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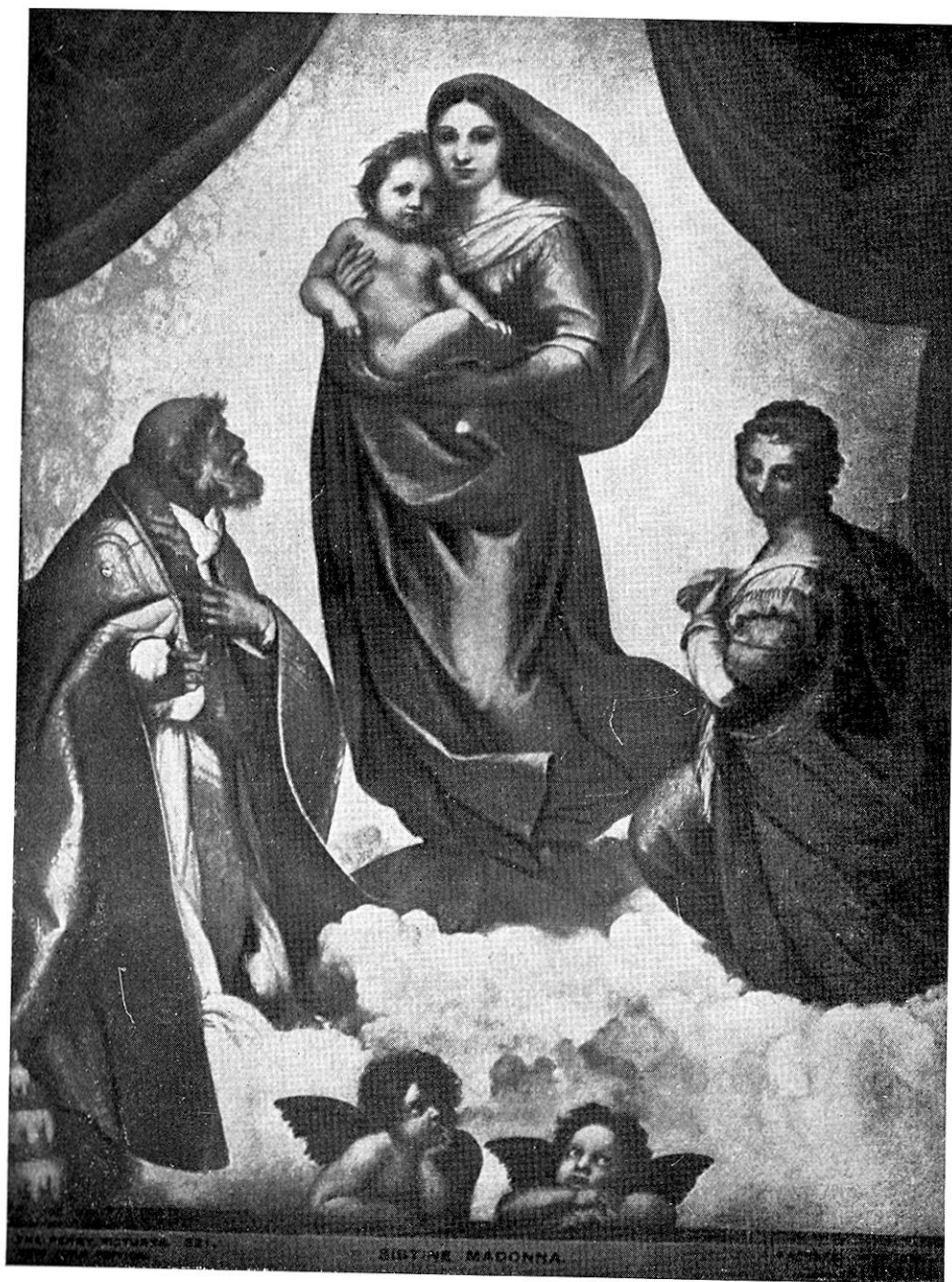
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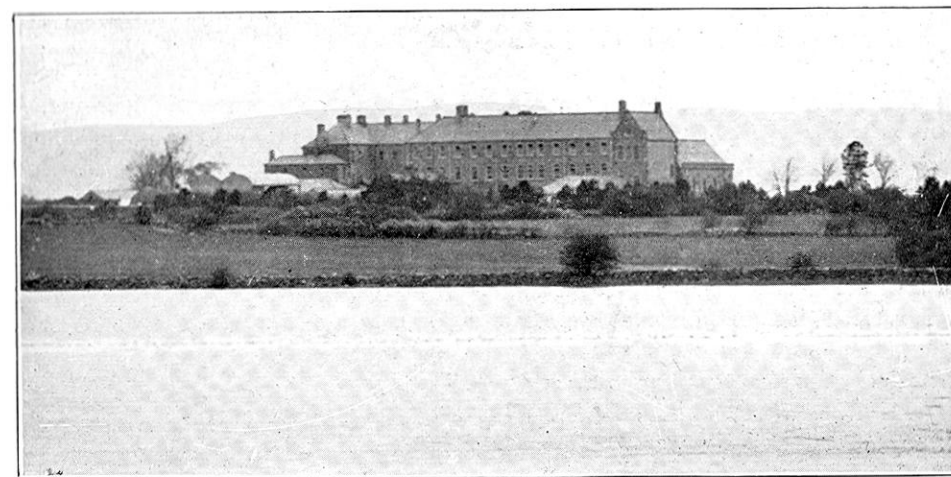
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Receive, O dearest mother, our humble prayers and above all win for us the favour that one day sharing in your happiness we may repeat before your throne the praises which to-day arise around from your altars here on earth: you are all beautiful, O Mary. You are the glory, the joy and the pride of our people.



THE world to-day needs apostles above all else—men whose lives are based on the principles of faith, and equipped with a knowledge of Catholic social principles. At home and abroad there is need of such. At home while lip service is paid to the teaching of the Encyclicals, there is often a lamentable want of practical fulfilment. Abroad there is a welter of confusion about religious and moral principles, which makes the need of fixed standards even more vital. These standards we strive to inculcate in College life, and we hope this year that our students fortified by the life and teaching of Mary will go forth "strong as an army in battle array."

To return to events of the year, pride of place must be given to the acquisition of the Portico through the industry of Father Rector from the demolition sale at Lord Emly's residence. Its suitability in line with the building gives strength to the suggestion that it was originally built for Mungret. We take the opportunity here of thanking our neighbour P. McCarthy for the gift of a beautiful chalice in memory of his wife. Work on renovation was carried on during the year, and the classrooms, dormitories and study were repainted. We must not omit reference to the participation of the College on May 24th, 1953, in the Limerick Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Blessed Oliver Plunket in Drogheda. Altogether 73 layboys and 34 Apostolics took part accompanied by Father Rector and members of the Community.

In summer, we lost Father Hughes to Galway where our best wishes follow him in his onerous office of Rector. To him we owe a debt for his operatic and choral work in the College. Father Mulcahy went to Gardiner St. Mungret owes him much for his work

among the boys during his stay here. Father Cusack went to Clongowes and has left pleasant memories behind him. Mr. Woods has gone to Milltown Park to pursue his theological studies and our best wishes go with him.

In their places we welcome Father J. Deevy who is no stranger to Mungret, having been here as a boy and at two different periods on the staff. We extend a welcome also to Father P. Meagher who was formerly on the staff, and to Father T. Byrne who has since left us. Our good wishes are also offered to Mr. M. O'Brien who was here as a boy, and to Mr. J. Guiney.

In conclusion we wish to thank the Editor of the "Irish Independent" for the use of blocks, Mr. J. Flood for his photographic work, and lastly our printers and blockmakers.

Finally I wish to express my gratitude to Father Rector and the Superior of the Apostolic School for their courtesy and assistance.



The Author

Shall I become a Dental Surgeon?

By EUGENE SCANLAN, B.D.S.
(1922-26)

Surgeon Dentist to St. Senan's Hospital, Foynes and to County Limerick Schools.

WHEN making up one's mind to follow the Dental profession the first and most essential thing is to make sure you have an aptitude for that particular profession, and that you are prepared to devote at least five and a half or six years diligent work to the different branches of study it entails.

The work for Dental students is really the same as for medical students until the conclusion of the courses and examinations in Physics, Chemistry, Botany, Zoology An-

atomy and Physiology which cover a period of three years including a pre-dental year. Next the Dental student has to take out a course of lectures in Oral Surgery, Dental Mechanics, Orthodontia, Pathology, etc., until he reaches his final examination in the prescribed time, and needless to say if he is successful becomes a Dental Surgeon. While taking out the above lectures the student has to spend two years attending the Incorporated Dental Hospital of Ireland, for practical work in oral surgery and dental mechanics. In addition to this he has also to spend one year attending a General Hospital for clinical studies.

The three bodies in Ireland in which a student may take out Dental Lectures are (a) The National University, (b) Dublin University, (c) The Royal College of Surgeons. These are the only bodies that may confer degrees or licentiates.

I certainly think that there is a great future for the young Dental Surgeon both here and in Northern Ireland and England, principally due to circumstances which by now everybody should be aware of.

In conclusion, dear reader, if you are contemplating the Dental course, you have many questions to ask. You cannot do better than make an appointment with your family Dental Surgeon. Go along with your parent, and I say tell him of your career plan. If you make the great decision remember when you go to Dublin or Cork (if not resident already in those cities) get yourself proper accommodation, select your friends, and above all let your academic reading run exactly parallel with your College lectures.

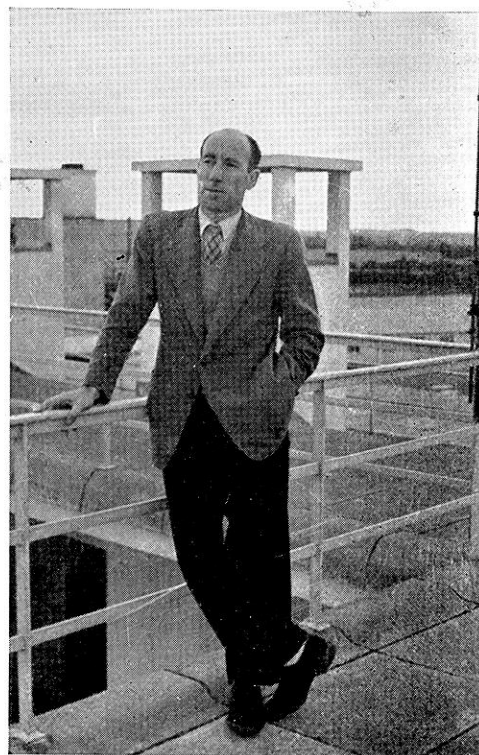
The Organisation and Functions of a Meteorological Service

By
J. MACNAMARA (1932-38)

TO the majority of people the source of weather forecasts and the functions of a meteorological service are complete mysteries. Some are so far ignorant as to think that Radio Eireann and the B.B.C. have their own special weather clerks to provide the daily forecasts, and that meteorologists are stargazers on the fringe of lunacy. In this article I propose to outline the general world meteorological organisation and the functions of the Irish Meteorological Service in particular, and thereby demonstrate how wrong the popular idea is on these matters.

Meteorology is the science of the atmosphere. As yet the science is in the development stage, and is inexact in so far as many of its problems remain unsolved. Years of scientific labour and research have however brought a high degree of accuracy to modern meteorology. The fruits of the meteorologists' labours are applied chiefly to weather forecasting, both short term and long-term, for many human activities. In this way the meteorologist plays his part in man's constant battle with his environment.

As weather, respecting neither peoples nor boundaries is a universal element, so its study is of necessity global. International co-operation on a large scale is necessary and indeed is attained, except in times of war. In the latter circumstances co-operation ceases, no information passes between enemy countries, and rigid secrecy is imposed on the work of the meteorologist. In peace time however international co-operation is almost



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ideal and sets a headline for other spheres of international activity.

World meteorological organisation works on the following lines. Each country on the globe has its own meteorological service. It is a government run concern, and usually forms a branch of one of the major Civil Service departments. Its members are thus Civil Servants and it is financed from public funds. The meteorological service of each country has its own internal network of observing stations and forecast offices. Using a

standard time (Greenwich Mean Time in most cases) the network of stations carry out simultaneously a set number of surface weather observations in temperature, atmospheric pressure, wind speed and direction, visibility, actual weather, cloud forms (there are twenty-four of them!) amount of sky covered with cloud, and the height of the bases of the clouds above the ground. When the observations are compiled they are set down in a special international meteorological code consisting of five-figure groups (the figures enable the language difficulty to be overcome). The coded message is then quickly transmitted to the main forecast offices by telephone, telegram, teleprinter or radio. When these reports are received at the main forecast offices of a country they are not only put to particular internal use but they are also broadcast from one or other of the main offices for the information of other countries. By means of this system of inter-broadcasting of weather reports each country receives a continual global picture of the weather situation. Furthermore to bridge the gaps of oceans a great number of ships (members of whose crews are specially trained) broadcast weather reports giving at the same time their position in degrees of latitude and longitude. When the world-wide reports are received at a forecast office they are plotted on special maps at the geographical location of each station in an internationally agreed form. When the plotting of the map is completed it is analysed on the basis of the information plotted on it, by an expertly trained analyst. The analysis involves the placing of atmospheric pressure systems (such as depressions or anticyclones) and warm and cold air masses, etc., and deducing the speed and direction of movement of these systems. If, as indeed is the case, a constant stream of observations both night and day is supplied to the forecast

office then the analyst will have before him a continual picture of the weather situation over the area covered by the plotted maps. It is on such weather analyses that weather forecasts are based. Here in Ireland the largest map used covers the areas from Longitude 130°W to 25°E of Greenwich and from the North Pole to the Equator. As stated the observations are carried out simultaneously and in conformity to a standard time, but in addition the actual times and frequencies of observations are fixed by international agreement. All international agreements are reached by a body known as the World Meteorological Organisation. Most countries including Ireland are members of this organisation. Usually each country arranges for hourly observations for internal use, but the major inter-broadcasting of reports is carried out at three-hourly intervals beginning at midnight and proceeding throughout the twenty-four hours of each day. To facilitate the editing of incoming reports at the forecast office, countries are grouped into zones which are given identification numbers (E.G. Ireland and Great Britain comprise Zone 03), and the individual stations are also given identification numbers. Furthermore lists of reports are always preceded by the time at which they were prepared.

In addition to surface weather observations, upper atmospheric observations are also carried out. Balloons inflated with hydrogen are launched into the air with radio transmitters attached. The transmitters are fitted with special devices for recording temperature, humidity and atmospheric pressure. Special radio receiving equipment at the point of launch is kept in radio contact with the transmitter, thereby enabling the observer to graph temperature, humidity and pressure curves deep into the upper atmosphere. The average height reached by these balloons is 50,000 feet. Special

reflectors (such as tinfoil) are also attached to the balloon and its course is tracked by radar. From this the speed and direction of the winds in the upper atmosphere are deduced. The network of upper air observing stations is much slacker than that of the surface observing stations, but they provide the forecaster with valuable and vital information. Upper air reports are also exchanged on an international scale and maps for

conforms to international regulations and pattern. Twelve surface observing stations are located along her coastline and inland, with one upper air observing station at Cahirciveen, County Kerry. There are two forecast offices, one at Collinstown Airport, and one at Shannon Airport. Internal communications are maintained by telephone, except between Collinstown and Shannon, which are in constant touch direct by teleprinter.



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At Collinstown Airport

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various upper levels are plotted and analysed at the forecast offices.

The observations carried out by the meteorologists are supplemented by weather reports from aircraft. As air pilots must have a sound knowledge of meteorology these reports are reliable and of much assistance to the forecaster.

As Ireland is a member of the World Meteorological Organisation, her service

International communications are maintained by teleprinter and radio. All incoming weather reports are received on a teleprinter network the branches of which are Dunstable (Eng'land), Paris (which includes North America) and the British and American Zones of Germany. The weather reports thus received at Shannon and Collinstown cover the entire northern hemisphere, and enable the continuous plotting of surface and upper

air maps for this area. Outgoing reports are transmitted for the information of other countries by teleprinter.

Weather information, both forecast and actual, is vital to aviation and no aircraft pilot sets out on a flight without first having been briefed on weather conditions to be expected on the route and at the point of destination. In addition the pilot is supplied with specially drawn charts giving a detailed cross-section of the expected conditions, including cloud types, height and amount of clouds, temperatures, and wind speeds and directions for various levels, and the height of the freezing level. He is also told about the actual weather conditions at his point of destination, and what the conditions are likely to be at time of arrival. Incoming aircraft are supplied at frequent intervals, by co-operation with the Air Traffic Control Section, with reports of actual conditions at the airport of destination. These reports include the vital information of height of cloud base and visibility at the airfield.

At Collinstown the forecasts for farmers and Radio Eireann (and the newspapers) are also issued. A special potato blight forecast system has been devised recently and has proved of great benefit both to the extensive farmer and the small gardener.

Thus may be seen from this article the functions and operations of a meteorological service and its necessity and

benefit to the life of man to-day. Behind the scenes of these activities intensive research is being carried out to further master the causes and trends of the great element of weather.

From the staffing point of view, the Irish Meteorological Service is divided into two sections. The first is called the Professional Grade, the members of which form the Directorate, and forecasting and research sections. Recruitment is from University graduates possessing an Honours degree in mathematics or physics. The second section is called the Ancillary Grade and forms the observing and map plotting sections. Recruitment is through competitive examination, the standard of which is Honours Leaving Certificate in two of the three subjects of mathematics, physics, and mathematical physics, with additional papers in Irish and English Essay. Final appointment depends on success at an interview. Following appointment all staff receive an intensive and comprehensive training course in the theory and practice of the work ahead of them.

It is interesting to note, before concluding, that the Jesuits have played and continue to play a notable part in meteorology. Mungret, Clongowes, and Stonyhurst have all had observatories, while Rathfarnham Castle continues to house, in addition to the famous seismograph, a well equipped meteorological observing station.



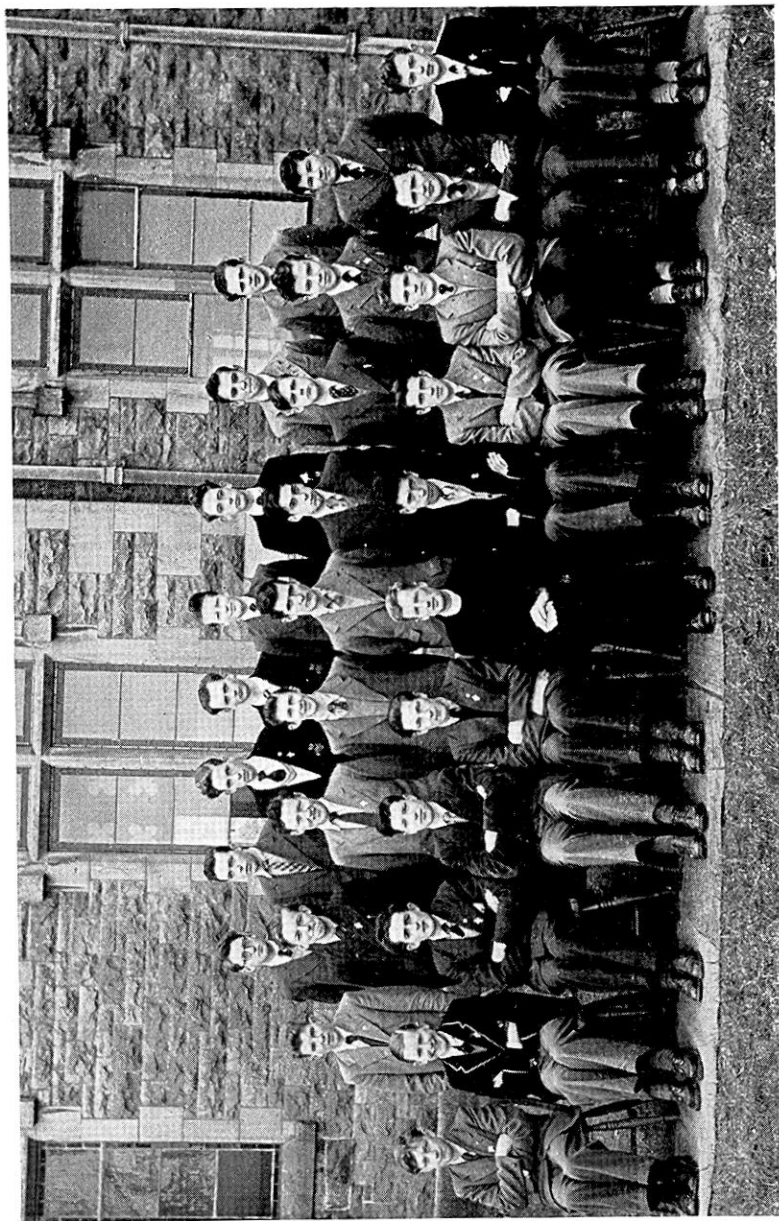
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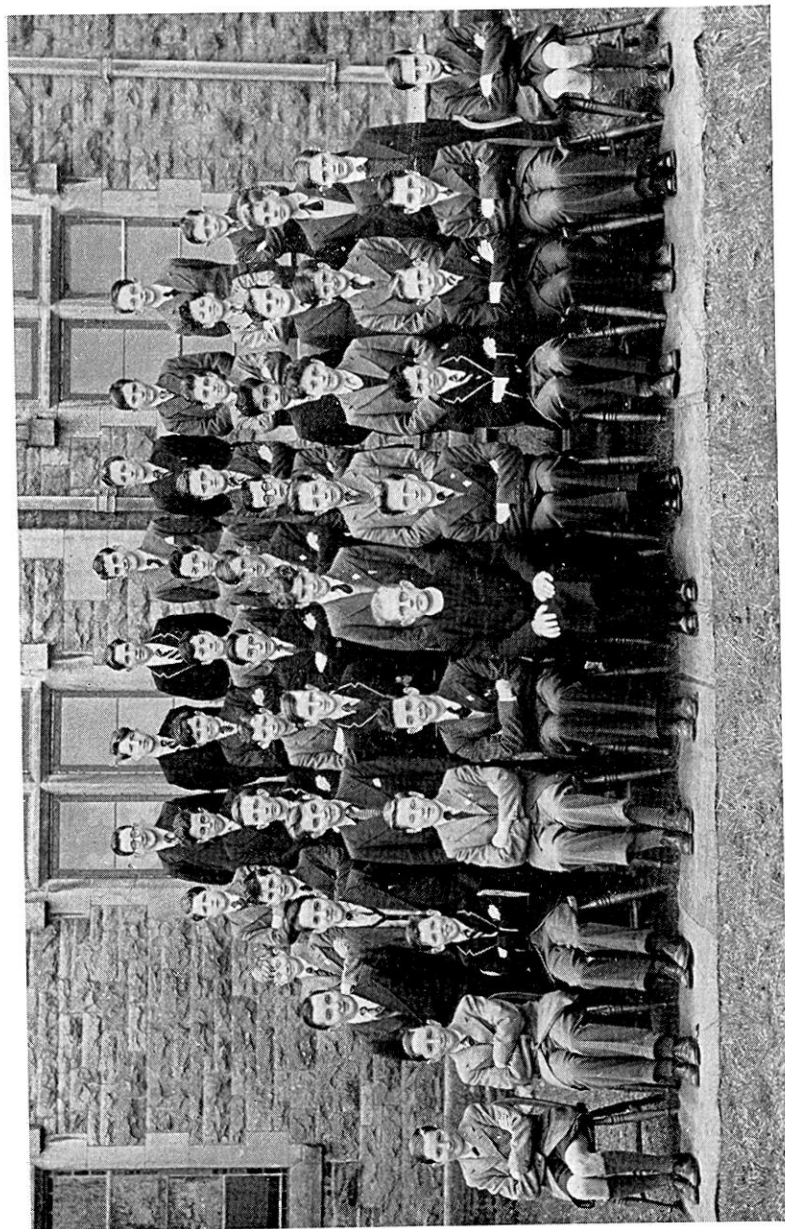


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Ethics	Davern R. and O'Connor C.
Cosmology and Theodicy	Cusack J.
English	Deasy T.
Physics	Davern R.
Greek	Davern R.

