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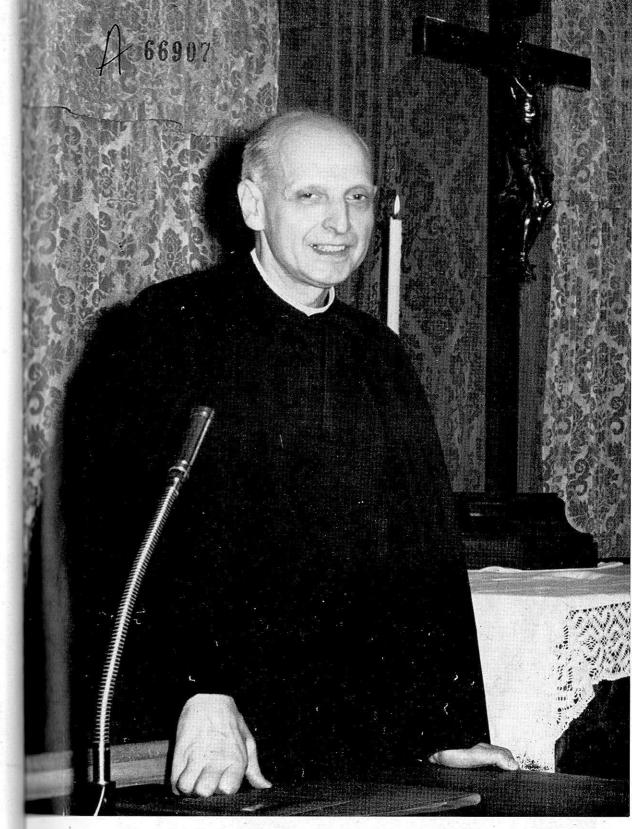
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Very Rev. Father General (Father Peter Arrupe, S.J.)





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Editorial

There have in recent years been many developments of religious, national, social and general educational interest. Such developments are reflected to a greater or lesser extent in the life of a College.

In this issue of the ANNUAL, which is larger than usual, we devote space to a number of topics, not only for their general interest, but also for their special connection with Mungret College. These features, which include the Missions, the National Jubilee Celebrations, Rural Community Development, Local History and Foreign Travel, will, we feel, be of interest to our readers at home and abroad.

We have also given more space to the College itself, showing the facilities for the various School activities. As will be seen, further progress has been made with the building programme: in addition to the new Assembly Hall and the Indoor Swimming Pool which were provided in recent

years, new Refectories, and new Offices for the Prefect of Studies have been completed during the past year.

During the year we have had many visitors, including Past Students, who have been especially interested to see the modern amenities of the College. In recent years, particularly during the years of the Council, we have had visits from a number of Prelates some of whom were students at Mungret.

Among our visitors during the year was the Very Rev. Fr. Andrew Snoeck S.J., Assistant to Very Rev. Father General. Fr. Snoeck came to Ireland in the autumn, and visited the various Houses of the Province. On October 20 we welcomed him at Mungret, and he stayed with us for a few days.

During the summer we had a number of changes. Fr. Crowe, who was our Prefect of Studies for three years, left us to become

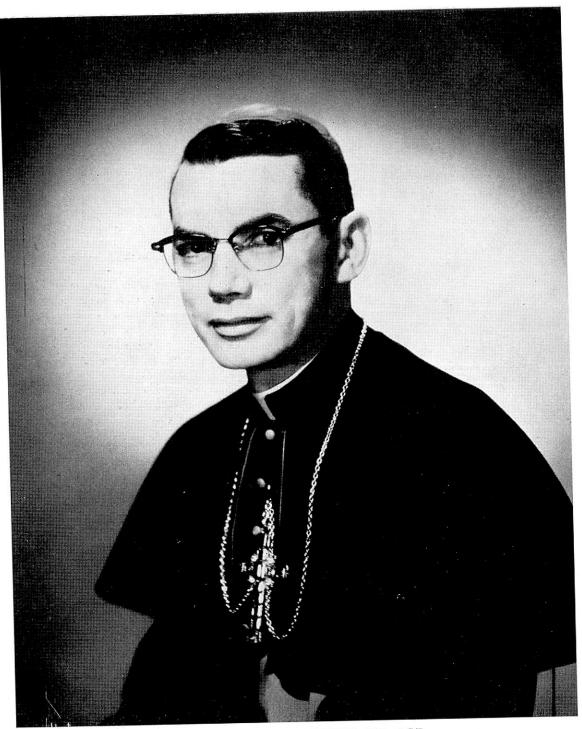
Prefect of Studies at Clongowes. Fr. Sean Casey departed for Rome, where he is engaged on further Philosophy studies. Mr. Geary went to Milltown Park for Theology. We are grateful to all of them individually for their work in Mungret College, and we assure them of our best wishes for their present work. Our new Prefect of Studies, Fr. Patrick Doyle, came to us from the United States, where he had been doing scientific work. Fr. Ennis and Fr. Cantillon, who left us a couple of years ago, returned to Mungret this year, and we are glad to have both of them with us again. Besides teaching, Fr. Ennis is again Spiritual Father to the Apostolic Students, and Fr. Cantillon is sub-Minister. We welcomed a new Scholastic Mr. C. Gallagher, who assists with

prefecting and teaching, and also as business assistant with the ANNUAL.

We wish to express many thanks to our special Contributors for their articles and photographs for this year's ANNUAL. The Editor would like to thank Fr. Rector for his generosity, encouragement and advice in connection with the production of the ANNUAL, and the members of the Community for their help with contributions, the checking of proofs and other assistance. The Editor wishes to record his special appreciation of the work of Mr. R. O'Keeffe and his associates of the Irish Pictorial Engraving Co. Ltd. in the making of blocks, and of Mr. W. D. Britton and the staff of the Leinster Leader Ltd. in the printing and production.

EXCHANGES

The Aloysian, The Baeda, The Belvederian, The Clongownian, The Eagle, The Far East, The Harvester, Our Alma Mater, The Patrician, Portaceli, The Ratcliffian, Rockwell College Annual, St. Aloysius College Annual, The Shield, St. Stanislaus High School Magazine, The Star.



