sub Prefect for Junior Section : D. BUCKLEY.

Members from Last Year : M. Keyes, J. J. Murphy, J. Nolan, K. Cantwell, J. O'Byrne, R. Cassidy, E. Fitzmaurice, J. M. Murphy, K. Buckley, E. Carey, N. Donlan, R. Harris, J. Hickey, M. McDermot, J. F. Murphy, B. O'Carroll, P. O'Grady, P. O'Connell, A. Watson, J. Enright, F. Dunne, J. Geary, M. Machen, D. Buckley, R. Burden, D. Healy, Jos. Kelly, Jn. Kelly, A. de Podhradszky, B. Forkan, J. Pierce, R. O'Connor, P. Hegarty.

Received December 10th : T. Watson, J. Keating, J. Curtin, P. Kelly, M. Fitzgibbon, H. Roche-Kelly, B. Hardiman, J. Woods.

THE Sodality this year, as last retained its division into Senior and Junior Branches. Numbers remain large, and the applications for future membership are gratifying. Each Section has its separate Weekly Meetings—the Seniors on Saturday under the direction of Father Hughes, the Juniors on Mondays with Father Cusack. All are regularly and enthusiastically attended. May the Lord aid and increase our efforts to live up to the high ideals of the Holy Angels' Sodality in our every day lives, and make us in the future the Members of Our Blessed Lady's Sodality He wants us to be.



Sodality of the Holy Angels

I Visit the Indians

A CHIPPEWA POW-WOW IN MINNESOTA

By REV. D. McENERY (1944-46)

HAVING lived outside America for the greater part of my life, I know that many non-Americans are familiar with the names of some of the great natural wonders of the United States. At school in Ireland, we were often entertained with pictures of the Grand Canyon of Colorado, Yellowstone National Park, Niagara Falls, the Everglades of Florida, etc. But the United States cover a large area, and it is inevitable that many magnificent monuments of nature might exist in the country, without their existence being known even to Americans living in other regions. Such a one, I think, is the Chippewa National Forest of northern Minnesota. Having an area almost equal to that of the Netherlands in Europe, the Chippewa National Forest is a region of vast, silent woods, where the moose, bear and deer are at home; a fisherman's paradise of sparkling lakes and crystal streams with an abundance of pike, trout and bass; for the small game-hunter a favorite haunt of wild duck and partridge. But the chief interest of the National Forest is its importance as the main reservation of the Chippewa Indians



In the centre is the grandson of the famous Chief Sitting Bull of the North Dakota Sioux. With him are his wife and the parish priest of St. Joseph's Mission

of Minnesota. To the student of anthropology, the region offers a fascinating study of ancient Indian trails and prehistoric mounds; Indian museums, remains and traditions.

Here in this restricted area lives one of the remnants of the great Chippewa nation which once ruled over Michigan, northern Wisconsin, Minnesota and the Canadian shores of Lakes Superior and Huron. Formerly the terror of the Cree and Sioux Indians, the Chippewas now follow a peaceful pastoral life. They are not an agricultural people, their land being too cold for farming by the rude Indian method. They depend for a living on hunting, fishing and the harvesting of wild-rice. Their hunting and fishing rights extend throughout the year, irrespective of Seasons. Other means of livelihood are the gathering of cranberries and the manufacture of maple sugar; the weaving of mats and baskets; the manipulation of birchbark for making huts and canoes. The Chippewas spend much time on the water and are noted for skilful handling of their canoes.

I recently attended a reservation pow-wow at Nett Lake. Pow-wow is a general term meaning a ceremonial celebration of tribal dances. This pow-wow was held in the grounds of St. Joseph's Mission, one of the many Catholic Indian Missions in the Diocese of Duluth. The mission church is small but attractive. A large painting covers the entire back wall of the church behind the altar. This painting vividly demonstrates the Indian love of nature and outdoor life. A line of grey, rugged mountain peaks stands out sharply against a background of dark storm-clouds, which are parted by jagged forks of lightning. In itself, the painting has no religious significance, but the crucifix above the altar is cleverly suspended before the painting so that, when one enters the church, the combined effect seems a perfect representation of the death of Christ on Calvary and the simultaneous disturbance of the elements.

The pow-wow was held in an enclosed stockade, surrounded by spectators. The Catholic members of the tribe, recognizing me as a priest, offered me a privileged position on the compound within the stockade. In the center was a raised platform for the native drummers, and singers. The singing or chanting is a speciality. The singers train for a long period, and, since most of the singing is in the high notes it is difficult for one group to do all the singing for an entire celebration. Hence, the singing is done by relays of different groups of singers. All the Indians within the stockade were dressed in ceremonial costumes. Feathered head-dresses were very much in evidence, but there were many other beautiful products of native crafts, home-tanned moccasins; beaded bracelets and necklaces; buckskin jackets and fringed leggings. As the Indian "orchestra" struck up its monotonous drum-beating and weird tribal chant, the dancers formed in a circle and soon the entire compound was reminiscent of scenes from "The Plainsman," "The Last of the Mohicans" and other Indian movies which I had seen at home in Ireland.

It is hard to accurately describe the Indian dances. To me, unacquainted with Indian lore, they seemed to consist of jumping wildly up and down as if one were stamping out snakes and yelling as if one had sat on a porcupine with its quills out. Sometimes the dancers seemed to be fixed to the ground, and, apparently after many strenuous efforts to release themselves, would jump high in the air with a wild yell. At other times, they would stand motionless as if held by some invisible force, while their expressions resembled the features of one suffering intensely from arthritis, and their posture suggested the terrible "drawn-out" agony of a victim being distended on a rack. The pace of the dance was set by the drummers. It began rather mildly, in a solemn and dignified fashion; as the chanting grew louder, the usually impassive, immobile features of the Indians relaxed; as the tempo of the tom-toms increased, the dancers seemed to



Chief Ed. Wilson, presiding chief of the Minnesota Chippewas, with a young visitor from California

become wild and frenzied. This was especially true of the braves, young and stalwart and splendid specimens of manly physique. Some of the other dances were less strenuous. Taking part in them were venerable Indian elders, sharp-eyed alert squaws, and comely young girls. In the women's dance, the girls chose their partners and sang with the chanters. In the "give-away" dances, the brave approached the girl with a gift. The giving of a gift was an invitation to accompany him in the dance. The giving away is an appreciation of friendship. The gift is usually a Ma Kuck (birch bark basket) of maple sugar or wild rice.

Outside the mission church, I had a short meeting with a prominent member of the Sioux tribe of North Dakota. He is a grandson of the famous Chief Sitting Bull, who directed (from afar) the Sioux and Cheyenne Indians in the memorable battle of Little Big Horn (Montana) in 1876, when General Custer and his entire U.S. cavalry detachment were massacred to the last man. Dressed in the barbaric splendour of his tribe, Sitting Bull's grandson was a striking figure. But when he smilingly posed for a picture with his wife, it was obvious that he had not inherited the ferocity of his grandsire. He told me gravely, "Indians have had time now." He explained that it is hard to get beads from central Europe to design souvenirs for the tourists. Food is often scarce and times are so tough that some of the braves have to work in the atomic plants of the white man. When asked why they did not send a delegation to the Great White Father (Harry S. Truman) in Washington, he replied, "We have worn out door-steps in Wash-

ington in last fifty years, but government still mad with us because we whipped Custer."

A great number of the Indian customs and traditions have been changed or abolished with the advance of civilization. I was not surprised to hear that the ceremony of initiation has been changed to suit modern times. In the old days, when a white man was being initiated into a tribe, the ceremony was carried out secretly at night around a huge fire. The white chief-elect slashed a wrist and held it against the slashed wrist of a pure-blooded Indian chief. The subsequent commingling of their blood made the white man a blood-brother of the entire tribe. A supper of dog meat and a victory dance completed the festivities. But the Indians are up-to-date now. While a loud-speaker broadcasts the proceedings, a group of painted braves leads the chief-elect to the summit of a hill connected with the pagan rites of the old days. The oldest chief present crowns the new chief with a head-dress of eagle feathers and names him by his official Indian title. Then, perhaps, an Indian on the edge of the crowd steps up and borrows five bucks from his newly-found brother. The new chief then realises for the first time that he really is one of the family.

Before we left the reservation, I looked around for some real Indian souvenirs. At the Chippewa trading-post we found what we wanted. One could buy an entire tribal costume, including a magnificent war-bonnet of eagle feathers. It is not generally known that there is only one suitable feather in each eagle. The chief's head-dress is made entirely of these feathers, reaching all the way to the ground. Among the other products of native industry were raw-hide moccasins; miniature teepees and canoes fashioned from birch-bark; various articles of jewelry with turquoise stones in fittings of hammered silver; fringed buckskin jackets and a great variety of beaded objects—armlets, necklaces, forehead-bands, purses and bracelets. A friend had previously warned me that certain unscrupulous, commercial-minded individuals had bargained with some of the Indians to display factory-made souvenirs and genuine home crafts in the same stall without distinguishing their origin. But since most of the Indian products are concerned with leather work, it is not too difficult to distinguish the genuine souvenir from the kind made in a Minneapolis factory. The Indians, when tanning or smoking leather, use special wood and herbs, which, when kindled, produce a distinctly unpleasant odor. This odor remains in the leather permanently whereas the factory products are deodorised before they go on the market. Consequently, before we selected our purchases, we freely exercised our nasal faculties. Among other things, I bought an Indian leather belt which had more than 1,500 beads sewn into the fabric, not just heaped together in any old way, but cleverly woven into an intricate pattern of Indian designs and symbolisms, arrows, wild flowers, eagle heads, etc.

What amused me most, however, was a rectangular piece of raw-hide with a drawing of a chief's head and underneath the drawing the following ironic verse from the brain of some modern Indian cynic:-

*"An Indian scalps his enemies
But a white man skins his friends."*

I will conclude with an extract from a letter written to me recently by Ed. Wilson, Presiding Chief of all the Minnesota Chippewas:-

"If your people in Ireland would like a group of our Indian dancers, say about ten or even less, to make an entertainment trip to your country, we would be glad to make the

trip. A thought has just entered my mind—what a wonderful thing it would be to include in such a trip a sojourn to Rome for an audience with the Holy Father in our tribal regalia. This probably is one of those dreams which will never become a reality."

If any reader of the "Mungret Annual" would be interested in having Chief Wilson's dream come true, I have no doubt that such a person would be a popular choice for admission into the Chippewa Royalty. In these days, when so many of Europe's crowned heads are losing their crowns, it is refreshing to find the American Indians dishing out crowns galore.

Though such crowns have only got eagle feathers instead of jewels, they are the symbol of a dynasty which was ancient and powerful and respected long before the O'Conors of Ireland, the Tudors of England, the Hapsburgs of Austria, the Bourbons of France, or the Romanovs of Russia became prominent in the Old World.

A MESSAGE

*Ah-nah-me-ko-dah-do-win
Wen se kang. Ah wan
Ah-nee-she-nah-bay-ogina
Me-nah-wah—en-we
Odah-nee-she-nah-bay-mon
in-we
We-che-ke-we-waum
Mo-ne yah-we-ne
ne-coon*

English Translation

Greetings from Chief and His Chippewa Tribe to their friends in Ireland.

Second Club Debating Society

Chairman :

REV. R. J. CREMINS, S. J.

Committee :

J. NOLAN (*Secretary*), M. Keyes, K. CANTWELL, M. MACHEN.

A review of the year's debating reveals an abundance of talent in Second Club. The members showed great enthusiasm and put much hard work into the preparation of their speeches. Many however, failed to give of their best through not committing their speeches to memory. If there is a lesson to be learned from the year's experience, it is that the final success of a speech is proportionate to the care with which it has been prepared and memorised.

Our first meeting in October was quasi-impromptu, two motions being proposed for spontaneous discussion. Mark Machen proposed "that no boy over 13 years of age should be seen reading a comic," which Jerry Nolan opposed. After lively debate it was defeated by 10 votes to 8. The second motion, "that boarding-schools are better for the formation of character than day-schools," proposed by R. Harris and opposed by K. Cantwell, was also defeated, 13-10.

At the Second meeting we discussed the motion that "the town produces better men than the country."

Government : John O'Byrne, Michael Keyes and Maurice Wylie.

Opposition : Kevin Cantwell, Jim Mulcair, Robert MacDonald.