PHILOSOPHY 1st YEAR

Aggregate	Killeen M.
Religious Knowledge ...	Gorman T.
Cosmology and Theodicy	Gorman T.
Logica-Critica	Gorman T.
Ontology	Gorman T.
English	Killeen M.
Physics	Mitchell C.
Greek	Long B.

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Aggregate	Cassidy E.
Religious Knowledge ...	Connolly S., and Macken M.
Irish	Cassidy E.
English	Cassidy E.
Latin	Cassidy E.
French	Cassidy E.
History	Keyes M. J.
Mathematics	Cassidy E.
Drawing	O'Byrne S.

LEAVING CERTIFICATE 2nd YEAR B.

Aggregate	O'Neill D.
Religious Knowledge ...	O'Neill D.
Irish	O'Neill D.
English	O'Neill D.
Latin	O'Neill D.
History	O'Neill D.
Geography	McDermott M.
Mathematics	Nolan J., O'Neill D.

LEAVING CERTIFICATE 1st YEAR A.

Aggregate	Carroll S.
Religious Knowledge ...	O'Rourke S.
Irish	Carroll S.
English	O'Brien F.
Latin	Carroll S.
French	O'Brien F.
History	Murnaghan J.
Mathematics	O'Brien F.
Drawing	Dunne F.

LEAVING CERTIFICATE 1st YEAR B.

Aggregate	Murnaghan J.
Religious Knowledge ...	Murnaghan J.
Irish	Crawford E.
English	de Podhradzsky A.
Latin	Enright J.
History	Keating, S.
Geography	de Podhradzsky A.
Mathematics	O'Connell P.

INTERMEDIATE CERTIFICATE 4th YEAR A.

Aggregate	Woods J.
Religious Knowledge ...	Keyes R.
Irish	Dwane P.
English	Dwane P.
Latin	Woods J.
French	Woods J.
History and Geography	McTigue E.
Mathematics	Kelly H.

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Irish	Padien M.
English	Padien M.
Latin	Murphy J., and Quilter B.
History and Geography	Mannix T.
Mathematics	Murphy J.
Commerce	O'Connor D.
Drawing	Horgan P.

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English	Corcoran P.
Latin	Donegan R.
French	Sheahan D.
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Mathematics	McCloskey J.
Drawing	McCarthy K.

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English	Keyes M. ...
Latin	Maguire P.
French	Garland K.
History and Geography	Kenneally J.
Mathematics	O'Shaughnessy P.
Commerce	Walsh E.

INTERMEDIATE CERTIFICATE 2nd YEAR A.

Aggregate	Lundon D.
Religious Knowledge ...	Gorman C.
Irish	Gaffney D.
English	Gaffney D.
Latin	Culshaw Peter
French	Lundon D.
History and Geography	Gaffney D.
Mathematics	Lundon D., and O'Dwyer P.

INTERMEDIATE CERTIFICATE 2nd YEAR B.

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Religious Knowledge ...	Lally P.
Irish	Harris S.
English	Culshaw Paul
Latin	Culshaw Paul
French	Gaffney D.
History and Geography	Esson F.
Mathematics	McNamara D., and Fanning H.

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Description of Decorative Work

MUNGRET COLLEGE CHAPEL

IN September, 1884, the building of the Boys' Chapel was begun. A sum of £2,000 originally bequeathed by the Earl of Dunraven for charitable purposes, and which Dr. Butler and Lord Emly held in trust was devoted by them to the building. The architectural style of the chapel is fourteenth century Gothic the apse on plan being five sides of an octagon, lighted by four two light windows. These windows are in stained glass and represent various subjects. The chancel arch separating chancel from nave is of most graceful proportions supported on each side with marble columns, surmounted by capital and abacus, richly moulded and carved, and supported by brackets carved and otherwise ornamented.

The nave contains four bays on each side in each a two light window, the upper portion of which is filled with representation of saint and cherubs with surrounding ornament, the lower portion being filled with geometric work of subdued and refined colouring. The wall decoration of the chancel is carried out in marble of various descriptions and colours: the plinth being of St. Anne's marble, the dado Numidian marble, the upper portion Sicilian marble, decorated with elaborate design, incised and parts filled with heraldic wax making it absolutely permanent. The angles are ornamented with marble columns of Emperors red on Sicilian marble bases and plinths all highly polished.

The sacristy entrance is lined with marble decorated in the same manner as the wall panels. The arms of the Society are carved in panel on this side. In 1895 the sacristy was beautifully furnished and lined with pinewood panelling and the cloister entering it also lined and furnished with presses. This was done under the direction of Rev. F. Daly, S.J. The funds for the purpose were derived from the sale of a little book edited by him, called the *Child of Mary*, which is familiar to past and present Mungret students. The three beautiful stained glass windows at the back of the High Altar were presented by Count Rudolph de Maistre father of the Rev. J. X. de Maistre, who was then a member of the staff. The fourth stained glass was presented by Mrs. Tully of Boston who also founded a perpetual bourse for the support of a student in the Apostolic School.

The organ was erected by the Rev. V. Byrne who was then Rector. Towards this Mrs. Feeney of Dublin made a generous contribution and Father Byrne succeeded in procuring the remainder of the sum required from friends and benefactors of the College including a substantial contribution made by the students of both divisions then in the College.

The lower portion of the nave walls are panelled in oak work of the most graceful design. The panels pointed Gothic in shape are surmounted by a frieze carved in foliated ornament, capped by a cresting of elaborate design. The end wall under the

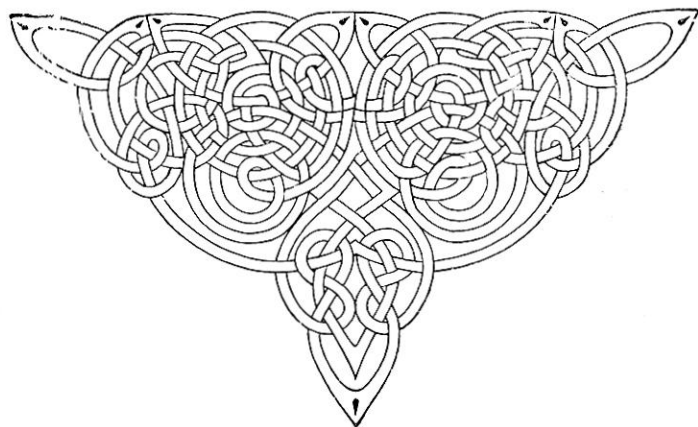


gallery is similarly treated. This work and the decoration of the chapel was carried out through the generosity of Llewellyn Blake of Cloughballymore, Galway. The following is the inscription engraved on a marble slab which is inserted into the chancel wall on the epistle side.

1896

*The Decorations of this Church given as an humble offering to God
from Llewellyn J. Blake of Cloughballymore,
desiring that he, his wife, father, mother, brothers and sisters, shall participate
in the Sacrifices to be daily offered in the Church of Mungret College.*

Over the past two years, through the industry of Father Rector, six new chapels have added to the sacristy cloister and the chapel has been decorated in harmonious colours.



The Pioneer Total Abstinence Association of the Sacred Heart

President : M. KEYES Secretary : D. BUCKLEY Treasurer : J. TOAL

Councillors : T. GORMAN P. COLLINS J. KELLY

THE leap of pure iron to the magnet always excites fresh wonder no matter how often we witness it. This phenomenon of the physical order is paralleled in the world of human beings, by the mysterious attraction of what is noble and arduous for the good. The boys of the school continue to respond in great numbers to the attraction of the high and holy obligations of the Pioneer Association.

Even to those who understand, each application from the young and naturally pleasure loving is a cause of fresh wonder and admiration ; for those who do not understand, there can be no solution.

The truth is that the Pioneer Total Abstinence Association of the Sacred Heart is, as its name implies, a purely spiritual movement, and is in fact a literally perfect exercise of the Devotion to the Sacred Heart in one selected aspect of life. In all whatsoever that pertains to human activity, from the detective story to martyrdom, the important thing is motive. The simple key to the Pioneer Movement is its motive, simple and unsurpassable :—

“For Thy Greater Glory and Consolation,
Oh Sacred Heart of Jesus.”

The year was a very successful one. The Working Council met without fail on its appointed day once a month, whether the Spiritual Director was available or not. It was even found that extra meetings were sometimes necessary. Moreover one or more of its members were present in an appointed room on Monday evenings to receive applications, give instruction etc. They also sold the Pioneer Journal every month. The number of readers increased during the year. It is customary to hold public receptions twice each year. Individual applicants are enrolled from time to time.

We had the privilege in February of a visit from Fr. McCarron, the National Director of the Association. His strong and deeply spiritual address must have made an indelible impression on all. We offer him our appreciative thanks.

The members of the Council have a fine knowledge and experience of the running of the Association, which, it is confidently expected they will put at the service of the Church in their parishes in life after school.

Social Study Circle

A custom that has grown up in the Social Study Circle is that at the final meeting there is a free and informal discussion, a kind of "post-mortem" in which the members give their views on the activities of the Circle during the year, saying what they found interesting and profitable, or the reverse, what they liked best, or least, offering suggestions for the future etc. Practice has been moulded largely by this very helpful procedure.

At the last such meeting the members unanimously clamoured for more frequent meetings, every Sunday in fact, allowing that a House Function would occasionally intervene. This resolution was accordingly adopted. But "man proposes—" strange to say in the first term there were fewer meetings than ever before, owing to a variety of circumstances, one being that there were House functions on four successive Sundays.

In the second term the Circle met regularly. The members, few in number excelled in quality, so that much good work was done.

The main programme was the study of The Irish Constitution. The members provided themselves with copies of the text of the Bunreacht and the whole document was first read through. Then a detailed study of Articles 40-44 was embarked on. These Articles provided an excellent basis from which to investigate the fundamental social principles with the aid of text books, *Rerum Novarum* and *Quadragesimo Anno*.

PREFECTS



R. Harris, B. O'Carroll, J. J. Murphy, D. Buckley, M. Keyes.

The members in turn volunteered to deal with an Article and to read a paper on it at the next meeting, the paper being followed by discussion, questions etc. For example; after a paper on "The State, its Nature and Proper Function" one of the members raised the query "Is our State adhering closely enough to the Social principles laid down in the Constitution" nearly all thought the answer was in the negative, but were about equally divided in assigning the cause. Some thought it was the fault of the governing authorities, others that the fault lay in the citizens themselves.

All were very pleased with this programme and derived much benefit from it. Firstly, the members got a good knowledge of an important subject, secondly; their "appetite for more" was aroused, thirdly; they were equipped with a practical knowledge of how to investigate a question, consult sources etc.

The following are some of the papers that were read.

1. The Dignity of the Human Person, Personal Rights (Article 40).
2. The Family as the Natural and Fundamental Unit Group of Society. Its Inalienable Rights (Article 41).
3. Education. Primary and Natural Rights and Duties of Parents (Article 42).
4. Private Property. (Article 43).
5. The State. Its Proper Function.
6. Church and State. Their Mutual Relations.

Finally, the Father Director cannot but express his admiration for the interest and zeal of the members, who sacrificed recreation, and other enjoyments, to comply with the earnest exhortations of the Holy Father for the furtherance of Social Studies. May their devotedness ensure for them lasting benefits and blessings.





SEPTEMBER

8th—To-day is the day
To-day we come back
Our thoughts far away
Our hearts in a sack.

9th—Lectio Brevis. Hopes expressed
that we may have a Lectio Brevis every
day.

10th—The Philosophers have a problem..

*They gazed and gazed and still their
wonder grew*

That this small hut can hold us twenty-two

11th—If our data is not dated
And our thoughts somewhat amiss
We excuse ourselves by saying
That ignorance is bliss.

15th—Retreat opens. Father Er-
raught's brother here to give it.

16th—Silent.

THE DIARISTS



P. Gorman, S. O'Rourke, E. Cassidy, H. Roche-Kelly, J. Nolan

17th—Silentior.

18th—Silentissimus.

*Tradition has that Mungret beats
All other schools in doing retreats
And so we try to hold this boast
As round in prayerful mood we coast.*

19th—"Speak up man. What's that
you say? What?"

"I hear the Retreat is ended."

"What surprises me is that you can
hear anything."

20th—It's class again but then you see
There's always the infirmary.

23rd—Philosophers welcome their new
teacher in the person of Father T. Byrne.

24th—Potato picking. Father Ennis
gets over-popular at this time of the
year as most of the Mungret boys develop

an amazing liking for agricultural work.
Father Ennis, however, seems to develop
an amazing degree of blindness and does
not notice the many Farmer Browns on
the corridor.

25th—All eyes on spud picking.

Notice: All those who wish to spuddle
spuds must be prepared to huddle in a
puddle of mud and not to fuddle or
muddle a spud with a dud.

I hope this is clear.

27th—Now that he has got his glasses
Martin O'Higgins says he will be able
to look forward to winning the handball
cup. He says the prospect has greatly
changed since he got them.

29th—Br. Brady is musical even in
sport.

"Who won to-day broth.?"

"Drums did of course."



ABOVE: Before Study
BELOW: After Study

OCTOBER

4th—Exams. begin with Maths. When the results come out many realise the truth of the saying: "The evil that men do lives after them."

6th—Work on, work on, you leaving lads
The goal it is quite near
Good results have won us half-days
A full day is due next year.

8th—Playday.

To-day we walked in the Limerick air
With an hour and half study to face
But a picture perfectly ends the day
Called "Arsenic and Old Lace."

11th—The hurling team made a gallant effort to beat St. Munchin's to-day it the Keane Cup but failed.

12th—Put a boy in a desk and he'll
surely grow lazy,
Put two in a desk and the class will go crazy
Put three in a desk and you'll really have
fun



W. Gilbourne, S. O'Rourke, N. Dolan, and J. Keating indulge in a bit of passing

Put four in a desk and get ready to run
Put five in a desk behind a locked door
Put six in a desk and there's room for no
more.

Afterthought:

But if you should wish that your troubles
be small
Put none in a desk and have no class at all.

15th—Four Apostolics found themselves on the touch-line during games to-day: two for having dangerous long nails in their boots, two for having dangerous long tongues.

16th—Afterthought on exams.:
Remember this advice
Wherever you may go,
That if you make a slip
It's always bound to show.

17th—Now Pat is no 'lectrician
On wires he's quite blank
But when he got entangled
Fate played a nasty prank.

NOVEMBER

1st—Feast of All Saints. Some of the lucky fellers got home yesterday, but most of us have to wait till to-day.

2nd—Say boys I'm surely hoping
There's a letter here for me
The hards all tittered smugly
And muttered "so do we."

With anxious eyes and throbbing
heart

P.D. looked down at Keyes
"Is that a letter there for me
Please say it is, oh! please."

"Just wait a sec. until I see
Now P.D. do be quiet
If there's a letter here for you
There's bound to be a riot."

Pat Cash, Mulcair, and Jimmy Loh
The letters were called out
P. D. O Conn, hey help boys help
The letters shot about.

The radio went perfect
Till hero Pat came in
Then all at once it spluttered out
And Pat took all the blamin.

He stood there looking grumpy
With a glow upon his face
Just like a rosy apple
Or captain in disgrace.

Then suddenly the spell was broke
A sweet voice on the air
"We apologise for this breakdwn"
Cheers rose from everywhere.

Pat looked around triumphant
Not quite sure what he'd done
But whatever 'twas to his surprise
He knew that he had won.

The moral of this story is
That if you see a flex
Watch out before you pull it
Or it may be around your neck.

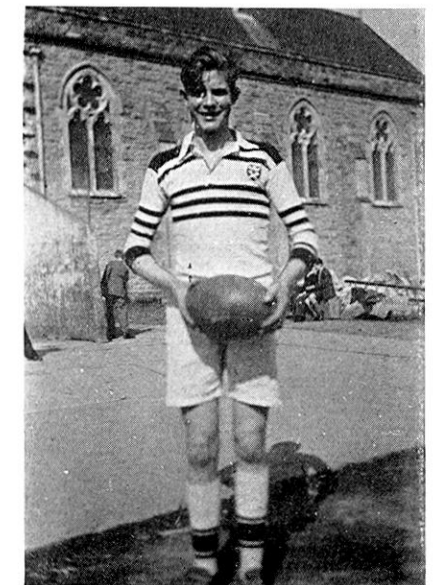
18th—The Brothers join the Apostolics at games to-day. Br. Brady scores his first hat trick of the year. Father. A. Cooney gives a very interesting talk on "The Jesuit Missionary Activities in South China."

20th—The Solemnity of St. Ignatius. We hear an eloquent sermon from our former Maths. teacher, Father J. Hughes.

22nd—Trainer Alec's hints on Rugby:

The only way to tackle
Is to get him round the knees
But if he's bandy legged
It's going to be a squeeze.

29th—Masters' Reports. It's not the Masters' Reports we worry about, it's Father Murphy's.

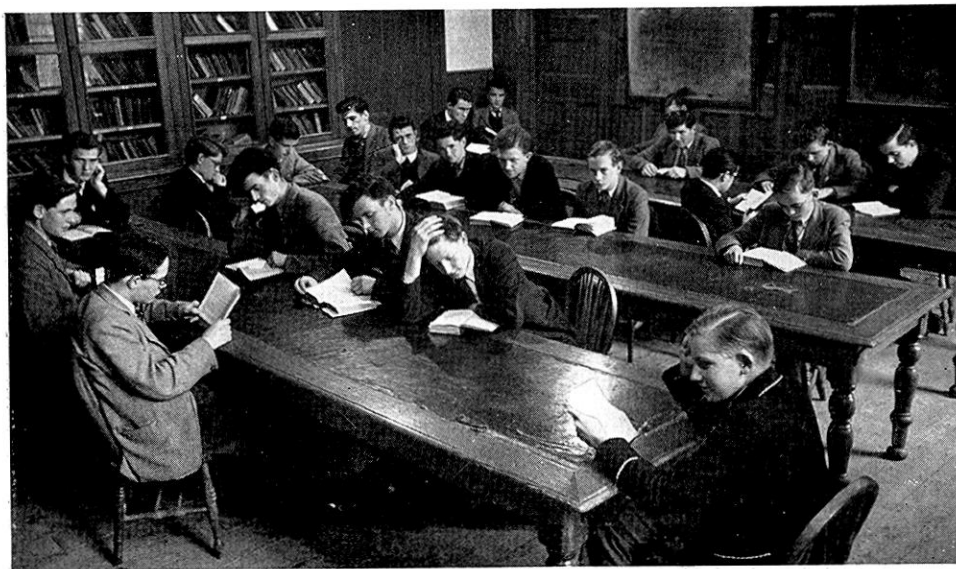


John Keating prepares for the fray



A nice gentle game

*With feverish haste and bated
breath
Pat tore the letter open
Inside was writ in large command
"Go on you're only jokin'."*



Relaxing after dinner

*Now Patrick D. is hoping
There's no letter there for him
The hards then mutter noisily
"Aw who'd do such a thing."*

*The moral of this story is
That if your leg is long
Don't let the whole world know of it
Or they'll pull it right or wrong.*

*4th—You're always complaining the
food's
Out of date
But go to the Ritz
And you'll pay for the plate.*

12th—Monthly Playday.

*14th—There's a brilliant art display on
the corridor these days stimulated by the
Pioneer Association.*

*The Muse has arrived
And to prove it she's here
For temperance sake
So down with the beer.*

16th—More pictures on the corridor.

*If you're in the Sahara
And your water's run out
Can you slug back a swig of good Guinness
stout
If you're caught in the desert with a bottle
of beer
Don't kid yourself boy you're no pioneer.*

*18th—Strict Master: "The first lad who
mutters a word gets out."
Boy: "Yes."
Strict Master: "Get out."*

*21st—Congratulations to our two re-
presentatives on the Munster Team versus
Leinster, M. Keyes and P. O'Connell.
They acquit themselves well. We go in
to see the match which is a scoreless draw.*

*One cold and wintry November day
Munster and Leinster went out to play
All thirty Irish bloods were up
But both sides drained the bitter cup
Who'd blame them for being in the blues
When they could neither win nor lose.*

*24th—Past v. Present Match. The Past
were present and those present were both
Past and Present. It was a perfect day
and the Present showed great hopes for
the future on condition they continue to
be active.*

*26th—We congratulate M. Keyes, P.
O'Connell, B. Silke, N. Dolan, and K.
Cantwell on being picked for the final
trial.*

DECEMBER

*1st—November's out,
December's here
Christmas is in
When we go here and there.*

*3rd—Feast of St. Francis Xavier.
Sermon. High Mass and Playday.*

*O Francis Xavier
We welcome your feast
For besides many other things
The grub is not least.*



A knock up after dinner

8th—Feast of the Immaculate Conception. Opening of the Marian Year. Sodality Reception.

9th—We're coming nearer to that day
When we shall move away
To three or four weeks well earned rest
We shall not say nay.

13th—Father Brennan gives an enjoyable film show of his journey to France last summer.

EASTER TERM

JANUARY

12th—'We're back, we're back, oh yes
we're back
We came by bus and we came by hack
With drooping heads and heavy hearts
We view the school from different parts.'



Photo by

Rev. R. Brennan, S.J.

Building the snowman

14th—Beginning of exams. for Philosophers.

One Phil. was seen to blink with pain
We thought 'twas appendicitis
But our Senior Prefect diagnosed
Examinationitis.

17th—Home Sweet Home.

And now we're on the roads again
Those roads that lead to home.
With plans for this and plans for that
And plans for time to roam.

15th—'All around is bright and clean
Dormitories painted make a nice scene
All we need to put up
Is the Munster Cup.'

18th—Those who think that J. W-- is pretty quick at taking in everything, should see Hal--- in the ref. He may not be pretty but he's quick.