MOST REV. TIMOTHY MANNING, D.D., J.C.D., Auxiliary Bishop of Los Angeles (Mungret College 1923-27)

Bishop Manning Tells Meaning of Missions

Reprinted, with permission from "The Tidings," Los Angeles, 19th November, 1965

On his way to attend the current session of the Ecumenical Council, Bishop Timothy J. Manning, Vicar General of the Archdiocese, accompanied by Misgr. James Hourman, pastor of St. Andrew's parish, visited many mission stations in the South Pacific, the Far East, and India. It is our privilege in Mission Chats this week to print the Bishop's impressions of this vast area of the mission field.

These things are true:

Missionaries are happy people. Time and again we have queried them asking what was the most difficult aspect of missionary life. In every instance there was a long and puzzled interval before the reply.

The reason was an effort to identify any hardship. The dedication to the vocation has obliterated any realization of personal loss or discomfort.

Five Irish Sisters sat around their community room. Formerly the house was that of a British army officer, three rooms opening on to a porch. Outside the deep jungle grass. The monsoon rains were falling in torrents. Five Sisters and a pet spaniel.

Mother General had recently visited the convent and found the rule studiously observed by all except the puppy. A very serious situation, but no stern reproval could discipline the little thing. She was chasing from lap to lap for affection, relishing morsels daintily slipped to her and violating all the sanctities of the cloister.

Distance, loneliness, poverty, war clouds, personal problems—none of these things was evident in the radiant happiness and love that was the "joy of the Lord" there in a lonely outpost of India, with lamps burning against the coming of the bridegroom.

Missionaries are not Beggars: Somewhere in our affluent society we have considered

that the crumbs falling from our surpluses were good enough for the itinerant missionary who mounted our pulpit once a year.

Vague notions of geography, places with confusing names, descriptions of mission life — these provided a moment of interest on a Sunday morning, and then back to the everyday life, at its most restricted, far better than the people for whom the missionary spoke.

The decree on the missions to be edited by the Second Vatican Council will disturb that complacency. The missionary movement is the essential heart of the Church in the modern world.

The Church is not a European thing, not a Roman culture nor language nor law. It is a leaven injected into every culture and country, redeeming it for the Lord.

At the Council we are seated in an order of seniority; Cardinals, Archbishops and Bishops. A few native Cardinals or Archbishops are interspersed in their respective ranks; then there is the solid series of banks of Bishops, European mostly, and beside them the multitude of native missionary Bishops.

The arrangement implies the action of the Church in recent years in appointing native Bishops. They have been schooled in Rome and are vocal in all the European languages, and it is this very facility with which they rose up to tilt the scales of the Council in favour of the affinity of the Church with native language and culture. The Church is One, Holy, Missionary and Apostolic.

The Missions need Lay Missionaries. The slow-down on vocations to religious life may be part of that Divine providence which highlights the need for lay missionaries.

The permanent order of the Diaconate will supply for the sacramental ministry, but the

universal priesthood of the laity will find its finest expression in missionary experience.

The movement has begun. In the Island of Bathurst off the northern tip of Australia is a colony of aboriginal natives. There are two Priests, a few Nuns, and over 20 lay missionaries.

Three handsome youths from Sydney, already in their fourth year of missionary dedication, are building accommodations; others — teachers, nurses — forming that invisible island of love and charity under the grim shadow of the Communist world poised in the Asiatic coast above it. One moment of unforgettable pathos!

The Aborigines not within the mission compound live along the edge of the water front. They have no houses, no homes. All along the beach are little corrugated shacks not intended for living, but as shelter from occasional tropical rain.

Otherwise life, in its coming in and going out, is fulfilled there on the barren primitive beach. The children have no clothes, yet offend no law of modesty.

Some benefactor in far-off Sydney had sent a supply of tennis shoes. As we watched from a vantage point on a bluff a lad less than three walked down the beach front, wearing man-sized tennis shoes, tears flowing down his face. He had nothing else on his ebony body but these over-sized shoes.

While we gazed and gazed we meditated on our nurtured grade-school children, well-clad, well-fed, well-e ducated, well-entertained, loved, transported, indulged, and we cried for the child, put in the midst of the apostles, ambitious for the places of preference, of whom it was said by the Master: "Unless you become as this little child, you shall not even enter into the Kingdom of Heaven."

Truly the children make the ecstasy of that Camelot which was Bathurst.

The Missions are fundamentally Celtic. Once, in ages long past, the Irish missionaries were asked their purpose at the fringes of the decadent Roman empire. We have come, they said, to push back the confines of darkness.

Only short days ago their words were on the lips of the Holy Father in his historic pilgrimage to the United Nations: "As you are Christians, be you also Romans."

Only the alien, outside the rim of Roman conquest, could Christianize in terms of Rome. That little green island, housing a population one-third that of Los Angeles county, has the highest per-capita ratio of vocations in the world and through the world. We find them in the five high schools in Delhi, the Superior of the French Sisters in Bangkok, the Custodian in Beyrouth.

Voices with the flavour of Kerry music are teaching Shakespeare in Taipei, vindicating the Church in troubled Rhodesia, refusing to accept a respite from Hong Kong in fear of not being missioned back, pining in the homeland for the Alto Plano.

If it be of the essence of a missionary vocation, as it was for Abraham, to depart out of country, to leave people, family, and go into a land selected by God, then these exiles from Irish firesides are a chosen generation.

Two weeks ago we visited the mother of four of them, three Priests and a Sister, out of a family of 12. The Sister is a missionary in far-off Los Angeles. The mother's heart was in Fiji and the Philippines as she lay there, rosary in hand, sacred pictures on the wall, waiting for the messenger of the Lord.

On Mission Sunday she died thus: rather did she sleep and must have wakened to the uncomparable dawn of fulfilled maternity, to countless children born to her celibate sons. She was Ireland, missionary Ireland personified.

Another mother died. We were at her bedside. She had four sons, Priests, one in Queensland, one in Hong Kong, one in Rhodesia, one in the homeland. She was clothed with the Sun.

The Missions are Sacramental. To the emissaries of John the Baptist, sent to inquire if He were the Messiah, Our Lord gave the ultimate sign of His mission; the blind see, the deaf hear, the lame walk, and the poor have the gospel preached to them.