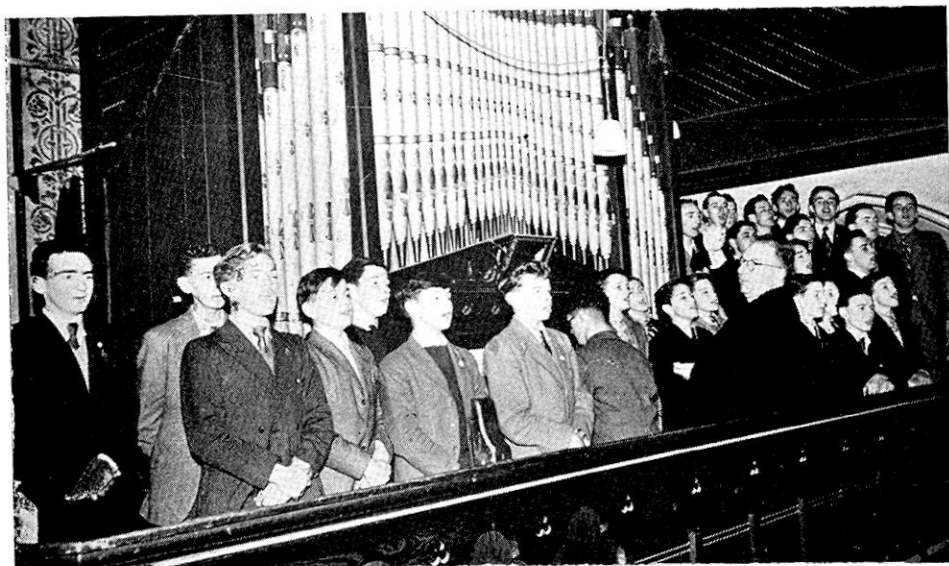
Motion lost, 16-9.

For the third meeting, on November 25th, the motion was that "the invention of the radio has changed the lives of men more than that of the steam engine."

Government : Ted Watson, Patrick Cash, Patsy O'Connell.

Opposition : Kevin Buckley, Mark Machen, John F. Murphy

Motion carried, 17-13



The Choir sings

At the December meeting, we held an Oratory Contest, for which the participants were given a passage from a famous Irish orator to learn by heart and declaim. The number of entrants obliged us to spread this meeting over two nights. The following spoke :

J. O'Byrne :	Wolfe Tone's speech before his courtmartial, 1798.
M. Keyes :	William Conyngham Plunkett's speech against the Union, 1799.
K. Cantwell :	Robert Emmett's speech from the dock, 1803.
J. F. Murphy :	Thomas Francis Meagher's "Sword Speech," 1846.
R. MacDonald :	Thomas Francis Meagher's speech from the dock, 1848.
R. Harris :	Padraic Pearse's address at Bodinstown, 1913.
P. Cash :	Continuation of the same.
J. Nolan :	Padraic Pearse's speech on Robert Emmet, New York, 1914.
K. Buckley :	Continuation of the same.
M. Machen :	Padraic Pearse's oration at the graveside of O'Donovan Rossa, 1915.
N. Dolan :	Thomas MacDonagh's speech before his courtmartial, 1916.
L. Smyth :	was to have given John Mitchell's speech from the dock, 1848, but was unable to attend.

Father Ennis and Father Cusack, to whom we are very grateful for consenting to adjudicate, expressed the unanimous feeling of the House in awarding the prize to J. Nolan, whose interpretation, expression and delivery were outstanding even amid the very high standard reached by all the speakers.

For the first meeting after Christmas the Society constituted itself into the High Court of Ireland, where before the President and a jury the case of Miss Cathleen O'Holohan *v.* The People of Ireland was tried. The plaintiff sued the defendant for having neglected the Irish language.

Mr. J. F. Murphy, S.C. and Mr. N. Dolan, B.L., (instructed by K. Buckley) appeared for the plaintiff, for whom they called as witnesses M. Machen and P. Hegarty, T.D.

Mr. R. Harris (Attorney General) and Mr. J. O'Byrne, B.L., (instructed by M. Wylie, Chief State Solicitor) conducted the defence of the People, calling as witnesses Mr. P. Cash, President of the Gaelic League and Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister for Education. As the jury disagreed, The President dismissed the case.

The next debate, in March, was that "Historians will find more good than evil in the first half of the 20th century"

Government : J. Nolan, E. Carey, R. Cassidy.

Opposition : M. Wylie, M. Keyes, K. Buckley.

Motion defeated by a small majority.

The final debate, in which the First Prefect's Medal for Oratory was at stake, was held in April, on the motion "That the Irish have not used their freedom well."

Government : J. Nolan, J. F. Murphy, P. Hegarty, K. Buckley.

Opposition : E. Carey, R. Harris, M. Keyes, M. Wylie, J. O'Byrne.

The medal was awarded to P. Hegarty.



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BOOK REVIEWS

Philip Rooney (1921-'24) THE LONG DAY, by Philip Rooney. (Talbot Press, 8/6).

As the title, "The Long Day," suggests, the whole action of Philip Rooney's latest novel is bounded by twenty-four hours. The Cinderella-like necessity to have everything accomplished by midnight gives briskness to the action. But it also creates problems for the even flow of the narrative. Event must follow sharp upon event. We have to get from Coolegar in the Wicklow Hills, where the story opens, to Bray, where it closes, and the small, blue van is as good a way as any other.

The Procrustean twenty-four framework has perhaps made difficult the smooth revelation of the characters. The idiosyncrasies of some of them are necessary to the development of the plot—a travelling-show proprietor's *idée fixe* that whenever his wallet is missing it has been stolen, the foibles of an amateur detective, the stomach ulcers of a passing van-driver. Yet the artist working on quick morning events cannot fill in all the features of his subjects. Whatever about the minor characters, it must be said that this difficulty has been overcome for the chief characters. The swift strokes show clearly and with balance just those traits that the story demands.

Not content with setting all these hurdles to be crossed, the author has interwoven a romance into the plot—love at first sight in the morning, a brief afternoon courtship amid varied adventures, a troth-plighting at midnight.

Has the author succeeded in solving all the problems set him by his self-imposed limits? On the whole we may say that he has, especially when we recall that his chief aim has been to tell an entertaining yarn. That he achieves this aim there can be no doubt. Though we know from the beginning who the murderer is and can foresee the inevitable ending, we are held in suspense until the last page, wondering how Carroll will make justice triumph. This leads us to end on a word of warning. No one without plenty of time to spare should start this book, for he who once begins will find himself still engrossed a few hours later.

LOVE TESTED: LOVE TRIUMPHANT. By George Byrne, S.J. M. H. Gill & Son, Ltd., Dublin.

In the realm of human thought there is an endless battle of error against truth. Many men who set themselves out to lead and guide the thoughts of the multitude prefer opinions to objective truth, for they love compromise and self-interest and truth is not a matter of compromise. In some ways the sea of error lashing against the rock

of truth resembles the great ocean of water ever pounding upon the shores of the solid land. Both in their attacks are powerful, both relentless, both seeking only to destroy. Protagonists of divine truth cannot afford to rest, they must ever and always strive to advance the frontiers of truth and defend them against the onslaughts of error. Father Byrne's little book is therefore a timely reassertion of a most fundamental, most consoling, most strengthening objective fact, the fact of God's eternal love for every human being and of man's objective duty and privilege of loving God in return and above all things else. The chapters are centered around the Cross of Calvary where Christ the Son of God died for love of man. We feel that the readers will find fruitful meditation in the thoughts here so ably expressed.

The Past Match

The Past match this year took place on Sunday November 4th and was a very successful event. Cork, Limerick, Dublin, Galway and Wexford sent representatives and a strong team faced the Present. The Past however, took some time to return to their old form, and in the first half the Present showed the advantage of being fit. The opening score came from L. Parkinson which J. Moore converted. Play was more even for a while and then came a forward rush by the present, and A. Ryan picked up and went over the line. The try was unconverted. Some good back play followed and from a passing movement the ball travelled to M. O'Connor who went over for another score. The kick at goal failed.

Half time left the score at 11-nil in favour of the Present. After resuming G. Moynihan scored from a threequarter movement, and shortly after J. Moore kicked a penalty goal. The Past, however now began to wake up, and after pressing

for some time, M. Walsh went over near the corner. J. Holland converted with a fine kick. Shortly after, another attack by the Past resulted in J. Holland touching down for a try. The Past were now definitely coming to life, and from a quick heel T. O'Connor got possession and cut through for a good try. The final whistle, however, came to the rescue of the Present and the final score was Present 17 Past 11.

The following represented the Past: P. Ryan, A. O'Connell, T. O'Connor, M. Walsh, I. Kelly, J. Holland, N. Galligan, D. Rae, L. Rae, A. McCarthy, P. Greene, T. Heneghan, K. O'Brady, M. O'Connell, T. Lane. Also present J. Callinan D. Hanley, E. Cogan, M. Leonard, M. Sweeney, G. Geary, C. Maguire who had done much of the organising, was unfortunately delayed on the way, and arrived too late to take part. In the evening a pleasant sing-song added enjoyment to a happy reunion.

Pioneer Total Abstinence Association of the Sacred Heart

The Working Council 1951-1952.

Secretary : J. FAHY President : M. O'SHEA Treasurer : P. O'SULLIVAN
Councillors : P. O'ROURKE D. MURPHY P. CURRY

The Pioneer Association was perhaps never so flourishing in Mungret as at present, due, no doubt, to the good work of past Directors and Councils, ably continued by the present. Nearly all who are eligible by age have become members, but they are by no means just a turba hominum, but zealous Apostles of the Sacred Heart.

The highest praise is due to the Council for thier zeal and fidelity. Regular monthly meetings took place without fail, and at times, when business required it, other meetings were convened. Minutes, registers and accounts were carefully kept.

The success of the Pioneer movement is due to the perfection of its motives and the excellence of its rules : recognising this the Council paid particular attention to explaining the motives very carefully to applicants.

Owing to the enterprise of last year a claim for some territory was staked on the rapidly diminishing vacant wall space and a fine notice board erected with proprietary rights. This has proved most valuable, and its use has always brought a response. An intensified use of it is recommended. Artistic and literary talent, which is abundant, is happily combined with modesty, and has been given ample scope.

The Pioneer magazine is a great favourite. Four dozen copies were sold each month by the Council, until near the end of the second term, when the number fell to three dozen. Incidentally it was about the time of the Budget ! Though the members have always relished reading the " Pioneer " they have not yet awakened to the fact that their contributions to it would be very interesting, not even a photograph from Mungret has appeared in its pages ! Pens and cameras for next year please ! " Dip your badge in ink."

All cordially welcome the restatement of the application of the rules to cordials in accordance with the ascertained constitution of those refreshers at the present day.

There was the usual public reception in December. Twenty new members were received after Mass. The Director gave a short sermon on the motives of the Pioneer. Others have been received from time to time. Some have been received into the Temporary Pledge Section.

The Juvenile Total Abstinence Association continues to flourish. It is organised in two sections, under the Patronage of Our Lady and St. Joseph, prefected by Michael Keyes and Donal Buckley respectively. Michael became a Probationer, and towards the end of the year was appointed to the Working Council. His place as Prefect was taken by Robert Burden. Each month a meeting was held in the Community Chapel. The zeal of the young members will merit great blessings from the Sacred Heart.

One regret ! A wave of disappointment swept the House when the gratifying vision of Father M'Carron on the corridor was not followed by one of his famous addresses. No doubt he would rejoin that he was needed more elsewhere.

A concluding word of appreciation of the members of the Council who carried out so excellently the work of administration. All without exception were present at all the meetings. Their organisation of the Reception ceremony, under the guidance of the President, was perfect. Great praise is due to the Secretary, Joseph Fahy, and to the Treasurer, Paddy O'Sullivan, for their careful work, and well-kept records, and in particular to Michael O'Shea, for his competent Presidency and indefatigable zeal. The excellence of their devotion befitted the perfection of the motives for which they were doing it.

Storm Clouds over the Missions

Almost daily, reports come of the war on Catholic Missionaries in China. Coercion, torture, and expulsion are of frequent occurrence. It is not out of place here to record the experiences of one of Mungret's sons, Father Jim Thornton S.J.

Jim Thornton, as he then was, studied in Mungret in the years 1926-30. He then went to California to continue his studies. In 1937 he went to Shanghai as a member of the American Jesuit Mission, and was ordained there in 1942. Arrested in 1943 by the Japanese, he was later offered release, but decided to remain to minister to the prisoners. Freed after more than two years, he came to Ireland for a short holiday, and then returned to Shanghai and Yangchow. In the latter place, continual threats were being made against the Jesuit Community, last Autumn. Finally the Communists made an effort to invade the Church. Fr. Thornton, however, took up his position at the door and refused to let them through. One of the soldiers cocked his gun and pointed it at the priest's breast, but this had no effect on the Jesuit, and the communist was persuaded by one of the mob to go away.

The following day a mock trial was held outside the Church, and it was decided that Father Thornton and his three companions should be expelled as 'foreign agents.' Shortly afterwards, they were removed to a neighbouring house, where the usual accusations and charges were brought against them. In a few days all four were removed to an unknown place of exile. No news has been heard of them since.

The Retreat for the Past

The week-end retreat for the past was held this year in Milltown Park in February. Accomodation was heavily taxed, and it was hoped to arrange for another week-end, but this was not possible. All who were present were happy to have had the opportunity of attending. Those leaving Mungret this year, and wishing to make the retreat next year should communicate with Rev. J. Noonan S.J.

