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By courtesy of [Christy-Shepherd, Hollywood.  
A gathering of old Mungret men including His Excellency, Most Reverend T. Manning at the Blessed Sacrament Rectory, Los Angeles, on October 12th 1964, on the occasion of Fr. Coffey's visit.  
*Back Row, Left to Right:* Fathers R. Harnett, M. Collins, D. Lyons, M. Killeen, T. Acton, J. Toal, P. Reilly, D. Garvey, B. Nagle, J. Murray, P. Gorman, M. Tansey, B. Coughlan, H. Clear.  
*Front Row, Left to Right:* Fathers G. Toner, S.J., M. Casey, A. McGrath, P. Coffey, S.J., Mons. M. Ryan, His Excellency, Most Reverend T. Manning, Mons. M. Sheahan, Fathers P. Collins, R. Gorman, J. Killeen.

# Editorial



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LOOKING back over the past year, we feel justified in congratulating ourselves on a highly successful one.

The health of the boys is one of the main preoccupations of those responsible. This year we have been singularly free from illness, thanks in great part to our matron.

Examination results were satisfactory, and while some boys did not do as well as expected, others exceeded expectations. During the year help was given to the boys to try and plan their futures by a series of career talks.

The boys were encouraged in their hobbies and one of them, Brian Adams, constructed a canoe which was successfully launched in the swimming pool. A high standard was reached in the Art School.

The swimming pool continues to be a wonderful addition. Many of the boys have learned to swim and life saving lessons have been given during the year. We can claim a few successes also in the Munster Swimming Gala. The swimming pool is of course a great source of recreation.

Congratulations to our Senior rugby team on giving an encouraging display in the Munster Senior Cup, and on winning the City Cup.

Mungret has again been honoured inasmuch as one of its past students has been

elevated to an Archbishopric. We refer to Most Reverend Patrick O'Donnell, Archbishop of Brisbane. The Archbishop has strong ties with Mungret and never fails to pay a visit when he is in Ireland. We send him our warm felicitations.

The area in close proximity to the swimming pool has been surfaced with tarmac thus clearing up an unsightly piece of ground. It is planned to use it for basketball.

This summer, due to Fr. Rector's initiative and unflagging energy, we hope to start and complete a long desired amenity—a new refectory. It will be a one storey

Bantile structure and will occupy a slightly different position from the present one. The advantage of this plan is that it can be more quickly and cheaply carried out.

The *Status* brought its usual quota of changes. We bade farewell to Frs. Cantillon, Brennan and Leonard. We thank them for their work for the College. In their places we welcome Frs. M. O'Meara, T. Morrissey, R. Coyne and E. Egan.

A last word of thanks to our printers, blockmakers and all those who have made this production possible.



J. Hurley hands over the Chain of Office to P. Nutley at the Union Meeting at Mungret College

## 1964—EIGHTY-THIRD ACADEMICAL YEAR—1965

### RECTOR

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 Father G. McLaughlin, S.J.  
 Father P. Meagher, S.J.

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D. Chambers

### PREFECT OF THE APOSTOLIC SCHOOL

P. Aitkens

### PHILOSOPHERS

#### Second Year

Aitkens, Patrick  
 Browne, Patrick  
 Casey, William  
 Herlihy, Derry  
 Moore, Brendan  
 Murphy, Michael  
 O'Connor, Daniel  
 O'Donnell, Sylvester  
 O'Grady, Geoffrey  
 Quirke, Joseph  
 Walton, John

#### First Year

Cullinan, Brian  
 Gallagher, Patrick  
 Gardiner, Liam  
 Gibbons, Myles  
 Gormley, Frank  
 Hallinan, Noel  
 Keys, Thomas  
 Mulhall, Terence  
 Nicholson, Ambrose  
 Sheehy, Sean  
 Ward, Alan



## SPECIAL CLASS

Barron, Thomas  
Baxter, Owen  
Cahill, Patrick  
Deacon, John  
Dennis, Finbarr  
Doherty, Bernard  
Doherty, Don  
Donegan, Christopher  
Flynn, Brian  
Hynes, James

Kelly, Albert  
McGrath, John  
McSweeney, Gerard  
Moloney, John  
O'Brien, Edward  
O'Callaghan, Michael  
O'Sullivan, Denis  
Ruddy, Patrick  
O'Riordan, William  
White, Laurence

### I RHETORIC

Bluett, Raymond	Lavelle, Patrick
Carmody, Brendan	Lawless, Stephen
Chambers, Daniel	Lynch, Michael
Connelly, David	Maher, John
Gaw, John	Morrison, Robert
Hawe, John	Nash O'C., William
Headen, Michael	O'Connor, John
Hill, David	O'Flanagan, Gerard
Keane, Michael	Rochford, Joseph
Kirwan, Peter	Wall, Michael

### I POETRY

Lay Boys	Apostolics
Becker, Vincent	Breen, Brendan
Cronin, Patrick	Carroll, Denis
Gallagher, Anthony	McCarthy, James
Loftus, John	
McShane, John	
Murphy, Oliver	
O'Flynn, John	
O'Neill, Desmond	
O'Neill, Raymond	
Pentony, John	
Ferrem, Guy	
Perrem, Thomas	
Punch, Brian	
Rhatigan, Lewis	
Roche, Stewart	
Wall, Pierce	
Ward, Corry	

### I SYNTAX

Lay Boys	Apostolics
Casey, Don	Clarke, Gerard
Crowley, Anthony	O'Reilly, John
Egan, Liam	
Gallagher, Declan	
Hand, Robert	
Hill, Brendan	
Kirwan, Philip	
Lavelle, Brian	
Lynch, Seamus	
McMahon, Brendan	

### II RHETORIC

Lay Boys	Apostolics
Connolly, John	Cassidy, Derek
Deighan, David	Geraghty, Martin
Fitzgerald, Roger	Honeyands, John
Gilligan, Derek	King, William
Hegarty, Andrew	Mulkere, Kieran
Hunt, Michael	
Lombard, Anthony	
Malone, Paul	
O'Neill, John	
O'Regan, Noel	
Raftery, Patrick	
Rumley, Gerard	
Slowey, Austin	
White, Alexander	

### II POETRY

Lay Boys

Donlon, John  
Fitzgibbon, Peter  
Foley, Niall  
Foley, G. Victor  
Lynch, John  
McGrath, James  
Murphy, Mathew  
O'Donnell, Michael  
Quin, Thomas  
Ryan, Brendan  
Wall, Gerard

### II SYNTAX

Lay Boys	Apostolics
Barry, Brian	Madden, Patrick
Culhane, Denis	
Dennison, Seamus	
Duigman, Thomas	
Dunne, Kevin	
Goodwin, Val.	
Nash O'C., Brian	
O'Connor, Kevin	
Quinlan, Denis	
Rumley, Clement	

Moran, Michael  
Nolan, Paul  
O'Connell, Edmund  
O'Connell, John  
O'Flynn, Seamus  
O'Mahony, Maurice  
Raftery, Raymond  
Rhatigan, Niall  
Trainor, Owen  
Tully, Frederick  
Wall, Francis

### I GRAMMAR

Lay Boys	Apostolics
Adams, Brian	Doyle, William
Barnewall, Dermot	Fitzgibbon, Noel
Barron, Eamonn	McCarter, John
Boland, Eamonn	
Byrne, Peter	
Casey, Harry	
Carlino, Michael	
Carroll, David	
Connolly, Pdraig	
Dwyer, Michael	
Fenton, Liam	
Fitzgibbon, James	
Haier, Timothy	
Healy, Nathanel	
Lowry, Anthony	
Mullen, John	
Murphy, William	
Nash O'C., Christopher	
O'Flynn, Brian	
O'Kelly, John	
O'Malley, Michael	
Power, Kieran	
Roche, Karl	
Ryan, John	
Tait, John	

### I RUDIMENTS

Lay Boys	Apostolics
Cooke, Thomas	Eruton, Seamus
Costelloe, Patrick	McCarthy, Kevin
Donovan, Thomas	O'Neill, Patrick
Egan, Seamus	O'Reilly, Canice
Gaw, James	
Hawe, Michael	
Kelly, Peter	
Kingston, John	
Lavelle, Anthony	
McKaighney, Thomas	
McNicholl, Frank	
Madden, Thomas	
Moran, Valentine	
Murphy, Anthony	
Murphy, Dermot	
O'Connor, Gerard	
O'Connor, John	
Thompson, Gerard	

Scannell, Geoffrey  
Sullivan, Patrick  
Tuohy, Paul

### II GRAMMAR

Lay Boys	Apostolics
Baldwin, Louis	Conlon, Anthony
Boland, Seamus	
Brogan, Peter	
Brosnan, Turlough	
Cafferky, Anthony	
Cattigan, Christopher	
Cregan, Denis	
Cronin, Felim	
Curran, James	
Deighan, John	
Gilmore, Martin	
Harrington, Kiely	
Hayes, Martin	
Hearn, William	
Horan, Paul	
Hurley, Richard	
O'Connor, Roger	
O'Dowd, Caleb	
Quinlan, John	

### II RUDIMENTS

Lay Boys	Apostolics
Albericci, Paul	Kearney, Noel
Brennan, Raymond	Kelly, Joseph
Cooke, Michael	McGarvey, Tony
Cox, Michael	O'Gorman, John
Creane, Michael	
Curran, Martin	
Foley, John	
Glynn, John	
Hewson, Dermot	
Hickey, Andrew	
Hogan, Michael	
Lalor, Gerard	
McCarthy, Thomas	
McDonnell, Leo	
McGrath, Peter	
McGrory, Martin	
Murphy, John	
O'Brien, Anthony	
O'Kelly, Patrick	
Quin, Eugene	
Roden, John	
Shanahan, Peadar	

## An Old Friend Retires

FROM 1928 to 1965 comprises a good many years. Yet that was the length of Jack O'Brien's period at Mungret.

'Jacko' as he was familiarly known to his friends and acquaintances was one of the most popular personalities that ever taught in the College. He had a prodigious memory of past students, could trace the careers of many, and kept in touch with a large number.

When one met an old boy an invariable question was "Is Mr. O'Brien or 'Jacko' still there?"

In 1953 he celebrated his silver jubilee. It marked twenty-five years of devoted service on the College teaching staff. He has always given generously of his time and labour where boys were concerned. One might say his whole interest was in the College.

A small ceremony was held to mark his retirement at which the boys and Fr. Rector on behalf of the community made separate



presentations.

We wish him many years of well earned rest after his labours.

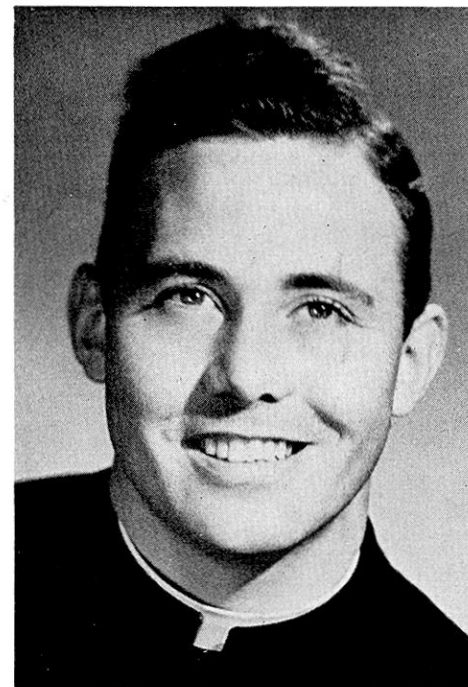
## OFFICIALS OF THE APOSTOLIC SCHOOL



Back Row: J. Walton, P. Aikens (Senior Prefect), P. Browne, B. Moore, S. O'Donnell.  
Front Row: P. Gallagher, D. Herlihy.

## St. Augustine's 400th Anniversary Recalls Historic Ties with Mungret

By FATHER DAVID PAGE (1947-54) M.A. Pastor of Epiphany Parish, Port Orange, Florida, and Vice-President of the St. Augustine Foundation.



THE AUTHOR

ASKING college students to project their minds forward to the coming September is seldom popular, nor does it constitute an auspicious opening to an article for their college annual. America's oldest city, however, that of St. Augustine, Florida, has for many years now been looking forward to September 1965. September 8th will mark the beginning of America's most historic celebration—that of the four hundredth anniversary of its oldest city and of its first permanent settlement. Inasmuch as this settlement was entirely a Catholic one

with its own canonically erected parish, September 8th will also mark the four hundredth birthday of the Catholic Church within the present limits of the United States. To fittingly commemorate the occasion the Diocese of St. Augustine will spend approximately three million dollars in renovating its historic cathedral and in erecting a votive church and a towering outdoor cross, two hundred feet high made of stainless steel.

Preparations for this historic celebration have been in progress for two years. A few days each week it is my pleasant duty to drive seventy miles from my parish near Daytona Beach to participate in these preparations. On a warm humid afternoon last July I was crossing one of the narrow streets of the ancient city when to my surprise and indescribable joy I ran into my old Mungret history teacher, Father P. Coffey, S.J. Father Coffey's subsequent stay at my rectory and our pleasant hours spent reminiscing of the past, may not fall within the realms of history, but to me that chance meeting in the street of historic St. Augustine both recalled and symbolised the close ties that bind together the Diocese of St. Augustine and Mungret College.

Almost from its foundation in 1565 the Church in St. Augustine has had significant if intermittent links with Ireland. The first Irish priest to work in America, Father Richard Arthur was pastor of St. Augustine as early as 1597. Two hundred years later we find Fathers Thomas Hassett and Michael O'Reilly dedicating their newly built church, the walls of which still stand today as part of the historic cathedral of St. Augustine.

It was not, however, till 1870 when St.



Augustine became a diocese embracing almost all of Florida that the Irish contribution became significant. Today Florida is known far and wide as the state where the Irish priests predominate. Every seminary in Ireland has sent forth missionaries to Florida. What is surprising is that one of Ireland's smallest seminaries should have made perhaps the most significant contribution. I refer of course to my own Alma Mater, Mungret's Apostolic School. Of the three Irish-born bishops of St. Augustine, two were Mungret men. From 1914 to 1940 almost all important positions in the Florida Church, from the bishop down to the vicar-general and chancellor were filled by products of Mungret College.

The predilection of Mungret students for the mission fields of Florida may be explained partly at least in that the first Mungret boy ever to become a bishop was Michael J. Curley who on June 30th, 1914 at the age of thirty-four became the fourth bishop of St. Augustine.

Curley, a born leader became bishop at a time when the Catholic Church in Florida was fighting for its very existence against

the forces of bigotry. Anti-Catholic feeling reached boiling point in 1916 when Sidney J. Catts, a one-eyed Baptist preacher and a political non-entity, was elected Governor of Florida primarily on the anti-Catholic issue. Bishop Curley's verbal and legal battles with Catts are now legendary. Not the least of these developed over the arrest of three young Irish-born Sisters of St. Joseph in St. Augustine on that historic Easter Monday morning, 1916. Arrested for teaching Negro children in violation of state law the Sisters were imprisoned for a time in their own convent until, through Bishop Curley's endeavours, the court declared the state law to be unconstitutional.

One of America's finest orators, Bishop Curley attracted huge crowds, non-Catholic as well as Catholic, whenever he called one of his many special meetings to answer each new anti-Catholic charge. Curley's leadership and courageous stand against the forces of bigotry in Florida gained national attention and won warm congratulations from the Apostolic Delegate of that time. Thus, upon the death in 1921 of the illustrious Cardinal Gibbons of Baltimore, it came as

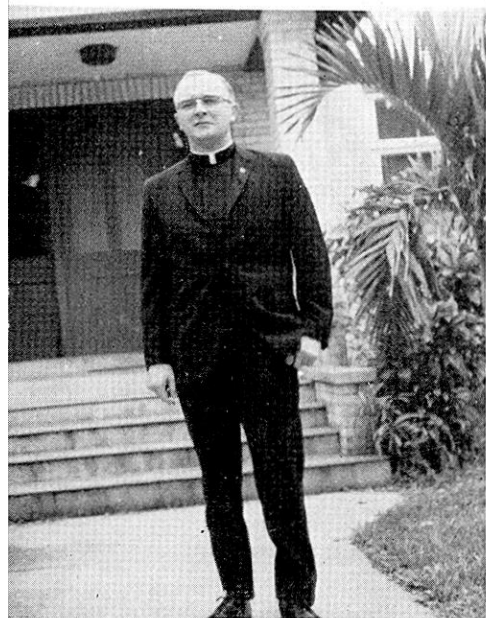
no great surprise that the choice of his successor in the primal see should fall on Michael J. Curley. Thus Mungret's first bishop in time became America's first in dignity.

Mungret's close link with the Church in Florida, however, did not cease with the departure of the newly appointed archbishop. On the contrary, the Mungret era in the Diocese of St. Augustine was just beginning. It reached its peak under Bishop Curley's successor, Bishop Patrick Barry, who likewise was a Mungret graduate. Bishop Barry was a member of a remarkable West-Clare family of eighteen children, three of whom were to leave such an impress on the Church in Florida particularly during the second quarter of this century that the Catholics of that state now refer to the

period as the Barry era. Loved for his kindness and friendly manner, Bishop Barry was above all a man of the people. He is said to have known by name the prominent Catholic families in every parish of his diocese which then embraced a territory far larger than the whole of Ireland. Bishop Barry died in 1940 but his name and his memory have retained a prominent stronghold in hearts of the priests and laity in Florida.

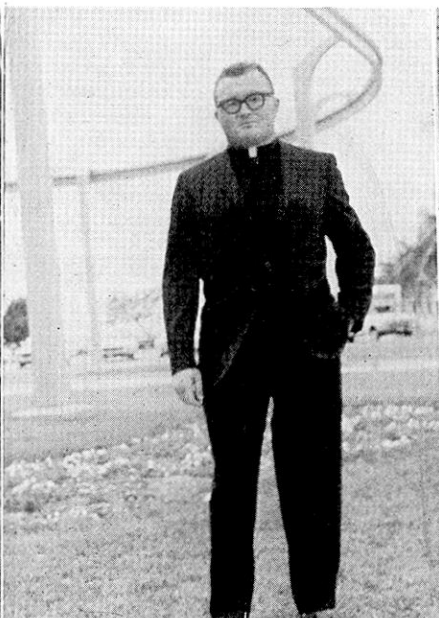
Among the priests of Florida, the Mungret graduates held a prominent place particularly during the period 1900-1940. One of Florida's greatest missionaries of modern times was Father Patrick J. Bresnahan whose heroic incursions into the Baptist territory of North-West Florida are recounted with much interest and wit in his booklet *Seeing Florida With a Priest*. The honour of

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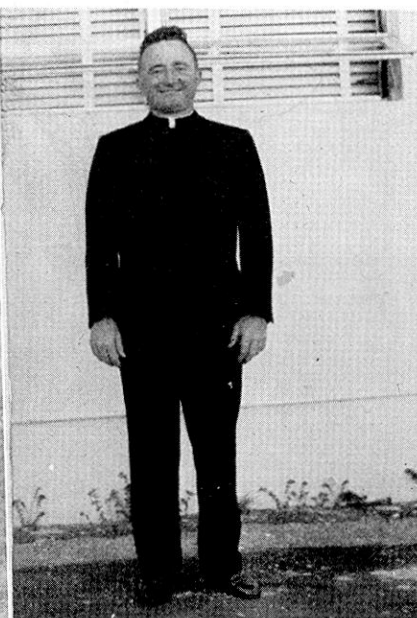
Mons. B. Walsh  
Administrator St. Peter and Paul's

IN MIAMI



Fr. P. Farrell  
Church of St. Timothy

LAKE WORTH



Fr. T. Anglim  
Sacred Heart Church

GROUP TAKEN IN JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA



Seated: Mons. M. Danaher, Mons. P. Nolan.  
Standing: Fathers D. Logan, T. Bergin, W. Ennis.

being Jacksonville's best loved and revered priest must go to another Mungret man, Father Michael Maher. His life was a monument to the virtue of charity. When word of his approaching death spread throughout the city a large crowd began to line up outside his hospital bedroom awaiting their turn to receive his priestly blessing. The modern city of St. Petersburg owes its Catholic beginnings and three of its first parishes to yet another Mungret man—the beloved and dynamic Father James J. Riordan.