The whole man, body and soul, is the subject of salvation. He is absolved from his sins and cured of his palsy.

So it is with the missionary. He will feed the hungry, clothe the naked, visit the sick so that the annealing of the body will succour the soul and God will be glorified and given witness in the endeavour. It will be stamped with the verdict of human failure, buried as was the Lord.

Bishop Galvin and his kind left behind them in China, after 40 years of missionary travail, only the bare walls of their mission houses. But the seed must die before it can bring forth fruit, and the sower who plants in the ploughed field looks not behind to see if the seed has sprouted. In due time God will give the increase. The interval is spent in patience. The harvest follows the interstices of failure, suffering and awaiting. "Behold, I am with you all days until the consummation of the world."

These things are true. These things change the thinking of a traveller. These things expose the shallowness of a cultured materialism. These things are the stuff of which the new Heaven and the new earth will be fashioned. Thanks be to God. Go—the Mass, the mission, has not ended, but begun.



Most Rev. Dr. Greene (Port Elizabeth), Mr. David Coyle and Fr. P. Walsh S.J.

The Irish Catholic and Service Overseas

by Rev. Michael C. Pelly, S.J. Secretary, Missionary Service Centre, Dublin.

It should not be necessary to say anything to Mungret men, past or present, about serving overseas. In eighty years nearly seven hundred priests have come out of Mungret and the vast majority of them are serving the Church overseas in the English-speaking world. Readers of the Mungret Annual down the years are accustomed to the numerous photographs of Mungret priests sent from all parts of the world, so that the tradition of overseas service is something of which all Mungret men are justifiably proud.

It is not, however, of this magnificent tradition I wish to write but of the growing awareness in the Church that the burdens, as well as the privileges, of apostolic action are to be borne and felt by the Church as a whole, and not just that section of it called to the Ministry of service as priests and religious.

It is clear now, if it was not clear before the Council, that the Coucil is not just a privileged person, baptised into the Body of Christ and supported by sacramental living in an effort to save his own soul. The Catholic of today and tomorrow can no longer be a passive participant in the privileges he possesses; he must demonstrate a Christ-like witness to his active concern for the neighbour's needs, spiritual and temporal, and show this active concern in daily living.

SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

This concern in the order of charity should be primarily extended to those in need in our own country, and express itself in an active social apostolate whether in rural or urban areas. No Catholic, as a Catholic, can opt out of this social responsibility to the neighbour in need, and no Irishman should consider himself a true Catholic unless he is actively participating in some way in the social apostolate in his neighbourhood. On this activity he will be judged on the Last Day.

His concern for the neighbour in need must be universal in its extent—

"We use this term 'Catholic' with the greatest of ease and practically without advertence to the fullness to which it refers, the dynamism that it envisions, the obligations that it imposes... Engraved in the heart of men, the name 'Catholic' finds there a natural capacity for expansion, a profound but vague instinct for universal extension; 'homo sum, et nil humani a me alienum puto'. (Pope Paul VI., Pentecostal address).

OUR CATHOLIC CONCERN

Indeed, the Document on Missionary Activity makes it very clear that the renewal of the Christian spirit in Dioceses and Parishes in the home countries, will be quite impossible unless these communities show the same care and concern for those in distant lands as they have for their own people in need at home.

Now, the Popes in recent times have stressed the appalling conditions under which men live in two thirds of our world. We must consider in a mature and sensible way the realities of the situations, in which men live, deprived of freedom, deprived of voice, deprived of the natural conditions for human growth and development which, in many areas throughout the world, are provocative of revolution and war. Now we tend to think that these things are not our concern, that



Left to right: Bishop Whelan of Owerri; Air-line Officer; Mr. Frank Aiken (Senior); Mr. Frank Aiken (Junior).

these peoples should solve their own problems in their own way without our help. Yet, if we are the Christ-like Catholics that we ought to be, ours should be the personal anxiety expressed by Pope John in his "Mater et Magistra."

Our soul is filled with a profound sadness, faced as we are with the vision of workers and their families in so many countries, condemned to sub-human conditions of life by inadequate wages."

We should feel deeply and personally disturbed that—

"in our day whole generations of children are dying or are chronically ill because of the terrible privations they are enduring. Hunger brings illness and misery; these in their turn bring on greater famines. For great numbers of people life today is marked not by a lack of comfort but privation of the essentials of life itself. And this terrifying situation, if allowed to remain unchecked, can only worsen." (Pope Paul VI., Christmas message—1963).

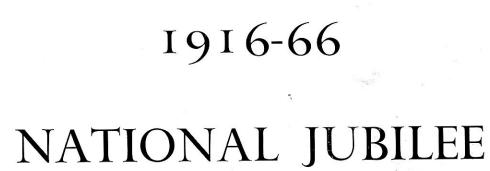
PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY

The symbolic act of Pope Paul in going to the poor in Bombay, and his equally symbolic act pleading before the United Nations for international justice and peace as an expression of the unity of all men within God's human family, is a direct personal example to every one of us, no matter what our state, and no matter what our personal commitments are, to bear witness to this personal concern for the needy neighbour abroad as well as at home.

Under-development plunges Asia, Africa and Latin America into situations unworthy of man and as such offensive to the Creator Himself.