Lough Derg

By A. RYAN (6A)

God does not need to scan the bygone years
Now wait the lapse of time to know its fruit
For ever to His steadfast gaze appears
Eternal Knowledge Universal Truth.
And so the blasphemies of men unborn
Range through the olive gloom in horrid strain
And hateful shapes of sin arose in scorn
To mock the morrow's scourge and Cross as vain.
But saw he too an Island lone and bare
Enshrined by pilgrims through the countless years,
Where faithful hearts outpoured in grateful prayer
And Guilt dissolved away in contrite tears.
And till our eyes Eternal light possess,
What strength that vision gave, we can but guess.

We went to Lough Derg

Contributed by J. A. FAHY, J. J. MOORE, and B. C. JAMES

IT all started, Joe Fahy assures us, on March the sixth. Fifth Year assembled during lunch rec. to hear "something to their advantage." It was to the effect that we should have the opportunity of making the world-famous Lough Derg pilgrimage in early June. And our reactions? What a way to start the summer vac! Then there were all the stories we had heard from returning "martyrs." From what we had heard, we gathered that Lough Derg was no holiday resort. Another: "Lough Derg,—what sort of place is it?" "A dusky weather-beaten island, with deep chill caves, huge gaunt buildings . . ." In general, the outlook was grim. Official details of the fast, the vigil, the stones, were not cheering; and yet we knew that ninety per cent. of those who make the pilgrimage wanted to revisit the island as often as they could.

Despite all these misgivings, the number of applicants exceeded the capacity of the 'bus, and it was a case of "first come, first served." Finally, all was set for the departure, and we fortified ourselves for our three days' fast with a supper; but even the prospect of nothing but one meal of black tea and dry bread could not make our capacities what we should have wished.

June the first dawned; and under the protection of the Sacred Heart we started off. Mass was at 6.30, followed by a special three course breakfast,—hot water, pepper, and salt. We were off by 7.30, and paused a moment in Limerick to collect the daily papers,—just to see how "our man" had done in the General Elections.

It was a glorious June day, and we swept on our way through the green fields of Clare,

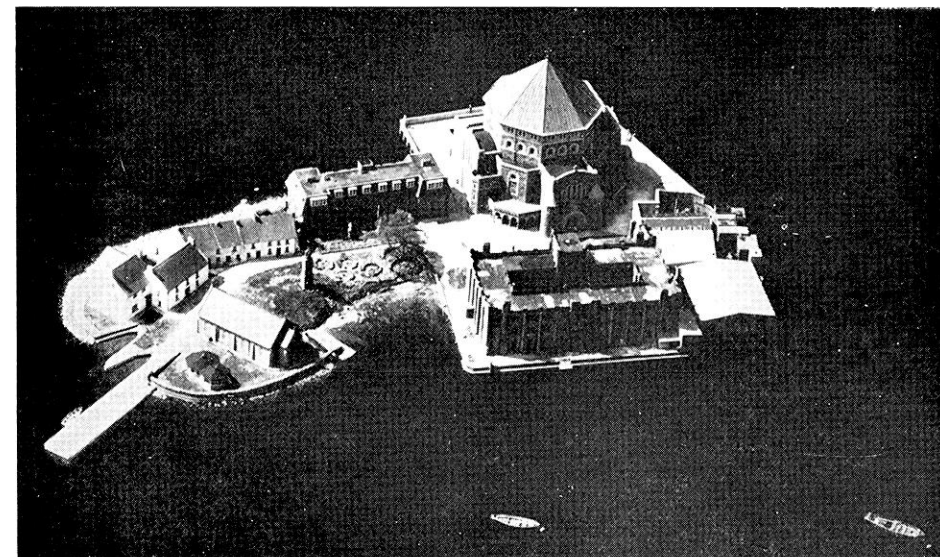


The Pilgrims

through the rock-strewn desert expanses of Galway. (NOTE: the writer obviously isn't a Galway man) into the historic town of Tuam, along the bright sea-coast of Sligo, and finally beside the still lakes of Donegal.

First impressions are most lasting. Station Island was like a gem set in a sheet of glass. Indeed so small was it that one could leisurely walk around it in five minutes. Towering about the rest of the buildings was the massive and stern basilica of St. Patrick. Under its shadow crowded the other churches and buildings. Slow-moving pilgrims filled the remaining space. We discovered that we were the last of the day's pilgrimages to arrive—and where the all but one thousand or so fitted or were to fit seemed a mighty problem, but that was not our immediate concern.

The sight of the pilgrims—by far the greater number of them were women—young and old, painfully treading the stony ground, caught our attention and presumptuous of our masculine endurance, we pitied their feebleness. But not for long! In our bare feet, we proceeded to do our First Station before "Tea." The ground was warm



Courtesy of

St. Patrick's Purgatory, Lough Derg

(Irish Independent)

underfoot, but little chips of rock seemed to take great pleasure in getting between the toes. We learned to appreciate the comfort of concrete pavements. And the Stations, besides the walking round the penitential beds, with their deceptively smooth-looking stone floors, consisted in saying more Aves, Paters, and Creds than ever before. Each Station consists in a complex set of duties during which a total of 162 Aves, 99 Paters, 26 Creds and 7 Glorias are said—(this pilgrim is obviously an Honours Maths. student).

All this had to be gone through before we faced our "Tea,"—an unlimited supply of black tea, toast, hard wholemeal biscuits were to be had, and one could eat until one's appetite was whetted. Anyway we always did full justice to whatever we got—and there were whispers of astronomical numbers of plates of toast.

Two more Stations and then we were ready for our Vigil. But by now we had assumed control of the choral effects of the various services in the basilica, and had made the

rafters ring. The Vigil, too, was a Mungret affair, since our leader, Father Hughes, preached the Holy Hour, and four of the philosophers lead the prayers at the four night Stations. Between the Stations we passed the night under a velvet sky studded with stars. There was not a breath of wind to shiver the mirror of the lake.

The night passed quickly enough until about four o'clock, when sleepiness began to play its pranks. One of the party discovered devotion to the native tongue, as he startled himself into consciousness by the fact that he was answering the prayers in Irish. But it all really did come to an end. Saturday dawned another glorious day—but what a day for us. Beforehand we were quite sure that the fast would be our greatest trial: in fact it troubled us hardly at all. But Saturday was the stiffest day of the pilgrimage. Heavy heads and heavy eyes made it a long day. While we stayed out in the open there was no danger of sleep overcoming us. But as soon as we had to go to the basilica for a religious duty—then we found the struggle hardest. We had to go some three or four times; each time a sermon was preached. We realized our condition only when nudged back to consciousness by a charitable neighbour. At least we knew that charity inspired the nudge, but it seemed then a kindness most unkind. We were aware that a very important member of our party was offered smelling salts by a charitable lady and if he needed them why should we fret if we closed an eye now and then. But Saturday, too, came to an end—and never did bed seem so welcome.

Sunday, our last day, was as fine as the previous day; and when we had completed our morning's spiritual duties, we strode about, shod anew, and full of "beans." After midday we left for the mainland, and started our long journey back to Mungret. At Bundoran we had our solitary meal—and startled the Central Hotel by our capacity for black tea and toast. Our gaiety and singing brought a look of incredulity into more than one pair of eyes of enquirers. We had not got the true "martyred" look. Mungret was reached by about eleven o'clock by those who had not dropped off for their homes as we wended our way through Connaught. When midnight came, and our fasting was done, we spent a very profitable time at supper before we retired.

That was Lough Derg. It is no Paradise; neither is it three days of punishment. Our pilgrimage was a lesson, an experience. The most striking thing in our minds was the spirit of happiness and comradeship. If ever we get the chance we will make the journey again. We know this. We want to go back again. Why is this? Perhaps it is not easy to answer that question. Maybe it is a pull operated by St. Patrick on his children's hearts. Maybe at the base of it all, is, that Lough Derg does give one a chance to take up that challenge of Christ Our Lord: "If any man will come after Me, let him deny himself." But whatever is the reason, we went to Lough Derg, we saw, and we were conquered.

Class Leaders

Christmas Term 1951-'52

PHILOSOPHY—2nd YEAR.

Aggregate	...	...	Cashman D.
Religious Knowledge	...	...	Cashman D.
Ethics	...	...	Cashman D.
Cosmology	...	...	Cashman D.
English	...	...	Cashman D.
Physics	...	...	Morrissey D.
Greek	...	...	Morrissey D. & O'Connor S.

History	...	...	Young L.
Mathematics	...	...	Tansey S.
Drawing	...	...	Tansey M.

LEAVING CERTIFICATE 2nd YEAR B.

Aggregate	...	...	Bourke M.
Religious Knowledge	...	...	Bourke M. and O'Connell J.
Irish	...	...	Flanagan P.
English	...	...	Pierce M.
Latin	...	...	Young L.
History	...	...	Toal J.
Geography	...	...	Curry P.
Mathematics	...	...	Cahill G.
Commerce	...	...	Locke P.

PHILOSOPHY 1st. YEAR

Aggregate	...	...	McGough S.
Religious Knowledge	...	...	McGough S.
Cosmology	...	...	McGough S.
Logica-Critica	...	...	Acton T.
English	...	...	McGough S.
Ontology	...	...	McGough S.
Physics	...	...	McGough S.
Greek	...	...	McGough S.

LEAVING CERTIFICATE 1st YEAR A.

Aggregate	...	...	Killeen M.
Religious Knowledge	...	...	Hickey L.
Irish	...	...	Killeen M.
English	...	...	Killeen M.
Latin	...	...	Hickey L.
French	...	...	Hickey L.
History	...	...	Hickey L.
Geography	...	...	Ryan C.
Mathematics	...	...	Long B.
Commerce	...	...	Curry E.

LEAVING CERTIFICATE 2nd YEAR A.

Aggregate	...	...	Tansey S.
Religious Knowledge	...	...	Page D.
Irish	...	...	Tansey S.
English	...	...	Ryan A.
Latin	...	...	Ryan A.
French	...	...	Nolan D.

CLASS LEADERS



STANDING (L. TO R.): F. Corry (2B), M. Killeen (5A), M. Bourke (6B), S. Tansey (6A), N. Dolan (3B).
ON GROUND: W. Costello (5B), M. Machen (3A), J. Woods (2A), M. Keyes (4A), J. Quinlivan (1A).

LEAVING CERTIFICATE 1st YEAR B.

Aggregate	...	...	Costello W.
Religious Knowledge	...	...	Costello W.
Irish	...	...	Costello W.
English	...	...	Boyle T.
Latin	...	...	Stanley
History	...	...	Ryan C.
Mathematics	...	...	Hennessy C.
Drawing	...	...	O'Carroll J. P.

INTERMEDIATE CERTIFICATE—4th YEAR A.

Aggregate	...	...	Keyes M.
Religious Knowledge	...	...	Nolan J.
Irish	...	...	Keyes M.
English	...	...	Keyes M.
Latin	...	...	O'Carroll B.
French	...	...	Harris R.
History and Geography	...	...	Nolan J.
Mathematics	...	...	Keyes M.
Drawing	...	...	O'Carroll B.

INTERMEDIATE CERTIFICATE —4th YEAR B.

Aggregate	...	...	O'Byrne S.
Religious Knowledge	...	...	O'Byrne S.
Irish	...	...	Mulcair J.
English	...	...	O'Byrne S.
Latin	...	...	O'Byrne S.
History and Geography	...	...	O'Neill T.
Mathematics	...	...	O'Neill T.
Commerce	...	...	Murphy J. F.

INTERMEDIATE CERTIFICATE—3rd YEAR A.

Aggregate	...	...	Machen M.
Religious Knowledge	...	...	Machen M.
Irish	...	...	Dennison J.
English	...	...	Roche-Kelly H.
Latin	...	...	Machen M.
French	...	...	O'Brien F.
History and Geography	...	...	Watson A.
Mathematics	...	...	Dunne F.
Commerce	...	...	O'Brien D.
Drawing	...	...	Dunne F.

INTERMEDIATE CERTIFICATE—3rd YEAR B.

Aggregate	...	...	Dolan N.
Religious Knowledge	...	...	Dolan N.
Irish	...	...	O'Connor R.
English	...	...	Dolan N.
Latin	...	...	Hegarty P.
French	...	...	Dolan N.
History and Geography	...	...	Smyth L.
Mathematics	...	...	Hegarty P.

INTERMEDIATE CERTIFICATE 2nd YEAR A.

Aggregate	...	...	Woods J.
Religious Knowledge	...	...	Woods J.
Irish	...	...	FitzGibbon M.
English	...	...	Woods J.
Latin	...	...	Woods J.
French	...	...	McGowan J.
History and Geography	...	...	Lundon W.
Mathematics	...	...	McGowan J.

INTERMEDIATE CERTIFICATE 2nd YEAR B.

Aggregate	...	...	Corry F.
Religious Knowledge	...	...	Corry F.
Irish	...	...	Cashman P.
English	...	...	O'Brien P.
Latin	...	...	Dwane P. and O'Brien P.
French	...	...	Corry F.
History and Geography	...	...	O'Brien P.
Mathematics	...	...	Dwane P.