It is noteworthy that most of the early Mungret priests in Florida had a reputation for their scholarship. This was undoubtedly due to the fact that almost all the Mungret boys were sent directly to Rome for theology and thus many of them received their doctor of divinity degree. Of these, Father James J. Nunan, D.D., was particularly renowned as a classical scholar. Under Bishop Barry he became the vicar-general of the diocese while another Mungret man, Father Patrick J. McGill, was the bishop's chancellor.

Mungret's contribution to Florida, however, was not confined to bishops and scholarly priests. Many such as Fathers John J. Nevin, Michael C. Clasby, Patrick J. Halligan, and Robert P. Brennan kept the torch of faith burning bright in their lonely outposts. These have all passed to their eternal reward but their memory is still revered by a grateful people.

Of the Mungret priests serving in Florida today the most distinguished by reason of age as well as dignity is the Right Reverend Monsignor Patrick E. Nolan of Jacksonville. Over a nearby parish in the same city presides Monsignor Mortimer Danaher, President of Bishop Kenny High School and Diocesan Director of Education with over 32,000 students under his care. Monsignor Mortimer's brother, Father Leo Danaher

who spent some time as a lay-boy in Mungret also has a large parish in the suburbs of Jacksonville. The remainder of the Mungret graduates in the St. Augustine diocese are of more recent vintage: Father David Page in Daytona Beach, Father Daniel B. Logan stationed with Monsignor Nolan in Jacksonville, Father William Ennis and Father Thomas Bergin in Jacksonville.

Several of those who studied in Mungret for the Diocese of St. Augustine now find themselves in the Diocese of Miami by reason of the division of the first mentioned diocese in 1959. Among those are Father John J. Kellaghan of Fort Lauderdale, Father James B. Keogh of North Miami Beach, Monsignor Bryan O. Walsh, Diocesan Director of Catholic Charities, Father Thomas M. Anglim of Lake Worth, and Father Patrick J. Farrell of Miami.

The number of Mungret priests coming to Florida since World War II has grown steadily but has not kept pace with the fantastic growth of the Church in a state which now outranks in population forty of the fifty states of the Union. Mungret has a lofty and significant tradition to uphold in Florida. Indeed when the full history of the Catholic Church in Florida comes to be written few chapters will be as glorious as that which recounts Mungret's contribution.



#### SCHOOLBOY CHESS CHAMPION OF IRELAND

Our warm congratulations to Tony Cafferky on winning the All-Ireland Schoolboys' Chess Championship during the Easter holidays by defeating the Leinster representative Ray Byrne.

## PREFECT OF STUDIES REPORT

### EXAMINATION RESULTS

ONCE more we are glad to be able to say that passes in both the Leaving and Intermediate Certificates were very satisfactory; there were two failures in each certificate. Sixteen honours out of twenty-eight presented was very good in the Intermediate.

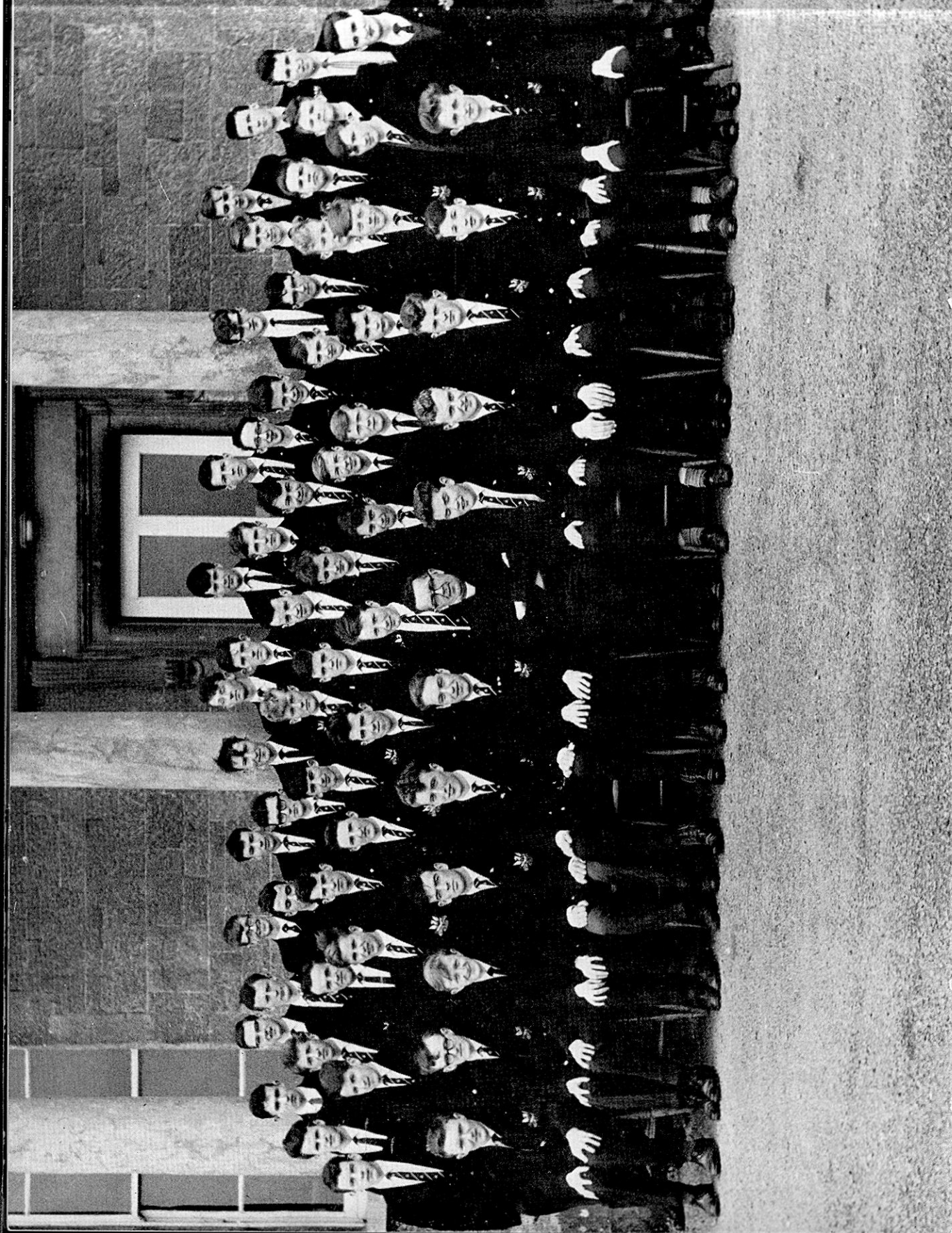
Six honours out of thirty-seven presented in the Leaving could be improved upon. Of course it would be simple to remedy this by selecting the easier subjects. A better way would be to select fewer subjects and to do better in the worthwhile ones. To help in cutting down the number of subjects, nine boys sat for one or two subjects in their

### HOUSE PREFECTS



Seated: D. Chambers (Capt.), M. Lynch.  
Standing: P. Lavelle, D. Hill, J. Maher, M. Wall.





#### FIRST CLUB, 1964-1965

*Seated:* G. Wall, G. O'Flanagan, R. Morrison, P. Lavelle, D. Hill, C. Chambers, Father Morrissey, S.J., M. Lynch, M. Wall, J. Maher, G. Rumley, W. Nash.

*Second Row:* D. Connolly, S. Roche, P. Wall, B. Ryan, J. Rochford, J. Pentony, A. Slowey, B. Punch, J. Lynch, V. Becker, J. O'Flynn, B. Carmody.

*Third Row:* D. O'Neill, M. Hunt, J. McShane, N. Foley, J. Connolly, O. Murphy, J. Gaw, L. Rhatigan, J. McGrath, G. Perren, A. Gallagher.

*Fourth Row:* M. Keane, M. J. O'Donnell, J. Donlon, P. Malone, T. Perren, A. Hegarty, L. Egan, P. Fitzgibbon, D. Deighan, R. O'Neill, R. Hand.

*Fifth Row:* S. Lawless, P. Kirwan, D. Gilligan, M. Headen, R. Bluet, J. O'Neill, P. J. Raftery, J. Hawe, A. Lombard, N. O'Regan.

*Back Row:* R. Fitzgerald, V. Galway-Foley, A. White, J. O'Connor.

fifth year. We hope that this experience, the reduced number of subjects, and harder work, will produce more honours in the future.

#### E.E.C. EXHIBITION

An exhibition on the European Economic Community centred in the East Room where there was a display of maps, statistical diagrams, brochures and books. A group of boys gathered and displayed a vast amount of material from Mungret and the various embassies in Dublin. The same week we had several fine documentary films on the Common Market and its neighbouring countries.

#### DOCUMENTARY FILMS

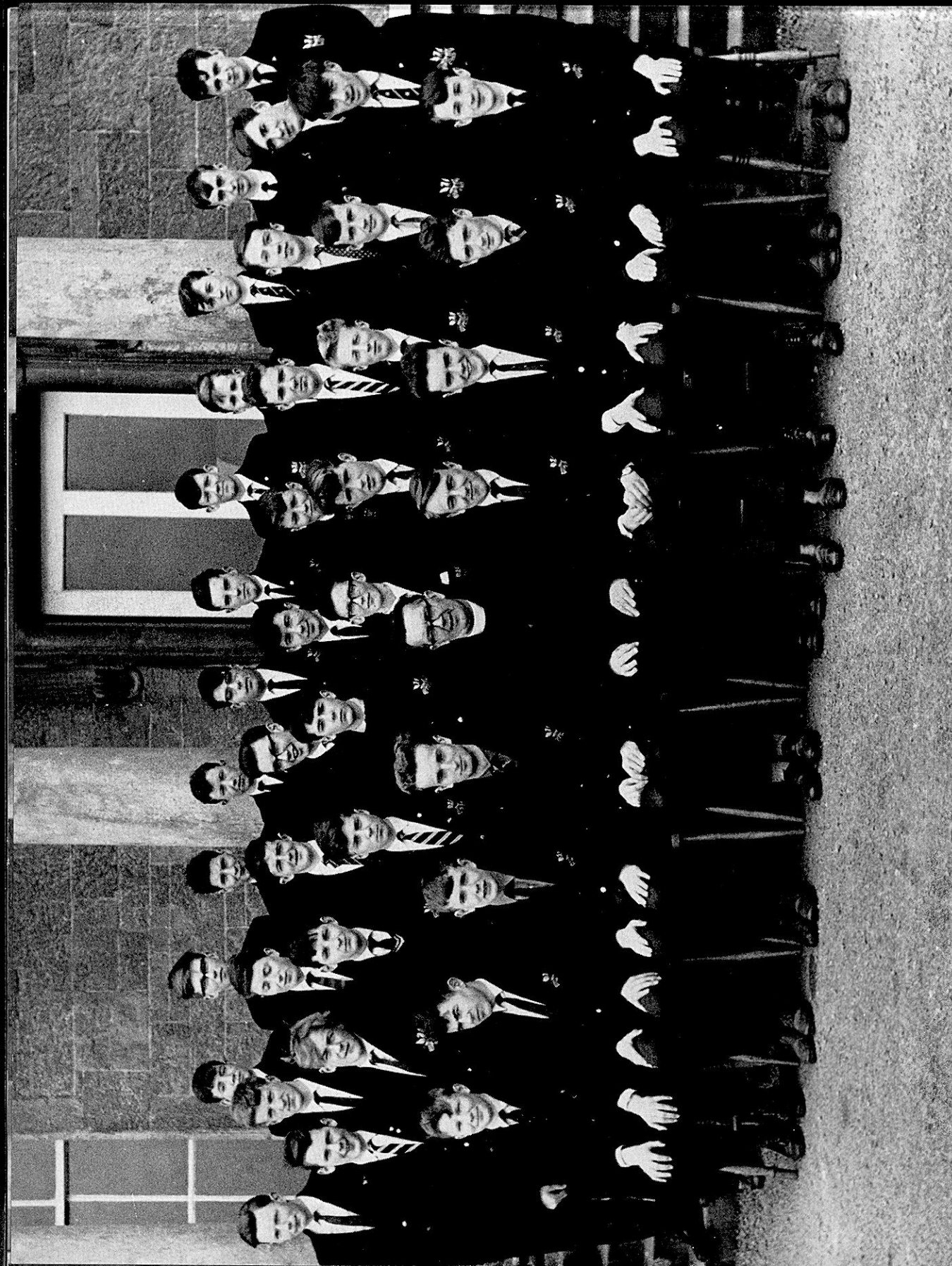
We give a list of the documentary films shown during the year and take this opportunity of thanking Mr. Murphy for obtaining and showing such a varied and worthwhile selection. *Bamberger Symphonie; Begegnung mit Deutschland; Crossroads Europe; Delightful Denmark, Modern Land of the Vikings; European Community; Europe without Frontiers; Glimpses of Sweden; Kuwait; Mise Eire; The Poet's Eye* (film tribute to Shakespeare); *Coventry Cathedral; On Such a Night* (Glyndebourne); *Instruments of the Orchestra*.

#### STUDY LIBRARY

This library is still growing and the boys are using the opportunity to read; it cannot be stressed enough that general reading is one of the first ways to a good education and parents should encourage and help their boys to read seriously at home.

#### CAREER GUIDANCE

The boys have followed the television career talks; besides this, some attended talks organised by the Limerick Scientific Council. We also had our own talks from invited speakers; to each of them we wish to say thanks; they are much appreciated by the boys and the Prefect of Studies, and he has no doubt that they are a great factor in maturing the boys and preparing them for adult life. The speakers were:



#### SECOND CLUB, 1964-1965

*Seated:* D. Gallagher, J. Quinlan, F. Wall, A. Crowley, Father Morrissey, S.J., P. Tuohy, B. Hill, J. O'Connell, F. Tully.  
*Second Row:* D. Casey, A. Cafferky, K. O'Connor, V. Goodwin, K. Dunne, R. Hurley, M. O'Mahoney, N. Rhatigan, O. Trainor, D. Quinlan.  
*Third Row:* J. Curran, A. Lowry, E. O'Connell, P. M. Sullivan, T. Duignan, J. Mullen, C. Cattigan, T. Haier, R. Raftery, B. Lavelle.  
*Back Row:* B. McMahon, C. O'Dowd, N. Healy, E. Barron, P. Nolan, G. Scannell, M. Moran, C. Rumley, P. Kirwan, S. Dennison, W. O'Carroll Nash.

Mrs. F. Counihan: Choosing a Career;  
 Applications and Interviews.  
 Brian Geary: A Solicitor.  
 Matthew Russell (O.M.): Professor of  
 Criminal Law, T.C.D.  
 John Murray: Aer Lingus Personnel  
 Officer.  
 Enda Flannelly (O.M.): Hotel Manager.  
 Anthony Billington: Efficiency Expert.  
 James Gaw: Bank Manager.  
 Captain Thomas Carroll: Army Officer.  
 A. J. O'Reilly: Solicitor, University  
 Lecturer, and General Manager of An  
 Bord Bainne.

## A letter from the Holy Land

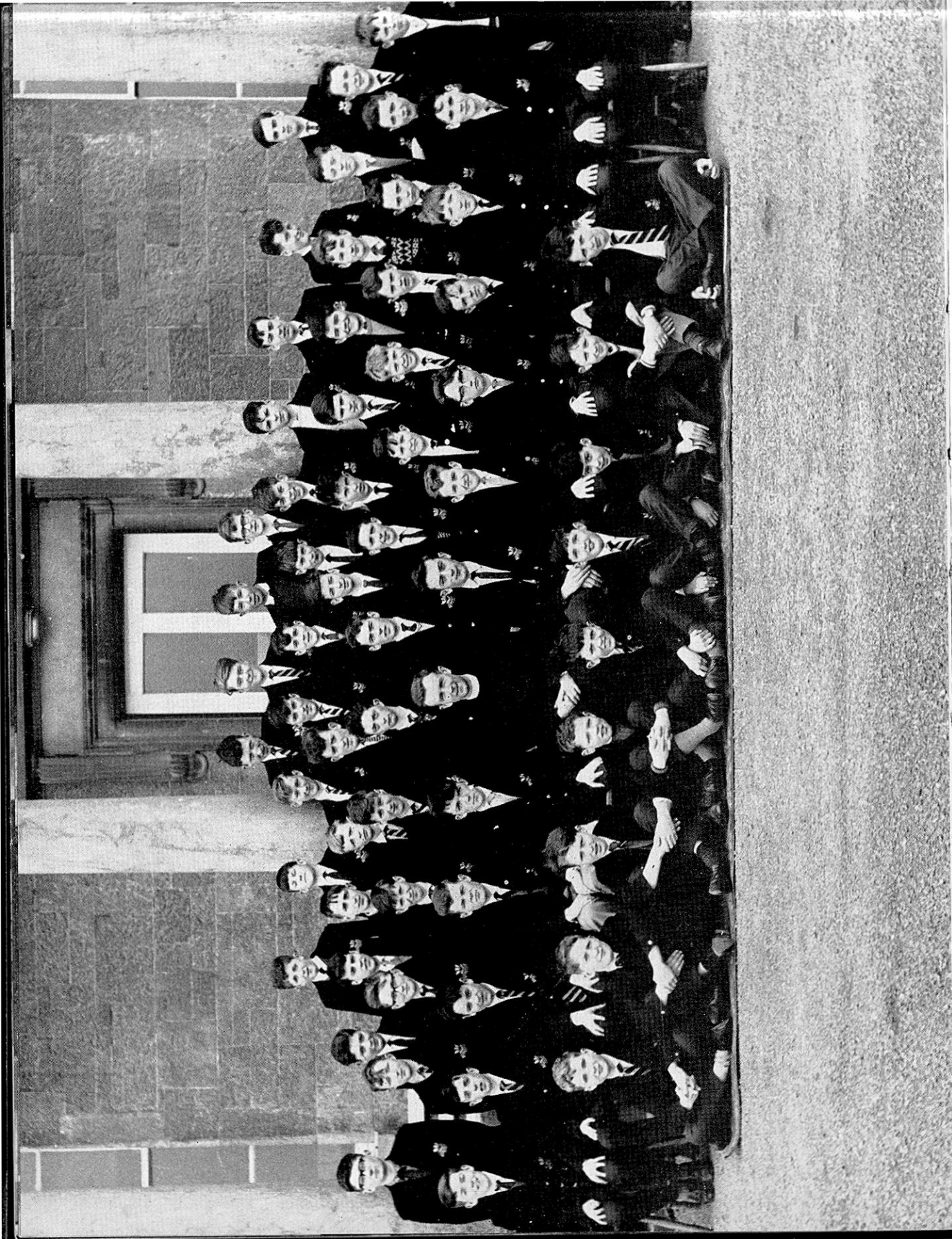
COMDT. T. ROCHE (1931)

**B**EST wishes from the Holy Land, I arrived here on the 22nd February, 1965, on a seven day tour organised by the 41st Infantry Battalion, Cyprus. This particular group included Col. Carl O'Sullivan, a Kerryman, Assistant Chief of Staff U.N.O. Forces in Cyprus, and Lt.-Col. P. Dempsey, a Waterford man, Officer Commanding 41st Infantry Battalion, the tour was one of a number availed of by approximately 40 per cent of the Battalion.