20th—Sixth year get into town to see Julius Caesar acted by Anew McMaster.

23rd—The senior team hard at work preparing for the Munster Cup.
'They run and they skip
They work might and main
Whate'er the result be
They know how to train.'

24th—The Junior dormitory is undergoing extensive painting and already there has been one calamity, Paddy Qu-rk was found nicely bound to the paint.

S.C.T. beat Shannon 3-0.

28th—Snow—snow everywhere. Many long faces as the School's Interprovincial is billed for today but we go to see "Quo Vadis" instead.

'Away with that frown
A pleasant surprise
A picture in town
A sight for sore eyes.'

29th—'Snow, snow look out
Or you'll get a clout
If you go out
Down the neck or thereabout.'

30th—Fr. Willie Kelly a past Apostolic pays us a visit. Skating on Loch Mor to-day.

'Our spirits went gay
As we went down to play
On Loch Mor, 'twas a halfday from class
But some stepped on thin ice
Which was not very nice
For their spirits were dampened alas !

31st—'McNamara went shooting away
on the slide
His legs wobbling wildly his heart full of pride
He shouted aloud 'Watch me get there quick,'
So he fell in his boast and got there in a tick.'

FEBRUARY

3rd—When M-lty was asked the secret of his success he said 'With cash you can do anything.'

7th—J.C.T. meet their Waterloo.
Defeated by Christians 33-0.

10th—First Club Orators let themselves go

'If you want to be learned
Then attend our debate
For on questions sublime
We daringly speculate.'

11th—In the Interprovincial against Connaught M. Keyes stars. Apostolics try to decide whether to walk to town or not.

'To walk or not to walk that is the question
Whether 'tis nobler to travel by bus
To the Rugby match between Munster and Connaught

Or walk to see Hamlet in the City Theatre
And by walking skip study. To walk, to walk.

To miss the Rugby and by walking say we end

The city trips and thousand other games the Aps

Are heirs to.

'Tis a consolation devoutly to be shunned
To walk to play perchance to win,
Ay there's the rub.'

In a shady nook



D. O'Neill, T. Watson, M. McDermot,
J. Hickey, P. O'Connor

13th—'P. D. got the ball and onwards
he sped

Some went for his legs, the rest for his head
But no power on earth can restrain
Mungret's wing

Particularly when there's a letter for him.'

17th—We have a debate with a team from St. Munchins.

'The gift of the Gab
Is a quizzical chap
He pops up in places
To waylay mishap

But he sometimes arrives
When silence is best
And then he becomes
A regular pest.
But in a debate
His fame is untold
He is robed like a king
In a vesture of gold
When Munchins came out
For a combat in speech
He landed us safe
By a vote from their reach
We rejoice to receive
This our comical friend
And hope that he'll sparkle
In speech to the end.'



A few lines home

20th—Fr. McCarron gives a rousing talk on the Pioneers:

'If one is used to being tipsy
And carrying on like Vinshinsky
Then the lecture's for you

To make you sober and true
And stop carrying on a hoodoo.'

23rd—Prospects for the Cup.
'With a rugger ball we train very keen
But what happens in the Cup remains
to be seen
We run, we pass we tackle and skip
So let's hope we make a lucky trip.'

25th—A flood of oratory at Second Club debate

'In debates we strive to make
You change your point of view
So we argue for the sake
Of thus convincing you.'

MARCH

2nd—Shrove Tuesday Half Day.

3rd—Ash Wednesday. Many things given up for Lent, lessons the most popular.

'Said Silke 'I'm intent
On going off fags for Lent
Each Sunday alone
Perhaps I'll take one
Or if there should be
A day that is free
I'll have a short gall
Just one and that's all
But if I should see
A fag going free
I'll take it in case
It might go to waste
Ach, the best thing to do
Is to smoke just a few
But whenever I'm broke
I never will smoke
Now that's my resolve
And though it involve
A hardship I'm bent
On doing penance for Lent.'

4th—We meet Rockwell in the Junior Cup and are beaten 9 pts nil.

'We'd all rejoice if Mungret could
Win the Cup in the Thomond mud
But maybe next year we'll have better luck
Than anything we have so far struck.'

11th—We meet Pres. in Cork in the Senior Cup and after a hard battle lose 9 pts nil.

'The Mardyke was muddy
A horrible sight
But worse for a team
Whose forwards were light

ness as we learn in class came into the world because of Adam's fall, we all agree that he was not the worst old sort.

15th—'That small wee man from yonder North
Accompanied us out hurling
But then one day being in the fray
His hair it now needs curling.'

16th—'Two Phils on games decided
To play the game quite sweet

RETURNING FROM THE FRAY



LEFT TO RIGHT: R. J. Mulcair, P. D. O'Connor, J. O'Connell, B. Garland, K. Cantwell, D. O'Connor, while P. Kelly looks on

They heaved and they shoved
And used all their might
But Pres. heeled the Cup
Away from our sight
Yet one feels all the same
If our fortune was bright
She has given us Keyes
And put the Cup right.'

But on the ground they quickly found
That tempers often cheat.'

17th—St. Patrick's Day. Sermon. High Mass. Playday and feed. Picture on Aran.

18th—It is rumoured that Hoppy had a drastic change of diet today.

21st—Our Under 17s travel to Glenstal and are beaten 6-3.

13th—On account of the 'flu the infirmary is overcrowded and we all rejoice in an extra half hour's sleep. So if sick-

APRIL

*'To Glenstal we went
With hearts full of grit
Feeling that we were just nice and fit
But alas and alack we were smacked
by six three.*

27th—Playday. Town Leaves.

*'Fifth year and sixth year went out to play
Perhaps I am wrong, yet that's what they
say
But when they got out, I won't say what
was done
But I'm glad 'twas the ball that was put
in the scrum.'*

28th—No exam. Photographs to-day.
*'We look snappy and happy
When our pictures are 'took'
Chests out, eyes forward,
That's how we look.'*

1st—*'Mick got a wee parcel this
morning
'I wonder who it is from'
The address gave him no warning
The postmark 'with care' was put on
He sat down to open it cool
As somebody gave me a wink
Then I thought of the April fool
It was full of old bottles for ink.'*

3rd—We welcome a debating team
from St. Munchins.

5th—We are welcomed to a debate in
St. Munchins.

7th—*'The term draws on
We're near the end
We can count the classdays
We're around the bend'*



A clean cut through

8th—Big Mission Raffle coming off
*'Tickets Tickets
Have one then
You may win some spoons
or a pen
Tickets, Tickets
Have a go
You may win
You never know'*

12th—Final Debate.
*'Cassidy spoke long and sweetly
But Nolan covered his points quite neatly
R. Harris brought history to the fore*

*R. Cassidy nearly showed us the door
P. D. swept us with his eloquence
S. C. made us all quite tense.'*
We congratulate J. Nolan on winning
the Debate Medal.

13th—*'Home we go and bid farewell
To classes and that awful bell
We'll rest in bed until quite late
What else we'll do we need not state.*

As we go to Press we hear that Paul
Horgan has won a prize in the An Tústal
Art Competition organised in Limerick.
Congratulations Paul.



THE RETREAT FOR ETH PAST

The week-end retreat for the Past was held this year in February. All who were present were happy to have the opportunity of attending. Those leaving Mungret this year, and wishing to make the retreat next year should communicate with Rev. J. Mulligan, S.J.

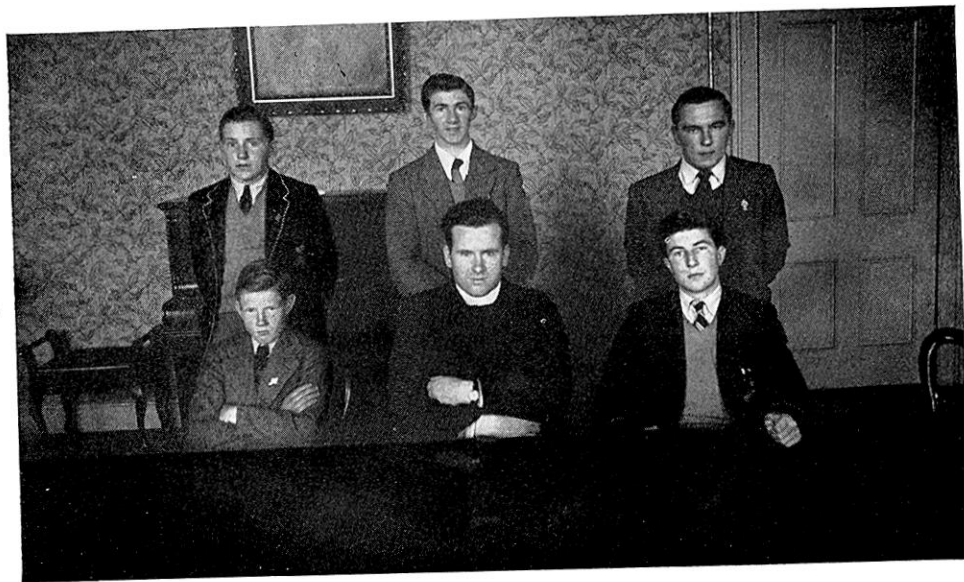
The Mission Society

DURING the past year, the Mission Society continued its perennial task of stimulating interest in the Foreign Missions, and helping them by prayer and material aid. On Mission Sunday Fr. A. Cooney S.J. gave us an interesting lecture on Hong Kong, and this was followed by some entertaining and instructive films dealing with the same subject. Later in the year Fr. T. J. Martin S.J. addressed us on the subject of the Jesuit missions in Northern Rhodesia, and also showed us slides of the missionaries there, and their work. Film-strips were employed during the year to provide popular entertainments.

Stamp sorting and collecting were maintained throughout the year, and enabled financial help to be sent to the Jesuit missions in Africa and China. Two successful raffles were also held and were generously supported in the College.

Magazines and pamphlets of a missionary nature proved popular; and, we hope, helped to stimulate the students to pray for the success of the glorious work of converting pagan lands.

THE MISSION SOCIETY



*M. Fitzgibbon, P. Twohig, E. Carey,
M. O'Driscoll, Rev. B. Cullen, S.J., R. Harris*

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

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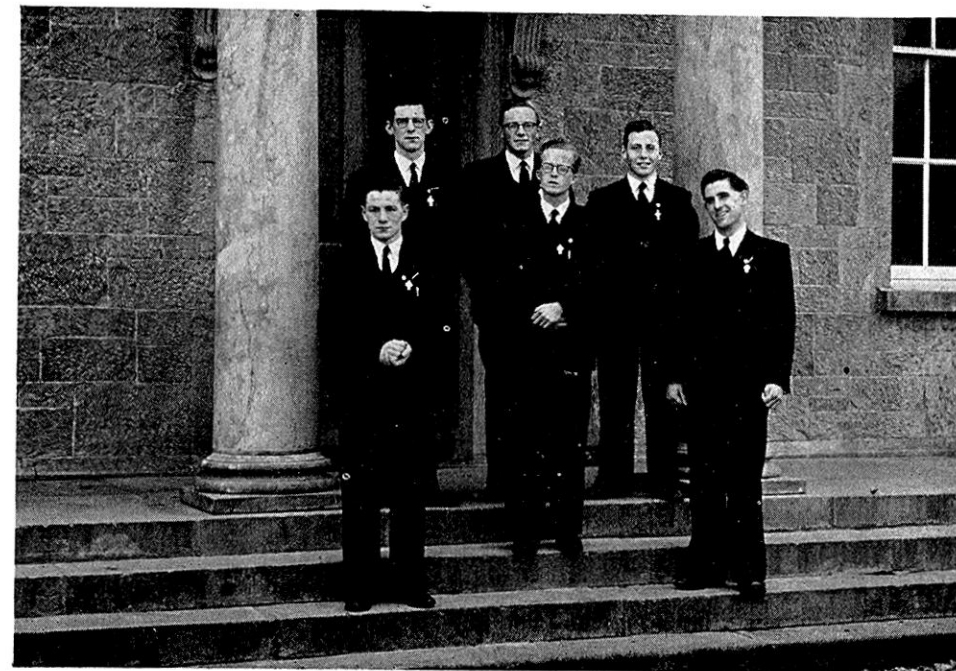
President : T. O'NEILL *Secretary :* S. KEATING

Vice-President : E. CASSIDY *Treasurer :* R. CASSIDY

THERE was a membership of a little over twenty in the Conference during the year. The chief permanent case we had on hand was that of an old woman and her invalid brother. The brothers applied a sum of money in the local shop for provisions for this old pair. The officials also through the generosity of Fr. Minister secured a bed and relieved the dire want of furniture in the hovel.

For the collection of funds we had a sale of college-colours and badges. This sale held before the football match brought in a good sum of money. We have to thank the boys of the college for their generous support. We are very grateful to our unknown benefactors for their donations to the poor box. We in spite of the restrictions of a boarding college hope to carry on the great tradition of the Society in preparing members for senior conferences when they leave college and to inculcate among them a spirit of practical charity.

APOSTOLIC OFFICIALS



*BACK ROW : C. O'Connor, P. Flanagan, D. Page.
FRONT ROW : C. Mitchell, M. Killeen, T. Deasy.*

Irish Sculpture

IT seems that the arts of painting, sculpture and architecture require for their finest flowering conditions of relative peace and prosperity. They cannot like literature and music survive in the conditions of a "Hidden Ireland."

The political conditions of our past therefore largely explain both our failure to develop a native tradition in the visual arts and the absence of any informed public demand for the works of artists.



Prayer by Seamus Murphy, R.H.A. Bronze

Their products are too bulky, for a man to bring them with him "on the run" and too remote from immediate material usefulness for the investment of labour and materials to be considered by the subsistence economy of later Gaeldom.

In the days of early Christian Ireland a distinctively native genius for sculpture was able to find expression in the high crosses and the decoration of churches. Like the work of the illuminated manuscripts it had a strong feeling for the



LEFT: *Fragment of the Lusitania Memorial* by Jerome O'Connor to be erected at Cobh.

TOP RIGHT: *St. Patrick*, by Miss Le Brocquy. BENEATH RIGHT: *Madonna* by Seamus Murphy, R.H.A.

beauty of line and was rich in complicated linear rhythms. In its treatment of the human figure it would nowadays be called expressionist, with its vivid emphasis of emotion and individuality bordering on caricature. In the middle ages much good sculpture was produced in Ireland but there is little except lack of skill to distinguish it from the work produced throughout mediaeval Christendom. From the Renaissance onwards, sculpture in Ireland is simply an imitation of the trends fashionable in Europe, though something of the old Gaelic feeling breaks through the classical forms of the work of Edward Smyth who carved the personifications of Irish rivers which decorate the Custom House in Dublin. In the more recent past the predominant influence has been that of the international style of modern art with its centre in Paris.

In the early period, when there was a peculiarly Irish style, the sculptor's themes here, as elsewhere in Europe at that time, were predominantly religious. Now, when Ireland is one of the few countries where the faith still moulds society as a whole, it is in the field of religious sculpture that one would expect to find a specifically Irish contribution to the art. Such a contribution based on individual piety and artistic sensibility would be a welcome relief from the mass produced products which fill our churches. These, with their gross sentimentality and lack of character, in a word vulgarity, are a sad falling away from the austere dignity and firm humanity of liturgical worship.

What requirements should religious sculpture fulfill? In the first place it must form part of the pattern of private prayer and public worship. Secondly it must be an offering on the part of artist and donor. Let us take first the integration of a work of sculpture into the life of prayer, the quality in it which we have come to call "devotional." Clearly

to achieve this integration a statue must not be distracting, it must have a quality of reserve. The more daring experiments of modern sculpture must therefore be curbed before they find a place in church art, at least until they have found a readier public acceptance. In this sphere of church art the artist must be careful not to be too many steps ahead of the widest mass of the public. This limitation of his invention will be rewarded by the close relationship his service of the liturgy will create between artist and community.

Further we may take it that the purpose of religious sculpture is to stimulate the imagination and enlist it to aid meditation. To do this it must have dignity and force. The vocation of sainthood is a task calling for toughness of body and mind. Rarely will it find expression in the limpid ideal beauty invented by the pagan Renaissance, vulgarised by painters such as Guido Reni and now watered down to give us our conventional portrayal of the saints in pastel coloured plaster. How much more "devotional" are the actual death masks of the saints. In future let us have character not sentimentality in our religious statues. Surely it is a council of despair to suggest that the majority of the faithful are incapable of appreciating or of being inspired by anything except bad art. To turn for a moment to sculptors dealing with secular subjects, there is Jerome O'Connor, who is perhaps more native to the soil than his namesake Andrew. The spirit moves in Jerome O'Connor's work and at times moves strongly, but he never ignores the normal form which encases it. Jerome O'Connor is of the soil and of the people and his work has a massive and earthlike quality. There is no flutter of wings as in the work of Andrew. He is in a sense more Irish, in that he is more realistic and so closer to the truth as we know it and appreciate it.

Jerome O'Connor's work is extant in America and it may also be seen in various Art Galleries of Dublin. There is, of course, his two sailormen, a fragment of the Lusitania Memorial to be erected in Cobh, an expression as in all his work of suffering and endurance, men maimed and blinded by the whim of chance. They are men we meet everyday in our course through Dublin and the countryside. We would like to pass them over if we could as they are not lively, intelligent or inspiring but we cannot as they are the very stock of humanity.

Among other young sculptors we come to Miss Le Brocquy who has shown great taste and flair in her work. There is her St. Patrick an arresting work but not showing the conventional St. Patrick so loved by Irish sculptors. The saint of her conception is dynamic, tenacious and able to outcast Druidic spells with greater Christian spells, a man of force and mystery, who could convince and transform a wayward nation.

There is also the relief work of Miss Hayes on the new building in Kildare St. which has delicacy and rhythm. Her plaques of Industry show off the finely proportioned balcony, the Irish limestone contrasting pleasantly with the lighter stone of the building. The large head of a girl facing Kildare St. is also attractive. She is a new figure

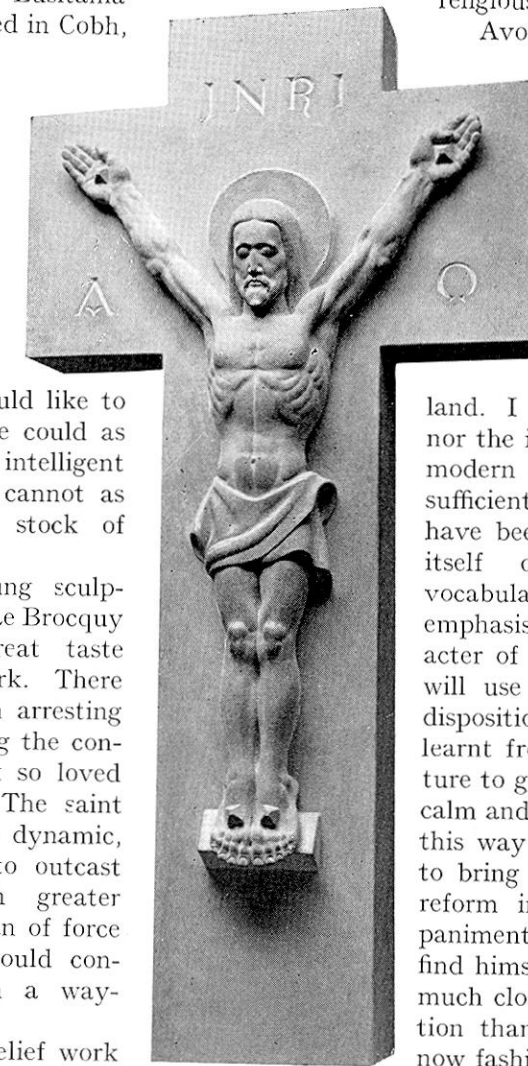
in Irish sculpture.

In Cork there is Seamus Murphy, who has won a name for himself, especially by the grace and dignity of his religious subjects.

Avoiding sentimentality, stimulating the imagination, contemporary but avoiding the more daring inventions as yet out of courtesy to the simplest of the faithful; this is the religious art we need in Ire-

land. I have neither the space nor the intention to "explain" modern sculpture here. It is sufficient to say that the art we have been imagining will avail itself of the expressionist vocabulary of distortion and emphasis to bring out the character of sainthood forcibly and will use the clear harmonious dispositions of planes and masses learnt from the abstract sculpture to give to its work dignity, calm and precision. Working in this way the sculptor will help to bring about a much needed reform in the artistic accompaniment of the liturgy and will find himself working in a mode much closer to his Gaelic tradition than the Italianate mode now fashionable. Then we may hope, through the influence of church sculpture, for the creation of a distinctively Irish style which will fulfil the promise of our early Christian period.

The next question which arises is whether sculpture of the kind we have been discussing exists in Ireland to-day. I think the beginnings are there and I



*Carved Crucifix
in limestone
by Peter Grant*

hope the illustrations to this article, even though they are too few to represent all the artists who are doing good work, will confirm my opinion. Whether it

develops is a matter for priest, people and artist working together with enthusiasm, courage and tact *Do cum glóire Dé agus Onóra na h-Eireann.*



The New Portico

Sodality of *Our Lady*

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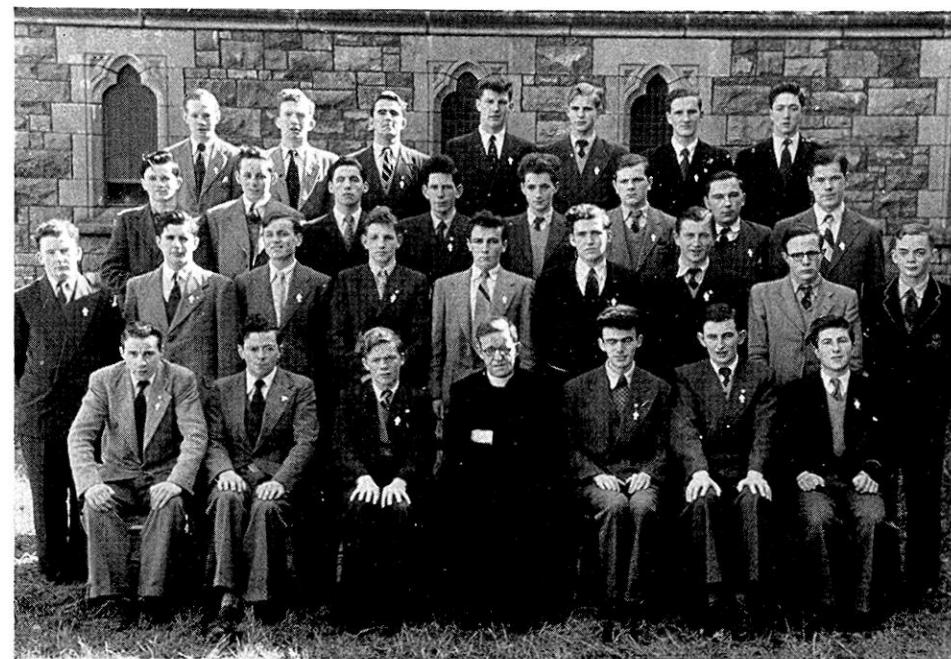
Received Sept 23rd : D. Buckley.