INTERMEDIATE CERTIFICATE 1st Year A.

Aggregate	...	...	Quinlivan, J.
Religious Knowledge	...	...	Quinlivan, J.
Irish	...	...	Quinlivan, J.
English	...	...	Quinlivan, J.
Latin	...	...	Fleming, H.
French	...	...	Fleming, H.
History and Geography	...	...	Fleming, H.
Mathematics	...	...	Quinlivan, J.

PHILOSOPHY**Second Year**

Bane, V.	Cashman D.	Curran M.	Foley C.
Morrissey, D.	Murphy, D.	O'Connor S.	O'Driscoll, N.
	Power J.	Sullivan P.	

First Year

Acton T.	Hoare M.	Kavanagh D.	McGough S.
	O'Farrell M.	O'Rourke P.	

LEAVING CERTIFICATE**Second Year A.****Lay Boys**

Beggan G.	Foley J.	Finnerty T.	James B. C.
Moore J.	Nolan D.	Phillips V.	Russell M.
Ryan A.	Scanlan J.	Young L.	

Apostolics

Cahill G.	Deasy T.	O'Connor C.	O'Connor M.
Page D.	Tansey M.	Tansey S.	

LEAVING CERTIFICATE**Second Year B.****Lay Boys**

Curry P.	Flannelly E.	Hennessy J.	Kingston B.
Locke P.	McCabe K.	McCarthy M.	O'Brien R.
O'Connell J.	O'Shea M.	Parkinson L.	Parkinson R.
Pierce M.	Pierse J. W.	Ryan H.	Silke D.

Apostolics

Bourke M.	Cusack J.	Flanagan P.	Toal J.
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LEAVING CERTIFICATE**First Year A.****Lay Boys**

Baratte D.	Considine J.	Curry E.	O'Regan J.
Hickey L.	Hickey N.	Lane J.	Harnett P.
Meaney N.	Morgan C.	McDonagh G.	Ryan C.

Apostolics

Dempsey B.	T. Gorman	Kileen M.	Long B.
	McGrath P.	Mitchell C.	

LEAVING CERTIFICATE**First Year B.**

Byrne P.	Boyle T.	Cosgrove M.	Costello W.
Doherty P.	Guiry E.	Harnett J.	Hennessy C.
Moynihan G.	Murphy M.	O'Carroll J. P.	Pierse J. D.
	Teahan T.		

Apostolic

Stanley P.

INTERMEDIATE CERTIFICATE**Fourth Year A.****Lay Boys**

Carey E.	Cash P.	Connolly S.	Guiney S.
Harris R.	Keyes M.	McDermott M.	MacDonald R.
Nolan J.	O'Carroll B.	O'Carroll P. D.	Scanlan C.
	Silke B.		

Apostolic

Collins P.

INTERMEDIATE CERTIFICATE**Fourth Year B.****Lay Boys**

Buckley K.	Cantwell K.	Mulcair J.	Murphy J. F.
Murphy J. J.	Murphy J. M.	O'Byrne S.	O'Neill T.

INTERMEDIATE CERTIFICATE**Third Year A.****Lay Boys**

Buckley D.	Burden R.	Coogan B.	Costello T.
Dunne F.	Hardiman B.	Hickey J. J.	Kelly P.
McCarthy N.	Machen M.	O'Brien D.	O'Brien F.
O'Grady P.	Pierse J. A.	Podhradsky A.	Roche-Kelly H.
	Watson A.	Wylie M.	

Apostolics

Carroll S.

Delaney A.

Dennison J.

O'Rourke S.

INTERMEDIATE CERTIFICATE**Third Year B.
Lay Boys**Cassidy R.
Forkan B.
Hegarty P.
O'Connor R.Dolan N.
Garland D.
Lawler F.
O'Higgins M.Enright J.
Geary J.
Moran E.
Smyth L.FitzMaurice E.
Healy D.
O'Connell P.
Watson T.**Apostolics**

Clancy J.

Gorman P. J.

INTERMEDIATE CERTIFICATE**Second Year A.
Lay Boys**Ferguson R.
Hennessy V.
Keyes M.
O'Carroll P.FitzGibbon M.
Keating J.
Lundon W.
O'Connor D. J.
Woods J.Garland B.
Kelly Jn.
McGowan J.
O'Sullivan J.Hennessy J.
Kelly Jos.
Murphy L.
Twohig P.**Apostolics**

Downing J.

Kelly H.
Walsh M.

Murphy J. J.

Rooney J.

INTERMEDIATE CERTIFICATE**Second Year B.
Lay Boys**Clery M.
Gilbourne W.
McDermott M.Corry F.
Horgan P.
O'Brien P.Dwane P.
Kenneally M.
O'Grady C.Foster D.
Leonard B.
Sheehy P.**Apostolics**

Cashman P.

INTERMEDIATE CERTIFICATE**First Year A.
Lay Boys**Crowe J.
Fleming H.Donegan B.
Meehan D.Donegan R.
Punch D.Doyle J.
Sheahan D.**Apostolics**

McCloskey J.

O'Donnell J.
Rooney A.

O'Sullivan P.

Quinlivan J.

**Blossom Time****CHARACTERS**

Franz Schubert	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	E. FLANNELLY.
Mayrhofer	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	M. CURRAN.
Elsa	(His friends)							M. MURPHY.
Lulu	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	D. BUCKLEY
Schwindt	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	P TWOHIG.
Wimpassinger (Court dancing master)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	N. O'DRISCOLL
Vicki (His daughter)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	V. HENNESSY.
Count Rudi Von Hohenberg (Lieutenant in the Imperial Guard)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	J. FAHY.
Wili (His friend)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	J. MOORE.
Archduchess Maria Viktoria	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	B. O'CARROLL
Thérèse (Her ward)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	P. O'CARROLL.
Countess Fritzi Frangipani (A lady of the court)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	H. ROCHE-KELLY
Vogl (An opera singer)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	P. HARNETT.
Colonel of the Imperial Guard	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	P. CURRY.
Lafont (An antique dealer)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	L. YOUNG.
<i>Ladies of the Court :</i> A. de PODHARDSZKY, J. ROONEY, H. KELLY, M. FITZ-GIBBON, B. HARDIMAN.								
<i>Officers of the Guard :</i> H. RYAN, B. SILKE, C. SCANLAN, J. SCANLAN, J. MURPHY								
<i>Chorus :</i> F. LAWLOR, J. DOYLE, B. GARLAND, J. DENNISON, W. GILBOURNE, P. O'BRIEN.								
<i>Orchestra</i> PROF. GUINA, A. RYAN, G. CAHILL, B. DEMPSEY D. NOLAN.								

If we record of this year's opera that it was well up to standard, we may seem to be according it the tribute of faint praise. Yet this is not so, for there must be few operas as full of headaches for the producer with the limited resources of schoolboy cast and a school theatre. "Blossom Time" deserves rather to be called a concert than an opera. Its plot was never intended to rely on its own merits, but was devised purely as a framework for Schubert's lyrics. When the story cannot be stretched to include a song, the song is simply sung without any relation to the story. Everything depends on Schubert's songs and at times on his music alone. A magnificent stage, gorgeous settings, large choruses whirling in waltz time, in a word what Hollywood would call "lavish spectacle"

would make us forget the intrinsic weaknesses of Clutsam's anthology. But Father Hughes had none of these at his disposal, and was therefore, forced to tread the harder path of relying on the opera's musical content. Herein lies the success of his production, that the melodic value of the opera was fully exploited.

The chief role was filled by Enda Flannelly who, as Schubert, gave an agreeable rendering of his several solo items. Victor Hennessy, found Vicki's songs well within his compass. His acting seemed to suffer somewhat for nervousness, so that he gave of his best when supported by the chorus. In the finales of both acts, with "The Dancing Duchess" and "Love Comes at Blossom Time" his strong voice, balanced by the chorus, was heard to best advantage.

With the quartette, "The Days of Spring are Fleeting," sung by Martin Curran, Michael Murphy, Donal Buckley and Philip Twohig, the opera achieved a vicacious rhythm which was maintained almost without a break. Hubert Roche-Kelly's unaffected interpretation of the part of Countess Fritz Frangipani was very well received, as was his "Always a Perfect Lady," sung with Herr Wimpassinger (Noel O'Driscoll). The latter also held the audience with the Prune Brandy song. In the Letter Scene the quartette was again spirited and harmonious.

The Choral Waltz was perhaps one of the most pleasing scenes in the opera. At this point Brian O'Carroll, the Archduchess Maria Victoria, first appeared. His appear-



SCHUBERT (Enda Flannelly) introduces the "Marche Militaire" to a group of his friends, ELSA (Michael Murphy), MAYRHOFER (Martin Curran), LAFONT (Liam Young) and HERR VOGL (P. Harnett)

ance on the stage was excellent and he appeared to dominate his surroundings as an Archduchess should.

With his heart-broken, "I am sorry . . ." Liam Young, as Lafont, made the most of the play's one dramatic moment, when Schubert is arrested on the stage in the middle of the recital that is to make his name. During Schubert's "concert" the liquid notes of Professor Guina's violin accompaniment brought out to the full the beauty of the melodies.

The small group of Court Guards was well marshalled and accurate in its movements. Paddy Curry appeared the very essence of a Colonel of the Imperial Guard, while his subordinates showed by their dancing, that they possessed at least the one minimum qualification for membership of the Archduchess Victoria's Guard.

The Chorus sang with precision and balance. Their movements too, in spite of one or two somewhat ragged exits, were well executed. The grouping and colourful singing of the Marche Militaire as well the ballet in the second Act were especially noteworthy.

EXCHANGES

The Editor gratefully acknowledges the receipt of the following College Magazines:

The Belvederian; *The Clongownian*; *Rockwell Annual*; *Castleknock Chronicle*; *The Lanthorn*; *The Mary Immaculate Training College Annual*; *The Mountaineer*; *St. Aloysius College Annual* (Mangalore); *Loyola College Review* (Montreal); *The Patrician* (Melbourne); *The Xaverian*; *The Alma Mater* (Sydney); *The Harvester* (Kenmore); *The Eagle* (Claremont, W. A.); *The Aloysian* (Sydney); *The Star* (Hong Kong); *The Petrean*; *The Rathcliffian*; *Blackrock College Annual*; *St. Joseph's Magazine*; *St. Patrick's Annual* (Jaffna); *Baeda Gleanings*; *Bishop Foy School Annual*. *Portacelli-Villasis*.

MUNGRET COLLEGE UNION

The work of organisation is still going on, and the list of names and addresses is being gradually added to. Owing to the prolonged Hotel strike the Union Dinner arranged at Jury's Hotel had to be cancelled. Old Boys wishing to join the Union should write to

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ATHLETICS

North Munster Colleges Athletics

Senior			
M. O'Shea	2nd 100 yards.
M. O'Shea	...	...	2nd 220 yards.
V. Phillips	...	...	2nd 440 yards.
B. Long	...	...	3rd. Mile.
J. Moran, D. Parkinson,	} 1st. Senior Relay.		
V. Phillips, M. O'Shea.			

D. Slattery	...	...	3rd Javeline.
T. Gorman	...	...	3rd. Hop, Step and Jump.

We scored 15 points in the Senior Cup, thereby gaining 3rd place. We also came 3rd in the Limerick Schools Cup.

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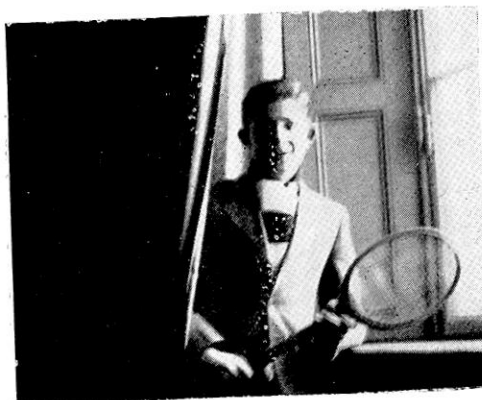
In the All-Ireland Sports V. Phillips, the only representative of Mungret, came 2nd. in the 440 yards.

WALLPOLE CUP INTER-COUNTY HANDBALL DOUBLES, 1951. F. Kinneally and T. Deasy, Cork, beat J. Scanlan and M. O'Shea, Limerick, in the final.

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GAMES 1951-'52

DR. KEANE CUP

MUNGRET v. C.B.S.

At C.B.S. grounds.

30th April.

WE started the Hurling season in September determined to regain the Dr. Keane Cup, which after three years at Mungret found its way to St. Munchin's at the end of last year. We were fortunate to have seven of last years team including M. O'Shea who was elected captain for a third year. We finished the first round one point ahead of St. Munchin's and two ahead of C.B.S.

Up to date we have played and won our first match of the second round against C.B.S.

The Rugby season opened on October 21st, and V. Phillips was re-elected captain of the Senior Team. We hoped for great things, and if we did not achieve all we hoped for yet we had a good season.