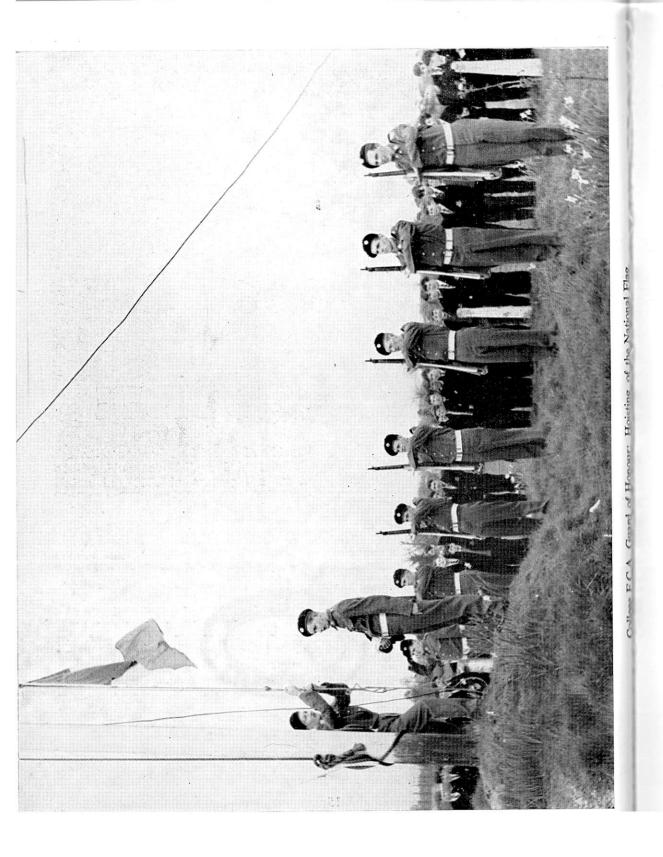
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CELEBRATIONS





IN MEMORIAM

FRANK FAHY

B.A., B.L., T.D., Ceann Comhairle Dáil Eireann 1932-1951



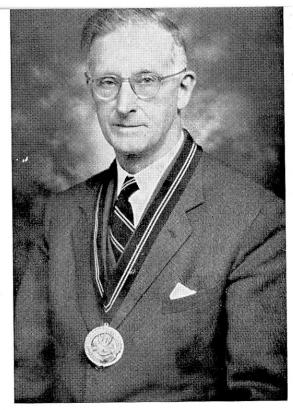
Leaving Mungret College in 1900 after taking out his B.A. degree at the Royal University of Ireland, Frank Fahy was teaching at St. Vincent's College, Castleknock, when the Rebellion broke out. His association with the Nationalist movement began in Tralee, and on moving to Dublin he became a close friend of Pearse, McDonagh and Griffith. Secretary of the Gaelic League and editor of *An Claidheamh Soluis*, he became with Pearse a founder member of the Irish Volunteers.

During the Rebellion he served under Commandant Daly in the Four Courts where he was Captain of 'C' company, First Dublin Brigade. Sentenced to ten years penal servitude, he was in many British prisons until the general release in 1917. In 1918 he was elected representative for Galway County to the First Dail Eireann, but like many fellow T.D.s spent the next few years on active service with the I.R.A.

Since he opposed the Treaty, he did not resume his seat in the Dail until 1927. From 1932 until his retirement in 1951 he filled the position of Ceann Comhairle to the full satisfaction of all parties.

When the Inter-Parliamentary Union, with delegates from thirty-four countries, met in Dublin in 1950, Frank Fahy was accorded the distinction of presiding over this impressive assembly.

The death of this distinguished Irishman took place in 1953. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a anam.



MR. SEAN BRADY
(Past President Mungret College Union)

Mr. Sean Brady, who was President of the Mungret College Past Pupils' Union in 1959, is among the Past Students of Mungret College with distinguished careers in the service of Ireland.

He was born in Dublin, 28th May, 1890. During his boyhood years the family lived in Booterstown, Co. Dublin. From his youth he took a keen interest in National affairs.

Sean joined Fianna Eireann shortly after its foundation in 1909, and here he met Con Colbert, Liam Mellows and Countess Markievicz. While with the Fianna on first-aid and field work, at Cullenswood House, Ranelagh, and St. Enda's, Rathfarnham, he met Padraig Pearse, Willie Pearse and Thomas MacDonagh. He worked, with other members of the Fianna, in the office of "Irish Freedom," and became very friendly with Sean Mac Diarmada and Thomas Clarke.

He joined the Irish Volunteers at the

Rotunda Meeting in 1913, and was on public duty in Irish Volunteer uniform at the funeral of O'Donovan Rossa.

In 1915, on the advice of Fr. Willie Doyle S.J., he came to Mungret College, where he was a student until 1922.

In 1916, while home on holidays at Easter, he carried dispatches for Eamon de Valera. In 1922 he was one of the garrison in O'Connell Street, Dublin, under Cathal Brugha, and was with him when he was fatally wounded.

In 1922 he was elected Sinn Fein member to Dun Laoghaire Borough Corporation. He was a member of the Corporation from 1922, and Chairman for a number of years, up to the time he resigned in 1951. He was a member of Dail Eireann, as Fianna Fail deputy for Co. Dublin constituency, until the last General Election.

In 1958 he was one of the Irish delegates to the Inter-Parliamentary Conference at Rio de Janeiro.

SOME RECOLLECTIONS OF 1916 LEADERS

by SEAN BRADY

Con Colbert: I first met Con Colbert in the early days of Fianna Eireann, and we soon became intimate friends. He was a stocky, hardy, block of a lad, 'tough as nails,' as some said. He had a keen, bright eye, and extraordinary energy. He was active, full of life and fun, and his laughter was delightful.

It was he who suggested that I should organize the Fianna in the South County Dublin area, and I established a sluagh in Blackrock, Kingstown and Dalkey. The boys were mainly of poor but deeply patriotic families. Our only accommodation was a stable, loft, or small room. Here the boys were instructed in drill, signalling, first-aid, etc. On Sundays we marched to the Dublin Mountains, covering long distances, and refreshing ourselves with tea, bread, and hard-boiled eggs. It was tough training and made us hardy.

This activity brought me into close contact with Con, who frequently drilled the boys, or gave them patriotic lectures. On one beautiful Sunday afternoon, when we had reached the top of the Three Rock Mountain, Con told us to look towards the city of Dublin. It was an inspiring sight. 'Boys!' he said, 'Is that not worth fighting for?' Such thoughts were ever uppermost in his mind.