This was truly a memorable experience, seeing is believing I suppose, observing the customs, the unhurried almost lackadaisical way of life of the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the countryside, the shepherds and their flocks, the oxen still used as beasts of burden, the wooden plough, one could easily make the memory journey back through time to get the picture of what it looked like during the life of Christ, it appears to have changed little and I believe it will have changed very little in another few thousand years.

The old city of Jerusalem with its narrow streets, its exciting and extraordinary market and shopping centre, its wealth of history cannot fail to impress. The occupation rights of the Holy Places and the defence of those rights by the various religious denominations, is most extraordinary, whilst no





### THIRD CLUB, 1964-1965

*Fourth Row:* M. Gilmore, T. Brosnan, T. McKaigney, G. O'Connor.

*Third Row:* C. Nash, M. Hawe, D. Murphy, T. Madden, J. O'Connor, K. Harrington, J. Fitzgibbon, J. Kingston, A. O'Brien, V. Moran, G. Thompson.

*Second Row:* G. Lalor, P. Alberici, L. Baldwin, D. Carroll, S. Boland, M. Carlini, A. Murphy, M. McGrory, M. O'Malley, L. McDonnell, W. Hearn, M. Hogan.

*First Row:* J. Deighan, R. O'Connor, T. McCarthy, M. Curran, P. Kelly, J. O'Kelly, H. Casey, J. Glynn, S. Egan, T. Cooke, P. Costello, J. Tait, J. Murphy, M. Cooke.

*Seated:* A. Lavelle, D. Barnwell, K. Roche, P. Horan, B. Adams, Rev. L. Murphy, S.J., P. Connolly, P. Byrne, S. Lynch, P. Brogan, M. Dwyer, K. Power.

*On Ground:* J. Gaw, P. O'Kelly, T. Donovan, P. Shanahan, J. Roden, R. Brennan, M. Creane, D. Hewson, J. Cox.

transgression of these rights are tolerated, I believe a great change is taking place as a result of the "new attitude" of our late Holy Father, Pope John, and the visit to the Holy Land of Pope Paul. I noticed that great respect was shown to our priests by the priests of the other denominations, which I have been given to understand is a new departure, as prior to this suspicion prevailed.

The lay-out of the old city has of course changed over the years. The city having been destroyed several times, its level raised, and as a result the Way of the Cross, the Via Dolorosa, is about twenty feet or more below the present level, it has also changed in direction, however excavations have unearthed part of the original Way of the Cross.

The new city outside the walls has all the modern conveniences, including an Intercontinental Hotel, built of all places on the Mount of Olives, it may be a good site, as it gives a beautiful panoramic view of the city of Jerusalem, but on such historic and holy ground, hardly the most suitable type of building.

The Stations of the Cross are made every Friday evening, in the normal course of events our tour would have been unable to do the Stations as it concluded on a Thursday, but a Franciscan priest was kind enough to conduct the Stations for us on Thursday evening. It was difficult to concentrate with the life of the city moving very much about you, but it was well worth the effort. I feel doing the Stations of the Cross is a must when visiting Jerusalem.

It is difficult to give complete details of our visit as there is so much to cover. I feel to fully appreciate the significance of the Holy Land one would have to have a reasonable knowledge of its history, spend about three to four days as a tourist and four days as a pilgrim, one cannot combine both.

The general opinion of those who made the trip was, that this never to be forgotten experience could not be missed.

## PAST v. PRESENT

ON November 22nd a team of old boys turned up to take part in the annual Past v. Present game. An enjoyable match resulted. Soon after starting Dan Chambers opened the scoring for Mungret. He kicked and dribbled the ball half the field to score in the right hand corner. The kick at goal proved too difficult for Brendan Ryan. Shortly afterwards Frank Malone fly-kicked past the full back Stephen Lawless and scored. Tadg Rafferty missed the conversion.

Early in the second half, the Past gave away a penalty in front of the posts and Brian Punch put the home side ahead by 6-3. Ten minutes later a passing movement started by the Present resulted in Roger Fitzgerald, Des O'Neill and Brendan Ryan handling. Dan Chambers was at hand to take Brendan's pass and score under the posts. Brian Punch converted. Soon afterwards the Past went into the attack. Brian Punch relieved the pressure. From a scrum however, near the home line Frank Malone scored on the blind side. Tadg Rafferty converted. Again the Past attacked and Richard Cooke scored. The final whistle went shortly afterwards leaving the score 11 points each. Tom Lane handled the game with his usual competence.

Winners of the Squadron Race in Cork



Left to Right: J. Tait, M. McGrory, B. Adams, K. Roche.

## Swimming Notes

COMPETITION-WISE this was a very successful year. We began by winning two Munster trophies. Brian Adams, Karl Roche, Martin McGrory and John Tait combined to win the Under 14 Squadron. Martin McGrory won the Under 14 Free-style Championship and came within an ace of winning the breast-stroke title, being unlucky to be disqualified for a faulty finish.

During the winter we competed against four teams, three of them from Leinster, and won three of the galas. With John Cox, Val Moran and Garry Purtell increasing their stroke range and bettering their technique, Dermot Hewson getting stronger and John Roden bigger, we will have plenty of talent to fill the two Under 14 places left vacant by the departure of Brian Adams and Karl Roche for higher ranks. Let's hope interest will continue to vie with proficiency and enable us to sweep the boards at the Schools' Championships in September.

# THE PAST

We convey our warm congratulations to **Archbishop P. O'Donnell ('18)** on succeeding to the See of Brisbane.

A welcome visitor was an old boy from Connecticut **P. J. Murphy ('99)**. He has a grand-nephew from Castletownbere Dermot Murphy at the College.

**Noel Fitzgerald ('48)** carries on a victualler's business under the name of Mann in Patrickswell. His brother **Frank ('48)** farms at home.

The **Roche** brothers are a distinguished quartet from Newcastle West. **John ('27)** runs a large drapery business in his native town. **Hugh ('27)** is the representative of Messrs Dwyers in Dublin. **Dr. Willie ('22)** is attached to Loughlinstown Hospital, Co. Dublin, with several other appointments. **Tom ('31)** is a Comdt. in the Irish Army. He has seen service both in the Congo and Cyprus. He has two sons in the College, Karl and Stewart.

**Kevin Henry, B.E. ('41)** is an engineer with the Louth County Council.

**Monsignor S. Mullarkey ('31)** recently celebrated his silver jubilee at St. Peter's, Winchester. In honour of the occasion the parishioners made a presentation.

**Frank Egan ('26)** F.S.M.C. is practising as an ophthalmic optician in Carlisle.

**Pascal Burke ('50)** is manager of the Portstewart Hotel.

We congratulate **Monsignor J. O'Hea ('31)** and **Monsignor J. Daly ('32)** on becoming Domestic Prelates. Both are attached to the Sale Diocese, Australia.

We welcome back **John Hanly ('17)** after a long stay in America.

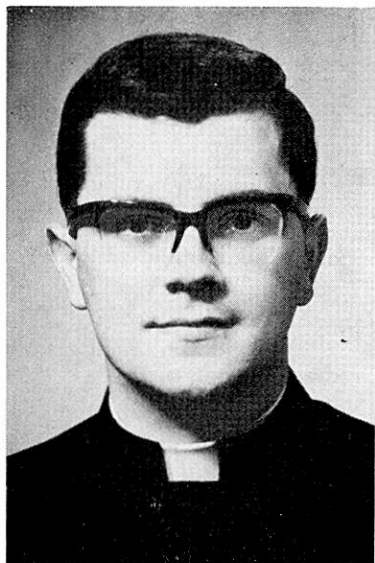
We congratulate **Teddy Watson ('55)** on getting his M.V.B., M.R.C.V.S. degree.

**Michael Keyes ('54)** has left Cork for Birmingham for a training course.



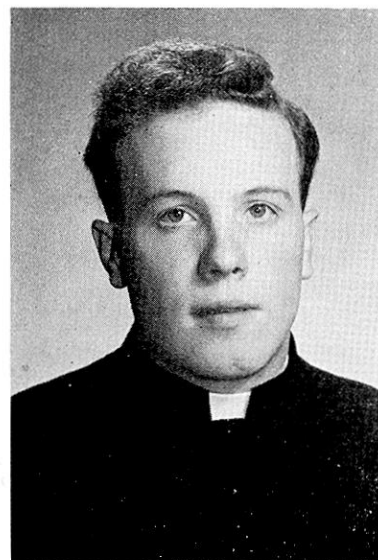
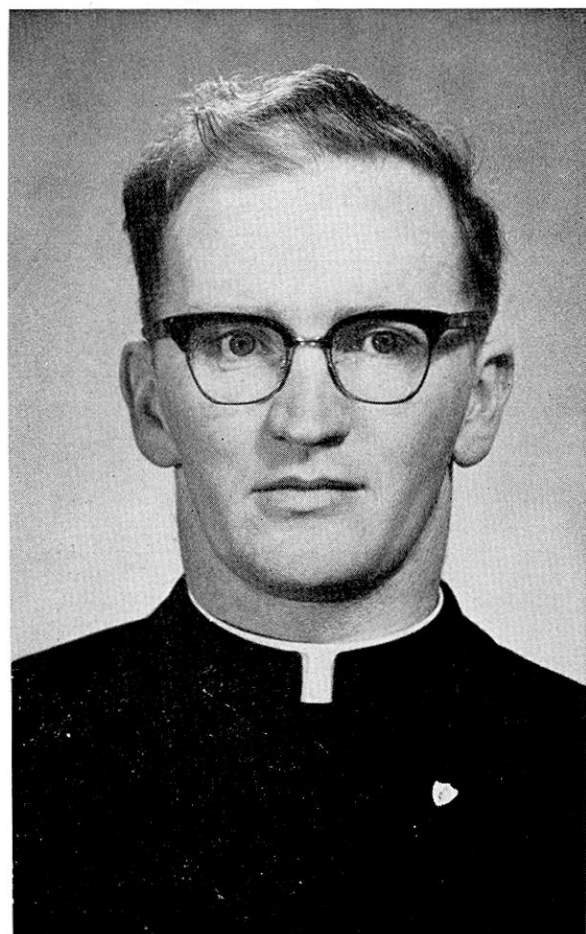
The wedding took place on November 21st at the Sacred Heart Church, Donnybrook, of Thomas Sheehan ('49) and Miss Stephanie McDonnell. The ceremony was performed by Fr. Prenderville. In the above group are, from left to right: Rev. P. Coffey, S.J., Bridegroom and Bride, Rev. S. Donovan, S.J., ('45), Very Rev. Fr. D. Mulcahy, S.J.



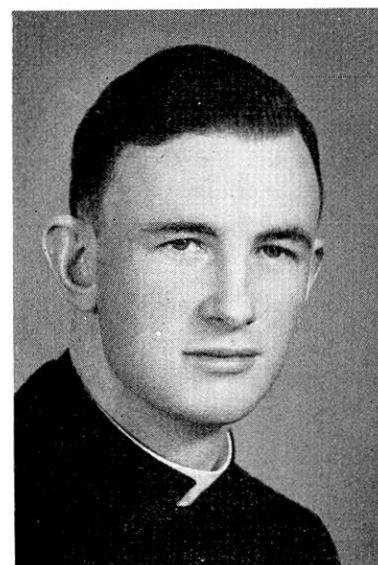


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Perth

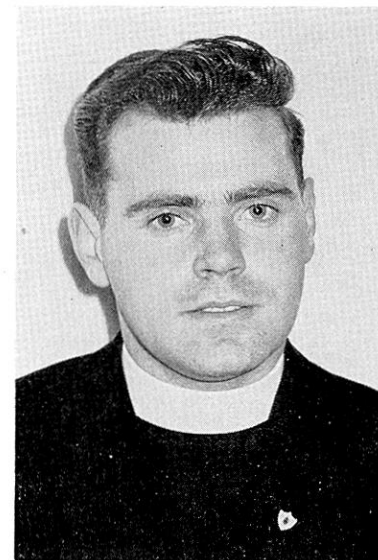
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Jefferson City



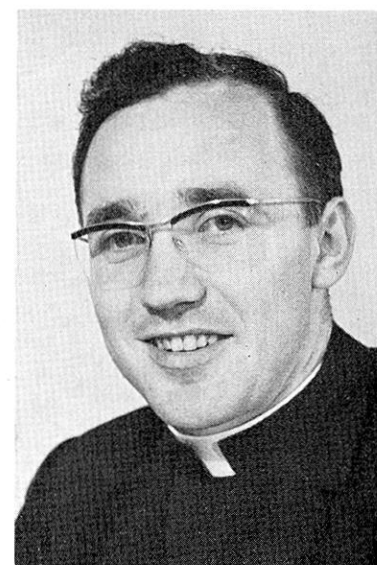
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Brentwood



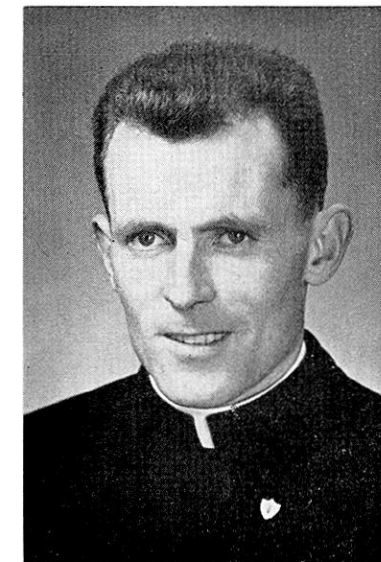
FR. DENIS GARVEY (58-60)  
Los Angeles



FR. JAMES McCORMACK (54-60)  
Brentwood



FR. WILLIAM ENNIS (57-60)  
St. Augustine

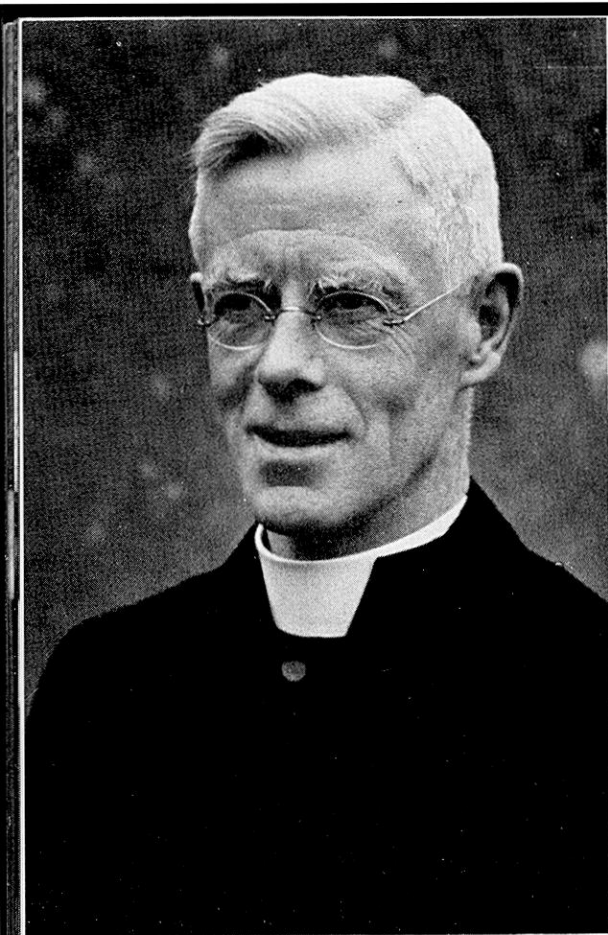


FR. MICHAEL LEE (58-60)  
Wheeling, W. Virginia

## Newly Ordained 1965



FR. JOHN O'FARRELL (58-60)  
Dunkeld



Fr. John Deevey ('06) came to Mungret as a boy early in the century. He has had a long association with Mungret since as a scholastic and priest. In recent years he has published *The Record*, an invaluable register of old boys.

We had a welcome letter from **John Irwin** ('47) recently. John is working in the New Hilton Hotel in the Lincoln Centre. He plans to return to Ireland next autumn.

**Charlie Purcell, B.E., M.Sc.** ('47) is back in Limerick and teaching in the Technical School.

We congratulate **John Keating** ('55) B.Agr. on getting his M.V.B., M.R.C.V.S. John is a former captain of the College.

**Michael Murphy** ('52) has been distinguishing himself in the golf world. He won the Stableford competition at Ballybunion last autumn.

**Joe Fahy** ('52) has become Chairman of the Dublin Radio Branch of the National

Union of Journalists. Joe has made frequent appearances on television.

We had a welcome visit from **Nicholas Canning** ('51) last autumn. He is working with an agricultural supplies firm.

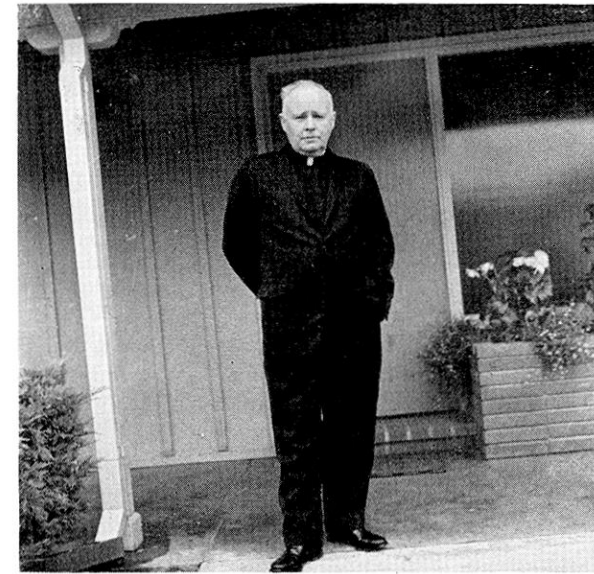
We congratulate **Fr. Hugh Clear** ('50) on getting his M.A. at the Catholic University of Washington. Fr. Hugh is attached to the Los Angeles Diocese.