The Preliminary Trials Match was held here as usual, and we had representatives from all the schools who did not compete in the Bowen Shield competition. Five were selected for final trials: V. Phillips, J. Scanlan, J. Moore, L. Parkinson and M. O'Shea. The last named was unable to play owing to injury. J. Moore played against Leinster and Connaght, and V. Phillips was twice substitute.

We were defeated by three points by the eventual winners of the Munster Cup, Presentation, Cork. The J.C.T. who might have done great things had very bad luck in the match against Crescent, and played much of the match with only thirteen men.

Having mentioned our defeats, we can end on a note of victory. We won the City Cup from the Crescent, who having won it for the last three years and had it for the same number of years as ourselves, i.e. seven. So we move up first again with a total of eight wins in all.

We finished the season with another victory over the Crescent for the new under 17 Shield, which gives us great hopes for our next year's S.C.T.

We were somewhat apprehensive about how we would do in this match as we had had very little practice, but having beaten C.B.S. on our own ground in the first round thought we should be able to do so again.

The morning was very bad but it cleared up beautifully though there was a strong breeze across the field.

Play was never brilliant but was consistently good. We went ahead after about ten minutes with a goal from J. Moore. C.B.S. replied with two points, but never during the match did they equalise. At half-time we were four points in front 3.3. to 2.2. J. Moore had two goals, N. Hickey one, and one point each from M. Keyes, P. O'Grady, and P. Stanley.

In the second half we went farther ahead with three goals from J. Moore, M. Keyes and P. Stanley, and two points by J. Moore and N. Hickey. C.B.S. had two goals.

Result: MUNGRET 6 goals 5 points.
C.B.S. 4 goals 2 points.

DR. KEANE CUP

MUNGRET v. C.B.S., LIMERICK

At Mungret.

10th October

This game can be best summed up as the triumph of speed and of getting off to a quick start. The day was beautiful though the ground was a bit heavy after the previous rain. We started very well, B. Long, sending in two goals in the opening

minutes. Shortly after N. Meaney added another goal and N. Hickey put in yet another. These early successes can be mainly attributed to the fact that all concentrated on pulling on the ball instead of trying to pick it up which so often slows down the game. After the first glorious minutes the game became more even as the speed of the beginning could never last. C.B.S. had a goal and a point and M. O'Shea and N. Hickey added two further points to our total.

In the second half Mungret were definitely on top, scoring two goals and nine points, shared by M. O'Shea, (one goal); N. Meaney (one goal); J. Moore, (two Points); N. Hickey (four); P. Stanley, (two) and J. Scanlan, (one). The only reply from C.B.S. was a goal in the final stages.

The outstanding players of the day were M. O'Shea, our captain, who was always in position to send the ball right up the field, when we were threatened, and N. Hickey, whose neatness and accuracy were a delight to watch.

Results: Mungret, 6 goals, 11 points.
C.B.S. 2 goals, 2 points.

DR. KEANE CUP

MUNGRET v. St. MUNCHIN'S

At St. Munchin's Grounds 18th. October.

Having beaten C.B.S. who had drawn with St. Munchin's, we were very confident of victory. The day was fine, though again the ground was rather heavy.

The match started slowly, too slowly, and our team did not really ever settle down. However, we had a lead of four points at half time, one from John Moore, and a solo effort from Michael O'Shea.

Though the play in the second half was not brilliant at any time it provided many thrills and one accident when Brendan Long got a blow on the head and had to be replaced by J. J. Murphy. The even scoring provided the thrills. St. Munchin's got a goal, we replied with two points, and then St. Munchin's got another goal to level the score. We pulled ahead again with a point, but our joy was shortlived as yet another goal was notched against us, leaving us two points down and only a few minutes left to go. It was then that Michael O'Shea showed us how a captain should play. He put over a point to raise our hopes slightly, and then a minute later when we were waiting for the final whistle put over that final point with all his force to make the result a draw.

N. Hickey, P. Stanley, and J. Scanlan were each responsible for two or more points.

Result: MUNGRET 2 Goals, 12 points.

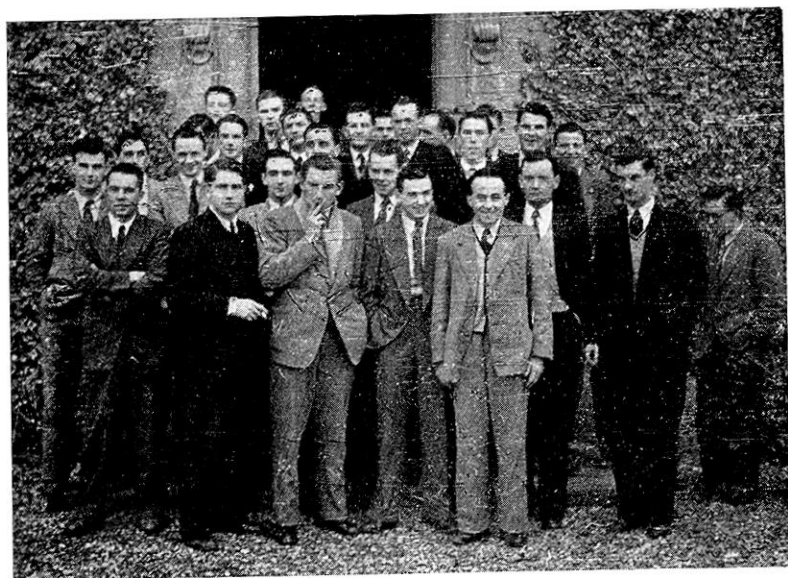
St. MUNCHIN'S 5 goals, 3 points.

RUGBY.

MUNSTER SENIOR CUP

27th. February. Mardyke, Cork.
v. Pres. Cork

We travelled to Cork with about 20 supporters to make our bid for the Cup in high spirits. All



Some of the Past

were in good form and confident of victory.

We started off playing against a pretty strong breeze, and Presentation spent much of the first half in our 25, but though they were winning the great majority of the set scrums they only managed to cross the line once far out when Crowley the right wing burst through all opposition. The kick at goal failed.

We felt lucky to be only 3 points in arrears against the breeze. The second half was a much better one for Mungret. Our backs were excellent throughout and we felt that if only we could get the ball back from the scrum occasionally we could score as our backs always looked more dangerous. Noel Hickey had one really grand run but, unfortunately he was brought down when he seemed all set to score. Gerry Moynihan too, had one very long run but Presentation got across to prevent their line being crossed.

John Scanlan, our full-back, was excellent throughout and got us out of many a difficult situation.

We were disappointed at being beaten but felt that we could do no more, the heavier pack of the winners prevented us from getting enough of the ball to use our faster back line to advantage.

Under 17 SHIELD

MUNGRET v. St. MUNCHIN'S

At St. Munchin's Grounds 2nd. December.

We had hoped for a better display than in the previous match, and our hopes were fully realised.

It was an excellent match and a credit to all who played.

The day was good, and David Nolan, having won the toss elected to play down the hill. The whole team started off in most lively style, but though we kept St. Munchin's on the defensive we could not get through the defences for a long time. All knew the need of building up a good lead in this half when we had the advantage, nothing came from our attacks until Noel Hickey cut through beautifully to score under the posts. Michael Keyes had no difficulty with the kick.

We changed over with a lead of five points, which did not seem enough. St. Munchin's began to press and we ceded a penalty goal early in the half. Then our team which had been playing well all the match really woke up. The ball was worked up well into enemy territory and then it was our turn for a penalty goal, by Michael Keyes. Back again and another penalty goal for St. Munchin's. Up again, and Joe Fahy got over the line out near the corner flag. We continued to press for the remainder of the match in spite of the efforts of Mulcahy of St. Munchin's to rally the defence. We scored once again when A. Watson got the touch from a cross kick from Gerry Moynihan.

A special word of praise is due to our out-half, Hugh Ryan, for his excellent handling and speed in getting his three-quarters moving.

Result: MUNGRET 14. (1 goal, 1 pen. goal, 2 tries)

St. MUNCHIN'S 6. (2 pen. goals.).

WINNERS OF THE DR. KEANE CUP



C. Scanlan, T. Deasy, J. Moore, N. Meaney, J. Mulcair, P. Stanley, C. Mitchell.
P. Doherty, J. Scanlan, M. O'Shea, V. Phillips, M. Murphy.
B. Long, N. Hickey, M. Keyes.

Under 17 Shield**MUNGRET v. GLENSTAL**

At Mungret.

15th November.

Though we did manage to win the match it could be called anything but satisfactory. It was a slow and dull match without one good back movement from beginning to end. David Nolan managed to heel the ball from about half the set scrums, but the passes from the base of the scrum were so wild and hard that the out-half had no chance to get the three-quarter line moving properly.

In spite of all this, forward play in the loose was at times good, and Michael Keyes, on the wing had one good run which nearly resulted in a score. The first half ended without score on either side.

A few positional changes were made at half time, and Noel Hickey went in as scrum-half. As a result of this the standard of play improved somewhat, but still the back line did not settle down. About half way through the second half Noel Hickey made a nice jinking run and put J. F. Murphy over for the only score of the match. We also had a few good forward rushes in this half.

Our three points lead looked very small when Glenstal swept down towards our line a few minutes from the end. They did not get over, however.

Referee: Mr. J. Harris.

Result: Mungret 3. (one try).
Glenstal nil.

Under 17 Shield**MUNGRET v. St. MUNCHIN'S**

At Mungret.

2nd April.

We had beaten St. Munchin's in the first round of the competition on their grounds, so imagined that we would have no trouble in doing it on our own, but our expectations were not justified. The match was scrappy and neither forwards nor backs were playing up to form. We got one try in the first half and looked like retaining our lead but near the end of the game St. Munchin's broke through and scored far out. The match ended in a draw. The position in the competition was now Crescent 6 points; Mungret 5. We had not had time to play the Crescent before, so agreed to play one match for 4 points in Thomond Park. Hence, if Crescent could even draw against us they would have the shield, which had replaced the old under 17 Cup.

Result: Mungret 3 points.
St. Munchin's 3 points.

MUNGRET v. CRESCENT

Thomond Park.

6th April.

FINAL

Having beaten the Crescent in final of the City Cup on the previous Sunday, we were very anxious to repeat the performance and acquire the new shield. They won the toss and decided to play

against the wind.

We dominated the play, with the wind, for most of the first half, but could not cross their line. A penalty was awarded to us nearer to the half-way line than the "25" and all were amazed to see M. Keyes preparing to take a shot at goal. The surprise was still greater when the ball just scrambled over. Three points up at half time.

We expected hard going in the second half, but the team seemed tired and only the superb tackling of our backs saved our line on many occasions. We did have some good rushes in the second half and crossed over for one score which was disallowed. The Crescent had bad luck on one occasion when Cross hit the upright with a penalty kick. D. Nolan and his team deserve our heartiest congratulations on winning this competition in the face of many difficulties.

After the match Mr. O'Donovan presented the Shield to David Nolan, and congratulated the two teams on their display.

Result: Mungret 3 points.
Crescent Nil.

UNDER 17's*Junior Cup Team***CITY CUP**

Crescent Grounds.

19th March.

SEMI-FINAL**MUNGRET v. GLENSTAL**

We had an easy victory over Glenstal in this match. The ground was very wet and there was continuous drizzle.

For the first ten minutes it appeared that the match might be fairly even, and that the scoring might be low, but after M. O'Shea got three scores far out on the right wing, Glenstal defence collapsed. Scores followed in quick succession by Acton, Parkinson and Hickey. None of the kicks was successful as the ball was heavy and greasy.

Mungret got the ball from nearly all the set scrums, and in spite of the weather, handled very well, Acton sending out excellent passes from the base of the scrum.

The score at half-time was 18-0

Glenstal were more lively in the second half and pressed for a time and looked like scoring, at least once. Mungret had lost much of their punch and not till near the end did they get one very good score; Phillips made the opening, passed to Hickey, who passed on to Moynihan to touch down.

Result: Mungret 21 points.
Glenstal. 0.

FINAL**MUNGRET v. CRESCENT**

Thomond Park.

30th March

We were particularly anxious to get the City Cup from the Crescent this year as they had kept it for the last three years, and as a result had won it as often as we had, seven times in all. They had beaten us in a friendly in February but two of our players were injured in that match, so we were very hopeful.

There was a strong north-east wind and Crescent having won the toss, surprisingly elected to play against it. In spite of the wind the Crescent were very much on the attack in the early stages but then we put on pressure and attacked strongly. During one of these attacks, V. Phillips, our captain, seeing O'Shea out side him marked, turned and dropped an excellent goal. For a while we continued to press without avail, realizing that 3 points is not much of a lead with a strong wind behind you. Then, from a scrum near the Crescent line we heeled, M. O'Shea ran in from the wing to make the extra man, thus upsetting the defence, the ball went to N. Hickey, who cut in for a beautiful try. The kick failed. Only six points up at half time, with half an hour to play against the wind.