Received Dec. 1st : R. Cassidy, F. Dunne, J. J. Hickey, J. Keating, M. Machen, P. O'Connor, R. O'Connor, A. de Podhorszky, S. Smith, T. Watson, H. Roche-Kelly.

Received May 9th : J. Enright, B. Garland, D. Gunning, B. Hardiman, P. Kelly, P. Murnaghan, D. O'Neill.

The Sodality of Our Lady has for its main object to arouse and foster in the souls of its members a strong devotion to the Blessed Virgin. Membership of the Sodality is not to be regarded merely as a certificate of good conduct from our companions. It is this, but it is something more. "Luceat lux vestra coram hominibus." The Sodalists freely contract certain obligations before the whole school. They are expected to show more than ordinary goodness, to be boys of reliable character in whose keeping the traditions of the Sodality and the School will be safe; boys to whom others will look for example and leadership, and will not look in vain.

THE B.V.M. SODALITY



Sodality of *The Holy Angels*, 1953-54.

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Received, Sunday, December 13th, 1953 : P. Collins, Pet. Culshaw, P. Culshaw, B. Donegan, K. Garland, E. Harty, K. Madden, T. Madigan, M. Mitchell, M. O'Driscoll, J. D. O'Mahony, E. Walsh.

HOLY ANGELS SODALITY



Sodality of Our Lady and St. Francis Xavier Apostolics

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Sacristan : T. GORMAN.

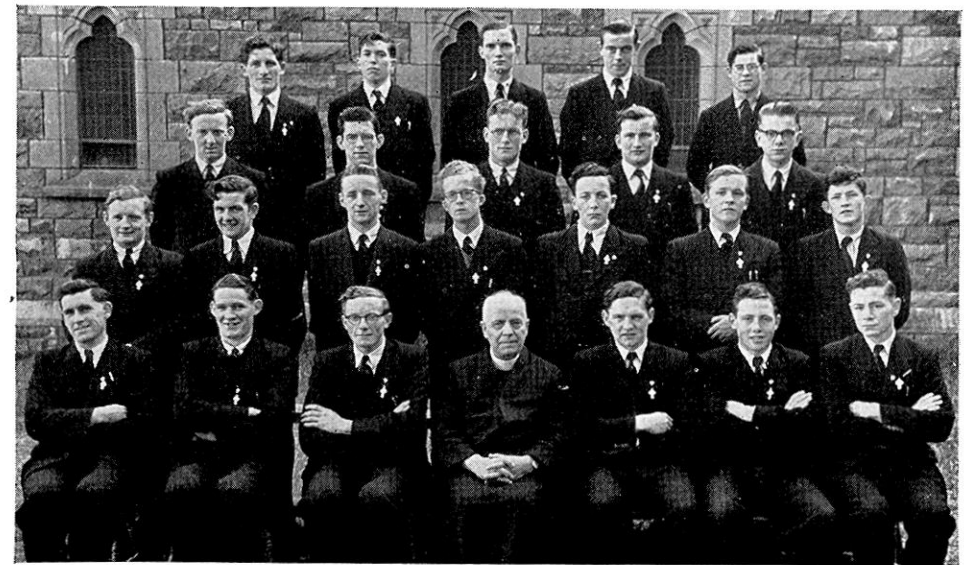
Members from last year : J. Carroll, P. Collins, J. Cusack, T. Deasy, T. Delaney, P. Flanagan, T. Gorman, M. Killeen, B. Long, C. Mitchell, C. O'Connor, S. O'Rourke, D. Page, P. Stanley, J. Toal.

Received on December 8th : T. Cotter, R. Davern, J. Downing, P. J. Gorman, D. Lyons, J. J. Murphy, J. O'Brien, P. Reilly, M. J. Walsh

Received on May 9th : J. Dennison, H. Kelly, J. Quinlivan.

The usual meetings were held on Saturday nights. The dedication of this year, by the Pope, in honour of the centenary of the Definition of the Immaculate Conception of Our Lady, was a great source of joy to our Sodality as it was to all the Catholic world. This year should excite in us an even greater devotion to Mary and Her Immaculate Conception. Our members go forth every year to work in Our Lord's vineyard under the mantle and protection of Our Blessed Lady. The usual sections carried out their duties, which, even though they are light, are nevertheless well worth while. May our Lady always watch over our members, and direct them in carrying out the important duties of the priesthood, when the time comes.

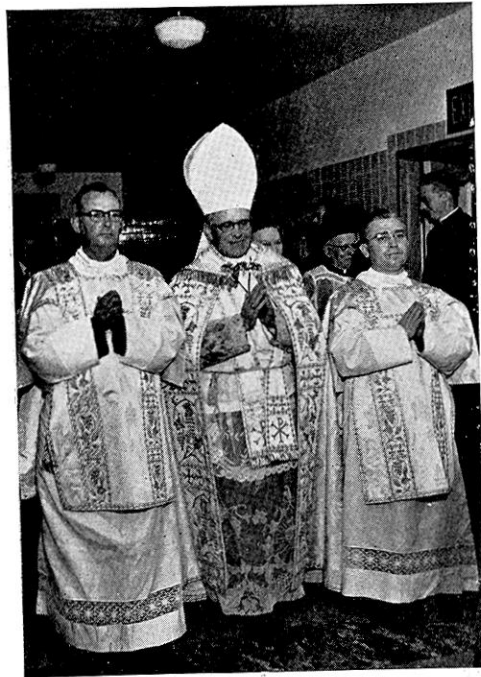
SODALITY OF OUR LADY and ST. FRANCIS XAVIER





MGR. T. CULLEN ('22) whose photo we give below called to see us after being on a visit to Rome for the opening of the North American College.

DAN NYHAN ('42) is now resident engineer in Dundalk on a dredging



Mgr. T. Cullen after being invested with the dignity of Protonotary Apostolic

scheme. Dan has had experience in Nigeria.

NORMAN KING ('39) B.E. is now with an engineering firm in Australia. Norman is married and settled down.

FR. PAT CASEY ('23) came to make his retreat here in the summer.

We offer our congratulations to DR. MICHAEL LEONARD ('45) on taking his final medical degrees in Galway University.

GARRY MACDONOGH ('50) owing to the exchange of catering students has taken up a post in Western Germany.

We congratulate the REV. T. A. JOHNSTON S.J. on being appointed Rector of St. Leo's College University of Brisbane. He is near his old College contemporaries Dr. John English and Archbishop P. O'Donnell.

MGR. ARTHUR CONWAY ('22) called when he was home on holidays. He was selected as special preacher at the Centenary celebrations at the Redemptorist Church in Limerick last year.

FR. WILLIE TOBIN ('09) stayed with us for a week last summer before visiting the Holy Land. He took back with him to South Carolina three pebbles collected at the shrines of Bangor, Lindisfarne and Iona, at the request of an Abbot of a monastery.

SEAN SAMPSON ('51) is studying accountancy in Thurles.

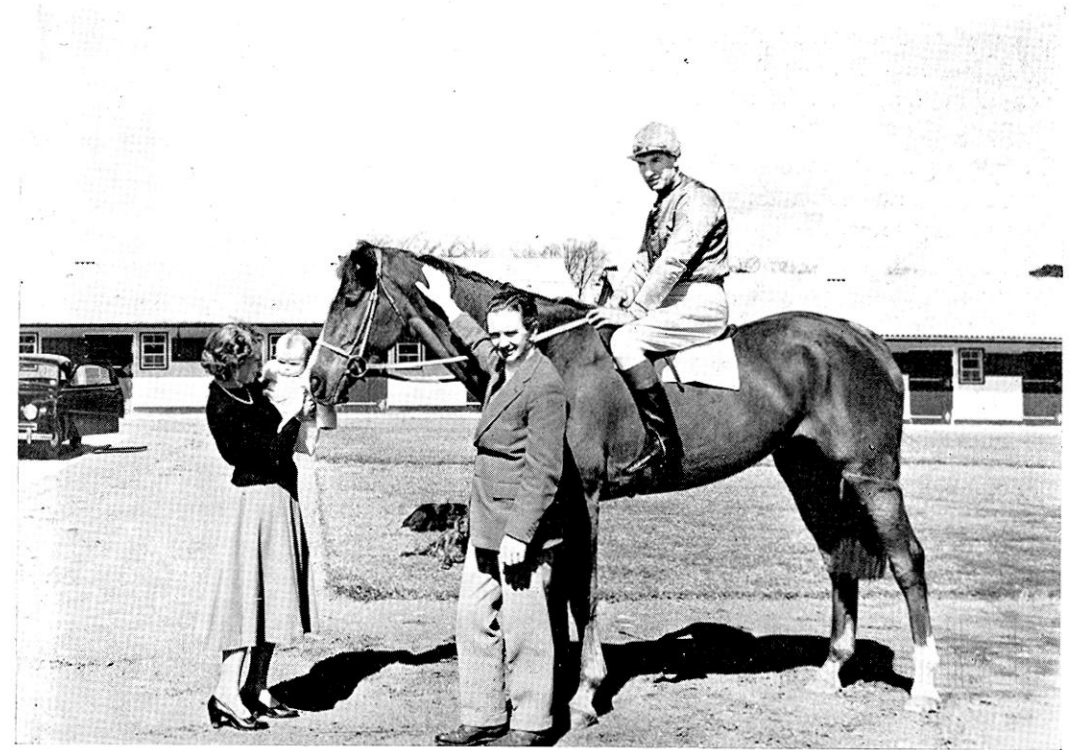
We congratulate E. C. BOURKE ('07) on his appointment as Manager of the Shell Oil Co. in Cork. He was formerly automotive lubricants Manager with the same Company.

We had a welcome visit from JOHN CLEAR ('49) in February. He is studying economics and also doing clerical work in London.

VINCENT O'BRIEN ('32) continues his winning sequence as a trainer. Last year he was the leading National Hunt trainer in Ireland and England, and won the Irish Derby with Chamier. This year he saddled three winners at Cheltenham, and won four races at the Liverpool meeting, which included winning the Grand National with Royal Tan.

We were glad to have a letter from DR. JOHN TWOMEY ('40) just before he was due to leave Durham. Dr. John belongs to the group who look back on their school days as the happiest days of their life.

We were glad to have visits from the following during last summer, FR. WILLIE LANE ('46) FR. JAMES BURKE ('99) who said Mass here. FR. JAMES is



Vincent O'Brien ('32) with 'Early Mist' last year's winner of the Grand National (Bryan Marshall up). Also in the picture is Mrs. Vincent O'Brien with baby daughter Elizabeth.

professor of Maths and Greek at St. Mary's College Emmitsburg. MGR. D. HARNETT ('28). REV. L. O'CONNOR and D. O'CONNOR C.S.Sp. Fr. Liam is now in Africa. FR. D. McENERY ('46) back from Duluth. FR. D. MULVIHILL ('49) back from Wichita, Kansas. FR. MICHAEL O'SHAUGHNESSY ('45) back from San Antonio for his brother's ordination. FR. MAURICE MULCAHY ('31) who is now in the new Diocese of Yakima, Wash. FR. W. KELLY ('35) from Adelaide. FR. SEAN McGRATH ('43) back from Pueblo Colorado.

TOM LANE ('50) has now a position with the Sabena Air Lines Shannon Airport.

We had a long letter from PADDY KENNEALLY ('46) on board ship where he is Chief Radio Officer. Paddy's work has brought him nearly all around the world. He has been to Italy, Spain, Africa, America, Canada and Russia.

We were glad to welcome DR. DONAL HANLEY ('44) and his wife who came to see us during the summer.

We were pleased to get a letter from DENIS QUAID ('21) who is in New York. Denis is toying with the idea of sending his son to Mungret. We hope this idea materialises, it will forge another link with the Past.

We were glad to see JOE RYAN ('48) home on holiday from the Bank of British West Africa during the summer. Another member of the same Bank who called to see us was DERMOT RHATIGAN ('48).

PADDY McGRATH ('51) is taking a course in Hotel Management at the Rapid results College, Tuition House, London S. W. 19.

FR. C. O'DOHERTY W.F. ('44) called to see us during the summer. He is now professor of Dogma in the White Fathers' College in Holland.

SEAN DILLON ('46) we hear has left Dublin, and taken up a position in London.

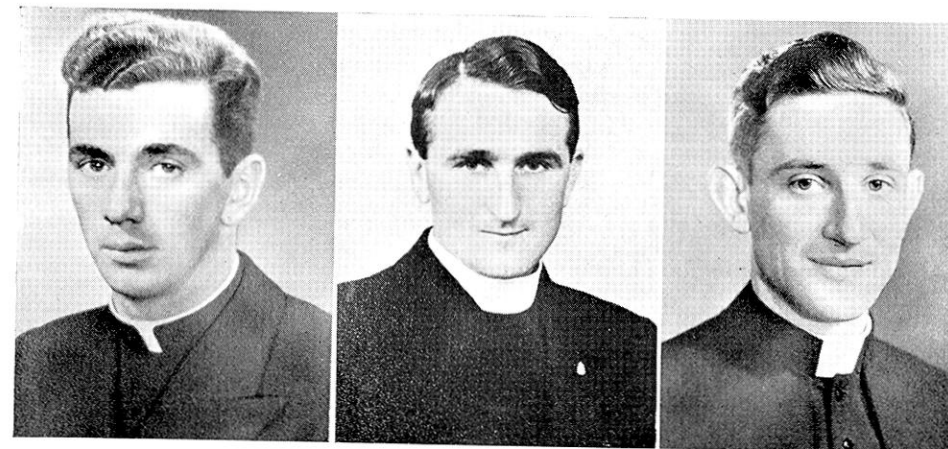
NOEL GUINA ('51) is continuing his studies to become a Radio Officer in London, and we hear is doing very well.

We were glad to welcome DR. AL. HENRY ('43) and his wife during the summer. Dr. Al in loyalty to Mungret had the College Crest done in icing on his wedding cake. He is now in the Co. Hospital in Mullingar.

FR. PAT DONOVAN who was ordained last summer spent the years 1945-47 in the lay school and then studied philosophy in the Apostolic School 1947-49. Fr. Pat is at present in the Holy Family Parish, Great Falls, Montana, where he has also the job of assistant teacher in the secondary High school. He is also Prefect of Studies and of games.

FR. JIM GALVIN who was ordained for the Limerick Diocese last summer came to Mungret in 1944. Fr. Jim was a stalwart in his time on the hurling and rugby teams. He left us to go to St. Munchins. He called to see us during the summer; he is at present on loan to the parish of New Ross.

FR. TOM O'CONNELL who was ordained last summer, is the eldest of four brothers who have been at Mungret, MARTIN working at home, TONY doing accountancy, and JOHN who is with us still. Fr. Tom studied in the layschool 1941-47 and then went to the Apostolic School to study philosophy; he is at present working in Redcar, Yorks.



Father P. O'Donovan

Father J. Galvin

Father T. O'Connell

P. DOHERTY ('35) who called to see us during summer is now a chemist in Carrigart, Co. Donegal.

JOHN MOORE ('52) is now doing science in U.C.G. We congratulate him on being picked for Connaught and the Combined Universities Team.

JOHN F. MURPHY ('53) is now a clerk in the M. & L. Bank at Dublin.

We congratulate TONY MCCARTHY ('47) on receiving the Diploma of Social Science at Hospital on March 10th. Tony is engaged at farming at home.

We congratulate TEDDY O'CONNOR ('46) on starting a fruit business in Limerick. Teddy calls out to see us occasionally.

It is pleasant to refer to a Limerick family all the male members of which have been to Mungret. DERMOT HURLEY ('29) is secretary of the family business. He is also a keen golfer. JOHN ('31) is also in the family business, but has an interest in music and is an active member of the Limerick City Council of the Red Cross. DR. GERRY ('36) is in practice in

the Isle of Wight. BRYAN ('38) who was formerly Captain of the College is a highly successful traveller in the family firm. His hobbies are music and photography.

FR. MORGAN WALSH ('13) came to see us during the summer. Fr. Morgan is now at Accrington, Lanes.

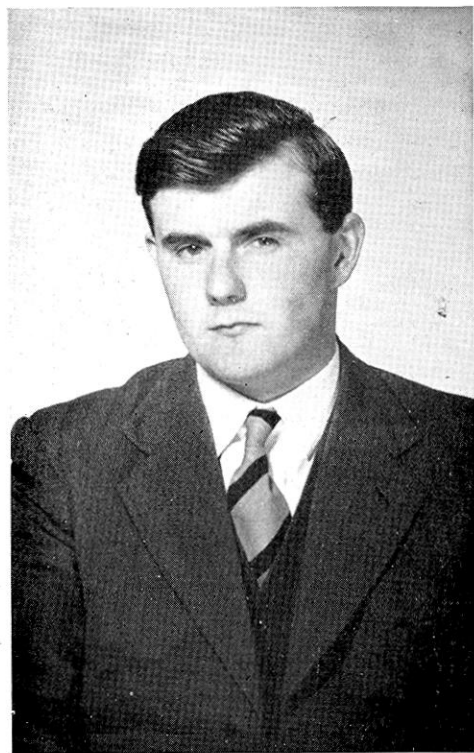
JACK MULCAHY ('18) is the successful owner of a large woollen mill near Ardfinnan.

WILLIAM DEEVY ('05) is an incorporated accountant with a very large practice in Waterford. He has branch offices in Kilkenny, Wexford and Dublin.

MICHAEL DOOLEY ('18) is farming near Birr.

We had a welcome visit from JOHN MOLONEY and his wife in summer. JOHN is farming the family place near Dundrum, Co. Tipperary.

We give an extract from a letter recently received from JOE BURKE ('20) 'I returned here (to New York) after spending two years in Ireland. I got



D. B. O'Connell, Solr.

married to a girl from Dublin and last summer I brought my wife out here, and I must say we are a very happy couple. I became the father of a little baby boy on January 19th. Send me a few old numbers of the Mungret Annual. Give my best wishes to any of my old friends you may meet.' Joe is engaged in hotel work in New York.

We offer our best wishes to REV. J. SMYTH S.J. ('46) on joining the Hong Kong Mission this year.

We warmly congratulate D. B. O'CONNELL ('49) on qualifying as a solicitor last September. Brendan did a brilliant course in law. He got two scholarships in U.C.C. He won first place in Ireland in the Intermediate law exam, and got second place in his final. In addition

to these distinctions, he got a gold medal for Irish Debate, a silver medal for First year speeches and silver medal for oratory from the Solicitors Apprentices Debating Society while in Dublin. Brendan is now in practice with a firm of Solicitors in Arklow. His brother CON ('45) is doing his final medical this summer, while the third brother TIM ('49) is a third medical.

CLEMENT MACDONOGH ('29) has a responsible position with the Esso Co. Ltd. He works at Shannon Airport.

MARK LYNCH ('28) has a position in the accountancy office of William Deevy in Kilkenny.

ENDA FLANNELLY ('53) who is doing the catering course at Shannon Airport often makes a welcome appearance in Mungret.

PATRICK FLOOD ('15) who went to America shortly after leaving Mungret, has become engaged in many Catholic social activities there.

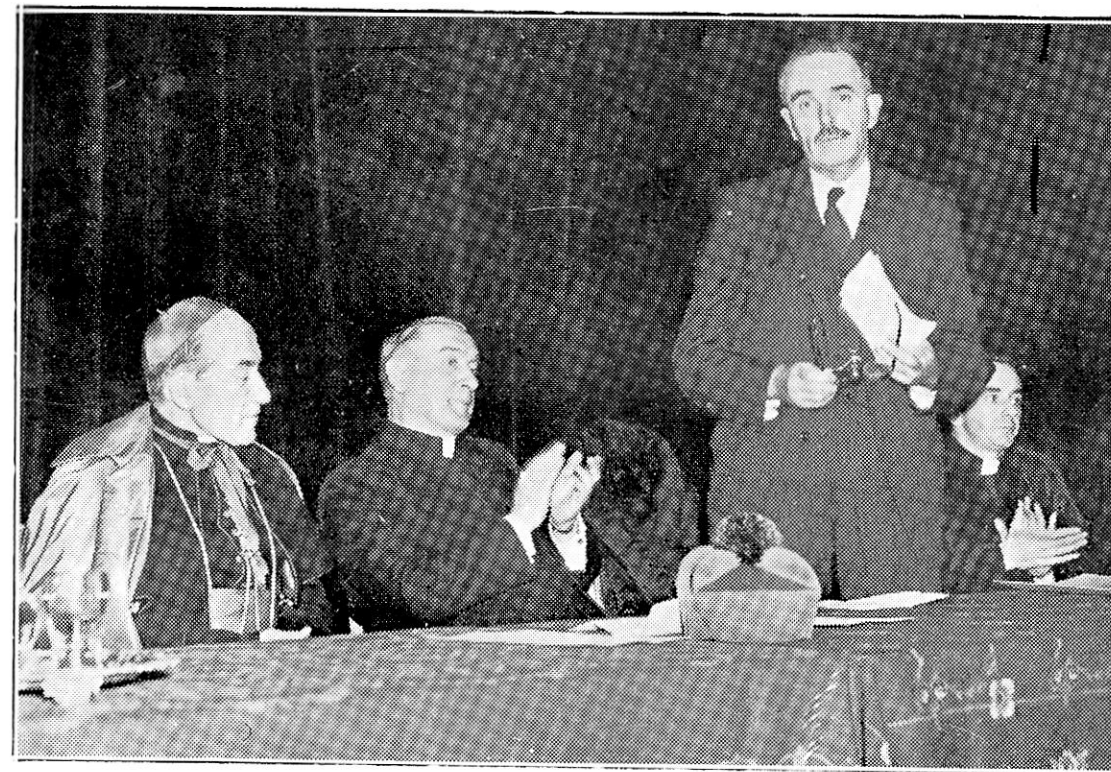
JIM HARRIS ('15) is now farming near Enfield.

EDDIE MOLONEY ('49) is now in an University in Washington. His brother JOHN ('51) is still in High School.

TIM FINERTY ('52) has taken up a position in Barclays Bank, London.

We offer our congratulations to JOE GUERIN Manager of the M & L. Bank, Ballinasloe on his transfer as Manager to Macroom. Before he left he received a presentation from the Bank Staff and the Bridge club.

We offer our warm congratulations to GERRY SHEEY B.E. ('47) on becoming Auditor of the Literary and Historic



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David Coyle ('13), Vice-President of the C.S.S.C., speaking at the Catholic Youth Council Leaders' Conference held in January at All Hallows College. The Archbishop of Dublin, Most Rev. Dr. McQuaid is seated left, with Very Rev. M. C. Troy, P.P., and Professor E. F. O'Doherty, U.C.D., on the right.

Society in U.C.D. We hear that he gave a very able address at the Inaugural meeting. Another old Mungret man JOE MCARDLE ('51) is Hon. Sec. to the Society.