At this time, I lived in Booterstown, and Con had lodgings in Ranelagh. He visited me quite often, late at night, and usually in kilts. He was a great favourite with every member of the family, and had everybody laughing with his lighthearted fun and drollery. When he started home, I usually went to see him part of the way home. I enjoyed his company most at these times, as his conversation became serious—usually about the hopes and prospects of the future. On the surface, it seemed so hopeless. England was most arrogant, in the height of her mighty power, and imperialism was overwhelming in every phase of our life. Yet Con knew that, quietly behind the scenes, a determined

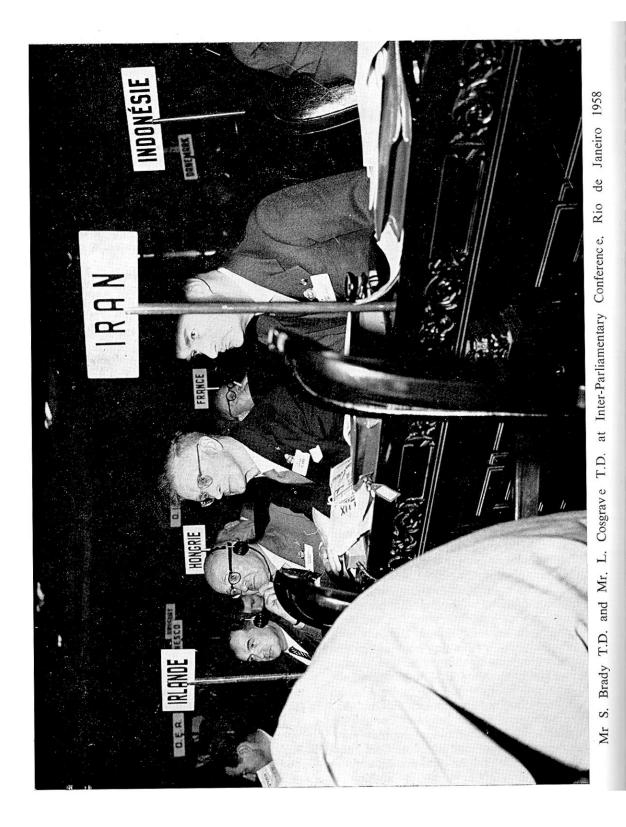
dedicated few were preparing to challenge that formidable empire.

In the early hours of one morning, when we reached Ballsbridge, Con was in a serious mood. "I know the fight must come soon," he said, "and I will be in it. I could fall in love with a girl as quickly as anyone, but I know what my fate will be, and I have no intention of bringing that sorrow on any girl."

On another occasion, when we were later than usual, I asked him how he managed to get up early in the morning, when he gave himself so little sleep. "I'll tell you," he said. "Before getting into bed, I kneel down and make a bargain with a neglected soul in purgatory. If I awake at the required time, I'll pray fervently for that soul. It never fails, even if I have only a few hours' sleep."

No wonder he could face death so cheerfully! Shortly before his surrender in 1916, he slipped on the stairs, and turned his ankle. He was wearing heavy army boots, and the pain was becoming severe. He saw Jimmy Kavanagh, a young Fianna boy, wearing dancing slippers. Poor little lad, he had expected to be at his first dance on Easter Monday night! Con exchanged with him, and probably was wearing those slippers when he was shot. I could imagine Con smiling.

The last time I met Con was on Easter Monday morning 1916. We had been allowed home from Mungret College for Easter. My brother had received a dispatch from de Valera, and asked me to bring it back to him for further instructions. I went to the Workers' Club, Great Brunswick Street, and Con opened the door. What a warm greeting we exchanged! He must have thought I was joining up with him on that great day, that had dawned at last. I told him my business, and he brought me upstairs to de Valera. When I left, he was vividly happy, and he gave me his strong, warm, handshake



for the last time. Were it not for that dispatch, I should probably have been with him, when he marched forth with his followers.

Seán Mac Diarmada: The founding of the monthly paper *Irish Freedom* brought me into close association with that most beloved personality, Seán Mac Diarmada: so like Con Colbert in his joy of life and keen sense of humour; burning with energy like Con, but alas, at this period, seriously lame after a prolonged illness; with a deep black beard, that made his handsome face still more attractive.

Like Con, he often spoke of the future and the coming challenge. There was little else in the minds of these men at this time. One evening, after we had tea together at the vegetarian restaurant in College Street, we were going along O'Connell Street. 'Isn't it sad?' he said. 'The fight is coming, near at hand, and I'm a cripple. I'll be little use.'

Another evening, as we were passing the D.B.C., in O'Connell Street, he said to me, with great glee, 'Don't look round. You are being shadowed by two 'G' men, who are anxious to know why you are in my company.'

All the time I was working in the office that evening, I was thinking of those 'G' men, and when I was finished my work. I went very quietly to the door, and peeped out. There were the two 'G' men in a hallway, a few doors nearer to Sackville Street. I slipped quietly back into the hall, and then walked out in the ordinary way, so that they could hear my footsteps. As I expected, the 'G' men had taken cover in the darkness of the hallway. I passed without pretending to notice anything. When I got to Sackville Street, however, I raced into an open doorway, and hid in the hall so that I could observe them. They were surprised when they turned the corner and could find no trace of me. When they passed my hiding place, I fell in behind and got in step with them, as they hurried towards Talbot Street, looking in every direction for me. Eventually one spotted me and nudged the other. They slowed their pace. I did the same. They stopped. I also stopped. By this time we were near Talbot Street corner. I saw a Dalkey tram moving off. I made a sprint and just managed to board it before it got up speed. I got away before they fully realised it.

Sometime later, however, they were on my track again. This time they did not miss the tram; so I went miles beyond my destination, for the fun of leading them on a false trail until the early hours of next morning. But I am certain they found out all they wanted to know about me, in the end, whatever good it did them.

Another evening, we were working in the Irish Freedom office. It was the eve of the royal visit of King George. The issue of the paper about to appear contained special articles dealing with the visit, and one poster read: 'An Open Letter to King George.' Word came that the D.M.P. were assembled in force outside, apparently with the intention of preventing the circulation of this issue. But Seán Mac Diarmada was ready for such eventualities. He had secured a supply of wrappers from some friendly person in Dublin Castle. These bore the impressive letters, O.H.M.S. The wrappers were prominently affixed to the bundles of Irish Freedom, and the bearers escaped by the back to evade the D.M.P.. blockade, and before long the posters were displayed outside Tom Clarke's newspaper shop in Britain Street, and in other shops throughout the city, to the confusion of the D.M.P. and 'G'

In the meantime, another group had succeeded in obtaining the permission of Dublin Corporation to erect a pole at Yeates' corner of Grafton Street, and another at the opposite corner, at Suffolk Street. Naturally it was thought that these were to be used for a further display of decorations in honour of His Majesty; but shortly before the procession was due to pass, a man from the top window drew a linen scroll from one pole to the other, taking care to drop the rope end, so that the scroll could not be hauled in again. To the consternation of the gathered loyalists, they read in large letters on the scroll:

Thou are not conquered yet, dear land.