We thought that the Crescent would do all the pressing now, but we were wrong. The Crescent did press often but never really looked like scoring, apart from two shots at goal by Cross. Some wonderful forward rushes in which J. Moore was the greatest force took the ball up to the Crescent line on several occasions, and more than once we seemed to be over. In the closing minutes Cross

reduced our lead with a fine penalty goal.

After the match in a scene of jubilation Mrs. Hurley presented the Cup to V. Phillips.

Result: Mungret 6 points.
Crescent 3 points.

CANNOCK CUP

Under 16 v. Crescent.

13th December.

Our Junior team which looked fairly satisfactory on paper had not yet really settled down to their game and we must consider that a draw was a very satisfactory result from our point of view. Crescent led by 5-0 for most of the game and dictated a great deal of the play, but lack of penetration on their part and good defence on ours kept them from increasing their lead. In the last minute of the game a good kick down the field by our scrum half B. O'Carroll from inside his own "25" caught the Crescent backs napping, J. J. Murphy and P. O'Grady were up fast and kicked up under the posts where D. Garland completed the good work. J. J. Murphy converted the try without difficulty and the final whistle went, leaving the score:

MUNGRET 5 points.
Crescent 5 points.

MUNSTER JUNIOR CUP**SEMI-FINAL****MUNGRET v. CRESCENT**

Thomond Park.

20th March.

Our hopes were high for the Junior Cup this year as our J.C.T. had improved beyond recognition, but luck was unkind to us and robbed us of our chances.

We scored after a few minutes—a fine run by B. Silke resulting in a fine try by L. Smyth—Crescent replied with a goal, but we looked as if we could score again at any time. We were pressing again when B. Silke fractured his wrist as a result of a tackle, and had to retire. He was a very heavy loss as our 'flying wing'. The fourteen fought on, and we thought that we could still win. Just after the second half started, our out-half J. J. Murphy had to go off with a sprained ankle. This spelt ruin to our hopes and the Crescent raised their lead twelve points. The six forwards fought like heroes and were rewarded, when near the end D. Garland burst over for a fine try. Our team won the applause of the crowd and the gratitude of the school for their great spirit, right to the end.

We congratulate our opponents on defeating Rockwell in the final.

Result: CRESCENT 17 points.
MUNGRET 6 points.

ATHLETICS.

On May 1st of this year, a group from the Limerick Athletic Club kindly came out to give us some practice. We hope to show that we have bene-

fited by this when the sports take place. The group included Messrs. G. Geary, T. Cleary, P. Dineen, J. O'Brien and D. Punch.

Third Club Games

Our games again reached a high standard both in Hurling and in Rugby. In the Summer term of last year we were fortunate to get matches with C.B.S., Limerick and with Saint Ignatius College, Galway in hurling. We were beaten by C.B.S. who were a slightly bigger side and we won against Saint Ignatius with the advantage of size somewhat in our favour. Both matches were very enjoyable and we were particularly grateful to the Galway boys for coming such a long distance to play us. It was their first visit but we hope it may become an annual event.

In Rugby our choice was limited but again the Cannock Cup Matches produced the best Rugby from each team. Our Rugby League caused great excitement. The teams were very evenly matched and the winners had to fight for the honours to the last game. It gave a good finish to the Rugby Season. We hope that with the

arrival of the Summer term our Hurling League may prove equally exciting.

THE FINAL OF THE DR. KEANE CUP

A thrilling final to the Dr. Keane Cup was fought out here against St. Munchins on the 4th of May. The game, rather slow at first, with some mistakes and inaccuracies, settled down to steady exciting hurling when J. Moore after about ten minutes raised the green flag. At half time the scores were level, 1-1 to 1-1.

J. Scanlan and C. Mitchell at centre field gave the forwards plenty of opportunities which C. Scanlan, M. O'Shea and P. Stanley used effectively. Mungret's lead began to creep up as M. Keyes and N. Hickey produced shots from nowhere. The score 5-7 to 3-3 ended a game that Mungret will surely remember as one of her best.

Result: MUNGRET 5-7

St. MUNCHIN'S 3-3.



SENIOR RUGBY TEAM



T. Acton, G. Moynihan, E. Flannelly, J. Moore, J. O'Regan, D. Nolan, P. Locke.
M. O'Shea, H. Ryan, J. Scanlan, V. Phillips, M. O'Connor, L. Parkinson, R. O'Brien.
N. Hickey, A. Ryan.

Under Fifteens



Under Fourteens

Thought in Defeat

(With apologies to Lord Tennyson)

By M. MACKEN (3A)

Break, Break, Break
Mungret from the base of the scrum
And I would that the forwards could tackle
And the centres faster run.

Oh well for the man in the stand
That he shouts and yells till he's hoarse
Oh well for the man on the line
He say we must win of course.

And their speedy backs dash on
To another try under the post
But oh! that we could get a score
We'll be lucky to draw at most.

Break, Break, Break
Mungret from the base of the scrum
But how can the backs expect to score
If the ball from the scrum ai'nt won.

Éire mar Ionad Cuartaíocta

UAITEAR MAC COISTEALBA, ÁRD-RANG 1.

Ní bionn a lán ag teardáil ón ngná-cuairteoir—amreap breá, tairteal fearcair, raðar-canna taitneamhaca, agus áiteanna ciúime compórúla i bfuil ó baile agus ó buairt na castrá. Iy maic an puo é do dume imeact óna áit oibre agus óna ghná-ait cónaí, so oti ceantair álainn imear na pléibte, nó ar imeall loea focair ruamneapais, nó ríor amac éuis gleannra glara ríocánta, cun so breicead pé raotair lánne Dó, raotair a rinne Sé ar ári pon, agus naé bfuil ríol-éaite ag veiríu agus ag gléarpa an dume.

Ar a raotair do in áiteanna mar iao rin, tagann ruamneap iontae ar aigne an éuaircúra, déanann pé veapmao ar buairt an traotil agus ar an mni a tagann óna gno laeuit. Nuair a bionn a raotair éaric iy fear nua é, mar bionn pé ear éir a feiremt so bfuil nite eile ar an toman readar raibneap, maom agus uabair an traotil. Tá puo amám le fáil in éirinn ag an gcuairteoir, agus níl a ráir le fáil in don tír eile ar toman, pé rin áilleact an Dúirpa—na raðar-canna áilne atá le feiremt ar puo na tíre : pléibte maorpa Dúin na nHall, áilleact éreagac áriann, doibneap loea léim i gCill áirne, rceiríuáilact na gcuair agus na pléibte i gCiarrapaisge, móimóir éaric ar éinn Mara. Ac readar áilleact taob tíre agus cuair raiprge, tá áilleact eile a téann i gcionn ar an gcuairteoir, pé rin, aigne agus meon na noame, an aigne fáilteac rin atá aca, iy raibneap é cinnce. Bionn muntir na héireann ullam i gcónaí cun fáilte éom a éurí pon an cuairteoir agus pon an tairtealaí.

Tá an éuro iy mó o'áilleact na héireann le fáil in áiteanna ciúime ar an gcúiráo ó rí an toman móir. Sin é an fáé so gcoméaoann ríao a mbreacé—ní bionn ríao rean-éaite ó bpuo noame. Iy ar imeall na raiprge i nDúin na nHall a éitear an áilleact maorpa rin so mbionn an cuairteoir i gcónaí ar a loip. Iy ann a bionn na tonntreaca ároa bána ag pléaragac ar na carraigeaca duha, agus iao ag cupí cuot cuabair in áiríoe. Iy ann a éitear na pléibte ároa iolraite, a gcin corcair elúraite le néallta. Iy raiair agus iy uafárac an opeac a bionn ar éuro de fáilteaca Dúin na nHall, móimóir na cinn atá ag bun Sliaó na Cpuaise goirne. Anran atá na carraigeaca duha lonnrae ag éirí aníor so oipeac ón bfaiprge



"Some Garden Statuary"
Sorry, the Horticulturalists pause for a rest

goirne, pluaircanna duha oipeac oamgne éior pé bun na bfaillteaca ran, na tonntreaca duhaireaca gá mbualao péim pé na mbun, agus iao ag corcair a éile iricis ra oipeacac ; macalla a mbuiciró le clor nuair a caitear aníor é ag an nraoit éar barrpa na bfaillteac.

Tá muntir Dúin na nHall so lác muntreaca. Tá an gaeitge beo ríor ma meare. Bionn oíre a oite beag bán i gcónaí ar opeailt pon an cuairteoir, agus bionn fáilte fáil ponne ra éiric te compórúil.

Ioir pléibte Ulaó agus beal na Sionna, aouaro leir an gcóirca, tá tír ríam uaigneac le fáil, agus tá éuro de Contae Muigeo ar na ceantair iy gairbe talam in an réimre rin. Tá rárac raiprge de talam carraigeac, de ríorais agus de énoic éreagaca ag ríneac mar a beac meirepí móra ó loe Coirub so Cuair Cill Alaró. Iy beag áirteac a bionn le feiremt i gcuair ceantair rin, ac iy ann atá na raðar-canna iontae—na pléibte goirpa carraigeaca, na ríutám beaga ceolraia agus an t-uirce glé glan iontu ag rinne so ríormac éar na porpáa oonna, mar aouireann an ríle

"Doibinn ríe ar bántaib éireann
Lá breá gíre buí,
Leóirne aniair ag tíaacé so héatrom
'S i ag bogacé gaeac ac cionn.
Sué feireóige—ceol 'na érean rípué—
Iy éluair ón ríer so binn,
'S an opeóilín tearbaig aibró aerae
Ag labairt ran breap san ríum."

Ó oear a éuille ó talam ríeigce Conamara ríoirtear ceantair so bfuil a malairt de éreite na h-áilleacta tíre aca. Ar an otaob éoir o'ioctar Sionna éimro mág móir glar or ar gcomair. Sin é gleann buí na Muman, an ceantair ar a otagann na barrpaí talmaiocta iy fearra ra tír, agus an t-eallaé iy breáca leir. Má reapann an cuairteoir ar barr énoic ra máis rin agus réacant ar an otaoir maguair, ní beo neap aige ar an ionad a éiocparó air. Éior pé, ag bun an énoic, éiríó pé ráirceanna réro treapa, an éreapós éar toon ionpaite bun-or-cionn ma linte raia, na h-ém ar loip ríar ra ére, an feiremeoir ag treabao agus na raolileam ag eiteall agus ag luaracó éar air, agus iao ag tomaó cun na talman so h-aicli. Sa bpuar, ra máis rin, éiríó pé ráirceanna oen arbar buí ag luaragac ra gaoit, mar raiprge óir. In aice leir, éiríó pé móiméir de fear úr éimra, i lár na máisge rin, aba ag caracó agus ag lúbaó mar ríuicín aiprro, agus an mág so léir mar éuille iol-raite.

Ní réapaoó don cuairteoir a rá so raib éire ríulra aige muna raib Cill áirne feicce aige. Níl a leicéro le fáil ra tír uile, maroir le áilleact raðaric tíre, agus ríuab agus loe. Tá pléibte ároa gairba ann agus énoic beaga réaríraia, eap maorpa ag oírimis leo ríor éar carraigeaca duha ann, agus ríutám eaoimne ránae ag ríe ríor na carraigeaca. Sé ráreap lué raotair agus cuairtaiocta é. Tá na loea ann oon iareair breac, loea beaga ciúime. Iy réroir báo o'fáil agus imeact amac imear na n-oileán mongac, agus ríor na carraigeaca oamgne atá éall agus íbup in an oá loe. Iy réroir oon tuirpóir airtar oó déanann timpeall na loe ar éarí eliaénae capail, a éugann é éuis na raðar-canna tíre iy iontaí i gCill áirne. Tornaionn pé ag geataí Mamirteac Mucroir, agus téann pé ar an gcairí ríe gáiríoní Tí Mucroir, mar a bfuil raice de blácaná áilne éagrála, de ríor labráir, éramn ríor, tulám éreagaca, agus móran émeál cúnlae raite atá com bog le éim. Níl teopra le breacé na h-áite rin, na plannoaí ó na réigíuim teo, na corám ríonnuara pé na éramn, agus na ríoríero tuaité éar na ríutám.