**District Justice R. Johnson** ('12) got a big send off on his retirement from the Bench.

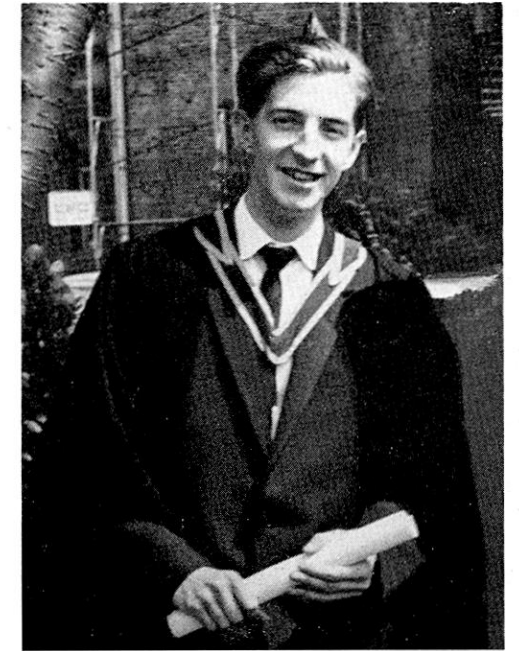
**Walter Ryan** ('21) is General Manager of the Provincial Bank of Ireland.

We offer our best wishes and congratulations to **Fr. William Moloney, S.J.** ('99) on celebrating his golden jubilee last July.

The wedding took place on June 27th at St. Peter's Church, Drogheda, of **Donal Buckley, B.D.S.** ('54) and **Miss Pauline Murray**. The ceremony was performed by the bride's brother **Fr. Kevin Murray**.



Fr. P. McHugh ('39), Felton, California, with whom the Editor spent some very pleasant days last October.



We offer our congratulations to **Barry Hennessy** ('57) on getting his degree in architecture last summer.

Fr. William who was a novice in the Society with Fr. John Sullivan went to Australia in 1916. He had two nephews in the College John and Harry.

"He can look back today to the revolution of half a century ago and say with pride 'I was one of those who found my country lowly and oppressed and helped to make her free.'" So spoke the Tanaiste, Mr. McEntee in a tribute to **Sean Brady** ('22) marking his thirty-eight year in the Dail.

**Desmond Cantwell** ('57) joined the Salvatorians shortly after leaving Mungret. He is at present doing his studies in Rome and will be ordained in June of this year.

**Hubert Roche Kelly** ('55) is working with Littlewoods in Denbighshire, North Wales.

We congratulate **Matt de Courcy** ('29) on being appointed manager of the National Bank, Tulla.

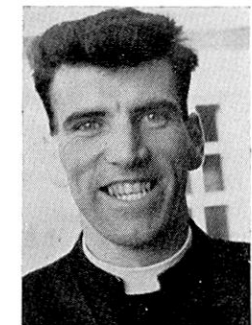
**Pat Nolan** is an architect with Harvey Jacob in Waterford.

Congratulations to **Dr. Tim O'Connell** ('49) on attaining the high distinction of Membership of the Royal College of Physicians, Edinburgh.

We were glad to hear that an old friend **Monsignor Mort Danaher** ('49) was made Papal Chamberlain.

**Fr. Michael Pelly, S.J.** ('24) is director of the Missionary Service.

FR. KEVIN CANTWELL



We congratulate **Fr. Kevin Cantwell, O.M.I.**, ('54), on his ordination last December in his native parish church at Lingfield. Fr. Kevin is at present in Piltown but expects to be going abroad on the missions in summer.

We are sorry to say good bye to **Enda Flannelly** ('53) on his departure from Limerick. He is taking over management and directorship of the Lough Swilly Hotel, Buncrana. Enda was a good friend in an emergency. We send him and his wife all our good wishes in their new undertaking.

We send our warm congratulations to the **Right Rev. P. Geehan** ('11) on celebrating the golden jubilee of his ordination on 22nd April. A High Mass of Thanksgiving was sung by the jubilarian in St. Cecilia's Church, San Antonio, Texas.

Following the death of his father, **Barry Brogan** ('62) has become Ireland's youngest racehorse trainer. He had a few horses in the Liverpool meeting including Ballygowan in the Grand National. We congratulate him on his first winner with Tartare in the Maiden Hurdle at Thurles in April.

**Pat Madigan** ('50) farms on an extensive

scale near Shanagolden. He frequently exhibits prize cattle.

**Sean Hurley** ('51) has moved from Limerick to Cork. He is manager of a self-drive firm P.A.L.

**Arthur Caball** ('57) has a motor accessory business in Tralee.

**Liam O'Connor** ('57) is working in Belfast with an engineering firm, Simon and Barnes. We had a welcome visit from him at Easter.

**Fr. Michael Hayes** ('37) is now stationed in University Church, Dublin. Fr. Michael is a very loyal old Mungret man.

**Paddy Hogan** ('50) is instructor in an air training school in Los Angeles. His brother **Michael** ('48) is liason officer with B.O.A.C. in Johannesburg.

**Tom O'Connor** ('47) is sales representative for a drug company. He covers Cork and Waterford.

## MARRIAGES

We send our best wishes to the following on the occasion of their wedding

**Hugh Ryan** to Miss Sheelagh Jordan.

**D. Buckley, B.D.S.**, to Miss Pauline Murray.

**Willie McSweeney** to Miss Freda Bartley.

**Victor Hennessy** to Miss Louise Muldowney.

**Tom Sheehan** to Miss Stephanie McDonnell.

**Frank Gowan** to Miss Ellen Russell.

**Desmond Hayes** to Miss Betty Rowan.

**Tom Deasy** to Miss Patricia Long.

**Bernard Ryan** to Miss Marie Kelly.

**Con Noonan** to Miss Pauline Costello.

**Kevin Henry** to Miss Marie McDonald.

**Pearse Mee** to Miss Annette Dargan.

**Clement Reeves** to Miss Fionuala O'Kelly.

**Gerard Sheehy, B.E.**, to Miss Kathyne Anne O'Grady.

## Boys of last year

### APOSTOLIC SCHOOL

ADRIAN BRINN	...	St. Patrick's College, Thurles
TERENCE KANE	...	St. Patrick's College, Carlow
LIAM KIDNEY	...	St. John's College, Camarillo
FERGUS MCGLYNN	...	All Hallows College
DERMOT WINSTON	...	All Hallows College
PATRICK MURPHY	...	American College, Louvain
MICHAEL BRADY	...	O.M.I., Cahirmoyle, Co. Limerick
MICHAEL WOLOHAN	...	White Fathers, Blackloin, Co. Cavan
PHILIP O'KENNEDY	...	All Hallows College

*Diocese*  
San Diego  
Atlanta  
Los Angeles  
Sacramento  
Southwark  
Austin (Texas)

Mobile

### LAY BOYS

R. COOKE	...	Medicine
V. ROGERS	...	Arts
T. ROWLAND	...	
P. FINN	...	Agricultural Science
F. MALONE	...	Medicine
F. PELLY	...	Engineering
A. DAVIS	...	Dentistry
M. WALLACE	...	Veterinary
T. CRONIN	...	Dentistry
T. O'BRIEN	...	Arts
D. O'CALLAGHAN	...	Medicine
R. O'CALLAGHAN	...	Agricultural Science
N. QUIN	...	Commerce
D. O'RIORDAN	...	Engineering
J. SHEAHAN	...	Business
T. SHEEHAN	...	"
T. CONNOR	...	"
F. MURPHY	...	"
G. FITZGERALD	...	"
E. O'NEILL	...	"
A. PRIM	...	"
A. ROGERS	...	Bank
J. MAHER	...	"
J. BARNWALL	...	"
A. O'NEILL	...	"
N. BROWN	...	Accountancy
J. HANNIGAN	...	Agriculture
P. HANRATTY	...	Studying for G.C.E.
M. MCKENNA	...	Accountancy

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### THE DUMB WIFE OF CHEAPSIDE

As the Alderman, Paul Albericci gave quite a remarkable display. He had excellent stage presence, spoke his lines with clarity and assurance and led the cast throughout. John Cox as the lawyer was his closest rival and given time and experience should develop into a good actor. The difficult part of the dumb wife was well played by Tony McGarvey whose high speed and high pitched Northern accent suited the part well. The best fun of the night was derived from the performances of Jim Gaw, Frank McNicholl and John Roden as the quacks who enjoyed wielding their chisels, hammers and saws. Finally in the small roles of the servant and the dumb wife's waiting woman Michael Creane and Dermot Hewson lived up to what we expected.

### THE MONKEY'S PAW

THOUGH an old chestnut *The Monkey's Paw* was an ambitious undertaking for the Grammar Class. However, the cast deserve much credit for their performance. Tony Cafferky as the father, John Mullan as the mother, Brian Adams as the son, and Nathaniel Healy as the attorney, gave of their best. With more practice this group should excel on the next occasion.

## Entertainments

### THE IMAGINARY INVALID

OF all the plays, this one performed by First Poetry, as might be expected, was the most successful. All possessed an excellent understanding of their parts. Tom Quin was excellent in the role of the invalid. Stewart Roche who had a lot of lines to memorise was not far behind. Niall Foley as the daughter was an attractive young lady. Our warm congratulations also to Vincent Becker, Paddy Cronin, Peter Fitzgibbon, Tom Perem and Tony Gallagher on their excellent acting.

A word of thanks to all our helpers especially to Mr. and Mrs. C. Byrne for their help in making up.

### THE IMAGINARY INVALID



THE CAST

# Mission Society

## MISSION SOCIETY

President: REV. L. J. MURPHY, S.J.  
Secretary: DAVID DEIGHAN  
Treasurer: JAMES MCGRATH  
Apostolic School: SYLVESTER O'DONNELL  
ALEX WHITE

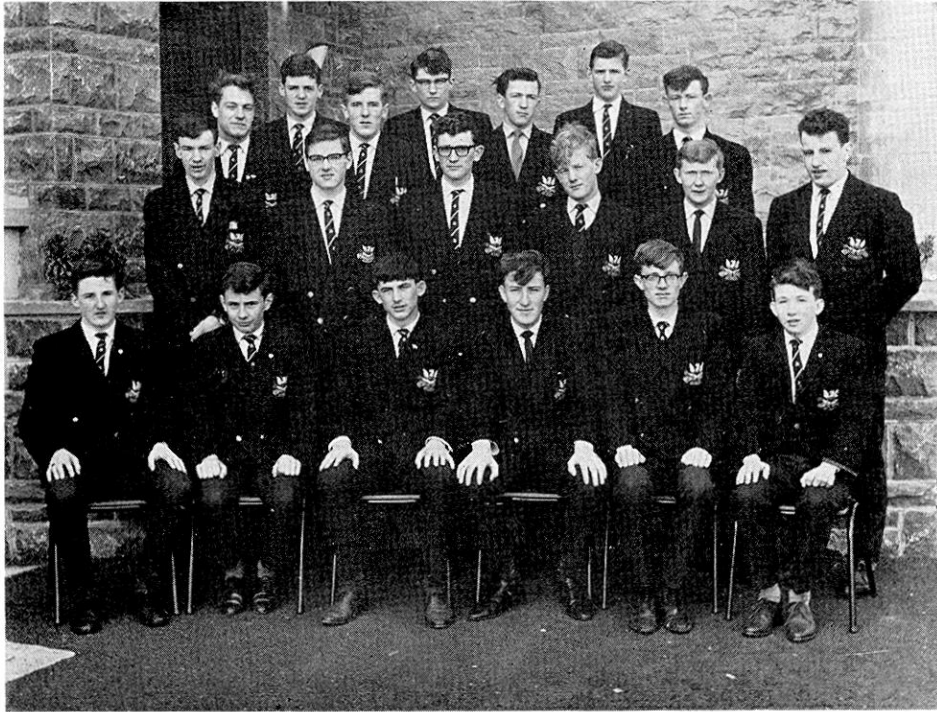
THE talk given by Rev. Donal Doyle, S.J. (Japanese Province), on Mission Sunday, served as an inaugural for the Mission Society this year. This talk was very much appreciated and the excellent selection of coloured slides of Japan showed us some of the beauty of this mission field. Other talks throughout the year were provided by Dr. Corboy, S.J., Bishop of Monze, Zambia, and by Fr. O'Loughlin, S.J., Superior of the Irish Jesuits' Mission in Zambia. Both speakers took the opportunity to express their thanks for the work of the people at home for the missions in Zambia. Thanks are also due to all who helped in the selling and buying of tickets for the different raffles and draws and to those who gave something to our collection throughout the year and in this latter work a special word of thanks is due to the apostolic school.



Standing Left to Right: D. Deighan, A. White, S. O'Donnell, J. McGrath.  
Seated: Rev. L. Murphy, S.J.

## St. Vincent De Paul Society

Spiritual Director: FR. G. McLAUGHLIN, S.J.  
President: J. CONNOLLY  
Vice-President: P. KIRWAN  
Secretary: M. HEADEN  
Treasurer: A. SLOWEY



THE Mungret Conference of the Society carried on its work with its usual enthusiasm this year. There are twenty members in the Society who go on visits every week to the poor of the area. Funds for the work are obtained from the poor-box, from collections before films and from general collections. The response to these collections is excellent. At Christmas books

and clothes were collected for a boys club in Limerick.

The Conference was represented by two members at the Youth Conference in Dublin last September. Attendance at the meetings is good and Fr. McLaughlin is to be congratulated for his stimulating and kindly interest in the Society.

## PIONEER ACTIVITIES

IT is heartening to notice that the Pioneer Movement under the direction of Fr. Coffey is not losing any of the impetus shown in former years in both lay and apostolic schools. The Pioneer Association is a movement which is guided by priests but it is not a movement predominantly for priests.

The laymen in the Association, just as the layman in the Church as a whole is learning to take the initiative. As the Church is seeking to produce complete Christians, so the Pioneer Movement wishes to produce complete pioneers, pioneers who understand the Association's ideals, pioneers who through their own conviction and example



Left to Right: D. Chambers, Rev. P. Coffey, S.J., J. Walton, M. Wall, M. Murphy

can lead others in a way of perfect devotion.

A pioneer is not a single entity, he is a man in a community and it is his aim and desire to lead the community, hence the badge, hence the prayer for others.

We in Mungret heard an excellent address, on this and other points, by Mr. Thomas Flanagan, who is manager of Shannon-side Tourism, at our annual rally. He did for us what we would hope all our pioneers will do, to a greater or lesser extent, in the coming years. He understood the Association. He explained the aims of the Association. He exhorted us to examine

the Association and then decide whether or not to join.

We are delighted to have such a progressive branch of the Association in our college and it is our wish that it will continue to grow from strength to strength in the years to come. I would like to thank our Spiritual Director, Rev. Fr. Coffey, for his unfailing help and guidance during the year and also all those who made the year the success it has been.

MICHAEL MURPHY  
Secretary, 1964/65



## LEARNING TO SAVE LIFE

There are people constantly swimming is a necessity; and so, with the advent of the swimming pool in Mungret, life saving was started. The pioneer group was formed soon after the completion of the pool, and assisted by Mr. John Hurley (President: Mungret Union) and Mr. Jim Glynn of the Limerick Branch of the Irish Red Cross, they soon got under way. Although the instruction took quite a while due to the limited amount of time available, never-the-less the course was finished and examinations were held on the night of the 5th of June. The results were very favourable, the society gaining among others: two instructors; two first class; six second class; and three advanced swimmers.

Now that the group had an instructor in its ranks, and two more boys doing the instructor's course, the next course would be covered more quickly and more efficiently. Consequently, half way through the next term—the Christmas term—another course was started. This was again assisted by Mr. Hurley and Mr. Glynn. Eighteen boys were admitted and put on the course which started on November 15th. The course was interrupted by TV coming to the Mungret pool, and the life savers were called upon to give a short demonstration in the course of the programme. Everything went well, and during the holidays they saw themselves, or should I say pictured themselves as future screen stars? The course was restarted again, everything went smoothly, and on the night of December 7th examinations were held once again. All passed their chosen grade.

### Results:

*Instructor:* D. Chambers, D. Deighan.  
*First Class:* M. McGrory, D. Quinlan.  
*Second Class:* J. O'Flynn, P. Nolan, T.

Brosnan, M. J. O'Donnell, B. Punch, R. Wall.

*Third Class:* J. Tait, K. Roche, P. Byrne, S. Lynch, V. Moran, P. Kirwan, C. O'Dowd, J. Deighan, P. Touhy, and M. Carlino.

*Advanced Swimmer:* D. Deighan, M. McGrory, D. Quinlan.

March 25th saw the start of life saving once more. Twenty boys were admitted into a new group, which was split into two divisions: division one which was made up of boys who had previously obtained grade certificates, and division two which was made up of boys starting from scratch. The first division comprising eight boys, got down to work immediately, and in approximately five days were ready for examination. Accordingly on the night of April 1st they were duly examined, and with the exception of two all passed their elected grades. The afore-said two passed out at a later date—April 5th.

### Results:

*First Class:* M. J. O'Donnell, B. Punch, J. O'Flynn, J. Lynch, P. Nolan, F. Wall.  
*Second Class:* P. Byrne, S. Lynch.

As this goes to Press division two are still on their course, so results of their examination are unfortunately not available.

Finally, I would like to express a vote of thanks to both Mr. Hurley and Mr. Glynn, who helped the group in every way possible, and gave so generously of their time, and without whom the group should never have "got off the ground".

R. FITZGERALD

## Apostolics' Debating Society

### PHILOSOPHERS

*Chairman:* G. O'GRADY  
*Committee:* A. NICHOLSON  
 T. KEYS  
 N. HALLINAN

### SENIORS

*Chairman:* C. DONEGAN  
*Committee:* J. DEACON  
 M. O'CALLAGHAN

### JUNIORS

*Chairman:* J. O'REILLY  
*Committee:* D. CARROLL  
 P. MADDEN

*First Session (Philosophers):* October, 1964.

*Motion:* "That there is not sufficient dialogue between Catholics and Protestants in Ireland today".

*Government:* P. Browne, T. Mulhall, A. Ward.

*Opposition:* D. Herlihy, S. O'Sheehy, K. Sheehan.

This was a most interesting and lively debate on a matter which had been given much consideration by the Vatican Council. The government stressed that dialogue is an honest exchange of opinions and ideas with the aim of improving relationships between the parties concerned. In Ireland as yet there was very little of such dialogue.

The opposition countered by showing a gradual improvement in Catholic—Protestant relationships. However they lost 40—11

*Second Session (Senior Apostolics)* November, 1964.

*Motion:* "That teenagers are unduly influenced by modern entertainments".

*Government:* D. Cassidy, W. Riordan, B. Doherty.

*Opposition:* J. Honeyands, P. Ruddy, J. Hynes.

It was most interesting to hear what young people thought about young people. The government aimed at showing how youth was being exploited but the opposition strongly defended modern entertainment and gained the support of the house by the slender margin of two votes 25—27.

*Third Session (Junior Apostolics)* December, 1964.

*Motion:* "That television can replace the art of reading".

*Government:* B. Flynn, S. Bruton, J. McCarthy.

*Opposition:* B. Breen, J. Kelly, T. Conlon.

This was a difficult motion yet the standard of the speeches was high. After considering the many ideas presented by the speakers the house rejected the motion by two votes 21—23.