The D.M.P. men were ordered to remove the offensive scroll; but they could not reach it. Eventually the poles were dug up, and the D.M.P. men removed them to the police station. This caused great fun and a cartoon was issued in post-card form, headed 'Deeds that won the Empire—The Capture of the Poles,' showing several hefty D.M.P. men struggling under the weight of the poles. This was the work of Countess Markievicz.

Padraig Pearse: The first time I heard Padraig Pearse speak in public was about 1911, when he addressed the audience at the annual Wolfe Tone Concert in the Rotunda, Dublin. I remember the lecture vividly, although I have failed to trace its publication. Pearse spoke of 'the gospel of Wolfe Tone,' and invited those who believed in it to stand in token of their willingness to die in its defence. This elevated the struggle to the highest possible level, and the audience responded splendidly.

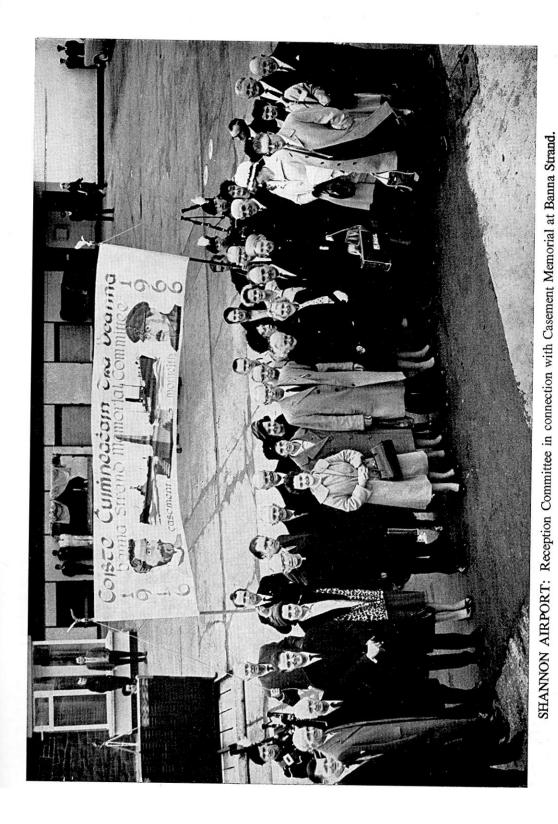
We held first aid classes in Pearse's studio, at his school at Cullenswood House, and we sometimes met him and Thomas Mac Donagh, in these pleasant surroundings. Later, when the school transferred to St.

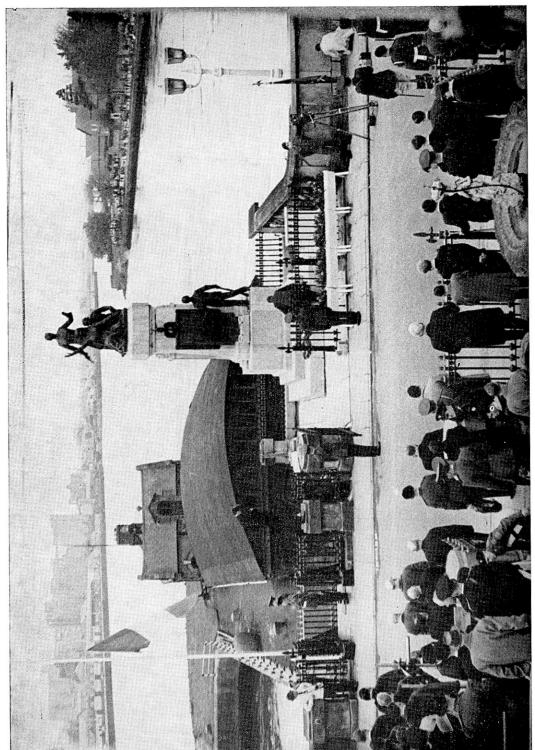
Enda's, we often attended Pearse's very impressive plays and tableaux, in the natural setting of the school grounds. We always got the impression of fortunate boys living in a world completely different from that outside and in an atmosphere true to ancient traditions.

Pearse himself took great pleasure in these performances and a great interest in encouraging boys to become good Irishmen. The Fianna appealed to him very much, and he always welcomed us to St. Enda's. Many of his own students, and Thomas Mac Donagh, wore the Irish kilt, and it was delightful to hear them singing songs in Irish, or speaking in their native tongue.

The last time I heard Pearse speak was on the memorable occasion at O'Donovan Rossa's funeral. That event, and that oration, brought us very close to the realization of the dream of those great dreamers. It was also my last duty in the uniform of the Irish Volunteers, as I was preparing then to go to Mungret College, where I was to meet so many noble young men, also dedicated to a very great cause, and some of whom likewise gave their lives in the service of that cause.







Commemoration LIMERICK (Sarsfield Bridge):

Review of Booklet

Cuimhníonn Luimneach: Cásg, 1966
Published by the Limerick Branch of the
National 1916 Jubilee Commemorative
Committee, Price 2/6.

This booklet, issued to commemorate Limerick's part in the Rising, is attractively presented and most informative.

The central article, Limerick and the Easter Week Rising, brings vividly to life the indecision and bewilderment of the Volunteers in provincial areas as command and countermand reached them from Dublin.

This lively account makes it quite clear that the leaders of Easter Week had not given sufficient thought to the timing and organization of a nation-wide uprising. By changing the date of arrival of the Aud from the 20th to the 23rd April, without making sure that the captain of the vessel had been informed of the change, they threw the entire organization for rebellion into confusion. Thus the Aud was not met when it arrived on Holy Thursday, and Casement, Monteith and Stack were arrested by the evening of Good Friday, 21st April. These events paralysed all of Munster and the West of Ireland as well; and the paralysis was only intensified during the succeeding days as one envoy to Dublin after another relayed the conflicting commands of the leaders.