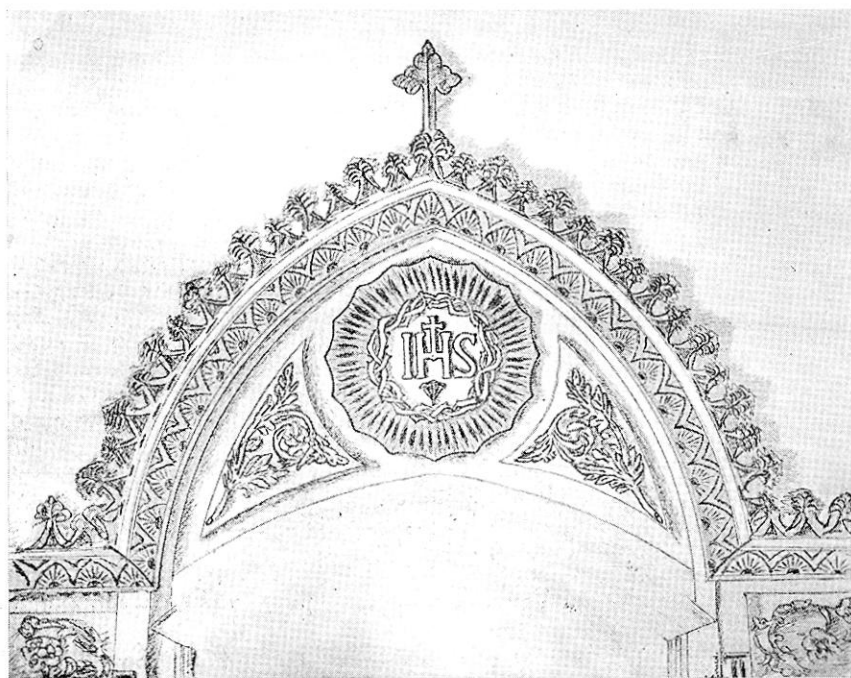
Téann an cáirí anran ríor so oti an loe, agus ruar éar Carraig an Caílin Dám so oti an boacán. Tá raðar-canna iontae ran áit rin ríerim, agus iy ann atá Cumair na nUiré, áit álainn imear na gcamn. Téann an cáirí ar agaró so oti éar an Coiric. Titeann an t-uirce ríor anro le toman boar ór na pléibte éur in áiríoe. Iy raðaric ráir-aobinn é le linn tuile ar an ríu. On áit reo téann an cáirí ar air so geata na Mamirteac.

Iy réroir oon cuairteoir tuar a déanann timpeall Contae Ciarrapaisge ar raio, "ráinne Ciarrapaisge" a tugtar air. Ó Cill áirne ruar ríe na pléibte so oti an Néroin, anran leantair oen tuar so oti an Coirán agus éar Caéarí Saróbin, áit ma bfuil loe maie iareaireaca. Sé Cill Oiglan an éao baile cáilúil eile ar an ríli. Iy don a bionn donac an ríoe. Cuirtear pocán liaé gabair máiríoe ar ároán, ríce ríois nó mar rin ar doiríoe, agus coróim ar a éeann. Fagtar ann é ar reao ríli lá an donais, agus é ag réacant anuar ar rámpa agus

ar ppóirt an donais. Téann an cuairteoir arís go Cill Áinne anran éun an " fáinne " do éiríochú.

Tá a lán áit álainn éile in Éirinn go gcuirfeadh an cuairteoir ppéir iontú, ac níl ac na ceantair ip áine luaithe aham. Tá ann, leir, pléibte iple maola Cill Mantám, agus na gleamta cáiliúla acá as a mbun—Gleann Dá Loé, Gleann Maoiliúgha, Loé Bpé.

Ip maíe liom an cáitair go móir fa ghéimeadh, mar bíonn compóirte ann agus carraeán daime. Bíonn áireanna ann do cáiteán amháin an tréarúir im, bíonn coimeada ceoil ann, agus pictiúirí peacta. Bíonn pionnuair le motú ip na ppáirceanna, agus ip feair liom é im ná an teap uafáir a bíonn as éirí anoir de na corám ann fa ramhach. Sa ghéimeadh ní bíonn na pluaite daime as gimeadh timpeall na h-áite, iad as iú i gcomair bupanna éun na fairrge, éun a n-oifigí—iad i gcónaí go fuadac veirpeac. Trádnóna earras nuair a téim ear fáide Naomh Stiobán, agus nuair a éim na crann pé bláca, agus na h-éim as canad ar bairra géas ann, imaoim ar an tceat, ar pléibte gorma maorfa Dún na nGall, ar na páirceanna earrasda agus ar na móinte i Muirgeó, ar an macair móir mín i lár na hÉireann, ar áilleac Cill Áinne. Tagann grám aham anran ar na pluaite a bíonn go ghnóac agus go veirpeac i gcónaí, ar na gluairteám agus ar na bupanna garb-glóirac. Smaoim dā mba cuairteoir mé, nac paáim maice na cáirac in don éor, ac go paáim amac pént tceat go bpeicim áilleac na tíre, go gceoirim monadair na rpután, agus ceol na mara—go bpeicim móirgeac Dó fa tóir.



The Boys' Chapel. Interior.

Detail over the door

Third Club Debating Society

Chairman :

Rev. R. J. Cremins, S.J.

Committee :

Brian Coogan, (Secretary), R. Burden, D. Buckley, Joe Kelly.

The Third Club Debating Society entered on its fourth session with a tradition of keen interest and eager debating. To maintain this high standard was, therefore, our chief aim, and the excellent speaking and attendance at debates lead us to hope that our aim has been achieved.

The following motions were debated :

" *That too much importance is attached to games in Irish schools* "—lost.

" *That the modern boy has too easy a time.* "—lost.

" *That the plane is the best means of travel in the modern world.* "—carried.

For the November debate the Society sat as Dáil Éireann to select a capital for a 32-county Republic which had just been established. Belfast, proposed by Deputy F. O'Brien, was chosen with 13 votes. The other voting was : Galway (B. Forkan) 10. Limerick (J.A. Pierce) 8, Dublin (P. Kelly) 6, Cork (H. Roche-Kelly) 5.

A prize presented by Father Brennan for the best speaker in the last debate of the Christmas term was won by R. Burden.

Early in the Easter term we sent a team of six to take part in a public debate with the Crescent College Debating Society. The motion for debate was " *That countrymen have done more for Ireland than citymen.* " Proposing the motion, Frank O'Brien pointed out why the countryman is naturally likely to be a better patriot than the cityman, stressing also that since the Jacobite wars the cities have been centres of foreign influence, while the country has kept alive the spirit of freedom and the old traditions. Robert Burden sketched the part played by the



"Just a Song at Twilight"

farmer in our national life and recalled how much we owed to our farmers since the last war. Finbarr Corry outlined what countrymen have done for religion, learning and literature. Brian Coogan dealt with Irish patriots of pre-Union days who came from the country. Taking up this theme, J.J. Hennessy covered the time from the Union to the Treaty. In conclusion H. Roche-Kelly showed what countrymen have done for the new Ireland. All speakers are to be congratulated on the aplomb with which they acquitted themselves on this public occasion.

Besides the speakers chosen for this debate, the following were worthy of note during the year—P. Hegarty and B. Silke, who left for Second Club Society after Christmas; B. Garland, who made his points well and with humour, R. O'Connor and J. A. Pierce. Among the new speakers Hubert Fleming was remarkable for his easy flow of language, while Brendan Donegan and Jim Doyle promise to be pillars of the Society in a very short time.

We have to plead to guilty of departing from the original idea of the Third Club Debating Society, which was to be limited to First and Second Years, by admitting members of Third Year who were also in Third Club. For the next Session it should be seriously considered whether the advantage did not lie with the original arrangement.

Debate Medal : F. O'Brien



Obituary

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REV. CHRISTOPHER SMITHWICK,
(1923-26).

"A terrific crash and then silence" has described the tragic end of a life of love and service of God, —the life of another of Mungret's sons. Father Christopher Smithwick flew to the Master Whom he worked for and adored when the car that he was driving plunged over a fifteen feet bank down seventy feet into the deep water of Sydney Harbour. The regrettable death of a great pastor occurred on the 10th of January of this year.

Father Smithwick was born at Youghal-arr, Nenagh, in the Diocese of Killaloe, on the 10th of December 1901. He was educated at Mungret and afterwards at the Irish College at Rome, where he was ordained in 1931. At the bidding of the Almighty he left all behind and set out for Australia, where his first appointment was to the parish of Bondi Beach. In this parish he toiled until November 1932. Early in the next year he was transferred to Katoomba, a willing helper of all who might need his aid. His work here was hard but it

did not cease when he left for Haymarket in 1936. A labourer, such as Father Christopher cannot remain idle.

In December of that year he was called to Tempe, never resting in his zeal to save souls. Two years later he was appointed assistant-priest at Bondi. In 1943 he ministered in Rydalmere, and continued his labours in Newtown when he was transferred there in 1946. He was at Stanmore in 1948, and in February 1949 he was locum tenens at Ashbury for twelve months, and for another twelve months at Berala also as locum tenens.

Last year the parish of Asquith was set up and Father Smithwick became its first priest-in-charge.

The Solemn Requiem Mass at St. Mary's Cathedral was presided over by His Eminence Cardinal Gilroy. More than 100 clergy and many of Father Smithwick's former parishioners were present to pay a last tribute to a man who was surely loved by all who knew him.

To Father Smithwick's four brothers, John, Hugh, William and Patrick, and to his three sisters, we offer heartfelt sympathy. R.I.P.

REV. J. NEVIN
(1910-13)

FATHER John Nevin was born in Dublin on the 14th of December 1894. He entered Mungret in 1910 and then went to the Vincentian College; Brignole Sale, Genoa., where he was ordained on July 15th 1917. Owing to war difficulties he did not reach Florida till 1918 when he was appointed to the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Jacksonville. Though Father Nevin served in many parishes in Florida most of his life as a priest was spent in Jacksonville and for sixteen years he was Pastor of the Holy Rosary Parish there. It was at the Holy Rosary Church that Father John by his undemonstrative devotion to his priestly office, gained so many friends among both Catholics and non-Catholics. The number of those received by him into the Church was surprisingly high.

Father Nevin died at West Palm Beach on October 8th. He had been chaplain to the Hospital since last November. The funeral mass was chanted at St. Augustine and the sermon was preached by Rt. Rev. Mgr. P. Nolan. Archbishop Hurley in his address expressed his wish that the boys and girls of the diocese should be told of the heroic life and death of Father John that they might realise the need for priests and sisters to advance the cause of Christ in Florida. To his sister in England we offer our sincere sympathy. R.I.P.

FATHER RICHARD DEVANE S.J.
(1892-94)

WE regret to record the death of Father Richard Devane which took place suddenly in Rathfarnham Castle on May 23rd 1951.

Father Devane was born in Limerick

in 1876. After spending some time at the Crescent College, he came to Mungret, and then deciding to become a priest of the Diocese continued his studies at St. Munchins Seminary. After completing his Theology in Maynooth he was ordained in 1901. For the next three years, he worked on the English Mission at St. Patrick's Church Middlesborough. In 1904, he was recalled to Limerick, and spent 14 years as Curate in St. Michael's Church. For the first ten years, he was also Chaplain to the Garrison. During this time Fr. Devane carried out an active apostolate among the poor and working classes, and was zealous for their interests. In 1918 to the surprise of many, he announced his intention of entering the Society of Jesus. In that autumn he began his novitiate, and took his vows two years later.

Father Devane's first appointment as a Jesuit was as Director of the Retreat House in Rathfarnham Castle. Those who came in contact with him in that period have a vivid memory of his energetic interest in all forms of Catholic Social work. In 1933, he became attached to the Retreat House at Milltown Park, and besides his work of Retreat giving was engaged on many other social works in the City. In 1944, he returned to Rathfarnham Castle, where he remained till his death.

To Father Devane's active interest and determined energy is due, to a great degree the Acts concerning Censorship of Films, Censorship of Publications, Legal Redress for Mothers, Public Dance Halls Act, Criminal Law Amendment of 1935, and the Children Bill of 1942.

Father Devane's pen was seldom idle, and he was a frequent contributor on matters of Catholic interest to periodicals and newspapers. In addition to his journalistic activity, however, he was the author of two important books,

'The Failure of Individualism' and 'Challenge from Youth.' Both of these subjects were of keen interest to him through life.

It might be said of Father Devane that he belonged to the 'Shock Troops' of Christ, for he was always fighting the battle for souls. His campaign brought him into many aspects of life and he often met bitter opposition from those who made money at the cost of human souls. Yet he never flinched before this, for courage and determination were two of his outstanding characteristics. There were some 'within the Fold' who thought he was too grim, but a deeper knowledge of him revealed a very keen sense of humour. 'Off duty' Father Devane could be a most entertaining companion. In his work as a Priest, he saw life in its most depressing and saddening circumstances. He did not underestimate the power of paganism backed by wealth, yet these things did not cloud his spirits for his heart was on the hills with Christ. R.I.P.

DR. MICHAEL MALONE-LEE

(1890-95)

EARLY in October of last year, Dr. Malone-Lee passed to his Eternal reward. Born in 1873 in Limerick he came to Mungret in its early days. He spent many years here, and took his B. A. degree in Mental and Moral Science at the Royal, while in Mungret. Later he followed in his father's footsteps, and qualified in Medicine at the Royal University. He was surgeon for a time to the Dublin Metropolitan Police and then took up an appointment as House Physician to the Mater Hospital. Later he became Assistant Physician to

the Portrane Mental Hospital. In 1905, he decided to go to England and settled in London. Here he built up a large practice, and remained until 1937. The desire to return to Ireland asserted itself and in that year he retired, and came to reside in Dublin. Throughout his life, he never forgot his old school, and some portraits in oils which hang in the Apostolic corridor, are due to his generosity. He was a man of high ideals, and of engaging manner. His gift of sympathy, and patience admirably fitted him for the profession he chose. He made friends easily. To his daughter and son we offer our deep sympathy. R.I.P.