*Fourth Session (Philosophers)* February, 1965.

*Motion:* "That the vast financial outlay on space exploration is not justified".

*Government:* A. Nicholson, B. Cullinan, T. Keys.

*Opposition:* L. Gardiner, N. Hallinan, M. Gibbons.

This was an interesting subject for debate. While so much was being spent on space projects, the government pointed out, over a third of the world's population was starving and even well below the average standard of intelligence. Space exploration had occasioned a race for power and prestige which was causing affluent nations to forget their duties towards fellow men.

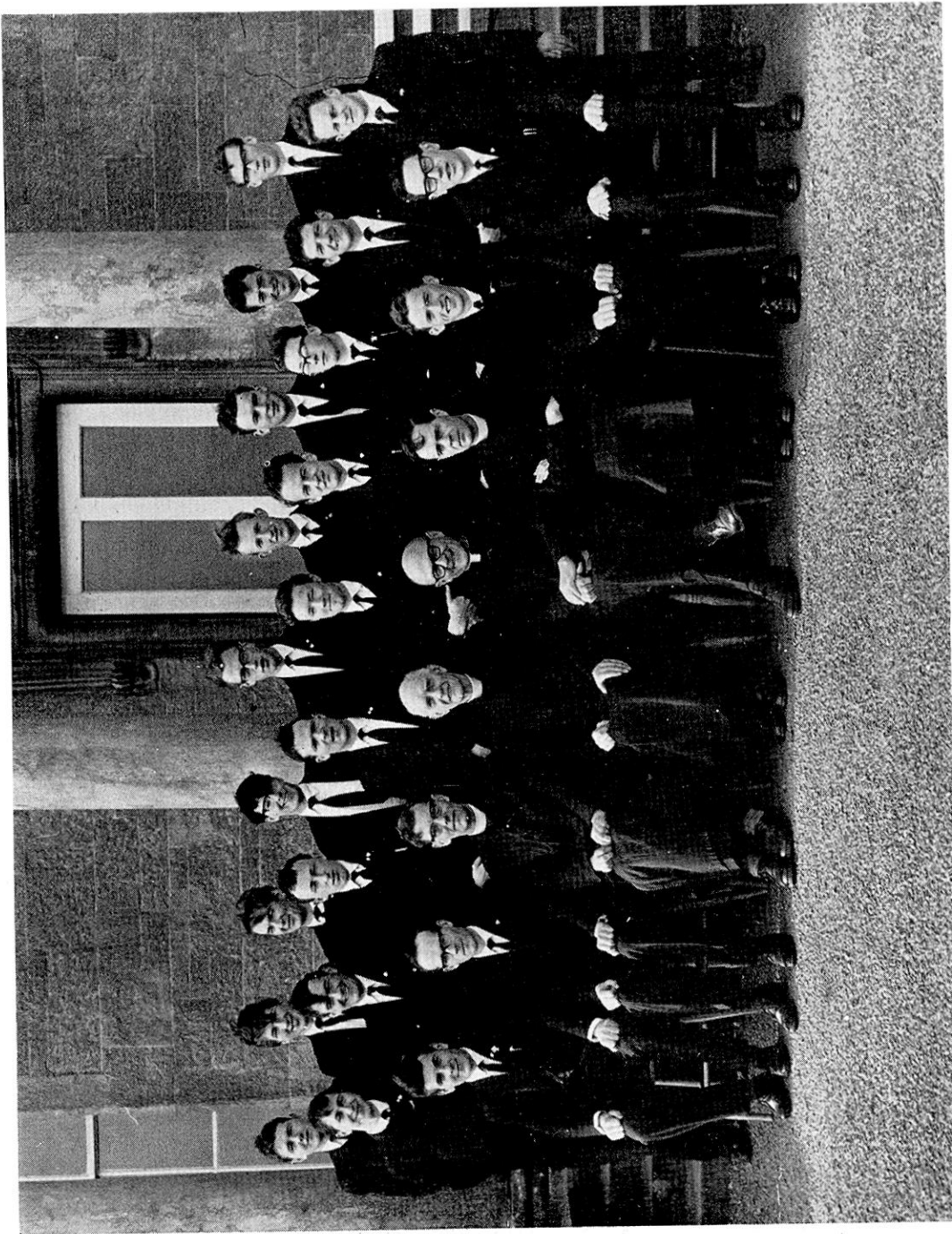
The opposition defended space exploration by showing us the possible fruits to be gained, mentioning such problems as a population explosion and scarcity of vital minerals in future years. 23—25.

*Fifth Session (Senior Apostolics)* March, 1965.

*Motion:* "That the implementation of the recommendations of the White Paper will greatly help to restore the Irish language".

*Government:* C. Cuning, J. McGrath, E. O'Brien.

*Opposition:* G. McSweeney, A. Kelly, T.



Back Row: T. Keys, J. Quirke, T. Mulhall, B. Moore, S. O'Donnell, L. Gardiner, D. O'Connor, N. Hallinan, B. Cullinan.  
 Second Row: A. Ward, W. Casey, M. Gibbons, F. Gormley, G. O'Grady, A. Nicholson, S. Sheehy, P. Browne, D. Herlihy.  
 Seated: M. Murphy, P. Aikens, Rev. S. Casey, S.J., Rev. R. F. Roche, S.J., Very Rev. J. Kerr, S.J., Rector, Rev. E. Egan, S.J., P. Gallagher, J. Walton.

Halferty.

This was a most lively debate partly because some speakers questioned the revival of Irish as the first language of the country.

The motion was defeated by thirty votes to eleven.

*Sixth Session* (Junior Apostolics) April, 1965.

*Motion:* "That the G.A.A. should remove the ban on foreign games".

*Government:* J. McCarter, S. O'Gorman, T. McGarvey.

*Opposition:* J. Moloney, C. O'Reilly, N. Kearney.

This was a very enjoyable debate, a host of speakers presenting views for and against the ban. The House approved it by the minimum margin—25—26.

## Sodality of our Lady of St. Stanislaus

*Director:* K. McDowell, S.J.

*Prefect:* MICHAEL LYNCH

*Secretary:* MICHAEL WALL

Members since last year : G. O'Flanagan, M. Lynch, M. Wall.

Received December 8th, 1964: B. Carmody, D. Deighan, P. FitzGibbon, M. Hunt, A. Lombard, O. Murphy, N. O'Regan, G. Rumley, A. White.

The experiment of encouraging only boys in sixth year to join as permanent members of the sodality was continued this year. There is a goodly number of fifth year boys who have joined the sodality as temporary members. All meet every week in the East Room. Many of these meetings have been devoted to deepening the boys' appreciation of the Mass by a study of the new liturgy and by Gospel enquiries. Other problems are openly discussed there, and it is hoped that through these discussions the members will be better able to understand and promote the mind of the Church on these matters.

## Apostolic Concert

THE apostolics once again presented a variety concert just before the Christmas vacation on Sunday, 13th December, 1964.

The concert was most enjoyable and everyone said that it had maintained the high standard of past apostolic productions. A great deal of hard work went into the production of the concert, but since most of the work was of a permanent nature, e.g. permanent lighting was installed and a complete set of new curtains was prepared for the entire stage, it gave an added sense of satisfaction to the committee.

## Vocatus Christi

This year, as every year, the apostolic school produced its own magazine *Vocatus Christi*. This magazine is entirely a home production. The articles are written by the students of the school and are then edited by selected editors and prepared for the production. The typing is carried out by the students and the drawings and illustrations are executed by the best artists in the school.

When all the material has been prepared the stencils are run off on the college duplicating machine, after which it is assembled and bound by the committee.

The magazine was published on St. Patrick's Day.

Editors : S. O'Donnell, B. Cullinan, A. Nicholson.

## Sodality of Our Lady of St. Francis Xavier

*Director:* FR. CASEY, S.J.

*Prefect:* JOHN WALTON

*Secretary:* PATRICK BROWNE

Members since last year : P. Browne, M. Gibbons, D. Herlihy, M. Murphy, S. O'Donnell, J. Walton.





*Back Row:* B. Doherty, P. Ruddy, J. Honeyands, T. Halferty, W. Riordan, J. McGrath, J. McSweeney, C. Cuning, E. O'Brien, D. Cassidy, F. Dennis.  
*Middle Row:* P. Cahill, M. Geraghty, P. Gallagher, Rev. M. Leahy, S.J., Rev. Brother Murphy, S.J., J. Hynes, A. Kelly.  
*Front Row:* J. Deacon, L. White, C. Donegan, K. Mulkere, M. O'Callaghan, T. Barron.

Received December 8th, 1964: B. Dullinan, L. Gardiner, N. Kennedy, T. Keys, T. Mulhall, S. Sheehy, A. Ward, D. Cassidy, M. Geraghty, J. Honeyands.

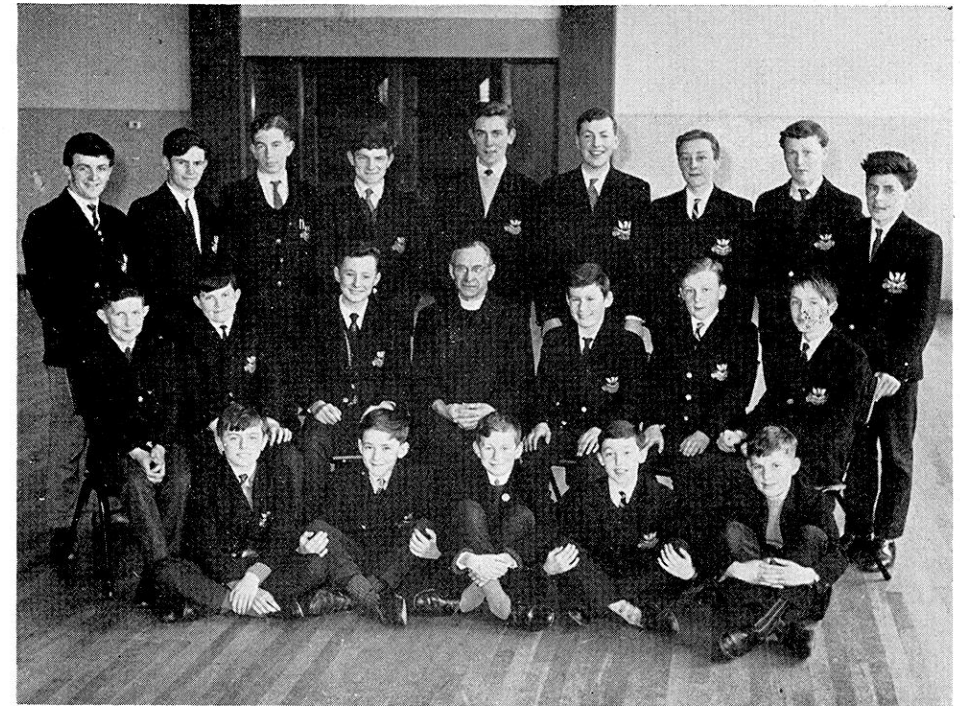
This year it was decided to change the time of our meetings from 2.30 p.m. on Saturday afternoons to 8.30 p.m. on Saturday evenings. When the new order of time was introduced after Christmas, the time was brought forward to 7.30 p.m. The change from afternoon to evening was voted a success because our meetings take the form of discussions and the afternoon (we discovered) is a sleepy time.

As last year, our meetings consisted of an opening prayer, including the Sodality Act of Consecration to Our Lady, followed by a Gospel Enquiry and a Social Enquiry. The main topic we discussed in our Social Enquiries this year was the liturgy, in pre-

paration for the changes inaugurated on March 7th. The basis of our discussions were the Enquiries suggested in *Sodality Services*, which we found satisfactory.

We note that the Mungret Sodality celebrates its 75th anniversary this year, for it was on November 1st, 1890, that a sodality was erected here and aggregated to the Prima Primaria Sodality in Rome. However, it was not until 1893 that students of the Apostolic School were admitted. For many years apostolics and lay-boys joined the same sodality but just 30 years ago, in May 1935, Fr. Provincial decided that there should be a separate Apostolic School Branch. In future there were to be separate meetings but a combined Reception. Fr. T. P. Kelly was the first Director of the Apostolic School Sodality.

## DAY BOYS



*Front Row:* G. McCormack, L. Fenton, P. McGrath, E. Boland, A. Hickey.  
*Second Row:* J. Foley, J. Ryan, F. Cronin, Father O'Meara, B. O'Flynn, W. Murphy, E. Quinn.  
*Back Row:* G. Ward, J. Loftus, D. Cregin, M. Hayes, B. Barry, P. Cronin, M. Murphy, D. Culhane, S. O'Flynn.



Seated: G. Keogh, F. Wall, Very Rev. J. Kerr, S.J., J. Hurley, Rev. J. Deevy, S.J.,  
Dr. E. Cogan.  
Second Row: W. Fellows, J. Lynch, Hon. Sec. Union, E. T. O'Connor, W. Miller,  
N. Galligan, Rev. P. Coffey, S.J., L. Nestor.  
Third Row: J. Hennessy, T. Lane, Hon. Sec. Southern Branch, G. O'Connor, S. Demmon,  
E. Frost.

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## REPORT OF HON. SECRETARY 1965

Mr. President, Very Rev. and Rev. Fathers and Gentlemen,

To me again this year falls the honour of reporting the doings and affairs of our Union during the past twelve months. First of all I must say a very sincere word of thanks to our Rector Fr. Kerr for all his kindness in allowing us the run of the College for this day. It is a very great pleasure to us all to come back and see the wonderful improvements that are constantly being made in our Alma Mater. I must also pay a very sincere tribute to my colleague Fr. Coffey whose efforts on behalf of the Union have been invaluable and whose co-operation this year saved me the very onerous task of sending out some three hundred circulars by advising all the Past about this function through the medium of the Eagle, a publication which I am sure we all read with a great deal of pleasure.

On Sunday, April 5th 1964, the Union Dinner was held here in the College with an attendance of approximately one hundred, presided over by John Hurley it was a most enjoyable function which those of us who travelled by bus from Dublin remember with great pleasure in spite of the long journey. Our best thanks are due to the Southern Branch officials who made all the

arrangements. The Union Golf Outing was again held at the Curragh Golf Club and was a most successful day due mainly to the efforts of our man on the spot Capt. Tom Roche. At the inter-schools golf competition at Milltown our team did not fare so well this year but we look forward with confidence to the coming season. The Three Unions dance in Jury's Hotel was not as well attended as we had hoped but nevertheless a profit of about £10 was sent to UNICEF.

## BRANCH ACTIVITIES

As in previous years the Southern Branch has been outstanding in its activities on behalf of the Building Fund and in the period under review the Annual Dinner-Dance was held in Limerick and maintained its position as the highlight of the social season. I had the pleasure of being present and could not praise too highly the excellent arrangements. From the West I have very little news but am still hopeful of a strong revival among our Past there.

Owing to pressure of business our Hon. Treasurer Walter Costello was compelled to resign during the year and his place was taken by Jim O'Leary who has been such a staunch friend of the Union during the



years and who very willingly stepped into the breach. We had an improved attendance of fourteen at the week-end retreat in Milltown Park recently and I am very hopeful that soon we will be able to fill the house there with our own members. Just before Christmas we held a small dinner in Ross's Hotel, Dun Laoghaire, at which we took the opportunity of carrying out the wishes of the last A.G.M. by making a presentation of a College crest to Paddy Nutley in recognition of his hard work on our behalf during his years as Hon Treas. It had been hoped to organise a charter flight to the U.S.A. this year but upon investigation it proved that the venture would be a bit beyond our means and the idea had to be dropped.

We extend our sincere sympathy to a past President Sean Brady on the loss of his wife and to Brendan McMahon whose mother died recently and to all our Past who suffered bereavements including the families of Tommy Martin and Fr. Shuley who was Minister here during my own time in Mungret.

That, gentlemen, is an outline of our activities for the past twelve months and I trust it gives you some idea of the work of your Council and Branches.

P. COFFEY, S.J.  
T. J. LYNCH  
Joint Hon. Secretaries

Group at the Annual Dinner in the College, April, 1965



Seated, Left to Right: J. O'Leary, Hon. Treas., J. Hurley, P. Nutley, President, T. J. Lynch, Hon. Sec., Rev. P. Coffey, S.J.  
Standing: G. Cahill, F. Wall, P. Butler, B. Smith, F. Corry, J. Callanan, R. Le Bas, D. Kelly.

## Southern Branch

At the General Meeting Frank Wall was elected as Chairman and Geof Keogh as Vice-Chairman. Tom Lane was elected Secretary.

The Annual Dinner Dance was held this year on November 22nd at Cruises Hotel. The event coincided with the Past match, so a welcome feature was that many of the recent Past attended. The attendance was a record one with over 250 people.

Among our guests were, the Very Rev. Fr. J. Kerr, S.J., Fr. J. Deevy, S.J. and Fr. P. Coffey, S.J., also Mayor Danagher and

the Chairmen of the Limerick Unions and their wives.

The annual 45' drive and the concert at Mungret College were both highly successful. They were in aid of the Building Fund.

At the moment we are busily preparing for the Garden Fête at the College in May. In the past year the President of the Union was nominated by the Southern Branch and J. Hurley was selected.

T. LANE  
Secretary

## UNION DINNER

Though the attendance at the Union Dinner this year showed a falling off from the previous year, due mainly to counter attractions, nevertheless it was a most enjoyable event.

It was highlighted by a few outstanding guests. Morgan McMahon back from America for a short period, proposed the toast of the College. Other visitors were Comdt. Tom Roche just back from Cyprus, and Michael Hogan back on a short holiday from Johannesburg. Ex District Justice Johnson travelled from Tralee, Douglas

Kelly from Swinford and Colonel J. J. Walsh from Dublin.

Fr. Crowe replied to the toast of the College. Dr. Noel Smyth proposed the toast of the Union to which Paddy Nutley replied. John Hurley proposed the toast of the guests and Fr. Roche replied.

Our best thanks are due to Jim O'Leary, Paddy Nutley and Joe Lynch for their organisation at the Dublin end and to John Hurley, Tom Lane and Noel Galligan for their work at the other end.

## First Club Debating Society

President: FR. K. FITZGERALD, S.J.

Secretary: JOHN O'CONNOR

THE inaugural meeting of the Debating Society took place on October 29th. The motion before the house was "Trade Unions in 1964 do more harm than good". The motion was passed by 18 votes to 13. The speakers were M. Headen, O. Murphy, V. Becker. The opposition was represented by Messrs D. Chambers, D. Deighnan and R. Bluett.

The second meeting took place on 27th November. The motion was "That Senator Goldwater was more right than wrong". Messrs J. Donlon, J. Maher and A. White supported the motion. It was opposed by Messrs M. Lynch, T. Quin and J. O'Connor. The voting was even.

The third meeting was a debate between ourselves and Crescent College. The motion

## SENIOR DEBATING SOCIETY



again was "That Senator Goldwater was more right than wrong". Messrs D. Chambers, O. Murphy, J. O'Connor and J. Maher opposed the motion on behalf of Mungret. Crescent were represented by Messrs Kennedy, Herriot, Madden and Killeen. The home side were voted the winners.