The anxious confusion of the time is illustrated by the fact that the leader of the Limerick Command. Commandant Colivet, sent two men to Dublin within a few hours of each other on Holy Saturday. The first, Lieutenant Gubbins, was informed by Mc-Dermott that the Rising was on. The second, Captain Liam Forde, who conveyed a suggestion from Colivet that the Rising be postponed now that the arms from the Aud were not available, was met with an outburst from McDermott that the Rising must take place, even if they had only sticks and stones to fight with. Yet the following afternoon, after MacNeill had issued his countermanding order, Pearse told Forde that everything was "off" for the present. The following day, Easter Monday, a further message came from Pearse to the Limerick area stating, "The Dublin Brigade goes into action today. Carry out your orders." Unaware of the

conflicts within the executive of the Volunteers, confused and dismayed by the inconsistency of the orders they had received, there were only seventy-six of the City Battalion left at the Killonan camp when Pearse's final order came through. In the circumstances it was unanimously agreed that nothing could be done. Thus, Limerick's contribution to the Rising was confined to her representatives in Dublin.

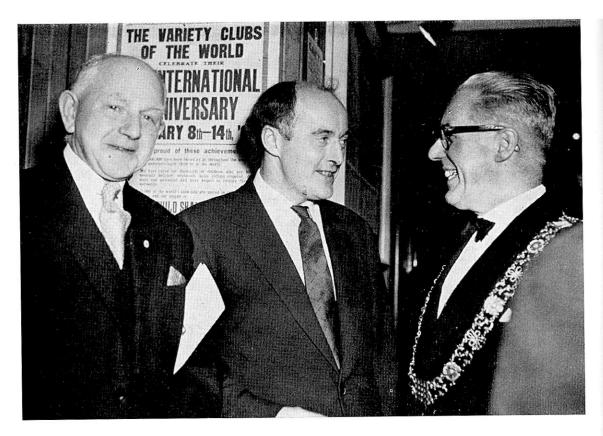
The City's chief representatives in the Rising were Commandant Ned Daly, Con Colbert and, as a freeman of the City, Tom Clarke.

The article on Edward Daly and The Four Courts portrays a soldierly figure of quiet determination and stern realism. There was little of the romantic about him, and the vigorous, aggressive action of his men at the Four Courts reflected his leadership. They seem to have been the one garrison prepared to go on the offensive during the week.

A short tribute in Irish to Con Colbert briefly neon-lights him as a man of pride and principle, in whom a generous nature was wedded to a grim dedication to Irish freedom.

The account of Thomas J. Clarke is, in many ways, one of the most interesting in the whole booklet. It catches some of the relentless resolution of the old Fenian-his driving ambition to enlist and marshal a body of young men who would again strike at Britain and redeem the fiasco of '67 and the failure to strike during the Boer War. No obstacle must stand in the way of fulfilment of his hopes. So he remained the rallying point of rebellion right up to Easter Monday, and to him is attributed the bringing together of Connolly and the Volunteers at a critical juncture before Easter Week. It is a tribute to the article on Clarke that one feels too something of his dejection on Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday as he sees repeated over again the indecisions and postponements of 1865, and it is quite clear that his demand for a Rising at any price must have been one of the decisive factors in bringing about the outbreak of hostilities in Dublin the following day.

Even from this brief commentary on Cuimhníonn Luimneach it should be quite clear that it contains much of interest. T.M.



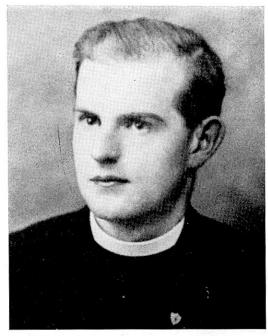
ABOVE: On the occasion of the Dublin premiere of the Gael-Linn film "MISE EIRE": L. to R.:

Mr. Christopher Brady

Mr. George Morrison (Director of the film)

Ald. Patrick A. Brady (then Lord Mayor of Dublin)

RIGHT: Rev. Bro. Patrick Brady S.J.



The Story of the Printing of the 1916 Proclamation

Among the numerous recollections of the 1916 Rising called forth by this year's anniversary, those concerned with the printing of the Proclamation of the Republic held a particular interest for us in Mungret. This was because one of the men who printed it, Mr. Christopher Brady, is the father of Brother Patrick Brady of the Mungret community.

Three men in all shared the honour of printing the Proclamation. Besides Brother Brady's father, there were Mr. Michael Molloy and Mr. Liam O'Brien. During the exciting period of political ferment that led up to the rising, all three worked on James Connolly's publications at Liberty Hall. It was to these men that the Provisional Government turned for the printing of their Proclamation.

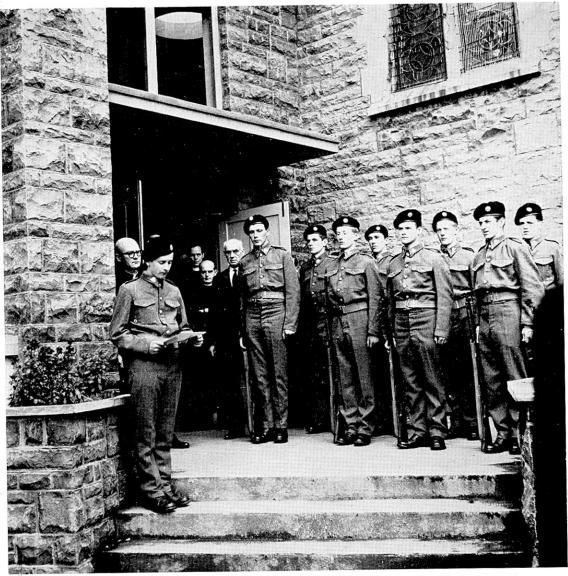
Most printing jobs are rushed, and the printing of the Proclamation was no exception. It was on the very eve of the Rising, on Easter Sunday morning, that Connolly and Thomas McDonagh ordered 2,500 posters of the now familiar summons, Irishmen and Irishwomen: In the name of God and of the dead generations . . . The historic manuscript does not appear to have survived. The printers remember that it was written by hand on two foolscap sheets; but whose the handwriting was is not certain. Needless to say, the work had to be done in the greatest secrecy, and soldiers of the Irish Citizen army had orders to guard it at all costs. The Proclamation was nothing less than a declaration of independence and a call to armed rebellion. All its seven signatories were to pay for their signature with their lives.