We were glad to have a visit from DR. GERARD SMYTH ('30) during the year. Dr. Gerard is now practising in Hassocks, Sussex. His brother DR. NOEL ('30) is in practice in Upper Mountown, Dun Laoghaire.

LEO PARKINSON ('52) has now got a position with an Insurance Co.

DAVID RAE ('49) has joined the R.A.F.

We hear that TERRY KING ('48) is now doing engineering at Bolton St. Technical School. His brother FRANK ('47) is doing Law.

ROBERT KILKELLY ('51) is at Kevin St. Technical School. Bob plays for Palmerstown and has an occasional match with the First Fifteen.

We offer our congratulations to LT. FRANCIS XAVIER MACNAMARA ('36) R.A.F. Educational Staff Officer of the Middle East Air Force on being elected a Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts.

SEAN TANSEY ('52) is now Brother Nesson with the Franciscans O.F.M. His brother MICHAEL ('52) has entered the Servites.

FR. CHARLIE WATKINS ('37) is now secretary to the Archbishop of Capetown. The Archbishop kindly called here on his way back from his visit to Rome on September 26th.

DR. EAMONN O'CONNOR ('42) is now Medical Officer in Cork St. fever hospital.

We hear that FR. MARK CROWLEY ('32) is doing great work in the Y.C.W. Clubs in his parish of St. Philomena's, Middlesborough.

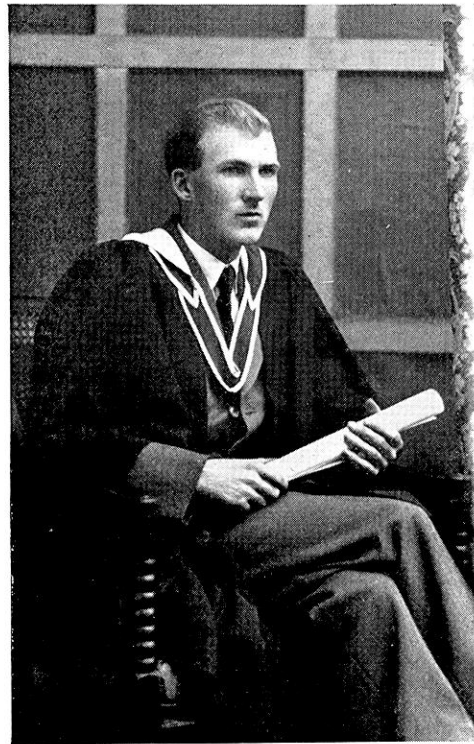
CAPTAIN J. DOWLING ('38) is an army officer who was responsible for the organisation of the Tostal Pageant of St. Patrick which opened on April 17th. To quote from the Press report "All praise to the producer and director Capt. J. Dowling who performed Herculean work in ensuring the success of what seemed an impossible undertaking when first mooted." Capt. John is married with a family of three. He studied naval design before entering the army.

JOHN FILAN ('48) is now a lawyer in New York. We had a letter from him at Xmas.

DR. BRIAN MULLEN ('41) played for Munster against the All Blacks in Cork on January 13th. He hopes to start practice in his native Dublin shortly.

JACK HENDERSON ('46) is now engaged in clerical work in Carrolls' Tobacco Factory in Dundalk.

PAT DOWNEY ('50) is now on the soil testing staff in the Agricultural College in Johnstown Castle, Co. Wexford.



Gerry O'Connor, B.Sc.

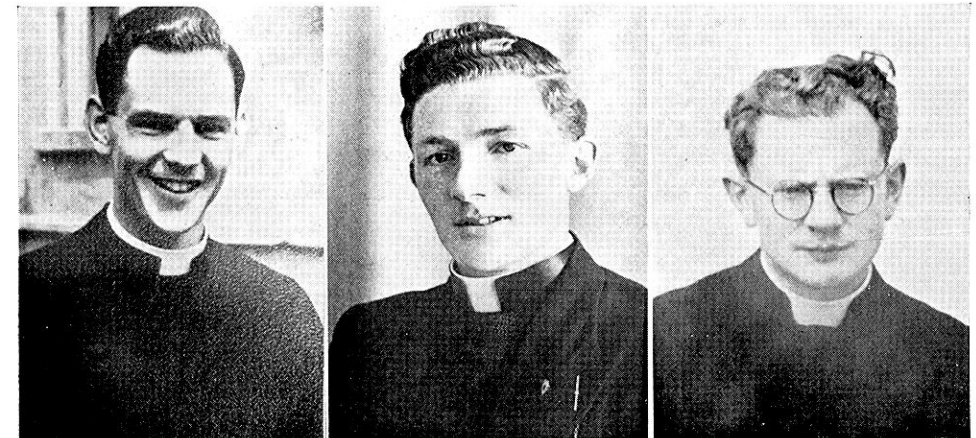
TOM MCGARRY ('40) is in business in Newtownforbes. We noticed that he grew a prize second crop of strawberries last October.

We note that TOM GOUGH ('12) has been acting as chief Fire Officer in Lime- rick. During the short period he has been on he has secured a new portable fire fighting unit.

We congratulate GERRY O'CONNOR ('48) on getting his B.Sc. last summer. Gerry is now on the staff of the G.E.C. in London.

TOM MARTIN ('22) is a solicitor in Limerick.

SEAN TAYLOR ('46) after qualifying as a trained caterer gave it up to enter the



Father P. Cullen

Father T. Daly,

Father S. Lewis, C.S.Sp.

Carmelites. He is now Br. Ferdinand and was professed in the Carmelite Friary Kinsale on October 4th 1953.

PADDY MACKEOWN ('51) qualified as a National Teacher in St. Patricks, Drumcondra. He has been appointed as assistant teacher in Pallaskenry National School.

MICHAEL LYNCH ('50) is now in the Bank in Belfast, and feels quite happy there.

MICHAEL MAGUIRE ('44) B.D.S. is now in practice in Twillingate, Newfoundland. Michael has to get around on his calls with a dog team and a sleigh.

JOHN GUBBINS ('48) went to Montreal during the year, and has taken up a business appointment there.

TOM MORTELL ('48) has also gone to Canada and has a position in a munition plant in Toronto.

Yet another old Mungret man to find his way to Canada is EDDIE CRONIN ('50). Eddie has a job now with the Dept. of Highways in Alberta.

DON FITZGERALD ('47) has now taken up a position in Rhodesia.

PADDY HOGAN ('50) is now happily settled down to married life in Toronto. He is with an Insurance Co.

We had a welcome visit from FATHER JOHN O'REILLY ('22) at Easter. Father John is in Auckland, and he brought us news of other old Mungret men there.

FATHER TOM DALY (1947-'49) who was ordained last summer is now in Washington. Father Tom called to see us before leaving for his diocese.

FATHER SEAMUS LEWIS, C.S.Sp., was ordained in Switzerland last summer. He was in the Apostolic School from 1939-'43; he returned to Switzerland last year for a further year's study.

FATHER PAUL CULLEN (1947-'49) ordained last summer, is now working at Holy Souls Church, Scunthorpe, Lincs., England. Father Paul paid us a visit before leaving for his parish in England.

DOMINIC GREY ('51) and MICHAEL BURKE ('52) are both studying radio in Dublin.

MATT RUSSELL ('52) is doing Law in Dublin.

MICHAEL WALSH ('48) and WILLIE STOKES ('48) are both doing fourth medicine in U.C.D.

We give an extract from a letter recently received from FATHER JOHN MCGOLDRICK ('25): "I will be eternally indebted to Mungret for all it did for me. It is the best school in Ireland. I never found anything like it. I was talking to FATHER JAMES (MCGOLDRICK, S.J.) ('18) on that question recently, and he attributed his success to the marvellous foundation he received in Mungret."

EAMON GREENE ('45) has begun a Solicitor's practice in Nassau St., Dublin.

We offer our congratulations to JOE KEANE ('49) and WILLIE O'SHEA ('49) on winning Munster Junior Cup Medals with Shannon this year.

We sympathise with FATHER D. T. MCINERNEY ('35) on the damage done recently to his church and orphanage at Izali by a tornado which swept across the coast of Africa.

JACK O'TOOLE ('30) is the owner of O'Toole's paper firm in Catherine St., Limerick. He is also a Director of Killeen Paper Mills and the Benson Box Co.

FRANK STAFFORD ('30) is Sales Representative of Messrs. G. and J. F. Bourke in Limerick. Frank was a prominent figure in tennis circles a few years ago.



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Paddy Madden ('48) with his champion bullock of the Christmas Fat Stock Show. Also in the picture are Miss K. Madden and Mr. T. Hayes.

MATT DE COURCY ('30) is in the National Bank in Limerick. His brother SEAN ('34) is an engineer.

PADDY NICHOLAS ('30) runs a successful business in Limerick as a wholesale fruit merchant. He is married and has two children. Paddy is a keen golfer. His brother NOEL ('30) has a large tobacco business in O'Connell Street, Limerick.

DESMOND STAEHLI who spent some time with the Civil Engineering Dept. E.S.B.,

is now an Architect with a large practice in Limerick. One of his main interests is fishing.

GERARD CAHILL ('30) spent some time in the Bank but left it to commence in the drapery business in Dublin, where he now runs two shops.

We offer our congratulations to Joe Irwin ('45) on qualifying as a dentist during last Summer—Joe is now practising in Maidstone, Kent,

BOYS OF LAST YEAR

E. GUIRY is at St. Mary's, Emo.

T. ACTON is at St. John's Seminary, Camarillo, Calif.

S. MCGOUGH is at St. Bernard Seminary, St. Bernard, Ala.

D. KAVANAGH, M. O'FARRELL, B. DEMPSEY are at St. Patrick's, Carlow.

M. HOARE is at All Hallows, Dublin.

P. MCGRATH is at St. Michael's, The Green, Tetbury, Gloucestershire.

At U.C.D. *Medicine*: W. COSTELLOE.

N. HICKEY.

Veterinary: E. CURRY.

J. PIERSE.

Law: L. HICKEY.

Commerce: J. LANE.

Science: P. BYRNE.

Architecture: G. McDONAGH.

At U.C.C. *Medicine*: C. RYAN.

Dairy Science: P. HARNETT.

J. HARNETT.

The Bank: T. TEAHAN.

C. HENNESSY.

N. MEANEY.

Agriculture: M. COSGROVE.

Business: C. MORGAN.

Hotel

Management: G. MOYNIHAN.

Marriages

We offer our congratulations and wish many years of happiness to the following Past Mungret who were married during the year:

Dr. Donal Hanley to Miss Norah O'Mahony.

Dr. Michael Lyden to Miss Meg McNee.

Morgan McMahon to Mrs. Sally McGrath.

Dr. Cyril Hayes to Miss May Nerney.

Kenneth Hayes to Miss Theresa Browne.

Dr. Tom Connors to Miss Anna Garner.

Donnchadh Cahalan to Miss Rita Heenan.

Gerry O'Connor, B.Sc., to Miss Margaret O'Callaghan.

Paddy Hogan to Miss Barbara Cahill.

Dr. David Barry to Miss Mary McMahon.

Willie Lillis to Miss Enda Hopley.

Desmond Fitzgerald to Miss Woonagh Thompson.

John Meaney to Miss Helena Dennehy.

Dr. Al Henry to Miss Philomena Blythe.

cumann na gaeilge

1953-'54

An Reáchtair : An tA. S. Ó CURRAIDÍN, S.I.

An Rúnaí : B. Ó SÍODA.

An Coirte : An Rúnaí, M. MacDOUGA, R. Ua hEAPCAID.

Imeádaí na hUliana

An Céad Chuminní, M'róimair—Do mhíne an Reáchtair curróir an Cumann, pé rin, tabairt na gaeilge do éleádaí ra gcoláirte, agus a beir an cumair na mball óraio do tabairt as na cuminní. Do tosaí an Coirte agus an Rúnaí anran.

An Dara Chuminní, D'róimair 27—"Ir an gCuraóirleádaí aca faibear na hÉireann as bial, agus ní beir éire ma tír faibir go mbíó rí ma tír curaóirleádaí."

An Rialtar : S. Ó Comgeaile
S. Ó hIeróe
P. Ó Cair

An Fhearáir : B. Ó Síoda
R. Ua hEAPCAID
S. Ó Maonléir

Bí an buair as an bhfearáir de tosaí cús ngut breire.

Óiospóirleádaí éinn-úliana



S. Ó Comgeaile, É. Ó Caparoe (Donn an Cumann), M. MacDiarmaida, S. Ó hIeróe,
R. Ua hEAPCAID
B. Ó Síoda, An tA. S. Ó CURRAIDÍN, S.I., M. MacDOUGA

An Tríú Chuminní, Samain 24 : D'éas-úir Uli.

T. MacUaile i gcomne A. de Róirte Ó Ceallaig

An Seairnáí : T. Mac Uaile.

An Corantóir : A. de Róirte Ó Ceallaig.

Comhairleádaí an Seairnáí : M. Mac DOUGA.

Comhairleádaí an Corantóir : É. Ó Caparoe.

Rinnéir an Seairnáí : R. Ua hEAPCAID, S. Ó hIeróe.

Rinnéir an Corantóir : É. Ó Caparoe, S. Ó Comgeaile.

An Coirte Dáiréas : S. Ó Maonléir, S. Ó Beirne, S. Ó Maonléir.

Cléirleádaí na Cúirte : B. Ó Síoda.

Seo iad na freagraí a tug an Coirte, ma mbreir, an na ceirteanna seo a cuir an breiream éuca as breire na Cúirte :—

a) An breir ceirte uirce Mhe Uaile breire as Ó Ceallaig? Níl.

b) An breir trédaí Mhe Uaile rghiora as Ó Ceallaig? Níl.

c) An breir MacUaile boceirte do méir £2,500 as Ó Ceallaig? Níl.

d) An breir d'fíadaib an Ó Ceallaig, de réir Uli, arioc do d'éanaí le MacUaile ionar go mberó MacUaile com maí ar agus a bí ré rar an breir Ó Ceallaig an ghuair-neoir aibléir ar obair an rruir? Níor donraí an Coirte an gceirte seo, agus mar rin níor tugaí breir uiré.

An Ceatú Chuminní, Nollais 7 : "Go breir éire innu mar a beir rí ma cúirte de éuro Sárana."

An Rialtar : R. Ua hEAPCAID
D. Ó Néill
D. Ó Buacalla

An Fhearáir : É. Ó Caparoe
S. Ó Beirne
M. Mac Diarmaida

Bí an buair as an bhfearáir de tosaí 17 ngut breire.

An Cúigú Chuminní, Feabhra 23—"Tá comádaí Sárana breire ra toman innu, agus ir maí an réal é."

An Rialtar : T. MacUaile
R. Ó Conéubair
S. Mac Imreádaí

An Fhearáir : P. Ó Conéubair
N. Ó Dublám
C. Ó hÉiréagáin

Bí an buair as an bhfearáir de tosaí ré ngut breire.

An Séú Chuminní, Aibreán 1 :—Cuminní éinn-úliana

"Tugair an iomaí ama do rroirte agus do lúé-éleara in éirinn innu."

An Rialtar : É. Ó Caparoe
B. Ó Síoda
S. Ó hIeróe

An Fhearáir : R. Ua hEAPCAID
S. Ó Comgeaile
M. MacDiarmaida

Bí an buair as an bhfearáir de tosaí ceirte ngut breire.

Duair

Bronnaí Donn an Óráirí tob feair ra nÓiospóirleádaí seo—É. Ó Caparoe
An Dara hAit—B. Ó Síoda.

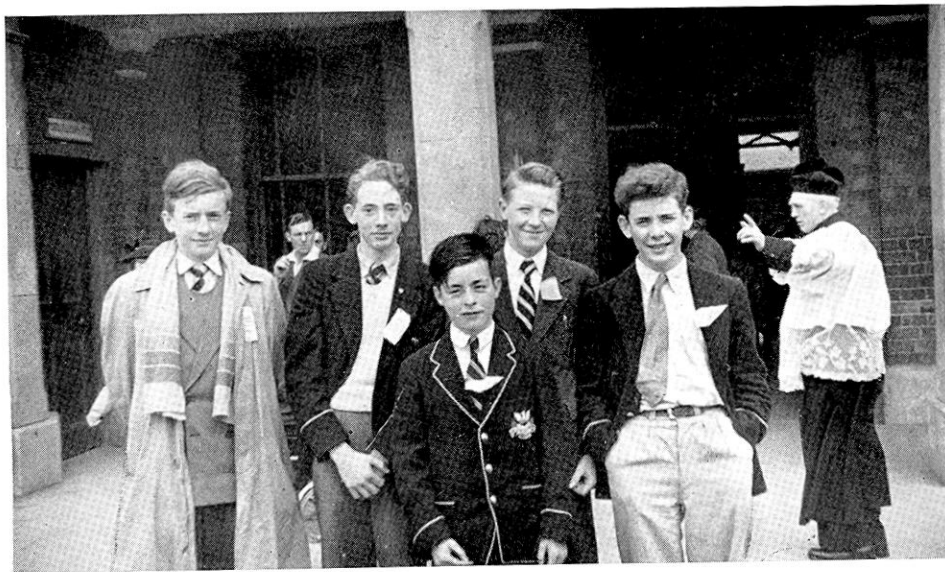
Pilgrimage to the National Shrine of Blessed Oliver Plunket at Drogheda

OLIVER PLUNKET was condemned to death because he was an Irish priest who had ministered to the Catholics in Ireland. His eleven years in Ireland as Archbishop of Armagh had known no treasonable intentions or murderous designs. He had worked for the spiritual needs of his people harassed by more than a century of religious persecution, when the celebration of Mass was a crime, when Church property was being seized, Catholic schools closed, priests and bishops captured and banished. Archbishop Plunket had come from Rome to solace the dire distress of Irish Catholics and to strengthen them in their allegiance to Christ's Church. His life for his Irish flock had been a continual round of labour and hardship. Under constant danger of arrest he had

visited the scattered people, had confirmed, ordained and reorganised the Church. Captured at last, he was imprisoned, tried and condemned to death. The savage words condemning him to be hanged, drawn and quartered were read at him. His only reply was: "Deo Gratias." Oliver Plunket was martyred at Tyburn on 11th July, 1681. His head was cut off, but was rescued by friends. Later it was brought to Rome. From there it eventually came home to its native land.

To-day the head of Oliver Plunket rests in the diocese over which he once ruled. Yearly thousands of his fellow countrymen journey from all parts of Ireland to St. Peter's Church at Drogheda to venerate that head, to invoke the aid of this Irish martyr, and to pray

OUTSIDE ST. PETER'S CHURCH, DROGHEDA



G. de Cidrac, J. Murnaghan, T. Spillane, T. Mannix, D. Sheahan

that one day his name may be added to the list of God's saints.

It was for this purpose that Mungret College was astir early one morning in May, 1953. More than half of the school was setting out to take part in the Limerick Diocesan Pilgrimage to the National Shrine of Blessed Oliver Plunket at Drogheda. The day was to prove a memorable one. Under the leadership of the Bishop of Limerick, the Most Rev. P. O'Neill, the Pilgrimage Committee had planned efficiently for the many hundreds who were to leave Limerick station at nine a.m., and would not return till after midnight. It was Pentecost Sunday, 24th May, 1953. The date and feast were very appropriate, as thirty-three years earlier, on Pentecost Sunday, 23rd May, 1920, Oliver Plunket had been beatified.

On arrival at Drogheda the pilgrims formed up in processional order. The Mungret personnel and colours were conspicuous in the long column which moved slowly away from the station. To the accompaniment of sacred music and hymns the pilgrims, led by their bishop, reverently made their way through the town and filed into St. Peter's Church to pay honour to one of Ireland's martyrs of Christ. After devotions and an address by the Bishop of Limerick, all venerated the precious relic. The sight of the martyr's scarred head carried one back in mind to the days of persecution. The

relic of Blessed Oliver at Drogheda is a link with our past history. It is a challenging link to Irishmen. It is a link which inspires gratitude and courage; gratitude for the religious freedom which we now possess, and courage to live worthily of his noble example. We prayed that one day this noble martyr might be acclaimed a canonised saint, and that he might encourage us to be always loyal to Christ.

It was a tired but happy group of pilgrims that reached Mungret College after midnight on that Pentecost Sunday of 1953. The efficiency and kindness on the part of the Limerick clergy who organised the pilgrimage, and of the clergy of St. Peter's, Drogheda, will be remembered by us all. Father Rector, along with Father Hughes, Father Mac Seumais, Father Mulcahy and Mr. Cullen accompanied the Mungret College contingent—107 boys in all. Many a tribute, unexpected indeed, was paid to our conspicuous group. The Pilgrimage Organiser wrote later to one of the Community: "I am glad that you enjoyed the day and that the boys were pleased. I may say that those who spoke to me about them, and they were many, were very edified by their behaviour." We were glad to have been invited to Drogheda, and trust that we shall one day be alive to venerate there the head of a canonized Irish saint, Oliver Plunket the martyred Archbishop of Armagh.

Senior Debating Society

President : REV. A. COONEY, S.J.

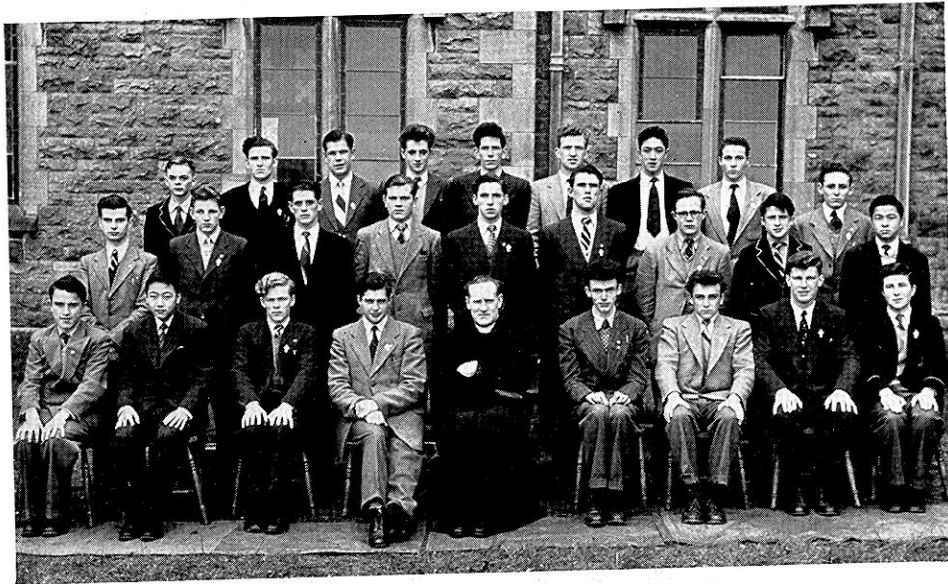
Secretary : STEPHEN CONNOLLY.