The fourth meeting was held on February 17th. The motion was "That the Government should cease in its efforts to restore the Irish language". The motion was sup-

ported by Messrs R. Morrison, S. Roche and P. Cronin. The opposition composed Messrs T. Perrem, J. McShane and P. Wall. The opposition won by one vote.

The fifth meeting was held on March 24th. The motion was "Fine Gael are more capable of ruling this country than Fianna Fail". The motion was supported by Messrs J. Rochford, P. Fitzgibbon and B. Carmody. It was opposed by Messrs M. Headen, O. Murphy and P. Kirwan. The vote resulted in a tie.

## SECOND CLUB DEBATING SOCIETY

*President:* REV. L. J. MURPHY, S.J.  
*Secretary:* PHILIP KIRWAN

SECOND Club Debating Society got off to a good start by recruiting almost all Second Clubbers into the Society. The first meeting of the year consisted in an address by the

President in which he outlined the goals of the Society and also emphasised the importance of practice for public speaking.

The first debate was an informal one.

During the year meetings were held in the East Room and among the motions debated were the following: "That Ireland's greatest blessing is her insularity", "That the youth of today live for nothing but pleasure", "Ireland loses more than she gains by television". One of the most enjoyable debates of the year was on the motion "That an extra year at school after the Leaving Certificate would be of great benefit to Irish boys and girls". An informal meeting was held early in the second term to discuss

the question: "What is Art?" This meeting was made all the more enjoyable by the presence of Mr. Geary, S.J., who gave us his views on the subject. The highlight of the year was the debate against the Crescent on the motion "That Northern Ireland would lose more than she would gain by joining a United Ireland". Our visitors on the opposition defeated the motion. Three weeks later when we visited the Crescent the situation was reversed. Mungret on the opposition defeated the motion "That the Irishman

## THIRD CLUB DEBATING SOCIETY

*President:* FR. P. MEAGHER, S.J.

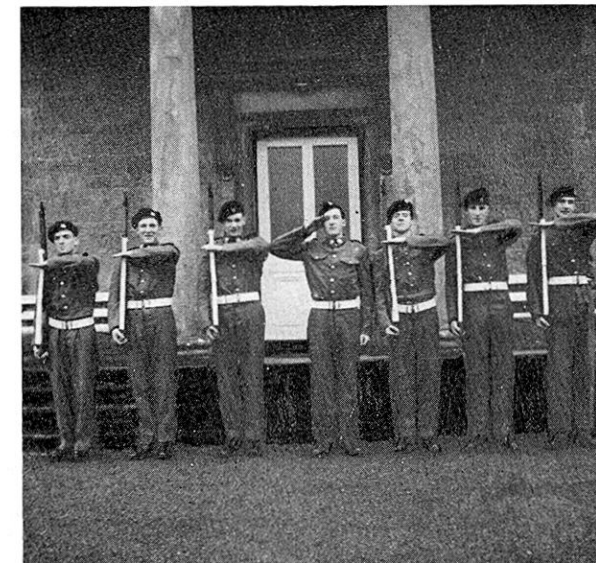
*Secretary:* KIERAN POWER

THE most noteworthy advance this year was the recording of each debate speech. However a great number of the speakers did not seem to be very keen on hearing the play-back of their speeches.

One great purpose of the Third Club debates is to give speakers an opportunity of conquering nervousness. A purpose which has been fulfilled.

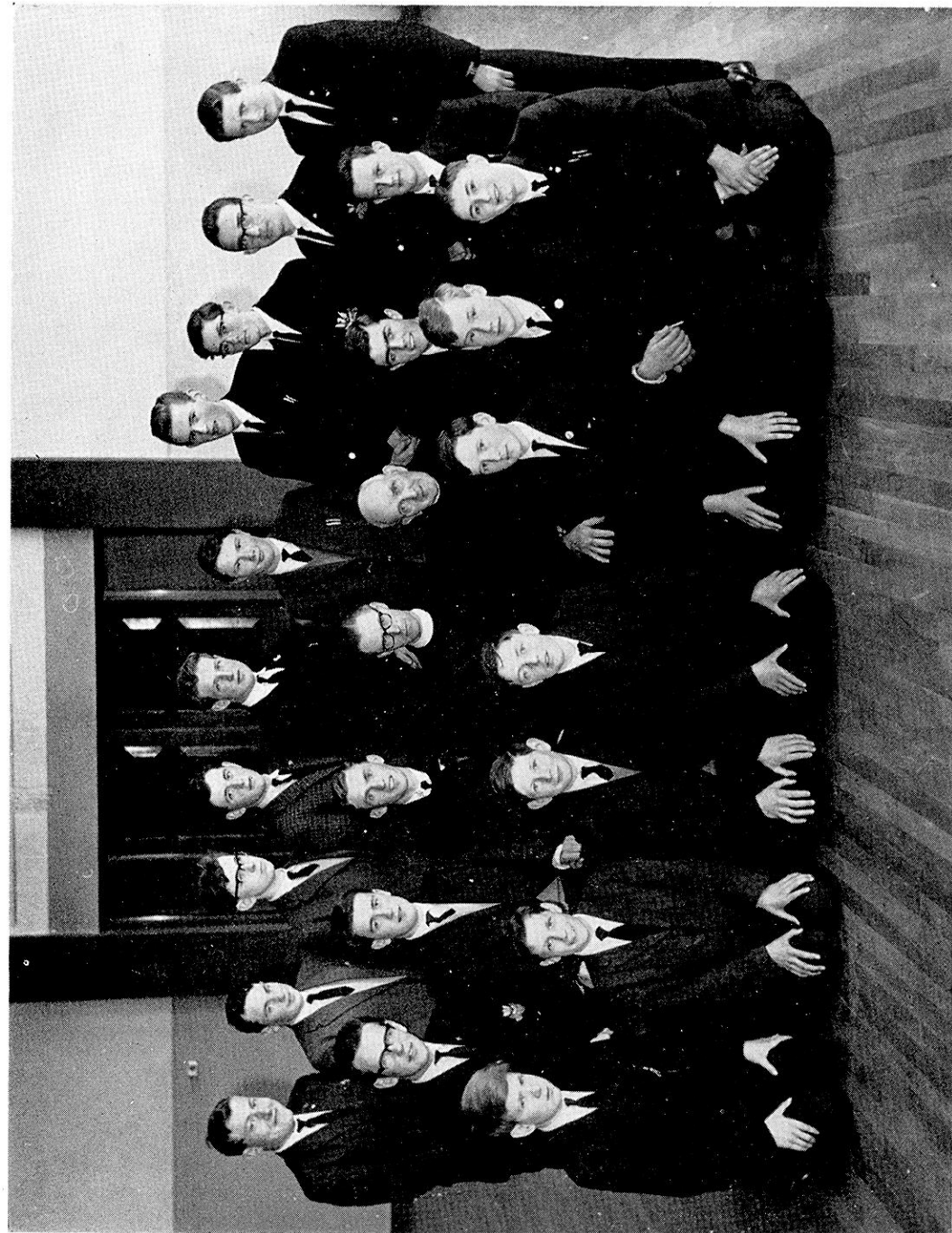
We note with satisfaction that the attraction of debating prevails over the attraction of TV.

We discussed: "Publichouses", "Class Distinction", "Christmas Cribbs", "Blood Sports", and "Ancient Ruins".



F.C.A. Guard of Honour on St. Patrick's Day.





*Back Row:* D. Carroll, J. Kelly, G. Clarke, A. Conlon, P. Madden, W. Doyle, B. Flynn, J. McCarter, J. Moloney, J. McCarthy.  
*Seated:* J. O'Reilly, N. Fitzgibbon, P. Gallagher, Rev. M. Leahy, S.J., Rev. Brother Murphy, S.J., B. Breen, D. O'Sullivan.  
*Front Row:* K. McCarthy, C. O'Reilly, P. O'Neill, N. Kearney, A. McGarvey, S. Bruton, S. O'Gorman.

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## THE DIARISTS



R. Bluett, S. O'Donnell, B. Ryan.

### SEPTEMBER

- 8—Back again. Great numbers of new boys, small fry looking offensively happy. In no mood to say much today. We just make our bow.
- 10—Dan Chambers and his merry men take over. Congrats.
- 17—Retreat begins.
- 21—The Under 14 squad show their paces in Cork at the swimming gala and return champions. Martin comes back covered with glory.
- 23—Hapless third clubber on the way to the Prefect's room: "I would it were bedtime Jack and all were well."
- 27—Old Crescent 9 pts., S.C.T. 6 pts.
- 29—Two aeronauts make a good take off into space but have a bumpy landing.

### OCTOBER

- 3—Mungret S.T. entertain Askeaton to a defeat.
- 7—Playday.  
Many visits, many gifts  
Then the usual search for lifts.
- 13—Talk by Fr. Nash, S.J.
- 14—A few boys return and tell us what it is like in the big bad world outside.
- 19—The F.C.A. got their new uniforms today. Even dressed up they look a bit spoonfed.
- 21—We played Gonzaga a few days ago. It was a calmer game than last year's.
- 25—Our first basketball game against the Redemptorists. The visitors win.
- 28—The F.C.A. have a field day and a few other things thrown in.
- 31—Hallowe'en  
The parcels now sure pile up,  
What can we do but live it up.



MUNSTER SENIOR CUP MATCH AGAINST CRESCENT  
Brendan Ryan intercepts a pass and races for the line to score a try.

#### NOVEMBER

- 1—High Mass and Playday.
- 8—S.C.T. v. Christians. We might have done better.
- 12—Congrats to David Hill and Roger Fitzgerald on getting their caps for Munster.
- 13—F.C.A. field day. All were armed with buns and guns and their new secret weapon—ham sandwiches.
- 14—Poetry, Rhetoric and Apostolics go into Limerick to see *Carmen*.

- 15—Our rugby team beats Glenstal but our basketball team are beaten by Tralee.
- 17—The life saving team made their debut today when the pool was filmed for TV. They were mobbed for their autographs.
- 18—Rhetoric boys got free razors with the compliments of Gillette. A pity they didn't supply sticking plaster too.
- 19—S.C.T. travel to Clongowes.
- 20—Seniors get weighed in. All come up to scratch. Just shows what good food does.
- 22—We welcome back the Past for the annual match. Some of them have made new friends since they left.
- 24—New mash for dinner. What was that that Darby said about it.
- 25—Second Seniors versus Rockwell. Sherrif makes his debut on the wing.
- 28—W. N—sh discovers that the Prefect of Studies does not approve of playing 45 in the study.
- 29—Swimming Gala. Mungret versus Half Moon and Fembroke. A good show by the home side beaten only by 2 points.

#### DECEMBER

- 2—Seniors versus Glenstal. We lose 8-5. Our senior and intermediate basketball teams do better defeating Glenstal in both.
- 3—Playday, St. Francis Xavier. Munster v. Leinster in town. We go in to see out two representatives play.



Two of our Interprovincials, David Hall and Roger Fitzgerald.



Nurse Turner lends a helping hand to launch Brian Adam's canoe.

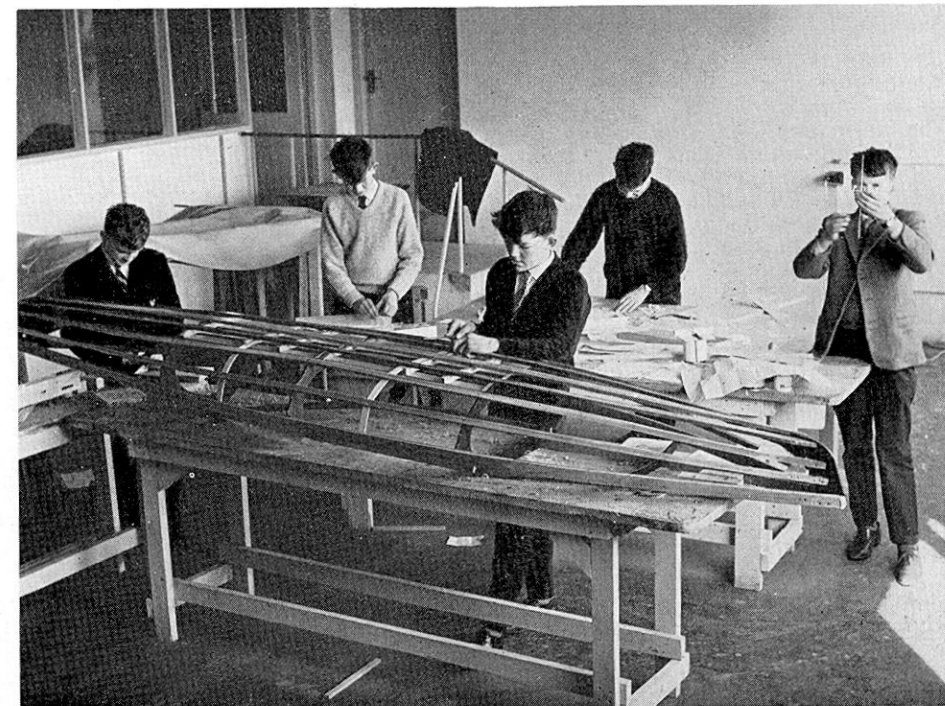


Brian makes a successful maiden voyage around the swimming pool.

- 5—First Club debating team against Crescent. Our eloquent speakers emerged victors. Motion was "Goldwater was more right than wrong".
- 12—Seniors versus Dungannon. A mud bath. We lose.
- 13—A highly successful concert by the apostolics this evening.

- 14—Bishop Corboy gives a talk today in the theatre.
- 16—Rudiments and Grammar put on a play each this evening. *Monkey's Paw* by Grammar. *The Dumb Wife of Cheapside* by Rudiments. Some one said there were some talent hunters from Ardmore in the hall.
- 19—We transfer to the home front for a few weeks.

#### ARTS AND CRAFTS



Brian Adams, in the foreground, constructs his canoe.





Fr. G. Guinane, S.J., presents the City Cup to the Captain.

#### JANUARY

- 19—School reopens. Were we ever away? "The wine of life is drawn."
- 24—The Seniors defeat Glenstal 11-0.
- 25—Mystery tour for Rhetoric and Poetry to the cement factory.
- 31—Enemy planes are attacking Shannon. F.C.A. are directed to take up defensive positions. No! It is not World War III. Just F.C.A. manoeuvres at Knocklisheen.

#### FEBRUARY

- 2—Playday in honour of Fr. Morrissey who took his final vows.
- 3—The Seniors play C.B.C. Score 3-3.
- 6—The Seniors went to Dublin to play Gonzaga and stayed overnight. We won 11-3. Dave and Fitz hit it off well at the Gresham.
- 13—Rugby fans went to Dublin today to see Ireland defeat England 5-0.
- 14—Valentine's Day. Wow, what a bundle of letters!
- 15—The theatre shakes at cheering practice for the Cup match next week.
- 18—S.C.T. play a brilliant match against Crescent for the Munster Cup, but——
- 25—Juniors go down in the first round of the Junior Cup.
- 27—Triple Crown hopes grow for Ireland as Ireland beats Scotland. We watch the match on television.
- 28—The swimming team beats Guinness Club 33-31.

#### MARCH

- 1—Playday in memory of Roger Casement.
- 2—Pancakes and film. *The Man Who Never Was*. Just like the person who breaks the windows.
- 6—Coca-Cola treats us to a film and free "Coke".

- 7—Humpty Dumpty sat on his bed  
Humpty Dumpty fell on his head  
Munty Dumpty said-censored by Ed.
- 10—F.C.A. field day at Kilcornan.
- 11—Pioneer concert and talk by Mr. T. O'Flanagan.
- 13—Triple Crown hopes are dashed as Wales trounce Ireland at Cardiff.
- 17—St. Patrick's Day. The F.C.A. provided a Guard of Honour during Mass. Mass was in Irish this morning. A bus load went off on a tour of Clare and Limerick.
- 18—The barber comes to Mungret.  
There was a young fellow from Mungret  
Who looked like ne needed ai haircut.  
By Fr. M. sought  
In the corridor caught  
And that is how Jack got his crew-cut.
- 31—Photographs today. We all put on an awful smile for five minutes.

#### APRIL

- 1—Fools day and there seems to be no shortage in Mungret.
- 2—Oh to be in Rhetoric now,  
Now that April's here,  
And whoever wakes in Rhetoric  
Finds exams are near.
- 3—Weird sounds are heard from some First Club tables as some Rhetoric scholars practise their Irish for the Oral Irish exam.  
Easter always brings good cheer.  
Easter will soon be here.  
Easter eggs and Easter bonnets  
Perhaps I'll write a few nice sonnets.

As we go to Press we hear that Pat Lavelle has been selected on the Munster School's team to play Ulster. Congratulations to our three representatives on the Munster team.

P. Lavelle, capped against Ulster



## The System of Education in England

by ADRIAN RYAN, B.Sc. (1946-52)

IN this brief article there is not sufficient time to give an account of the past history of education in England. It will be of more interest to start from the 1944 Act. Prior to this legislation a system of elementary schools was established. These sought to give the working class a certain minimum of education. A stigma of social inferiority attached to the elementary schools persisted well into the 20th century. Generally the middle class avoided them preferring to send their children to select preparatory schools charging fees up to £500 per annum, and then to exclusive secondary schools, the most famous of these latter being the superior highly expensive boarding institutions paradoxically known as "public schools" (of these more later). Secondary education implied as it did so very recently in Ireland the type of education which the better off adolescent receives (secondary schools contrasted to national schools) rather than a stage in education following naturally for all children after the primary stage.

The 1944 Act sought to end this situation by obliging the local Councils to provide free, full-time primary and secondary education for all children within their jurisdiction.

Practical details of secondary education were left to the discretion of the Councils provided the type of education provided was according to the "age, ability, and aptitudes of the pupils receiving it."

There is not space here to deal with the clash between the State and the teaching of Religion. Suffice to say the following compromise was arrived at. Two forms of schools were agreed upon. (1) Voluntary controlled in which two thirds of the controlling body are appointed by the local Council. Two periods a week are allocated to religious instruction. (2) Voluntary aided in which one third of the controlling body are nominated by the local Council, two

thirds representing the Church. No restrictions on time given to religious teaching.

Over two thousand Catholic schools are aided and only two controlled. A weakness in the 1944 Act was that it made no provision for grants towards the building costs of new schools—the implication being that the voluntary agency would meet the full cost.

The London County Council largely through reasons of economy (high price of land within the central London area) established huge comprehensive secondary schools, some co-educational catering for all pupils within their area between the ages of 12 and 18, irrespective of their different abilities. There are up to 2,000 pupils in some of these schools and recently a boarding wing has been added to one of them. Most Councils however adopted some variant on the "Tripartite System" recommended by the celebrated "Norwood Report" of 1941.

This committee under Sir Cyril Norwood postulated (mistakenly it is now accepted) the existence of three broad types of adolescent mentality, the literary intellectual type, the practical mechanical type, and the type "to whom abstractions mean little, who finds little attraction in the past or in the slow disentanglement of causes or movements." For each type a special kind of secondary education was recommended; secondary grammar for the potential scholar and professional, secondary technical for the budding engineer, and secondary modern for the embryonic man in the street. "These schools," it was urged, "should enjoy similar conditions in amenities, buildings, staffing ratios and playing fields." "Defferentiation for types of secondary education should depend on the judgment of teachers in the primary school supplemented if desired by intelligence and other tests."