A. E. WILLIAMS

(1893-'95)

ARTHUR WILLIAMS was born in Limerick in 1878. After completing his secondary education, he entered an architect's office in Limerick and duly qualified as an architect. The succeeding years were spent in London, where he soon established a reputation. He was associated with the construction of many important buildings, including the War Office and the Gaiety Theatre. In 1915 he returned to Dublin and became a partner in the firm of A. Scott and Sons. In 1923 he entered the Office of Public Works, where he remained until his retirement in 1949. He lectured for many years also in the School of Architecture at Bolton St. He was a member of the Royal Institute of Architecture of Ireland, and in 1942-3 was President of the Architectural Association of Ireland. To his widow and family we offer our deep sympathy. R.I.P.



J. McCarthy

JEREMIAH MCCARTHY
(1904-05)

ON Monday May 14th, Jeremiah McCarthy passed away peacefully at his home in Caherelly. For a long period previously, he had suffered from high blood pressure, and had spent some time in a Nursing home. On returning to his own home, he was compelled to take things quietly. During this period he was well aware, that his heart was seriously affected, yet he retained his cheerful outlook and tranquillity of mind.

On the Sunday, the day before his death, he went into Limerick fasting to receive Holy Communion, and spent most of the day going to see old friends, or shall we say bidding them farewell. Much of the afternoon was spent in the Convent at Doon.

All through life Jeremiah McCarthy was a man of high principles and serious purpose. A successful business man himself, he had little consideration for those who wasted opportunities. Life for him was something serious wherein

all of us had to fulfil the work God called us to. He demanded a high code of behaviour, and while he understood the carefree spirit of youth, he felt too that those who were young should acquire a sense of responsibility.

A week before his death, the writer heard him speak of the reverence which all of us owed to the Priesthood. His standard was a high one. Throughout his life he retained a warm affection for Mungret, and sent his two sons to be educated here. Jeremiah McCarthy inspired respect and esteem in all who knew him. To his two sons Tony and Matt, his widow and daughters we extend our deep sympathy. R.I.P.

REV. M. McKIERNAN
(1904-07)

FATHER McKiernan came from Dromod Co. Leitrim where he was born in '88. During his time in Mungret he showed intense interest in the Chinese Mission and thus in 1907 went to the Vincentian Novitiate for the Eastern missions at Panningen Holland. He was ordained there in 1911 and soon left for China where he worked in the Ning Po Vicariate. His first missionary work was at Kuan-Hai-Wan. Here he spent many years. About 1924 he returned to Ireland for a short visit and then set out once more for China. Life in Communist-held China is naturally strenuous and news from the interior rarely reaches us. In February of this year, word reached the Vincentian headquarters at Paris that Father McKiernan had died at Ting-Hai-Ting about the end of January. For this unobtrusive worker who devoted his whole life to the pagans of China that he might bring them the True Light, we ask the prayers of all. R.I.P.

REV. MICHAEL J. McNALLY S.J.

(1891-94)

FATHER Michael McNally S.J. died at Tampa, Florida on February 3rd. He left Mungret to go to the Jesuit novitiate at Macon. He did his Theological course at Woodstock and was ordained by Cardinal Gibbons at Baltimore, in 1909. He was President of the Sacred Heart College at Tampa from 1913 to 1920 and, in 1922 was appointed President of Spring Hill College. For several years he ministered at the Gesu Church Miami and at the time of his death he was teacher and counsellor at the Jesuit High School, Tampa. R.I.P.

W. FRANCIS MacNEVIN
(1896-99)

(Val Vousden)

W. FRANCIS MacNEVIN left Mungret to return to the stage career, he had begun at the age of six years, when he had played Tiny Tim in 'a Christmas Carol'. His career was as varied as his genius was versatile, and he was to make the name of Val Vousden as dear to the Irish Public as any figure of the theatre has ever done.

On the road he learned the show-business. He acted and was as much at home in Shakespeare as in Melodrama. Ringmaster 'barker' boxer, variety artist, film and radio personality this Carlow born genius took everything in his stride. Joining the army in 1914, he was promoted Regimental Sergeant Major on the battlefield. The world was truly his stage, for he was buried alive, reported lost and given a lavish funeral, only to appear hale and hearty,



Courtesy of

W. McNevin
(Val Vousden)

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in true dramatical tradition. In 1920 he married.

His monologues written by himself, or his friend Percy French, endeared him to the public over the new Radio Eireann. He played in a number of films, including 'Captain Boycott and Odd Man Out.'

Friend of Barry FitzGerald, F. J. McCormick and all the old Abbey players, his mind was a file of authentic reminiscences of things theatrical. His autobiography 'Caravan' published in the thirties met with great success, and his death interrupted a longer volume which he proposed to call 'On the Road' for which he had long been collecting material. The entertainment he provided at the Last Union dinner will be remembered by those who were present. Their regret at the passing of such a grand artist and so fine a man will enable them to join with us the more sincerely in our sympathy for his wife and daughters whom he has left sorrowful behind him.

He died at Clonskeagh Hospital, Dublin, on June 7th, 1951, only three months after his final appearance in aid of Charity at Bolton. R.I.P.

W. KEARNS
(1922-'26)

AS we go to press, the sad news has come of the death of Willie Kearns in Chicago on May 12th. Willie will be remembered by many old friends in Mungret for his winning and charming character. He was for many years with the Canadian R.A.F.

During a visit which he paid to Ireland some years ago, the writer had the privilege of meeting him, and he still possessed all the innocence and cheery spirit of youth. In recent years he occupied an important position in Chicago. He was completely unaffected by the spirit of the world, and lived an extraordinarily Catholic life. A priest who knew and attended him up to his holy death, remarked that he was an unusual man for the twentieth century. To his widow and two children and to his brother Father L. Kearns, S.J., we offer our deepest sympathy. R.I.P.

RICHARD LAFFAN
(1893-97)

WE regret to announce the death of Richard Laffan early in May, at Cape Town. He was born seventy-one years ago in Cashel and the greater part of his life—the last forty years were spent as the personal agent of Cook's Travel Company in Cape Town. For Catholic travellers in particular it was a happy choice, for he made it his object to welcome individually all the Missionaries who landed at the port. It was said of himself "he was a great missionary." For his services to the Church he received a special decoration from the Pope. One of Richard Laffan's great joys was to welcome among the missionaries his own nephew, Father Michael Hannan, S.J. We ask the prayers of the missionaries

of South Africa for an old friend who has passed away. R.I.P.

DR. J. MORRIN
(1911-'15)

FORMER patients heard with sorrow of the sudden death of Dr. John Morrin on May 20th of coronary thrombosis. He was attached for many years to the well-known London Hospital of St. John and St. Elizabeth. A Medical Attendant of the British Red Cross Society, he was also as one might expect a member of the Guild of St. Luke and SS. Cosmas and Damian. Dr. Morrin was a beloved figure in many London Convents and Religious houses, where he was looked on as an old friend. London medical circles will be the poorer for his loss. To his widow, daughter and son we extend our deep sympathy. R.I.P.

Condolences

We offer our deepest sympathy to:—

Father J. G. Burke on the death of his sister.
Father W. Kelly on the death of his mother.
Father M. Harold on the death of his father.
Father J. McDonnell on the death of his brother.
Father J. Coleman on the death of his father.
Father M. Croker, O.F.M., on the death of his mother.
Fathers J. and D. Carroll on the death of their mother.
Fathers D. and J. Murphy on the death of their mother.
Father M. O'Mahoney, S.J., on the death of his father.
Most Rev. John Norton on the death of his sister.
D. Kavanagh on the death of his mother.
G. Moynihan on the death of his father.
P. and N. Nicolas on the death of their father.
A. and H. McMahon on the death of their mother.
K. and A. McCormack on the death of their father.
J. Connolly on the death of his brother.
Mons. T. O'Flynn on the death of his sister.
T. Deasy on the death of his mother.
J. and P. Hegarty on the death of their father.
E. Guiry on the death of his uncle.
Noel Broderick on the death of his father.
Father L. Kearns, S.J., on the death of his brother.

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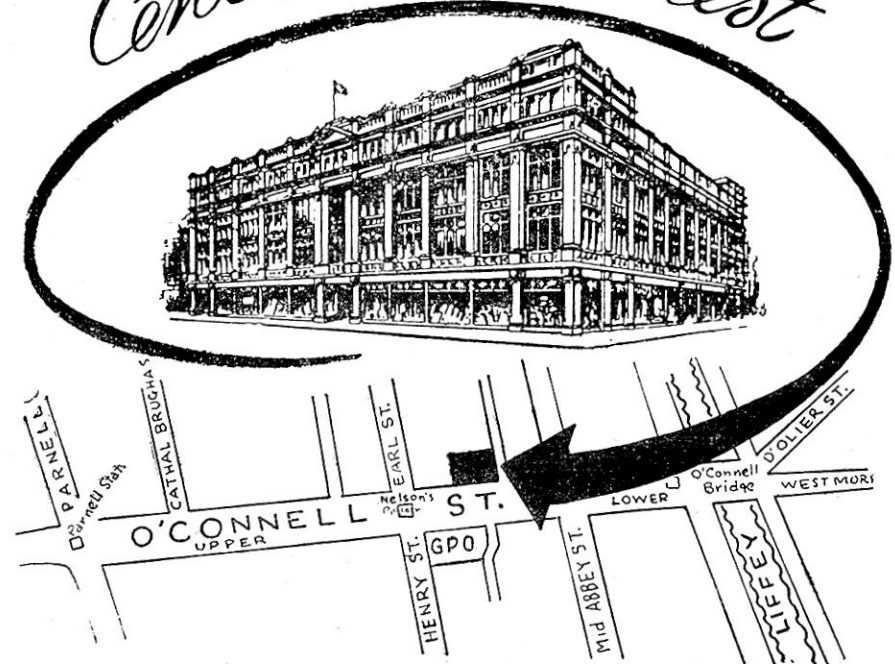
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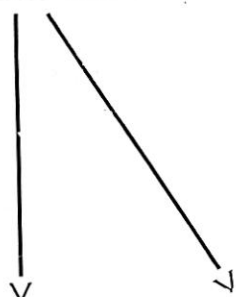
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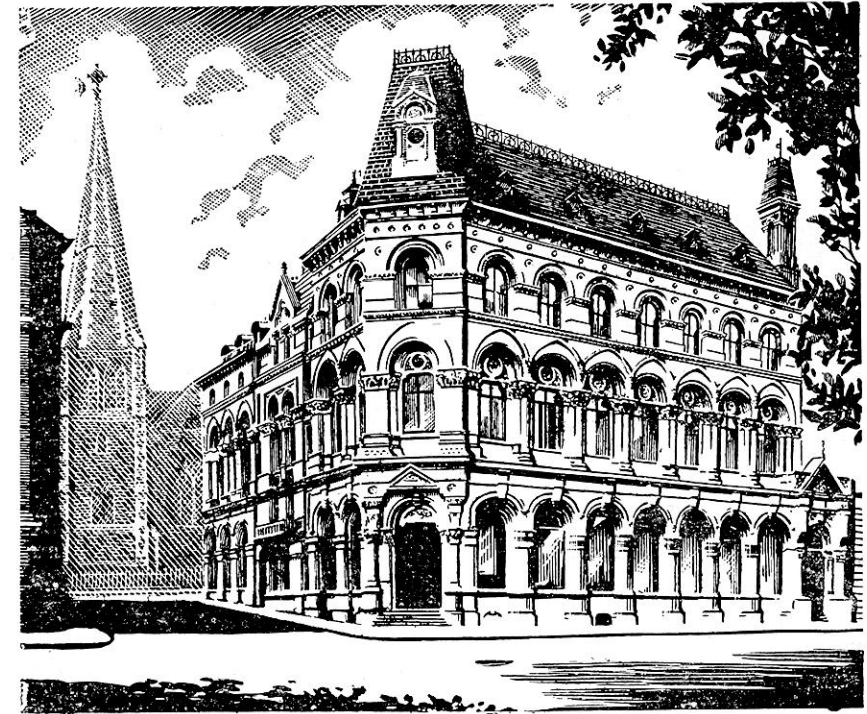
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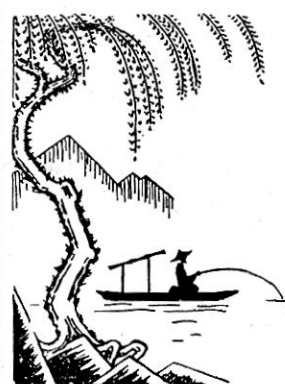
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