Committee : JERRY NOLAN, RICHARD CASSIDY.

Winner of Debate Medal : JERRY NOLAN.

Winner of Second Place : EAMONN CASSIDY.

THE Senior Debating Society had a very successful season during this school year when the former high standard of debating was maintained, Father Rector said on one occasion at the beginning of the year, that the ability to speak in public was an asset which would be appreciated when much that was learned in school would be forgotten. This certainly helped the interest of all in the debates during the year, and at some of the meetings a high standard of speaking was achieved. We had two Debates with St. Munchin's College, and we are very grateful to the President, Father O'Brien, for arranging these. The progress of the Debating Society was followed with interest during the year by Father Rector who bought a wire recorder for the Society ; and in conclusion we would like to thank him and also Father Erraught, Father Meagher, Father Ennis, Father Curran, Mr. Guiney and Mr. O'Brien for attending the Debates and for their interest in the progress of the Debating Society during the year.



Speakers in Debate

FIRST SESSION, (October 19th, 1953).

Motion : "That scientific progress has been more harmful than beneficial to mankind."

Government : J. O'Byrne, M. Keyes, N. Dolan.

Opposition : R. Harris, R. Cassidy, S. Connolly.

SECOND SESSION, November 11th, 1953.

Motion : "That modern newspapers do more harm than good to a nation."

Government : J. Nolan, E. Cassidy, B. O'Carroll.

Opposition : M. Macken, D. Buckley, H. Roche-Kelly.

THIRD SESSION, December 2nd, 1953.

Motion : "That Business offers more favourable opportunities for success in life than the Professions."

Government : J. J. Murphy, J. Loh, J. O'Byrne.

Opposition : P. D. O'Connor, K. Buckley, J. McCarthy.

PHILOSOPHERS



BACK ROW : C. Mulvihill, P. Stanley, J. Murphy, D. Lyons, T. Gorman, P. Carey, J. Murphy, B. Long.

SECOND ROW : R. Davern, J. Toal, J. Cusack, C. O'Connor, P. Gorman, T. Cotter, P. Flanagan, P. Reilly, D. Page,

SITTING : T. Deasy, Rev. B. Cullen, S.J., Rev. J. T. Kelly, S.J., Very Rev. Father Rector, Rev. A. Ennis, C. Mitchell, M. Killeen.

FOURTH SESSION, February 10th, 1954.

Motion: "That the United States is the greatest country in the world."

Government: P. Cash, J. Hickey, D. O'Neill.

Opposition: F. Dunne, Peter Chan, F. O'Brien.

FIFTH SESSION, March 12th, 1954.

Motion: "That there should be a native Irish Film Industry."

Government: J. Nolan, R. Cassidy, J. McGowan.

Opposition: St. Munchin's College.

Motion: "That Emigration from Ireland should be prohibited by Law."

Government: St. Munchin's College.

Opposition: P. Devoy, P. O'Connell, T. Watson.

SEVENTH and FINAL DEBATE, April 12th, 1954.

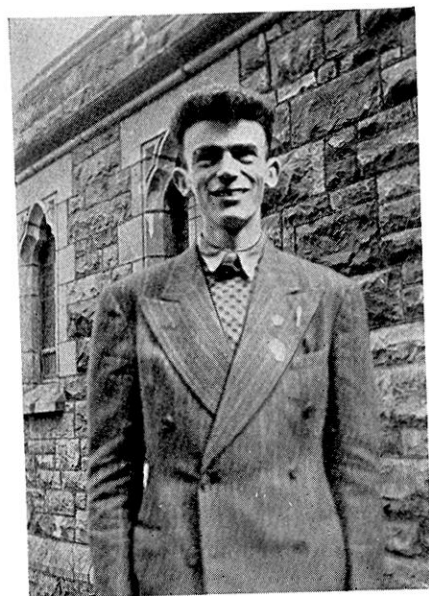
Motion: "That an International Language is desirable"

Government: E. Cassidy, R. Cassidy, P. D. O'Connor.

Opposition: J. Nolan, R. Harris, S. Connolly

Judges:

Very Rev. Father D. O'Brien, Rev. Father A. Ennis, S.J., Rev. Father S. Curran

SENIOR DEBATE MEDAL

J. Nolan

Second Club Debating Society

Chairman: REV. J. GUINEY S.J.

Committee: F. CORRY (Secretary), M. FITZGIBBON, R. KEYES.

DURING the year members of Second Club Debating Society manifested that keen interest in public-speaking which was shown by the boys throughout the house. In order to provide a more even distribution of numbers, those in 3A, who might otherwise be attached to Third Club Society, joined us.

We held six sessions in the course of the year, and following a former precedent, we decided in February to have an oratory contest instead of the usual debate. This contest for which addresses were chosen from Shakespeare, Pearse, Tone, Lincoln, and others, besides giving good entertainment on a Sunday evening, was a very useful exercise in public-speaking. We offer our thanks to Fathers Cooney and Meagher who adjudicated. They declared Michael Fitz-

WINNER OF THE DEBATE MEDAL

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Rev. R. Brennan S.J.

gibbon the orator of the night. Another contest was subsequently held, with Fathers Meagher and Erraught kindly adjudicating. This time, Austin Fanning won the prize for his interpretation of Brutus' Speech to the people before the funeral of Caesar.

After Christmas, Father Rector acquired a recorder for use in preparing debates. This was a valuable aid. The first reaction of the listener was to be shocked at the pace of his delivery, a fault constantly noticed in debates. It should now be easier to remedy.

Our last, and perhaps most important meetings were held as inter-college debates with St. Munchin's. Thus, our year ended on an eloquent note with three fine speeches from Liam Murphy, Austin Fanning, and Victor Hennessy, in St. Munchin's College. These meetings roused considerable interest and those who took part are to be praised for the enthusiasm and care with which they prepared their speeches.

The debate medal was awarded to Michael Fitzgibbon.

FIRST SESSION : "That the Cinema has done more harm than good in the past" on 8th November, 1953.

Government : F. Corry, B. Leonard, M. Fitzgibbon.
Opposition : J. Kelly, A. Fanning, R. Keyes.

Motion Defeated.

SECOND SESSION : "That 'An Tostal' does not merit the support of the Irish people" on the 6th December, 1953.

Government : P. Twohig, J. G. Walsh, L. Murphy (absent).
Opposition : J. Woods, B. Donegan, V. Hennessy.

Motion Defeated.

THIRD SESSION : Oratory Contest, on 14th February, 1954. The following addresses were delivered :

P. Twohig : Address of Robert Emmet from the Dock.
 B. Garland : Address of Pearse describing the death of Emmet.
 J. G. Walsh : The Historic Address of Abraham Lincoln at Gettysburg.
 M. Fitzgibbon : "Sword Speech" of Thomas Francis Meagher.
 L. Murphy : Exhortation of Henry V to his soldiery before Harfleur (from "Henry V").

SENIOR APOSTOLICS



BACK ROW : J. Murphy, J. Murphy, D. Lyons, R. Gleeson, T. Quilter, M. Walsh, S. Murphy, R. Davern.
 THIRD ROW : J. Toal, C. Gleeson, T. Gorman, T. Cotter, P. Collins, S. O'Rourke, P. Reilly, F. Jordan.
 SECOND ROW : B. Long, C. Mulvihill, P. Stanley, P. Gorman, P. Flanagan, J. Cusack, P. Lynch, P. Carey, D. Riordan.
 SITTING : C. O'Connor, T. Deasy, Rev. J. Guiney, S.J., Rev. J. T. Kelly, S.J., C. Mitchell, D. Page, M. Killeen.

FOURTH SESSION : Oratory Contest, on 7th March, 1954. The following addresses were delivered :

J. Kelly : Wolfe Tone's Address at his courtmartial.
 V. Gardner : Address of Pearse on Wolfe Tone, at Bodenstown.
 A. Fanning : Speech of Brutus before Caesar's Funeral.
 B. Donegan : Speech of Antony "Friends, Romans . . ."
 P. Dwane : Address of Pearse at O'Donovan Rossa's funeral.
 T. Mannix : Excerpt from 1st Act of Henry IV.
 V. Hennessy : Address of Thomas Francis Meagher from the Dock.

FIFTH SESSION : versus St. Munchin's : "That boarding schools provide a more satisfactory means of fuller education than day-schools" on 28th March, 1954.

Government : F. Corry, P. Twohig, M. Fitzgibbon.
Opposition : St. Munchin's College.

Motion Defeated.

SIXTH SESSION : versus St. Munchin's : "That the modern newspaper does more harm than good to a nation" on 4th April, 1954.

Government : St. Munchin's College.
Opposition : L. Murphy, A. Fanning, V. Hennessy.

Motion Carried

Exchanges

The Blackrock Annual, The Xaverian, The Aloysian, Our Alma Mater, The Patrician, The Eagle, The Ratcliffian, The Baeda, The Far East, The Harvester, The Mountaineer, St. Aloysius College Annual, St. Joseph's College Tiruchirapalli, The Mary Immaculate Training College Annual, Rockwell College Annual, Terenure College Annual, The Lanthorn, The Belvederian, The Clongownian.

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Third Club *Debating Society*

Chairman :

REV. M. O'BRIEN S.J.

Secretary :

K. GARLAND.

Committee :

J. O'MAHONY. T. SPILLANE.

THIRD Club Debating Society has to report another very successful and encouraging year. Five Debates were held during the course of the year and all proved very entertaining and profitable. Perhaps the most pleasing feature of the Debates was the number of speakers from the House. Members were readily found to challenge the pronouncements of the set speakers and the set speakers in their turn were willing and ready to reply to their critics. This may have led to a certain loss of formality at times but it contributed very much to the enjoyableness of the Debates, and was but an indication of the consistent enthusiasm of the members.

Motions which were debated were :

"That Irish should be spoken in the Schools and Colleges of Ireland"—Passed.

"That the interest boys nowadays have in Games does them more harm than good"—Defeated.

"That Latin should not be taught at School"—Defeated.

In place of a regular Debate, we held a "Space-Ship" Debate in February. The people of Mars had sent a "Space-Ship" to Mungret with room for one living statesman, who was required to rule Mars for a year. Mr. De Valera, Lord Brookeborough, Sir Winston Churchill, Mr. Eisenhower, General Franco and Mr. Malenkov all put forward their claims. After a prolonged Debate, Third Club decreed that General Franco (David Gaffney) should have the honour.

The motion for the Final Debate was :

"That Comics have a great Educational value."

The Speakers in favour of the motion were M. F. Keyes, B. Hennessy, K. Garland, T. Spillane, N. Murphy, R. Hughes, D. Gaffney, J. O'Mahony spoke against it. The motion was carried.

Debate Prize was shared between N. Murphy and D. Gaffney.



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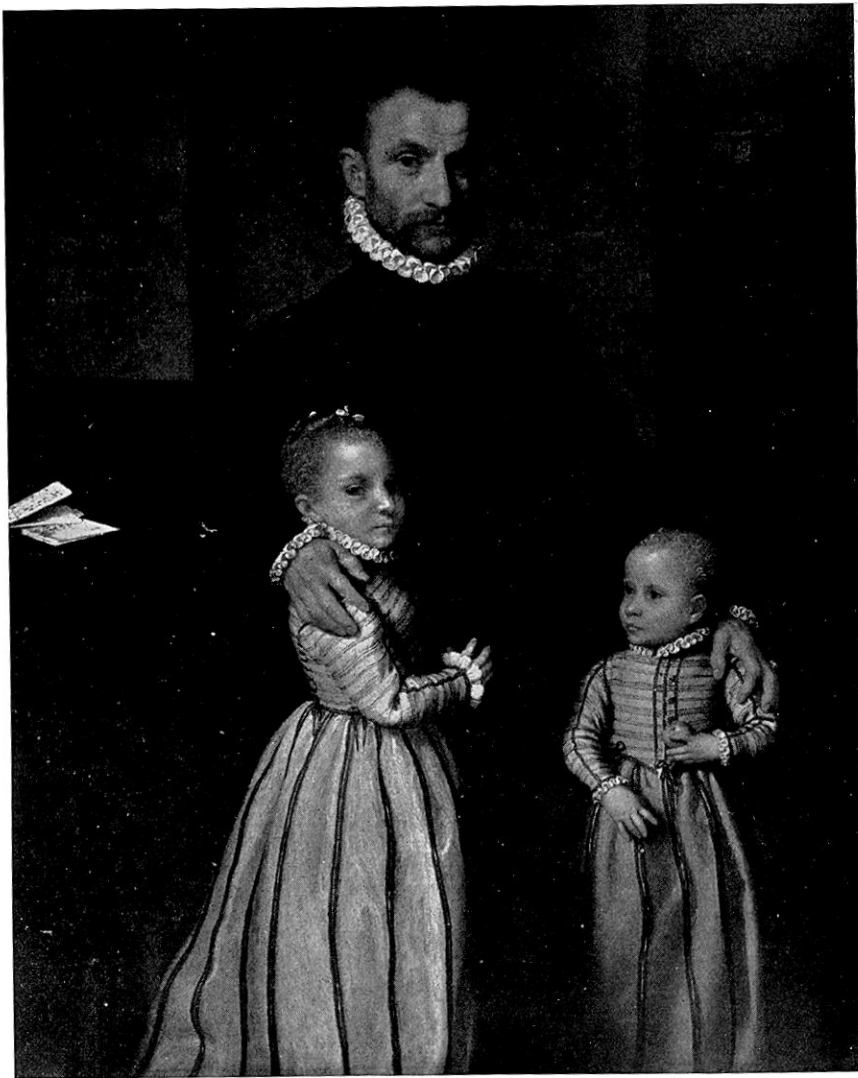
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Portrait of a Gentleman and his two Children

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Portrait of a Venetian Senator.

Tintoretto

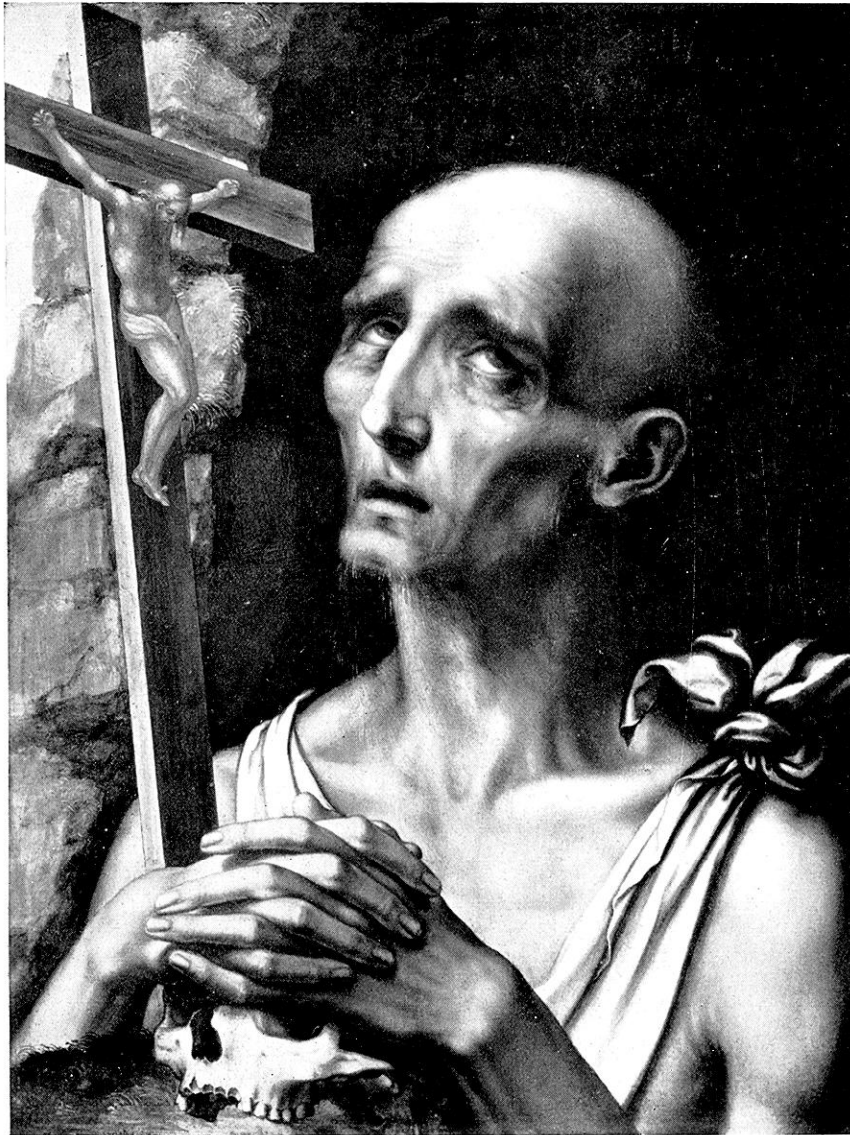
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Judith with the Head of Holofernes.

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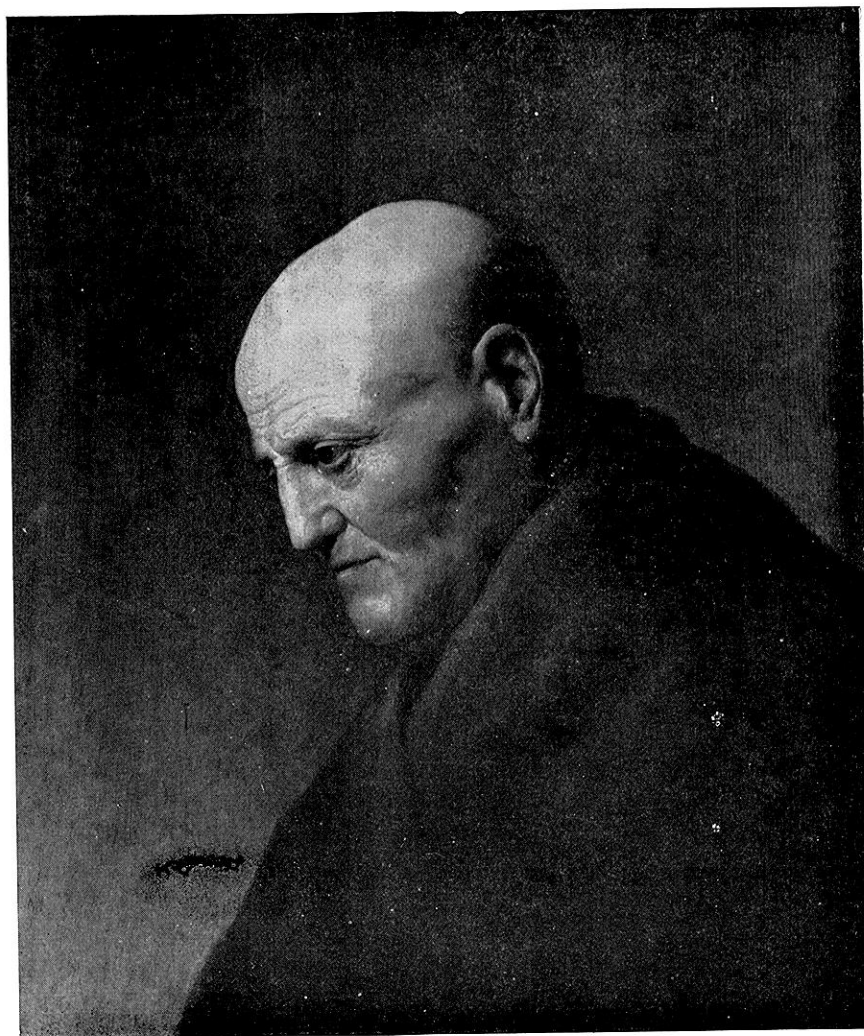
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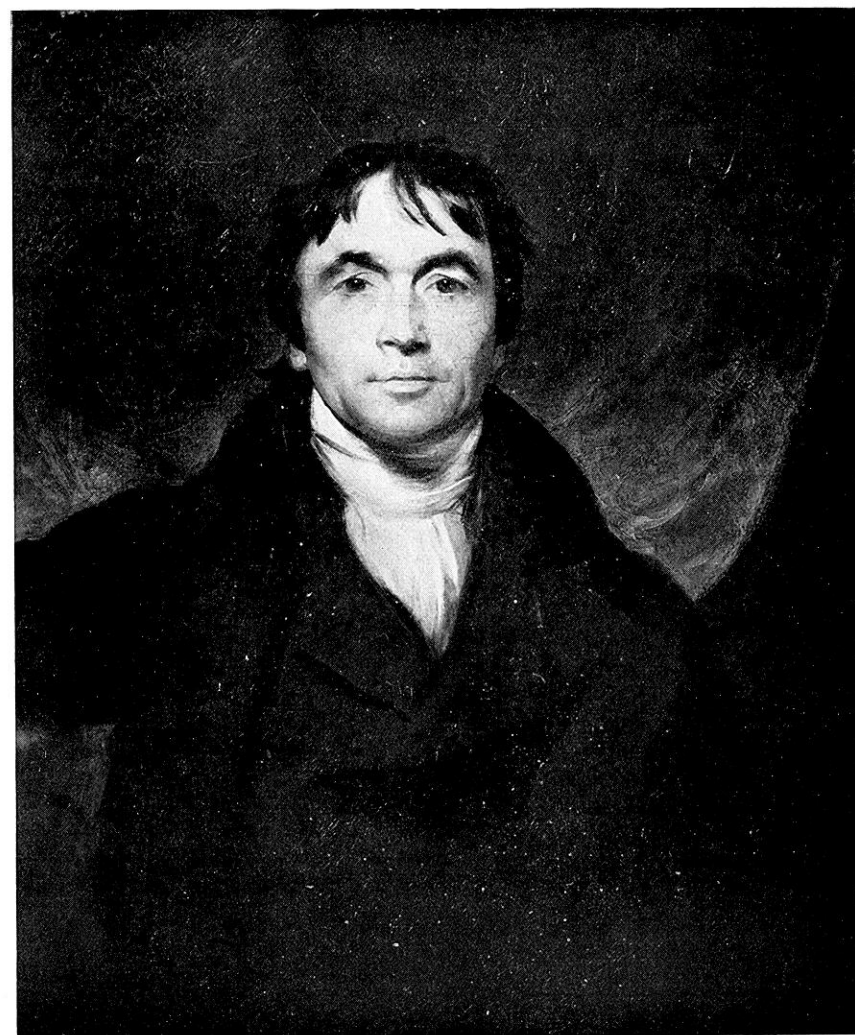
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John Philpot Curran



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St. Francis in Ecstasy.