Thus the grandiose scheme but how different the reality. As parents and children

saw the situation a child sat the eleven plus at the end of his primary schooling; either he passed with glory for the grammar school leading possibly to university and certainly to middle class employment or he failed and was relegated a dismal reject, to the secondary modern. On the secondary modern schools pressed the full weight of working class tradition and squalid conditions which had characterised the elementary system. An atmosphere of aimless drift and hopelessness initially hung over them. Middle class parents whose children had the catastrophic misfortune to fail the eleven plus scrimped and saved to send them to the exorbitant private schools in England or to the more reasonably priced Irish boarding schools. Incredible improvements have been made in secondary modern schools during the last twenty years mainly thanks to the herculean efforts of teachers and to some extent the new lower middle class attitude which is pervading English society particularly in "suburbia".

Nevertheless as late as 1963 the Central Advisory Council for Education reporting under the chairmanship of Sir John Newsom referred to "the functional deficiencies of many schools . . . overcrowding . . . rapid staff turnover." "Despite some splendid achievements in the schools there is much unrealised talent especially amongst boys and girls whose potential is masked by inadequate powers of speech and the limitations of home background. Unsuitable programmes and teaching methods may aggravate their difficulties and frustration express itself in apathy or rebelliousness."

In advocating greater amenities for the average child, Newsom has become his champion. Later on in the year a special committee under Lord Robbins reporting on higher education was to urge extensive expansion of universities and technical colleges. As these will benefit mainly the top 25 per cent of intelligence amongst the age group the term "Robbins" child refers to the able pupil while "Newsom" child refers to the average or sub-average.

The English grammar school is possibly the most highly powered, streamlined, efficient institution of secondary education there

is. Criticisms of cramming, overemphasis on examinations, social climbing may well be levelled at it: none can doubt the academic standards of its best products. The void product is significant, it suggests the smooth conveyor belt and the neat celluloid packets dropping smartly into crates. It must be remembered that the students who initially enter the grammar school are the top 20 per cent of their age group. Very quickly they are assessed by the lynx-eyed grammar school masters and streamed for ability. The top bag in the top stream of a four stream grammar school is literally one in a thousand. The teachers are generally honours graduates teaching only their special subject through the school. In this way a high degree of competence is attained. The point which an experienced grammar school master cannot simplify by an amusing anecdote or apt parallel is indeed abstruse. Students at sixteen sit the G.C.E. examination at ordinary level—a standard roughly equivalent to pass Leaving Certificate. A fairly good student will pass in eight subjects a poor student may fail all while a brilliant student may successfully sit as many as twelve.

Pupils with poor "O level" results are generally siphoned off to employment or to local technical colleges where they follow courses with a vocational bias. The upper sixty per cent passes into the much vaunted "Sixth Form" of the grammar school. This is an institution peculiarly British where for two years in preparation for G.C.E. advanced level the student follows a highly specialised course consisting of three main subjects and a dash of "general studies", "aesthetics" or "current affairs". This inclusion in the curriculum received great attention following the C. P. Snow "Two Cultures" controversy and was sloganised as "literary for the scientist and numeracy for the humanist". Sixth form teaching carries quasi university prestige as well as special allowances, and is eagerly sought after. Laboratory facilities are excellent and generally in advance of those enjoyed by many Irish graduates in the not too distant past. A grant of £250,000 from the Nuffield Foundation to develop new science curricula for schools

has accelerated the process of revising ideas and procedures on science teaching which has always been a feature of sixth form teaching here. Standards are high—possibly artificially so in many cases, reflecting more the high pressure of teaching, than the spontaneous quickening of the adolescent intelligence. A first class sixth former would make a good attempt at answering questions of pass degree level.

The sixth form is the womb of the new social class, an *intelligentia*, which in the opinion of some sociologists is rapidly taking over from the old land and business aristocracy. These boys and girls from modest suburban homes have been repeatedly sifted through fine intellectual meshes. For years they have accepted the harsh discipline of isolated study while their companions were scootering to the coast and savouring all the delicacies of "pop society". They are resolutely upwardly mobile. "If Dad was a fitter or teacher—son will be an electronics engineer or university lecturer. If Mum was a nurse or typist—daughter will be a surgeon

or administrative officer. Ex grammar school pupils fill the posts in universities and and colleges of technology, climb doggedly up the pyramid of the business hierarchy and are invading the sacred confines of government administration. Even the Conservative Party sees fit to appoint some of them to high rank and now 10 Downing Street, that arch preserve of "public school-dom", is occupied by one who embodies in himself the new spirit of the rising "meritocracy".

Arguments against the "Tripartite System" or positively speaking arguments for a comprehensive system of secondary education are psychological, social and moral. It is claimed that the Norwood postulate of three broad intelligence types is without psychological grounds, and reflects nothing more than a continuum from extreme intelligence to extreme dullness: that the eleven plus measures nothing more than the product of innate intelligence and environmental opportunity so that in the final analysis allocation to secondary schools is



Fr. P. Kelly, S.J., with the Benediction servers.



influenced largely by class factors. From a social standpoint it is argued that to educate in separate institutions children who as adults will occupy extreme ends of the social spectrum is to widen class distinctions by alienating the sympathy and understanding which one group might have for another. Finally the ethical claim is urged that every child has a moral and a legal right to an adequate education in accordance with his age, abilities and aptitudes, and the high standards of staffing and amenities in the grammar schools are purchased at the cost of the modern schools.

No account of English education is complete without reference to the public schools.

My personal view is that these schools are existing on borrowed time. They are an anachronism in a society dedicated to the principle of equality. Even the Tory electorate has recently reacted against an old

Etonian aristocrat in a "safe" constituency. I expect them to be absorbed very shortly within the state system. The meritocracy is overcoming the aristocracy.

Throughout this essay I have attempted (not always successfully) to deal in facts rather than polemics. My ex teachers and class mates will appreciate what an effort this has been. However, facts have been selected and interpreted according to a definite viewpoint which I attribute (whether or not he accepts the onus) to the enthusiasm and social commitment of the Rev. M. Hurley, S.J., who inspired our study circle in the years '51-'52, I am convinced that there is an inevitable tension between proper distinctions and unwarranted privileges and that the Christian ought accept the principle of equality—that the onus of proof lies squarely on those who make the distinctions.



Chelsea or Montmartre?

## OBITUARY

Fr. C. Devine, S.J. (1909-14)  
Dr. H. Roche Kelly (1906-10)  
Very Rev. C. Moriarty (1908-09)  
Fr. W. Tobin (1901-09)  
Fr. F. Deignan (1917-20)  
Dr. F. V. Duke (1914-15)

W. P. Ryan (1902-05)  
Dr. M. O'Sullivan (1923-27)  
Fr. T. Perrott, S.J. (1915-16)  
Fr. L. Cunningham (1917-22)  
Dr. J. Twomey (1937-40)  
R. Hartigan (1899-1903)

We ask your prayers for the repose of the souls of old pupils of Mungret who have died during the year. To their families we offer our deepest sympathy.

### FR. C. DEVINE, S.J. (1909-14)

FATHER CHARLES DEVINE died in the Mater Hospital on September 12th. He had only just completed his fifty years in the Society.

Born in Drogheda in 1896, he came to the Apostolic School in 1908.

While in Mungret he was quiet, serious and studious. He took little part in games. He played the piano well, however, and often played the organ.

In 1914 he went to the novitiate. He had elected for the Sicilian Province, so after philosophy he left for Malta. He taught at St. Aloysius College. He spent some time also in Palermo. In later life as a priest he worked in parishes in Worcester and Preston.

In 1956 he returned to Ireland and was appointed to the community at the Crescent. He directed the Bona Mors Archconfraternity and the Apostleship of Prayer, and gave the monthly Holy Hour.

After a short stay in Manresa, he was sent to Gardiner Street. However, his time for further labours was short. A minor stroke incapacitated his limbs. A little later an operation was found necessary which he did not survive. Three of his fellow novices officiated at the Requiem Mass, Fathers Tyndall, Paye and Quigley. R.I.P.

### DR. H. ROCHE KELLY (1906-10)

THE late Dr. Hubert Roche Kelly was a member of an old and highly respected Co. Clare family. The family home, Ballintlea, was situated at Sixmilebridge where they possessed a very considerable parcel of land.

I came to know Hubert Roche Kelly when I was a member of the community at Mungret College. We soon became fast friends as we were both very keen on sport—shooting and fishing.

Hubert Roche Kelly was the best all-round sportsman I ever met. At snipe I never met his equal. He had a style all his own. Whereas most snipe shooters walk with the gun held 'at the

ready'. Hubert walked with the gun over the back of his arm. Anyone who did not know him would have said that he would be too late to get in a shot at this fastest flying of all the game birds, yet very few birds escaped him. I remember on one occasion, he got twelve snipe without a miss. This is very remarkable when shooting snipe as they are very fast-flying birds with a curious zig-zag motion.

He was also a very keen dry-fly fisherman and here again he was surprisingly quick on the 'strike'.

Many was the pleasant evening I spent in his company and that of his charming little wife Dr. Mary Roche Kelly and their family on returning from Kilkishen bog before being driven home to Mungret College where I was teaching at the time.

To Mungret College he gave many years of devoted service as medical adviser. I do not think I would be exaggerating if I said Hubert Roche Kelly was the best all-round sportsman I ever met.

L.H.C., S.J.

Emo Park, Portlaoise.

### VERY REV. C. MORIARTY, P.P. (1908-09)

THE death took place last January of the Very Reverend Charles Moriarty, P.P., Athea. Father Moriarty was born in 1897 at Croom. He was educated in Mungret and St. Munchins from where he went to Maynooth where he was ordained in 1922.

His first appointment was to a curacy in Elfin. Later on he spent periods in Bulgaden, Bruff, St. Michael's, Limerick, and Kilmallock. In 1946 he was appointed parish priest of Tournafulla and three years later was transferred to Athea where he ministered until his death.

Father Moriarty was held in high esteem throughout the diocese, and his death was deeply regretted by his parishioners whom he had served devotedly and loyally. To his brother and relations we offer our deep sympathy. R.I.P.

**FR. W. TOBIN**  
(1901-09)

FATHER WILLIE TOBIN went to America where his life as a priest was to be spent in 1913. South Carolina was the scene of his ministry. After spending some time in various parishes he became pastor at Our Lady of Mercy Church, Charleston, and then as St. Ann's Church, Rock Hill. In 1929 he was assigned as pastor to St. Anthony's Church at Florence. Here he was destined to spend twenty-three years as pastor.

His ministry was, however, not confined to pastoral work, he was also an author, a historian and scholar. He tried to show in his writings the great debt Carolina owed to the early Irish immigrants. In 1932 he visited Ireland on the occasion of the Eucharistic Congress.

In St. Anthony's parish he soon won the hearts of the people, and his zeal was evidenced by the flourishing spiritual life of the people.

In 1942 his health began to suffer. He left St. Anthony's for a period of six months and returned as Pastor Emeritus. At a later stage his health became steadily worse, and he spent some time with the Alexian Brothers in Signal Mountain, Tennessee. Later on he went to the Benedictine Abbey at Benet Lake, Wisconsin, where he passed away peacefully on August 15th.

**FR. F. DEIGNAN**  
(1917-20)

FR. FRANK DEIGNAN died in February in the Howard Memorial Hospital, Biloxi, after a short illness.

After arriving in the diocese of Natchez in 1926 he was appointed assistant in St. Paul's, Vicksburg. After a number of changes he was appointed pastor of Ocean Springs in 1944. Here he initiated the building of a new church, presbytery and schools. He was given the Ocean Springs Outstanding Citizen Award in 1961.

During his time as pastor he started many societies in the parish, including the Co-operative Club, the Boy Scouts and the Knights of Columbus.

To his brothers and sisters we offer our deep sympathy. R.I.P.

**WILLIAM P. RYAN**  
(1902-05)

EARLY in January we received the sad news of the unexpected death of Willie Ryan of Cashel. We were not aware that he had been unwell. Willie came to Mungret as a small boy in January 1902 and was here till 1905, when he took the

First Arts examination of the old Royal University. He was always a prominent boy in the College, and very popular. He was good at all games—football, handball, cricket and billiards—and in his last year here he was Captain of the School. To the end of his life he retained very pleasant memories of his school days, and he was a loyal supporter of the Mungret Union.

On leaving school he took on the management of the family hotel—Ryan's Central Hotel, Cashel—and he took an active part in the commercial and sporting life of the town, being a member of several committees. He was a very keen sportsman, and kept and bred racehorses. Three of his sons—Michael, John and Bernard—were at school here, and also two grandsons—Tom and Willie Galvin of Carrick-on-Suir.

He was an exemplary Catholic and bore with true Christian resignation the deaths of three of his sons, who were killed in accidents on three different occasions.

His death was in keeping with his life. He passed away with great trust in God very peacefully and happily.

May he rest in peace.

To his widow, sons and daughters we offer our deep sympathy in their sad bereavement.

**DR. MICHAEL O'SULLIVAN**  
(1923-27)

DOCTOR MICHAEL O'SULLIVAN died on November 22nd, 1964. He was at Mungret from 1923-1927. I knew him very well in the years since the last war. He had his London practice in the Finchley area. It is not at all usual to be called upon to say a few words at funerals in London. But when Father McEwan, parish priest of Finchely, asked me to preach at Michael O'Sullivan's Requiem Mass, the request did not seem odd. Michael was a special kind of man whom it was a privilege to know. He belonged to Catholic societies, was a governor of the Finchley Grammar Schools, and was more than competent as a doctor. But these aspects of his career one took for granted. They were not the reason for the crowded church on the day of his funeral, nor do they explain the grief of a whole neighbourhood at his death. He was in the fullest sense an *alter Christus*, and people knew it. He had a rare gift for discovering the lapsed whom he prepared in his own way for reconciliation. He was so charitable to all that we felt here was an ecumenical man living the kind of life which some people have lately discovered Catholics ought to live. One hopes that the *aggiornamento* will produce his kind. The family from whom he came, the school where he received his education, may not be as aware, as we are, of the noble character we knew. But his family and Mungret have a right to be very proud of Michael.

His wife, Nora, and his seven children are assured of all our prayers and sympathy. Michael was buried on his birthday, allowing us to remind everyone, with special aptness, that a man's true birthday is the day of his death.

MICHAEL O'DWYER

**FR. THOMAS PERROTT, S.J.**  
(1915-16)

ON October 25th in Subiaco, Western Australia, Father Tom Perrott died. He was the first Jesuit to come to Western Australia, and the first Jesuit to die there.

He was born in Cork in 1899. He spent a year in Mungret and then entered the Jesuit Novitiate. He taught in Clongowes and after his theological studies was ordained in 1930. After tertianship in Wales, he was on the *Status* for Australia. There he was assigned to Xavier College, Melbourne, and later to St. Aloysius College, Sydney. In 1938 he was sent to build the first Jesuit school in Western Australia. This was put under the patronage of St. Louis. Father Tom was appointed Minister and teacher in the new establishment. The twelve years he spent there were by no means confined to work in the college. He travelled far and wide giving retreats to priests and religious.

In 1950 he was sent to construct a new college in the parish of St. Ignatius, Norwood, South Australia. When the task was completed, he was appointed Prefect of Studies. He remained in this post for four years, when he was again recalled to St. Louis. Here he laboured until his death. Apart from schoolwork he was organiser and chaplain of the Guilds of Chemists and Dentists. He had another hobby also which he did not get much time to indulge in, namely music. He produced a number of operas in some of the colleges.

In a crowded church the archbishop presided at the Mass which was offered by the Provincial, Very Reverend Father J. Boylon, S.J.

To his sister and brothers we offer our deep sympathy. R.I.P.

**FR. L. CUNNINGHAM**  
(1917-22)

FATHER LEO CUNNINGHAM died on December 17th at the Mercy Hospital, Rockville Centre, Long Island. He was pastor in Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Malverne.

Father Cunningham was born in Philadelphia

in 1902. He came at the age of five with his parents to Ardee, Co. Louth. He attended the De La Salle College there before coming to Mungret. Later he went to St. Columban's, Galway, and All Hallows where he was ordained in 1926. After ordination he returned to America. He was assigned to St. Michael's Parish, Bay Ridge. After spending five years here he was transferred to Jackson Heights where he spent twenty years. He received his first pastorate in 1951 at Our Lady of Grace, Fisher's island. Later he was changed to St. Francis de Sales, Fisher's Island in 1951. In 1963 he was appointed pastor at Malverne where he spent the last two years of his life.

The writer had the privilege of knowing Father Cunningham in Malverne last summer. One found him a genuine friend. He was also a very devoted pastor. The congregation on Sundays was so large that Mass had also to be said in the school at the same time. The parishioners were also the most fervent that I had witnessed in the U.S.A.

Father Cunningham shared His Master's love for children, and much of his time was given to them.

Bishop Kellenberg of Rockville Centre said the Requiem Mass which was attended by over a hundred priests.

To his brother and relatives we offer our deep sympathy. R.I.P.

**DR. J. TWOMEY**  
(1937-40)

"GREATER love than this . . ." this extract from Scripture might well be applied to Dr. John Twomey who gave his life to save others in an heroic episode in South Wales on January 2nd.

John who practised near Port Talbot was awakened early on the morning of January 2nd by an outbreak of fire. His first thought was for a family of six living on the floors above him. Unaware that they had already escaped, he was trapped himself, overcome by the smoke and burned to death.

John came to Mungret in 1937, from Ennistymon and soon adapted himself to a boarding school. He became a fine rugby forward and played on the junior team in 1939 which won the Munster Junior Cup.

After leaving Mungret he studied medicine and qualified in U.C.D. He spent some time as a ship's doctor, and for the remaining years practised in England. He had been in Port Talbot only about eighteen months. To his wife and daughter, his father, mother and brothers we offer our deep sympathy. R.I.P.



**DR. F. V. DUKE**  
(1914-15)

WE regret to announce the death of Dr. Frank Duke which took place on March 22nd at his home 2076 Anthony Avenue, Bronx.

Dr. Duke was a well-known general practitioner. He was also a specialist in lung and chest ailments and was Director of Seton Hospital for the treatment of tuberculosis. He was a Fellow of the American College of Chest Physicians.

He was a man who made many charitable contributions, and gave free treatment to poor patients.

Born in Co. Roscommon, he qualified in Trinity College and went to America in 1931 where he spent the rest of his life. Requiem Mass was offered at St. Simon Stock Church, Ryder Avenue, Bronx, from which the funeral took place. To his widow we offer our deep sympathy. R.I.P.

**R. HARTIGAN**  
(1899-1903)

THE death took place at St. John's Hospital on April 8th of Richard Hartigan. He had been ill for about three weeks but death came suddenly owing to heart trouble.

The late Dick Hartigan was a prominent figure in the civic life of Limerick for many years. His brother Willie and himself were the proprietors of the Royal George Hotel, an old established Limerick hotel. When the hotel was sold some years ago, Dick spent most of his time in Dublin with periodic visits to Limerick. A few years ago his wife died which left a big gap in his life.