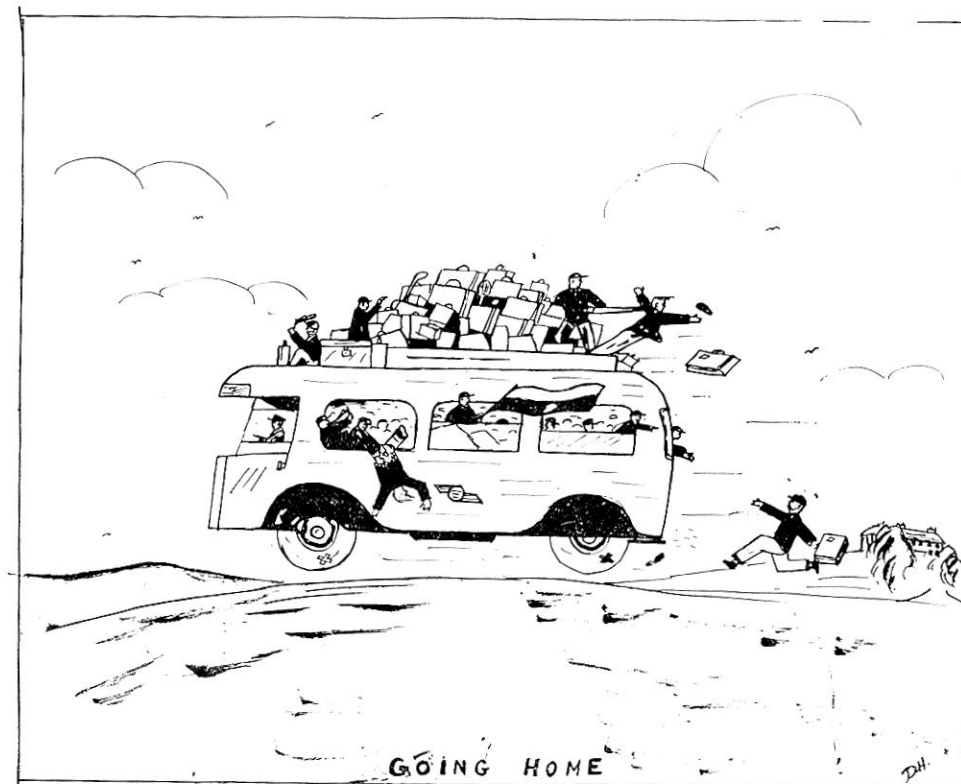
Mo Roġa de Laoċra Ēireann

ĊAMONN Ó CASAIDE, Āro-Rang IIA.

Bí na bpaonaí báirte larmuig as damrao go h-ácarac ar an bfuinneois, agus iad, éaprá, as gáire agus as maŋaó fúm. Síleatari go raib ppiorúnac tóanta aca tóim, ac ní raib a fíor aca mar ŋeall ar an rean-lampa a bí agam. Do ċimtiar mo múnéille den lampa, agus láirpeac bonn bíor im fearaí i bpálár fínn, mo roġa de Laoċra Ēireann.

Níor tú an ŋeic a bameaó ar-pan ná a bameaó arampa, mār féroir a rá go mbamfeao don pur ŋeic ar fíonn. Ac láirpeac ŋsiob ré ruar ma láma móra mé, aňail agus dá mba leaib mé, agus tóféac oim go epuim le hionao. Bí brú uafárac móir-ċimpeall oim ŋan a tuitte moille. Bíor, naċ móir, múcta aca. Bí mo époi as ppeabaó mo láir, ac bí tpuas as fíonn toom, pur fann ŋan fuinneam, agus t'óroaig ré an plua riari uaró. Do ċúlatari ċuig a ruio-cám aríir, agus ċuig an Rí-féimni plaitiúil mire im fúí ar rēól āro or comair an boirō.

Do'mpíor mo rēal tō agus anran leis mé do mo fúite imeaċt ar a roġa caoi móirēimpeall an treomra fairrings rín. Ní learamm reomra fairrings tō ċabairt air. Bí moir de ċine ann a pórceao marc, agus bí ŋac pur go rōillreac. Bí ór agus ariŋeao ŋreamta ċall agus tōfup ar na fallai—a leitēro de raōare ní facar-ra aríam. Ar an mborō bí nua ŋac bío agus rean ŋac tō. Dam an raōare uile ar anāl tōim.



Drawing by D. Hallahan

Nuair a bailioid mo rmaointe eugam d'fheadar ar fionn arís. Laoé go raib neart crann d'arac ann uob ea é. Ní raib don bpeit as éinne uer na gliaóairí eile air. Bí a shuas geal tréim-peac carpa ríor taob éiar go uci a shuaine. Bí an beoet, mar a beaó tme éreapa, le feirceint ma óá púil, agus b'álamm an gnúir a bí air. Ac a corp, ní paca mé comairtaí nipte riam ar aon corp ioncúpta leir. Bí feróm d'aréas ma éreapeairt. Nuair a labair pé liom bí a glóir mar éantam méirpeac na n-éan, nó mar éeol binn eapa as titim go binn meape cloé abann. Focal saib ná bopb níor éualar ar a beal, bíob go raib na mionmaí mópa dá rpalpao as Conán in aice liom. Níor mótaig mé aon baol fáro agus bíor ma óáil, mar bí pé mar éramm uom éoraint, agus ir píor a rá gur méaóais a doirte a áilleaet.

Bí meangao gáirpe ar a beal nuair a éonaic pé an tptí ma raib mé as ahaire air. Bí na tréim-fir eile as eirí níor cáirtoúla liom, ac ba éur gpmn uóib go léir mo corp beas san neart. Bí a malairt de péal aca ápac, nuair a rgailear curo uem eolar leo roeo ir gur uúirt fionn, agus é up na tréitib gáirpe "Dá laigeao éú ní leanb tú." Do rgaireear péim amaé as gáirí feirín mar bí mo éroí corraite aca.

Bí Rí na Féinne b'róúil ar an arim móir de laóera calma a bí aise, agus éorpaig pé as mpeaet uom i ucaob curo dá n-eaetpá. Do labair pé liom ar an am ba mó a neart agus a bperóm, nuair a éiseao ór Crioó loelamm agus na hlnoe móirpe eúise ma éurte péim. Éorpaig pé as tráet ar Caetpa lomnaetán ac éur mé ionao air nuair a u'mir mé an péal uó péim. Anran u'aireir pé gáirge óiarmaoa agus shóill uom, agus go mórmóir, eaetpá Oirín. Bí gárá móir aise ar a mac Oirín, agus glaoir pé air teaeé eúise. Támis pé eugam agus u'umlaig pé uon Rí-féimní. O'iair fionn air roear uó éanaó. Éur pé goa cantana air péim, agus éar pé pcol ahrán, agus ba maie eúise é. Inp na haupám rim, mol pé fionn agus a gniomairt. Anran éan pé ar mianca fínn, a óea-gnaoi, agus na ceolta a éaireig leir—rianpán na gcon i gcém ar an rliab, agus faoíó O'roma Deirg, monabair an Capa Rua. Can pé uán eile porca ar na réarfaí riala a éugaó fionn uóib, agus ar a flaitiúlaet agus a neart. Nuair a érioé-naig Oirín éus fionn b'ronntanaip luacmápa uó, agus uó fuig feirean arís.

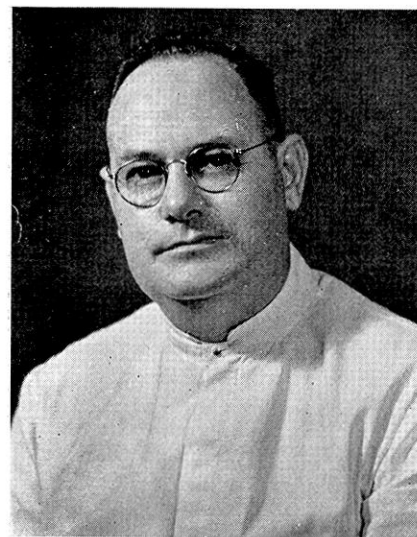
Ar an bpomnte rim támis bean irteac eugam a éamfeao, uar leac, bairi áilne uen nspém péim, agus u'mir fionn uom gupab i Miam Nuacpoac i, agus go raib pí pána comicee péim toirce go raib alimúpac, Taile Mac Treom, ar a loirg. Ir ar éisim a bí an méro rim ráite aise nuair a béic Oirín in áro a shua go raib Taile as teaeé. Uúirt fionn go éúim leir an mnaoi san aon reanraó uó beir uiréi mar go gcoirpó pé i san teir. Bí pí pápa a beir faoi comicee an laoiré neam-eaglaig rim go raib a éúil eiréa i bpaó aise, mar bí lán-uócair aiei ar.

Anran uó éualamar an liú b'pim. Bí uéic mile fear leagta as Taile éeana péim. Bí mo éroí as uol amaé ar mo beal le reanraó, cé go raib a fíor agam go marópaí Taile ra uéirpe. Níor mí-ao go uci é. Bí fionn, an flaité rial, i gcár roir uó comairte—Oreap uó ligme amaé éum troda nó é uó éore. Do lig pé amaé é.

O'fheadar ar an gcomhac i bpaó uaim. Do shuair Oreap amaé agus fimmneam peaeé npeamhan uéas faoi. Éorpaig an teangháil. Bí Miam agus fionn agus na fiamna go léir as gpioraó Oreapir. Éorpaig an talam as eiré le uéime na comhinte rim. Ní raib ceaetpá aca as géilleao ploc, agus ní raib comicee anma uó hiarraó ná uó tabairt ann. Lean an comhac ar feao éúis oíce agus éúis lá agus ra uéirpeao fuair Taile Mac Treom an báp ab airí air. Éus na fiamna tré gáir molta agus maoróte a bam macalla ar enoc agus gleann maguairt, agus támis fionn eugam go hácapac agus éur lán ceanúil ar mo flimneam. Do méaóais ar mo méar air, agus éurgear nár lú ná ran a éion opm. Tós pé leir ma baclamm mé, agus éuamair irteac ra uúin.

Anran uó tós fionn élaróeam móir ma lámh, agus b'pim pé opm é, agus aharó aóibinn ácapac air. Glacar an t-arm faobair foillpeac rim uaró go faiteac. Bí muirín mo uó lámh ann. Nuair a éurgear a pinn faoi ar an úrlár ní raib mo baéar pimm níor aoirpe ná a uopmela. Ir ar éisim a bí ran uéanta agam nuair a bíor éar nair i mo feompa péim arís agus an b'ronntanaip lonpac ran im lámh pór agam. Coimeátofa é go uci go réalaró an t-anam aram agus marpaon leir, iréig im éroí beiró cumhine agam go ueo na npeor ar an laoc rial flaitiúil rim, fionn Mac Cumhail.

Níl aon uó uóig ar an péal, fear ar uóig a bí ann.



The Author

A Missioner's Account from the Philippines

By THE REV. GERALD GOGAN (1920-22)

This year I shall be twenty-five years in the Philippines and I believe I can say they have been as ten. I came out a member of the first band of three Columbans to take a parish at the invitation of the late Archbishop O'Doherty. We really came to get him out of a jam. The Redemptorists were giving up the parish to leave themselves free for mission work, and the Archbishop had nobody to replace them. As you know we are "The Chinese Mission," but our Superior could not ignore a plea which had the approval of Rome. See how incalculable are the designs of Divine Providence. The Chinese Mission is no more, but here our Society has expanded so well in twenty-five years that we now have 137 priests and 70 parishes scattered over the Islands. And the bishops are not satisfied yet. They want more, and we would give them more if we had the vocations. How many has Mungret sent to Dalgan these twenty-five years?

I was only two years assisting in Manila when I was given my first parish in the province of Rizal, Binangonan. I had learned something of the language but was far from perfect. If it were not for the innate charity of these gentle people I doubt if we would ever have been able to get together. I remember well my first sermon. It was on the Sacred Heart. Now, the Tagalog word for heart is "puso," and the word for cat is "pusa." You have guessed it. In my nervousness I kept saying the wrong word and the whole thing was spoiled. But it worked out well, after all. There is no malice in laughter and when they had their laugh the people set about making me feel at home.

When the Archbishop "promoted" me to a new parish six years later my friends took it so badly that they organized an expedition, hired buses and besieged the poor prelate demanding my return. Anyhow, they got a better man, and I got Taray. I got an earthquake, too, for a reception in this big town. It came just a few nights after my arrival and the first tremor lasted, they say, two and a half minutes. It felt hours to me as I hung on to the balcony and dispensed absolutions right and left to all who were in the old Spanish convento. We had eleven shocks that night and when morning dawned I was wishing I had my wee bed back again in Mungret's dormitory.

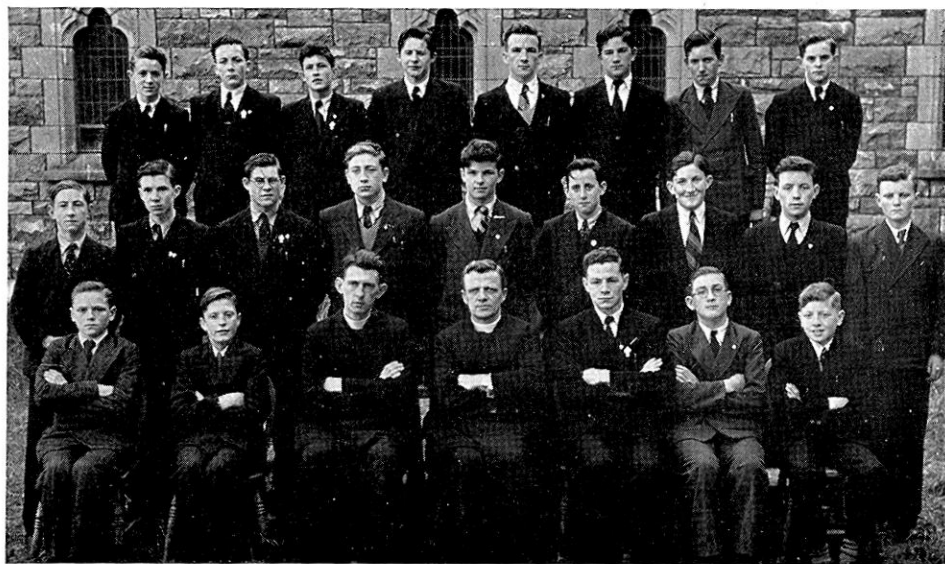
The damage to the roof and walls is not fully repaired yet, and that was sixteen years ago.

I did what I could considering the poverty of my resources, and Tanay and I got on famously. I had a school there, but most of my religious instructions were given in the public schools to more than two thousand Catholic children. It was here the war found me and from 1942 to 1945 we had to suffer the buffs and rebuffs of guerilla warfare. The Japanese retaliated savagely at times—Black and Tan stuff—and when they withdrew the “boys in the hills” came down in search of collaborators. I saw violent death often during these days and only God’s goodness protected me when I went out to anoint those that needed me.

Then came liberation—waves upon waves of bombing planes and the landing of American troops. I had escaped to the hills with all the people until we heard that Manila was free. Surreptitiously at night a few of us sailed through Laguna de Bay until we reached the Pasig river; and it was there, ten miles from the city that I learned that all our priests were slain, and that Malate, the parish in which I had begun my mission, was no more.

Father John Lalor (Mungret 1917-1921) died a hero’s death during those days of February, 1945. You know his story: how he directed the civilian hospital of Malate until a shell killed him and more than seventy others. He was both priest and surgeon while the battle raged. He did what he could to allay the panic. He dug wells and

JUNIOR APOSTOLICS



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kept them pouring water on the roof when blazing fires threatened the patients' beds. He had just helped the doctor to amputate a shattered leg when an intense barrage was laid on the building. And so he died. Later we heard that false information had given the impression that the Red Cross had merely sheltered a Japanese fortress. In street-to-street fighting all is confusion, so there is no need to try and fix the blame, especially since the previous day the Japanese had surrounded the presbytery across the road and taken away our four priests who were never seen again. Certainly there were grounds for believing the enemy was making a stand in our buildings. As a matter of fact they had withdrawn during the night.

It fell to my task to build up this city parish after the war. I got generous help from our Society of St. Columban and from friends at home. I got reinforcements too. As fast as they could be shipped out new priests arrived and we set about rebuilding the spiritual life of the people which had suffered so much during the occupation. In Malate the hospital became a school, and material left behind by the armies helped to hide its wounds. Then we roofed the church and cemented its floor, and people began to fill it as in the days before the holocaust.

Finally I rebuilt the presbytery, made it much more modern and useful for the times; and was content. This was in 1950 and the parish had regained most of its pre-war life. In fact, it was more robust; its population had doubled. Holy Communion had climbed from 96 to 120 thousand a year and the Legion of Mary and the Holy Name Society were doing trojan work for the spiritual rehabilitation of the people. The scars of war were quickly disappearing and I thought I was settled for life.

But Superiors do not think along these lines. I believe it must pain them to see a man settling down, reaching the end of the road. Therefore, in May of 1951 I was handed a letter informing me that I was to lead a batch into new territory, the province of Zambales, which the Bishop was finding it hard to man. After twenty-two years I was once more a “provinciano.” But the task looked harder from a distance than it really was. The S.V.D. Fathers had worked here for many years and it was only their tremendous losses in man-power during the war that compelled them to give up the district. They had built good churches and presbyteries and left them all to us with right good will. And I was eventually given nineteen good priests to help me carry on their work.

So this is where you find me now, Father, in my twenty-fifth year of mission work. Zambales is a beautiful if somewhat poor province containing fourteen parishes and about 150,000 people of whom half are Catholic. The other half would be Catholic if it had not been for the schism that followed the Spanish-American war. The schism was begun by a Father Gregorio Aglipay and his church is known alternately as the Independent Church or the Aglipayan Church. The education of the clergy is practically nil and they depend for a following upon an imitation of our Catholic ceremonies. Their theology is scrappy, half of them are Unitarian and the rest lean towards the Episcopalians. Hence they are losing steadily to the more determined sects of Protestantism. It is with this hodge podge of different beliefs that we have to contend all the year round. For there is confusion even among our Catholic flock whose religious instruction is tenuous thanks to the public school philosophy of education that has been foisted on these islands. May I, therefore, end this letter with a plea for your prayers that God may look after these people of the Philippines, Christian in the midst of pagan Asia, a prey to conscienceless American missionaries and now in real danger from the Godless ideology that is sweeping the world.

Obituary

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FATHER JAMES COTTER (1905-11)

EARLY this year we got news of the death of Father James Cotter.

We regret that apart from the bare mention of his death no details have so far reached us. James Cotter started his Intermediate Studies in 1905 securing all the usual examinations but in philosophy he showed his brilliant gifts as a student securing Honours in B.A. examination of the National University of Ireland. On completing his course in Mungret in 1911 he went to the Grand Seminary St. Paul, Minnesota for the study of theology. During his course of theology he was one of the distinguished of his class. As a young pastor he was indefatigable in his work in the big city of Detroit. In 1928 he paid a visit to Mungret which was to be his last holiday in Ireland. On his return to the States he was appointed Rector of St. Mary's Williamstown, Michigan. He wrote to the Superior that he could not come over for the Jubilee 1932 as the responsibility of his work tied him down to his parish and his people, who were suffering greatly

during the great depression of that time. His health, never too robust, took toll of his strength on account of his extra pastoral work during the last war. We mourn the passing of one of our distinguished Past. To his relatives and friends we offer our sincere sympathy.

T. N. BURKE (1891-93)

THE death took place at the age of seventy-nine of Thomas Nicholas Burke, M.I.N.A., M.I.M.E., early in January. He was Superintendent of Cranes for the Belfast Harbour Commissioners for more than forty years. He had been an engineer also on two cargo vessels owned by his father's company, the Steam Navigation Company of Ireland. While in that service he travelled to many parts of the world. His years at sea also included a period as second engineer on an American warship during the Spanish-American War of 1898-99. He was a son of the late Sir John Burke and the late Lady Burke of Ravensdale, Strandtown, Belfast.

FRANK FAHY (1895-1900)

THE death took place at his home in Ranelagh on July 12th, of Frank Fahy, T.D., B.A., B.L., LL.B. He had been suffering for some time from a weak heart.

Born at Kilcreest, Co. Galway, in 1880, he was educated first at the school run by his father, and then came to Mungret College. Here he left behind the memory of a genial personality. When he had taken out his degree of B.A. at the old Royal University of Ireland, he took up a teaching career in Tralee. Here he took an active interest in promoting the Gaelic League, and at one time became its general secretary. In 1908 he married Miss Anne Barton of Tralee. Shortly afterwards he took the Higher Diploma in Irish at the Leinster College and the Higher Diploma in Education at National University in 1911. In 1906 he transferred to St. Vincent's College, Castleknock, and was teaching there when the rebellion broke out in 1916. He had been associated with the earlier Nationalist movement, and was a close friend of Pearse, McDonagh and Griffith, and was one of the founders of the Irish Volunteers. During the rebellion he became Captain of "C" Company, First Battalion, Dublin Brigade, and was in command of the Four Courts under Commander Edmund Daly. He was sentenced to ten years, penal servitude and spent terms in several British jails before being released in June 1917. He was again arrested in the "German Plot" round up the following year. He was deported without trial to Reading jail and was released again in 1919.

In 1918 he became a member of the First Dáil as a representative of County Galway. Opposing the Treaty, he left the Dáil subsequently with Mr. de Valera and did not return until the Fianna Fáil



By courtesy of the Irish Independent

party took the oath and their seats in Parliament in 1927. In the same year he became a Barrister of the Kings Inns, Dublin. When Fianna Fail formed the Government for the first time in 1932, Frank Fahy was elected Speaker. After the general election in 1933, he was again appointed to the Chair, this time without opposition. He continued to hold that position until 1951, when because of ill-health he did not seek re-election to the Chair. His decision occasioned regret among all parties in the house.

In 1949 he led the Irish Delegation to the inter-Parliamentary Union at Stockholm. In the following year he presided at the inter-Parliamentary Union Conference which was held in Dublin, at which high tributes were paid him by delegates from various countries.

As arbiter in the debates in the Dáil for nineteen years he achieved recognition from every side for his impartiality and fairness. This was amply demonstrated when in 1947 his own party went from

office, all sides of the house united to re-elect him unanimously.

Cool, clear, and concise, his military experiences and teaching training lent dignity to his decisions and commanded respect and obedience from all parties in the Dáil. Essentially a man of the people he never lost his poise his manner in public and in private expressed the confidence of a quiet inward grace born of a spiritual reserve. He possessed a gracious personality for which his memory among his constituents and in Dáil Éireann will remain fresh and enduring. We offer our deep sympathy to his widow and two brothers. R.I.P.

M. D. FITZGERALD
(1945-46)

THE death took place on January 28th at the Richmond Hospital, Dublin, of Michael Desmond Fitzgerald. Desmond was of unassuming and quiet character and popular with his fellow students. Leaving Mungret he entered Messrs. Boyds to be trained in business. After staying with this firm for some time he entered into employment with Roches Stores. Anxious to be on the road, he joined the staff of Messrs. J. and G. F. Bourke, Ltd., in the capacity of a traveller in March, 1951. In this position he was highly successful and was held in high regard both by the firm and the general public. Suffering from a spinal injury early in 1953, he was removed to a Cork hospital. Returning home in August, he underwent treatment at Croom County Hospital. Finally he was removed to the Richmond Hospital, Dublin, where despite medical care and attention, he died. To his parents, brothers and sisters we offer our deep sympathy. R.I.P.

REV. P. GANNON, S.J.

THE death took place at Milltown Park on December 11th of Father Patrick Gannon, S.J. Father Gannon taught at Mungret in the years 1906-07.

A native of Cavan he was educated at Clongowes Wood College and at St. Patrick's Seminary, Cavan. He entered the Society of Jesus in 1897 and studied Ancient Classics in the old Royal University before going to Valkenburg, Holland, to study Philosophy. Afterwards he taught Classics and English at Mungret and Clongowes Wood Colleges. He studied Theology at Milltown Park and was ordained there in 1913. Before taking up his life work as Professor of Theology and Apologetics Father Gannon did some special studies at Hastings with French Jesuits.

In the fire which destroyed part of Milltown Park in 1949, Father Gannon was trapped in his room and sustained severe burns to his face and hands before being rescued. He never completely recovered from the shock he sustained though he continued some of his teaching and writing to the end. Father Gannon was an eloquent preacher and was much in demand for sermons, retreats and missions. He also acted as Catholic champion in many press controversies. He preached several series of Lenten lectures at Gardiner Street. He was also a contributor to the *Irish Ecclesiastical Record*, *Studies* and other periodicals in Ireland and America. R.I.P.

FATHER M. J. GILBERT
(1906-12)

WE regret to announce the death of Father M. J. Gilbert, Pastor of St. Peter Prince of Apostles' parish which took place at San Antonio on June 17th, 1953.

Although born in Syracuse, N.Y., on April 30th, 1891, Father Gilbert was reared in Co. Tipperary, where his Irish born parents returned when he was two years old. There he was educated in the National School, Mungret College, and All Hallows, where he was ordained for the Archdiocese of San Antonio on June 25th, 1916. Arriving in San Antonio some months later, he was assigned by Bishop J. W. Shaw to the staff of the year old St. John's Seminary. He served on the Seminary Staff in various capacities until 1933. For five of these years he was also chairman of the Catholic Charity Board.

He received his first appointment as Pastor in St. Anne's parish in 1934 and continued working there until 1942. While there he erected an addition to the school, remodelled the rectory and church and bought additional property for parish expansion. For the next three years he filled various posts in the Chancery Office. In 1945 he was named Pastor of St. Peter's parish in Alamo Heights. Here in addition to enlarging the church, he directed the construction of a school, convent and auditorium structure. In 1949 he headed the archdiocesan jubilee commission, and in that capacity compiled and edited a 300 page book entitled *Archdiocese of San Antonio 1874-1949*.

Two members of the Texas hierarchy and more than 100 Monsignors and priests participated in the funeral services in St. Peter's Church on June 19th. Archbishop Robert Lucey presided at the Solemn Requiem Mass, and officiated in the final absolution, after expressing words of appreciation of Father Gilbert's many services to the Church. R.I.P.

FATHER J. O'DEA
(1927-33)

THE unexpected death of Father James O'Dea as he had finished his thanksgiving came as a shock

to all who had known him. An exemplary student at Mungret, he was also a skilled hurler.

Born forty years ago at Killenaule, Co. Tipperary, he came to Mungret as a boy and spent six years here. Entering St. Patrick's College, Carlow, to pursue his theological studies, he was ordained there in 1937 for Bathurst Diocese. After his arrival in Australia he was stationed at Canowindra, Coonamble, where he remained until three years ago when he was transferred to Orange. Father O'Dea was a noted preacher, and was popular wherever he went. Whenever his bishop Most Reverend Dr. Norton visited his *Alma Mater*, he spoke in the highest terms of the work of Father James.

To his mother and brothers we tender our deepest sympathy. R.I.P.

JOHN J. O'NEILL
(1899-1902)

WE regret to announce the death of John O'Neill which took place at Kilfeacle, Co. Tipperary, on February 1st, 1954. John O'Neill was Secretary of the House for two years and also Secretary of the B.V.M. Sodality during his time in Mungret.

Of robust build, he was a prominent figure on the hurling and football teams. As a contemporary remarks "one needed no encouragement to keep out of his way as he roamed over the football field." Withal he was gentle and kind hearted and of cheerful disposition.

He was a very extensive dairy farmer at Kilfeacle and took an interest in breeding bloodstock in which he had much success. He lived for a time at Solohead Beg, but extending his farming interests moved to Kilfeacle. To his widow and two daughters we extend our very deep sympathy. R.I.P.

CANON PAUL SOBRY
(1914-15)

ON the 25th of January, 1954, died at Heverlee, in Belgium, Rev.

Canon Paul Sobry, professor at the university of Louvain, member and former president of the Royal Flemish Academy, former Rector of the University College for Women at Antwerp, member of several learned societies, a man of outstanding character and learning.

In 1914, while still a seminarist, he came to Mungret, where he continued studying philosophy. In autumn, 1915 he left the college to join the Belgian army as a Red Cross soldier. After the war and after his ordination he taught rhetoric for some years and then continued his post-graduate studies at various European universities. In 1932 he was

appointed to the chair of comparative European literature, of modern Dutch literature and of aesthetics at the University of Louvain, where he lectured for more than twenty years.

He was an outstanding personality. His acts of heroism at the front, where he was frequently mentioned in dispatches and whence he wrote "very affectionate letters" to Mungret (Annual 1916), his sound guidance in the social troubles of his country, his widespread scholarship, his gifts as an orator, his thoroughly humanistic view of education (expressed v.g. in his penetrating study on Newman's Idea of a University) and above all, his conduct as a priest, placing God in the centre of his teaching and of his work, have left with everybody who knew him a grateful remembrance of a great man. R.I.P.

Condolences

We offer our deepest sympathy to:—

Tony McCarthy on the death of his mother.
Father Willie and Jim Lane on the death of their father.
Dan Riordan on the death of his father.
J. F. Murphy on the death of his father.
Esmonde White on the death of his father.
Eamon Greene on the death of his father.



GAMES 1953-'54

IF one is to judge on results in Cup matches we must regard it as a poor season in both Hurling and Rugby. We did not rise to any great heights at all in Hurling and the standard among the Seniors was lower than it has been for some years. In Rugby, however, our Cup Match results do not do justice to the team, which was a really good one. We won practically every friendly match we played and won them fairly easily. After Christmas our troubles started. M. Keyes injured his hand in the Interprovincial match against Connaught and was unable to play against Presentation College Cork. This match was postponed three times and when it was played much of the previous enthusiasm had waned. The heavy rain during the match also upset the team which was depending on the backs to do the scoring.

A few days before the City Cup final loss of three of our players, again including our captain reduced our chances to the minimum.

We had two interprovincials this year, our captain and vice-captain, P. O'Connell. To Michael Keyes special praise is due as he was signalled out as the outstanding player in each match.

The under 17's were much better than expected and but for bad weather which prevented the completion of the competition might have won back the Shield.

The Juniors were somewhat unpolished, but as many are under age for next season we can hope for great things in the future.

DR. KEANE CUP.

MUNGRET v. C.B.S.

At Mungret.

30th September.

This, our opening match in Hurling could hardly be called satisfactory from any point of view. The day was wet, and it was only the great difficulty in arranging a new date that determined us to play.

We had the wind in the first half but the team could not adapt themselves properly to the wet ground and ball. M. Keyes, at centre field was the only one who was master of the situation, getting three valuable points, while D. Buckley had one goal. Our defence was weak and C.B.S. got a goal and a point in the teeth of the wind. So we finished the first half with a lead of only two points.

There was some improvement in the second half, but when our score was bettered the team lost heart and three goals and six points were scored against us, our only reply being a goal from M. Keyes.

Result: C.B.S. 4 goals, 7 points:
Mungret, 2 goals, 3 points.

DR. KEANE CUP.MUNGRET *v.* ST. MUNCHIN'S.

At St. Munchin's grounds. 11th October.

In spite of our not too brilliant performance against C.B.S. we hoped to do better against St. Munchin's.

The first half is best left undescribed as we could do nothing right. It is true that St. Munchin's had the advantage of wind and hill, but that was not a sufficient excuse for the bad marking, and lack of attack on our part. At half time St. Munchin's had scored 3 goals and six points and we had not even a point to our credit.

We hoped to do something in the second half and we did, but not before our adversaries had gone further ahead and it was too late to over take them. M. Keyes, D. Buckley, W. Gilbourne, and B. Silke built up our score, and the team was playing well near the end, but when the final whistle went we were still two goals and three points behind.

Result : S. Munchin's, 5 goals, 7 points ;
Mungret, 3 goals, 4 points.

SENIOR HURLING TEAM

R. Davern, N. Dolan, T. Watson, P. Collins, J. Keating, P. O'Connell, D. Buckley,
S. O'Rourke, M. Keyes, J. J. Murphy, D. O'Connor, W. Gilbourne,
R. Harris, B. Silke.

MUNSTER SENIOR CUP.MUNGRET *v.* PRESENTATION

Mardyke. 11th March, 1954.

After three postponements we arrived in Cork to play, but were still without our captain, Michael Keyes. In spite of his absence we thought we could win as our back line was unusually strong. To our dismay rain started about an hour before the match and continued almost all through, making the Mardyke even worse than it had been and making attempts at passing all but useless.

All through the game, but especially during the first half, Presentation heeled from the scrums and got the ball in the line outs. As a result our backs were utterly starved and could do little to get the ball from the mud. Pres. took the lead after about a quarter of an hour with a penalty goal and increased it with a try.

After half time things looked better and Machen and Silke just failed to score. Still we never got the ball properly from the scrum and to that we can attribute our defeat. Near the end Pres. got a further penalty goal to end our hopes.

P. O'Connell was our best forward, while among the backs Tony Delaney made gallant efforts to get the backs going but was not protected so could do but little.

Result : Presentation, 9 points (2 pen. goals, 1 try).; Mungret, 0.

PAST *v.* PRESENT

29th November.

On November 29th we welcomed back the Past in our Annual encounter. After a strenuous game the home side ran out winners by 12 pts.—nil (tries by N. Dolan, P. D. O'Connor, S. O'Rourke and B. Silke).

The Past was selected from the following :

D. Garland, A. O'Connell, E. and P. Curry, N. Hickey, J. Fahy, D. Silke, J. Moore, M. O'Connell, A. McCarthy, J. Hennessy, K. O'Mahony, W. O'Shea, T. Lane, K. O'Brady, and E. Flannelly.

goal, followed shortly by a goal and a try, both, it must be admitted were rather easy scores.

In the second half we had the wind and did a fair amount of pressing. Our forwards were getting the ball often and J. J. Murphy did some clever well placed kicking. P. D. O'Connor, who had a very good game nearly got over on one occasion, and A. de Podhradszky had one good break though the centre. Unfortunately we were held out and Crescent got a further goal and a penalty goal.

J. Keating deserves special commendation for his line out play and P. O'Connell for his general forward play.

Result : Crescent, 19 points (2 goals, 2 pen. goals, 1 try) ; Mungret 0.

FINAL CITY CUP.MUNGRET *v.* CRESCENT.

Thomond Park. 11th April.

In spite of being badly beaten in this match we have no reason to be ashamed as we were playing without our captain Michael Keyes, and also one of our centres P. Carey.

For once we had a good day for the match and while all through the Crescent had somewhat the better of the encounter, our defence held out for the first quarter of an hour. Then came a penalty

UNDER 17 LEAGUE.MUNGRET *v.* GLENSTAL.

At Glenstal. 23rd March, 1954.

Weather conditions had been bad all through the term but seldom did any team have to play under such conditions as in this match. There were pools of water on the pitch and it rained heavily during most of the game.

We lost the toss and played the first half against

SENIOR RUGBY TEAM

K. Buckley, D. O'Connor, N. Dolan, P. O'Connor, J. Keating, P. Carey, A. Delaney, B. Silke,
J. J. Murphy, P. O'Connell, M. J. Keyes, T. Watson, K. Cantwell,
D. Buckley, M. Machen.

the wind and rain. We nearly got over a few times during the half, but as Glenstal got over once and also kicked a penalty goal we were six points down at half time.

We pressed for most of the second half but it is very difficult to score when conditions have reduced all passing movements to nil. In one of the many forward rushes Donal Buckley picked up and got over, but in spite of further attacks on the Glenstal line we could not get another score.

Our best in the match were T. Watson, D. Buckley, T. Delaney and W. Gilbourne.

Result: Glenstal, 6 points;

Mungret, 3 points.

UNDER 17 LEAGUE

MUNGRET v. GLENSTAL.

At Mungret.

6th December.

From start to finish this was an uninspiring game. The first half produced a certain amount of fair forward play, but the handling and running of the two back divisions left much to be desired. Though we had some territorial advantages through-

out the match there was little or no penetration and the one try we got was from a forward rush in the second half. After the try the team made little further effort and paid for their lethargy when just on time the Glenstal forwards broke away and were only stemmed by our full back. A penalty kick which went between the posts was to leave the match a draw.

T. Watson, who scored our only try, with N. Dolan and A. Delaney were about our best in this match.

Result: Mungret, 3 points (1 try);

Glenstal, 3 points (1 pen. goal).

MUNGRET v. CRESCENT.

At Crescent Grounds.

8th December.

Going on to the field against a reputedly good Crescent team we felt a little discouraged after the recent performance, but an early score by N. Dolan convinced the team that they were at least as good as their opponents. However, though they played well in the first half they could not score again and the Crescent put over two penalties before the interval to leave the score six — three in their favour.

UNDER SEVENTEEN



W. Gilbourne, B. O'Carroll, F. Dunne, S. O'Rourke, J. Keating, J. Hickey, E. Cassidy, J. Woods, N. Dolan, J. O'Connell, T. Watson, B. Garland, A. Delaney, L. Buckley, R. Cassidy.

The second half produced a very high standard of play and we attacked strongly. The Crescent held off the attack for about a quarter of an hour until at last T. Watson crashed over for a good try, which was not converted. Time was running out and excitement at a high pitch, when we heeled the ball outside the Crescent twenty-five. The ball was passed to B. O'Carroll, at out-half, who saw a gap behind the scrum and kicked the ball into it. T. Watson was up like a shot, gathered the ball and ran a few yards before passing to B. O'Carroll who dived under the defenders for an excellent try. As well as the three who scored, A. Delaney and J. Keating were outstanding in a team in which all played well.

Result: Mungret, 9 points (3 tries);

Crescent, 6 points (2 pen. goals).

J.C.T.

At Thomond Park.

4th March.

Our first round encounter with Rockwell had to be postponed from the previous week because

of heavy rain. A very strong wind was blowing down the pitch in the direction of the City and Rockwell, who won the toss, elected to play with this wind in the first half.

Play was mostly in our half of the field during this period and Rockwell pressed hard. Our backs defended well and we seemed to have quite a good chance of success when half-time arrived, with the score Rockwell 9 points (1 try, 2 penalties), Mungret nil.

But Rockwell forwards were on top after the resumption and as the half wore on, it became obvious that our backs were not going to see enough of the ball to get the required scores. Play was rather scrambling and what thrusts there were, came from Rockwell.

With very limited opportunities Paddy O'Brien and James Woods did well on the wings, as did Harry Kelly in the centre. Eamonn Walsh at full-back, proved himself a safe handler and a sound kicker.

The forwards never produced the form of which they are capable, though Pat O'Shaughnessy and Marcus Keyes were always trying hard.

Final Score: Rockwell, 9 points;
Mungret, nil.

JUNIOR CUP TEAM



D. Sheahan, L. Murphy, M. F. Keyes, S. Smith, K. Madden, H. Higgins, P. O'Shaughnessy, J. Quinlivan, J. Woods, F. Crowley, P. Horgan, J. Kelly, P. O'Brien, E. Walsh, H. Kelly.

I.C.T.

CANNOCK CUP

29th November.

This game provided an even struggle in which Crescent emerged as victors by the narrow margin of two points. Though the day was fine and dry, our forwards persisted in trying to take the ball through on every occasion. In this, they had a reasonable amount of success but expended much unnecessary energy and gave little opportunity to our backs to show what they could do.

Half-time came with no score, but early in the second half, after the ball had gone loose, the Crescent forwards were up to boot the ball over the line and touch down for a try which was converted. A period of Mungret pressure was rewarded nearing full time when, after a Mungret passing movement, broke down near the Crescent line, Marcus Keyes was there to carry the ball on and put Paul Horgan over for a try. The kick at goal failed, so the final score was:

Crescent : 5 points.
Mungret : 3 points.

UNDER FOURTEEN



BACK ROW : P. A. Culshaw, P. Buckley, R. Hughes, K. Madden, D. Cantwell, B. Donegan, M. O'Driscoll, R. Donegan.
SEATED : P. O'Dwyer, K. Garland, B. Leonard (CAPTAIN), R. Buckley, T. Starr.
ON GROUND : N. Cronin, H. Fanning.

THIRD CLUB GAMES.

Taken in general the standard of our games this year was good but once again we failed to play any of our Cannock Cup matches before Christmas. When we returned after Christmas we had every prospect of a good term with dry frosty weather but this was soon replaced by rain which continued right through the term. Our practice matches were played as the occasion suited and we were unable to arrange Cannock Cup fixtures until the end of March. Three teams took part in the Third Club Rugby League and the matches were played with great spirit. In the final encounter Desmond Sheahan led his team to a well deserved victory.

CANNOCK CUP

UNDER 14

28th March.

Crescent kicked off against the wind and N. Cronin opened up the play with a good back movement which was rounded off by P. Buckley kicking

CANNOCK CUP
UNDER 15

4th April.

a long touch well into the Crescent half. For the next quarter of an hour we pressed hard but when Crescent managed to bring play back to our '25 we were, in an anxious moment, caught offside and from the penalty Crescent kicked a penalty goal.

In the second half in spite of our best efforts Crescent got a grand score which they converted to lead by 8 points. Shortly after D. Cantwell sent the ball neatly between the posts from a free to give us our only score. In the backs N. Cronin and H. Fanning showed great promise and amongst the forwards B. Leonard, R. Buckley and K. Madden were prominent.

Result : Mungret, 3 points ;

Crescent, 8 points.

We opened with the wind in our favour. Our forwards were strong in the line-out and in the scrums R. Buckley did very good work as hooker. Our backs lacked the speed in handling and passing that would have brought us scores. The only score of the match came from a line-out near the Crescent line. N. Murphy on the watch for the ball was over before he could be stopped. The kick at goal from a yard inside the touch line fell short. P. Goggin was unlucky to have a try disallowed but in the effort to beat the Crescent defenders he failed to steady the ball.

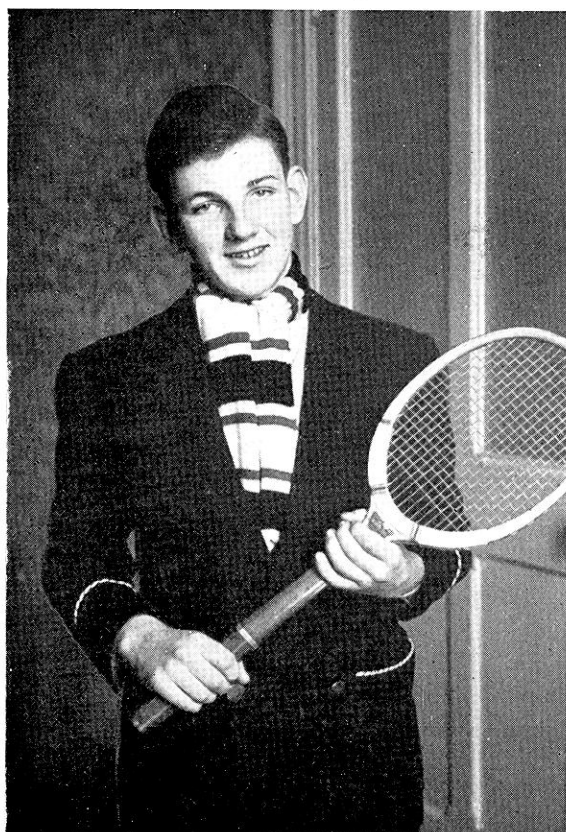
In the second half Crescent made several determined attacks on our line but our defence was sound and we held our three point lead to the end. Marcus Keyes played well at out-half and E. Walsh was a reliable full-back.

Result : Mungret, 3 points.
Crescent, nil.

UNDER FIFTEENS



BACK ROW : A. Fanning, P. Buckley, M. F. Keyes, T. Power, K. Madden, E. Walsh, B. Donegan, R. Buckley.
SEATED : J. G. Walsh, R. Hughes, D. Sheahan (CAPTAIN), M. Mitchell, B. Leonard.
ON GROUND : P. Goggin, N. Murphy.

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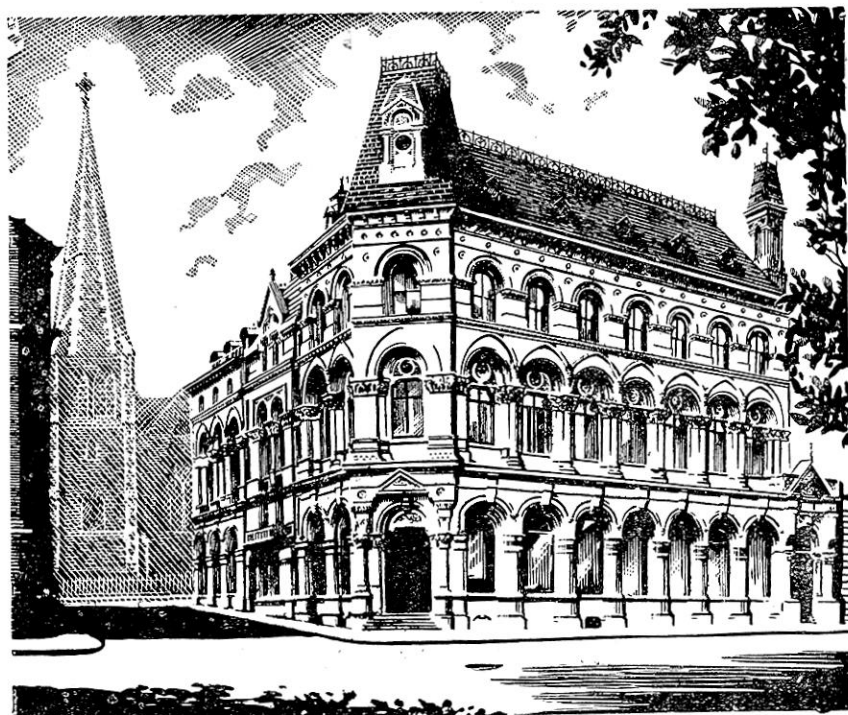
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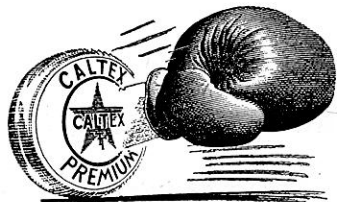
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