He was a very active worker in the St. Vincent de Paul Society for several years and gave generously to the poor.

He had a strong affection for his old school and was a regular patron of Union functions. He had two brothers also in Mungret, George and Willie. To Willie and his sister we offer our very deep sympathy. R.I.P.

**CROSS COUNTRY TEAM**



*Left to Right: J. Deacon, S. Lawless, J. McShane, M. Headen, R. Fitzgerald, J. Hawe.*

# GAMES

**SENIOR RUGBY**

THE season 1964-65 was marked by a spirit of enthusiasm, discipline and determination amongst all players taking part in Senior practices. The early weeks were devoted exclusively to fitness training and the development of the basic skills of passing, tackling, scrummaging and kicking. The result was, that a team which seemed initially too raw and light to do well progressed steadily and finished up by bringing home the City Cup for the first time in ten years.

From the start the emphasis was on fast, open, attacking football. Even in the do or die atmos-

phere of the Munster Cup the players, to their credit, did not depart from the high standard they had set themselves in this respect. They were defeated 14-12 by Crescent, who reached the final; but they had the consolation of knowing that they had helped provide what the local Press called "a feast of rugby". The game was a see-saw affair and was generally acclaimed as the best schools rugby game seen at Thomond Park for a decade. In all, seven tries were scored.

The record over the season is interesting. The first game was against Glenstal. This was lost 9-11. There followed a 9-9 draw with Crescent, a 5-3 defeat by Rockwell at Rockwell, an 11-0

**SENIOR CUP TEAM. WINNERS OF THE CITY CUP**



*Standing: C. Ward, P. Lavelle, D. Chambers, A. Hegarty, D. Hill, B. Lavelle, M. Wall, D. O'Neill.*

*Seated: M. Hunt, B. Ryan, R. Fitzgerald (Capt), J. Maher, J. Lynch.*

*On Ground: V. Becker, B. Punch.*

victory over St. Munchins, and a 13-3 win over Gonzaga. Then came a match with P.B.C., the year's form team. They had just defeated C.B.C. 31-6. After a very exciting game Presentation ran out winners 11-5, despite the fact that for three-quarters of the game the Mungret forwards had been on top. This display seemed to promise well for the future. A week later things looked very different. We were beaten in Cork by C.B.C. 23-3. The result could, no doubt, be largely attributed to over-confidence and to the fact that two players were sick on arrival, but it greatly upset the morale of the whole team.

The remaining weeks up to Christmas were marked by a general overhaul. During that time an enjoyable visit to Clongowes saw us lose 9-10, a match with Crescent was lost 6-8, while Dungannon schoolboys demonstrated their superiority to the score of 19-3.

After the vacation each member of the team got down to training with concentrated enthusiasm and the XV slipped into gear again. An away victory over Gonzaga 11-3, a draw with C.B.C., and an 11-3 win over Glenstal, left them eager and ready for the Munster Cup game with a

fancied Crescent XV. The result has been mentioned.

Their exit from the Munster Cup left the players disappointed but not discouraged. They determined to stay in strict training and win the City Cup. They did. In the semi-final game against St. Munchins, who had defeated Rockwell two weeks previously, they proved a much superior side and won easily 11-3. The final was once again with Crescent. This time the tables were reversed. The basis for the victory was laid by the forwards. The front row of M. Wall, C. Ward and P. Lavelle proved too strong for their opposite numbers, and whereas in the Munster Cup game Crescent won most of the ball in the set scrums, in the City Cup final it was the other way round. Mungret had the greater part of the play and were not flattered by their 3-0 victory.

It would be invidious to single out any individual for praise in this year's side for it was as a team, a unit, that they were most successful. On the other hand, not to mention the efforts of the three "officials" of the team would be unfair. The captain, Roger Fitzgerald, played a notable part throughout the season both when representing

the school and the province. Both at lock and wing-forward he proved a happy choice on the Interprovincial team. Cory Ward, as pack leader, and John Maher, as tactician of the side, worked together with the captain to engender that unity, enthusiasm, enterprise and discipline which was such a feature of the team. One other player gained Interprovincial honours, David Hill. Right through the season his line-out play was of a high order. The top scorer this year was centre, Brendan Ryan.

The Seconds had many fixtures, and were successful in all but two of them. Here too, the same enthusiasm was evident and, indeed, the whole-heartedness of the Seconds contributed considerably to whatever success the First XV achieved. For the greater part of the season no player on the Firsts could be certain of his place, and this is always a stimulant to greater effort.

Ten of this year's Senior XV will be available for the coming season.

We were hosts to Gonzaga and Dungannon schoolboys before Christmas. It was a pleasure to have them with us. Like all our visitors this year, they were loud in praise of our magnificent swimming pool. We are most grateful to Clongowes for making us so welcome when we visited them in November, and to Gonzaga for their kindness and hospitality during our very enjoyable stay in Dublin after Christmas. This interchange of visits has produced not only new friendships but a new interest in the activities and achievements of our sister colleges.

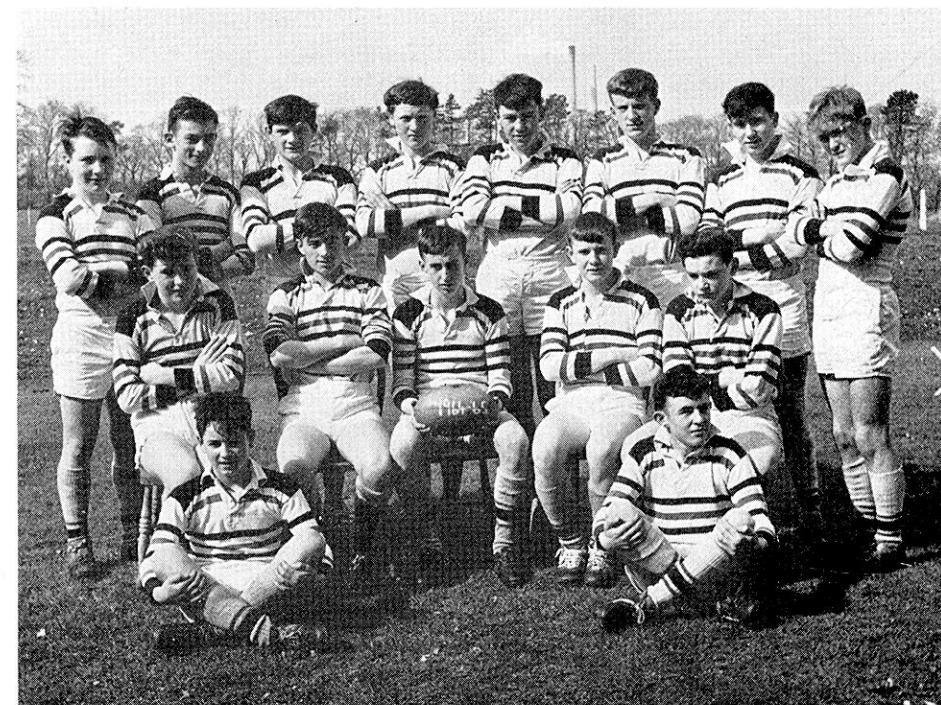
For Cup games the following represented the school: J. Lynch, D. Chambers, B. Lavelle, B. Ryan, D. O'Neill, B. Punch, V. Becker, M. Wall, M. Hunt, C. Ward, P. Lavelle, A. Hegarty, J. Maher, R. Fitzgerald (captain), D. Hill, P. Wall

#### UNDER 17 TEAM



*Standing:* J. Pentony, S. Dennison, S. Roche, L. Egan, B. Lavelle, T. Lowry, R. O'Neill, V. Becker.  
*Seated:* T. Perrem, N. Foley, D. O'Neill (Capt.), J. McShane, J. Lynch.  
*On Ground:* P. Wall, O. Trainor.

#### JUNIOR CUP TEAM



*Standing:* J. Pentony, P. Connolly, M. Hayes, D. Culhane, L. Egan, A. Lowry, J. Mullen, A. Cafferky.  
*Seated:* M. O'Mahony, D. Quinlan, S. Dennison (Capt.), F. Wall, J. Lynch.  
*On Ground:* K. Roche, J. Quinlan.



## JUNIOR RUGBY

We congratulate the S.C.T. and the Under Fifteens on winning their respective City Cups. We are sorry that we did not make it a "Triple Crown". We played well in our first City Cup match against Glenstal. We had our full team and all were in good form. Playing with the wind in the first half we scored eight points, a penalty by P. Connolly, a try by J. Jynch, converted by P. Connolly. In the second half A. Lowry scored a try, and the final score was, Mungret 11 points, Glenstal nil. We had high hopes of beating St. Munchins in the final, but it was not to be. Towards the end of a rousing and exciting match, St. Munchins managed to work a try on the blind side and converted it. We tried hard to equalize, but time ran out and so we were defeated 5-0.

We had a fair number of out-matches during the year. Unfortunately, because of illness and injury it was difficult to fix upon a definite team. In the two Cup matches in which we were defeated we had to call upon reserves who had not previously played in out-matches. This dis-

turbed the team a little and may have caused some lack of confidence.

Practice games during the year were very enjoyable. Our thanks are due to all those who came out to help us to train. They were rewarded by a good win over Crescent 19-8. Finally we thank Fr. McDowell for the interest which he took in our rugby.

## UNDER FIFTEEN RUGBY

This year's team, made up as it was of last season's unbeaten under fourteens, was an unusually strong one. Six members played on the Junior Cup team, and the only defeat suffered during the season happened when three of these were playing in another match on the same day. Although there was very little combined team practice during the year, the City Cup was brought back to Mungret after a lapse of five years.

The first Cup match resulted in a 15-5 victory over Glenstal who were playing at home. Playing with a strong wind in the first half we had tries

## WINNERS OF THE UNDER 15 CUP



*Standing:* P. Horan, J. O'Connell, D. Casey, M. Hayes, M. Gilmore, A. Cafferky, J. Mullen, J. Quinlan.

*Seated:* P. Brogan, K. Roche, P. Connolly (Capt.), B. Adams, M. Dwyer.

*On Ground:* P. Kelly, K. Harrington.

## UNDER 14 TEAM



*Standing:* T. Madden, K. Power, J. FitzGibbon, M. McGrory, G. O'Connor, M. Hogan, K. McCarthy, H. Casey, V. Moran.

*Seated:* J. O'Connor, T. Donovan, G. Thompson (Capt.), A. Lavelle, C. Nash.

*On Ground:* D. Murphy, L. Fenton, J. Tait, T. Cooke.

by Mullen (2), Hayes and Brogan, while Glenstal failed to score. Scoring was level in the second half with a push-over try for us converted by Karl Roche.

For the Cup Final against St. Munchins at home we played only seven forwards, leaving John Mullen free to strengthen the defence in the centre, and more importantly, to field the inevitable kicks ahead from the opposing out-half and turn defence into attack. This happened a few times in the scoreless first half so that St. Munchins had to place a loose forward among their backs when they had little if anything to spare in the forward battle. Early in the second half, following a line-out, Mullen came in between the centres and went through from inside his own half to score near the posts, having kicked over the full back's head. Towards the end of the game, a kick by Roche was fumbled by the full back. Cafferky was quickly up to boot the ball ahead for it to be gathered by Dwyer who in turn sent Hayes down the right wing. Having drawn the

defence he passed inside to Gilmore who scored, having covered more than half the length of the field from where the movement started. Both tries were converted by Connolly, leaving the final score 10-0.

### Other Results:

Mungret 6	Glenstal 3
St. Munchins 9	Mungret 3
C.B. Cork 3	Mungret 5

Looking back on the season, what stands out most is the team's ability to combine together as a unit in spite of having had so few practices. This applies particularly to the forwards. Looking forward next season, it is encouraging to remember that the last team to win the Under Fifteen City Cup reached the final of the Munster Junior Cup the following year. We now have the makings of a fine team and it only requires that each player works hard to improve his own running, passing,



*Standing, Left to Right: J. McGrath, J. Gawe, D. Gilligan, W. Nash.  
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tackling, and general knowledge of the game, for the present combination to become a formidable one.

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Mungret 17	Rockwell 0
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Mungret 12	Glenstal 0
Crescent 5	Mungret 14
Mungret 9	Garryowen 0

Clanwilliam 0	Mungret 12
Mungret 0	C.B. Cork 8
Mungret 0	Shannon 8
Mungret 0	Garryowen 13
Glenstal 5	Mungret 5
Mungret 11	Galwegians 3

Generally speaking the record is a good one, even though the opposition at times was rather poor. It is hoped that the team can be kept together for the next two years so that they can develop as a combined force rather than as individuals. There is much to be learned, but a good start has been made, and we can only hope that lack of weight or size will not lose us too many good footballers as so often happens when a team passes from the under fourteen stage to that of the under sixteens or seventeens.

In concentrating on the under fourteens as a team this year, some of the smaller, younger boys did not see much of the rugby ball themselves. This is a pity, but it is hoped that next season when they are being trained, they will appreciate the advantages of such a system.

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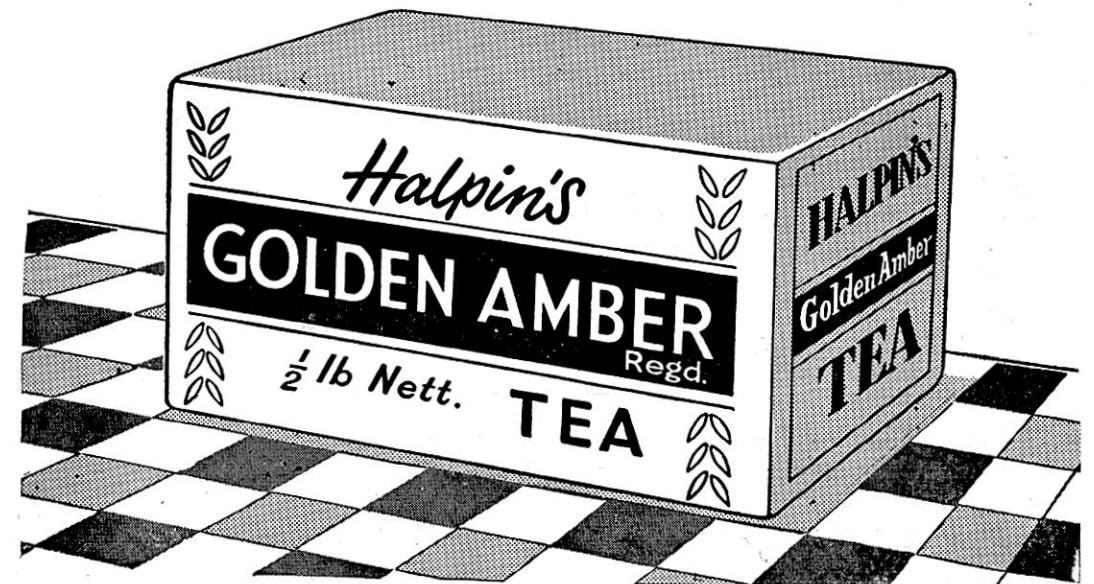
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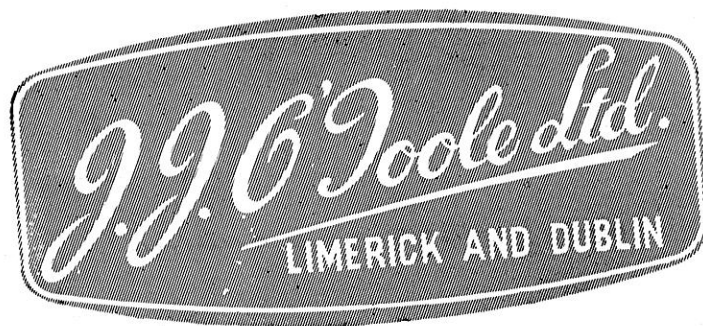
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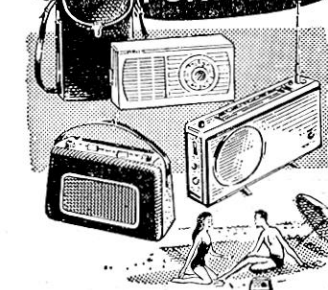
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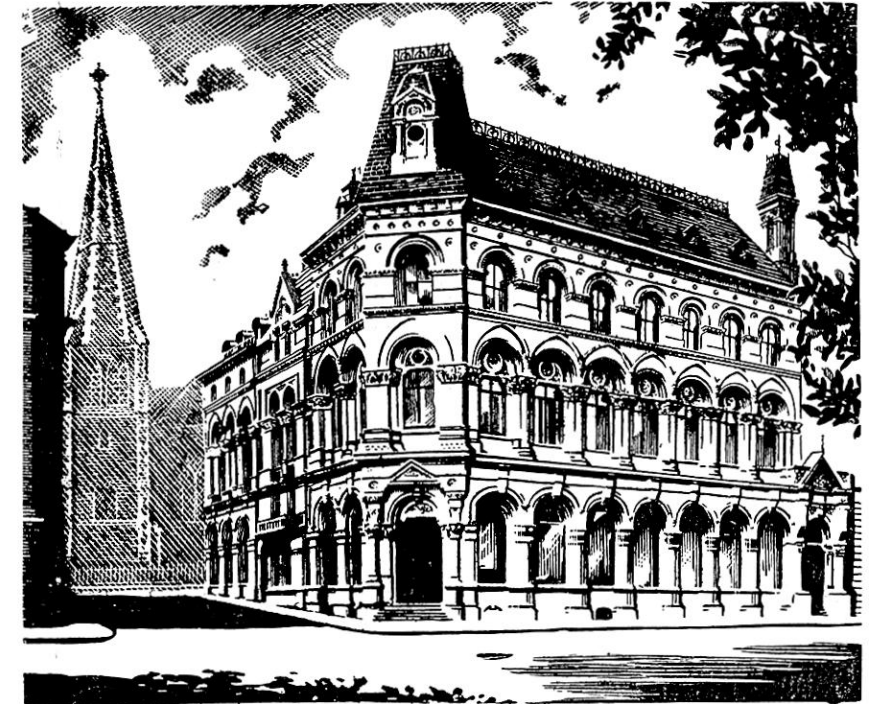
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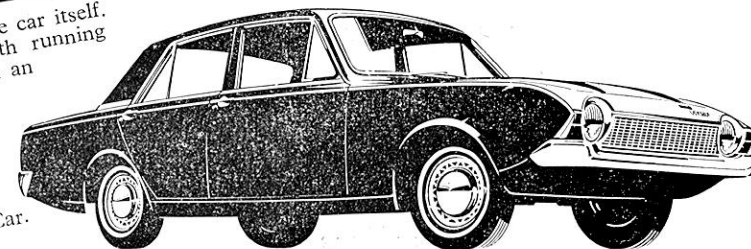
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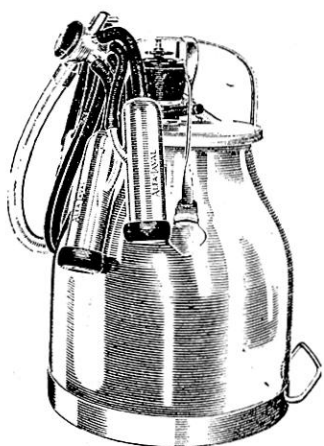
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