When the compositors began to set up the

poster by hand, they found that it would test the resources of their back-room printing shop severely. The Proclamation ran to about five hundred words and it had to be set up in a large type suitable for a poster. Liberty Hall did not possess enough of this large type, and the devices to which Mr. Brady and his companions had to resort in order to eke out their scanty letters sound amusing in retrospect. One man set out with a hand-cart to try to borrow type from an English printer in Capel Street. It was decided to print the poster in two separate sections. When the first half was finished, its type could be broken up and used again in the printing of the second half. In spite of everything, the frequently recurring letter E ran out. With the help of sealing-wax, Mr. Brady was able to turn a capital F into capital E; and the compositors were forced to use small Cs for Es towards the end of the first half. The results of these improvisations may still be seen in the surviving copies of the poster and in reproductions. Surviving copies, incidentally, are rare; because, like everything else, paper was scarce and of poor quality. Connolly did not get his 2,500 copies, but something nearer to 1,000.

Somehow or other the Proclamation was completed by three tired men at one o'clock on Easter Monday morning. That same day Pearse read it from the front of the G.P.O. and the Rising with all its consequences was in train.

The printers all happily survived, to spend most of the succeeding half-century plying their trade in Dublin in less exciting ways. Mr. Brady worked for the printing department of the Bank of Ireland. He retired five years ago.



1916 JUBILEE: Schools' Day (22nd May, 1966)

From left: V. Rev. Fr. J. Kerr, S.J., Rector; Pierce Wall, Captain of the House; Fr. Eamon Egan S.J.; Bro. Patrick Brady S.J.; Mr. Tom Cosgrave, and College F.C.A. Guard of Honour.

1916 Jubilee: Schools' Day 22nd May, 1966 Ceremonies at the College

8.45 a.m. Hoisting of the Flag.

11.00 a.m. Mass for all who died for Ireland, celebrated by V. Rev. Father Rector.

11.45 a.m. Unveiling of a Copy of the 1916 Proclamation by V. Rev. Father Rector.

Reading of the Proclamation by the Captain of the School, Pierce Wall.

Address on the Significance of the Occasion by Fr. Eamon Egan, S.J.

Father Egan's Address was as follows:

Very Reverend Father Rector, Reverend Fathers and Gentlemen:

As I begin I am very conscious that there are others present who have much more right to address you on this anniversary than I have. I think at once of our carpenter, Mr. Tom Cosgrave, who was a volunteer in Co. Wexford in 1916 and who later served in the War of Independence. We are proud he is standing with us today.

And we have another link with 1916, and in particular with the Proclamation of the Republic, which we have just heard solemnly read. You know that the proclamation was printed secretly in Liberty Hall during the last-minute preparations for the Rising. There was not enough type for such a long document, with the result that the printers had to make use of various devices to get the job done. In recent weeks you have probably seen photographs of the original poster and you may have noticed the changes of lettering that still bear witness to the improvisations of those exciting hours. What you may not all have known is that the man responsible for this historic piece of printing, Mr. Christie Brady, is the father of our own Brother Brady.

Since I cannot speak of everyone who deserves it, I shall mention no one else by name; but I know that, among the community, among the parents and relations of the boys, and among the Past, many could have been found better qualified to speak on the service of Ireland than I am. It is

therefore as an ordinary citizen belonging to the generations that grew up after it was all over, that I must speak to you and try to put into words what these celebrations mean to us.

First of all, of course, they mean that we share in the emotion felt by the whole country during these past few weeks. The ceremonies, publications, radio and television broadcasts commemorating the Rising have left us all with a new respect for the 1916 men and a new sense of patriotism generally. But Irishmen—and especially young Irishmen -do not give themselves up to patriotic sentiment without reserve. In the face of outsiders we are all simple patriots, but amongst ourselves our attitude is almost morbidly complicated. We are quick to pick holes in policies, to question motives, to debunk heroes; we seem we want to be dissatisfied. It may be, therefore, that already in the back of your minds you are asking: Was not too much fuss made of the 1916 men? Is there any solid reason for it all?

No doubt, a dozen good reasons might be given; but I shall try to keep to one. The 1916 Anniversary offers us a welcome and a very necessary opportunity to sink our differences and to unite in acknowledging the claims of our country. We do this by commemorating men who expressed these claims with unequalled clarity and who answered them by the greatest sacrifice they could offer.

Here in Ireland we indulge in strenuous party politics; sectional interests are vigorously pursued. There is nothing wrong



with this. It is how a free country is run. It is good to believe in something and to fight hard for it. But, like most good things, the vigour of our party struggles carries a danger with it. Politics could become excessively bitter and selfish. Self-interest-collective self-interest, if not the personal kindcould become the sole object in public life. If we ever sink to that level, people will grow justly cynical about our public institutions and, perhaps, about our statehood itself. The best guarantee against this depressing possibility, and therefore the condition of the fruitful use of our liberty, is a devotion to the nation that sets it above any sectional interest. We must realize that the issues that unite us go deeper than the ones that divide. Our disputes, after all, are more about means than about ends. We argue about how Ireland should be served, but we agree that she should be served. If only this sense of fundamental unity develops, no amount of superficial controversy can harm us.

That is why we welcome an occasion like the present, which expresses our fundamental unity. Ancient states have age-old traditions and institutions that impress the dignity of the state on the imagination of the citizens. Our state is of yesterday. Its institutions have not had time to take deep root. But it does possess what I might call national symbols; and, of these, none has a greater hold upon the minds of the people than the event of Easter 1916.

It was inevitable that the Easter Rising should become the symbol of resurgent Ireland. It was consciously planned as a symbolic gesture, and, as a symbolic gesture, it succeeded. The mass of the Irish people, who had not asked for the Rising or even applauded it, soon came to see it as the most complete expression of their aspirations. Its very hopelessness as a practical operation and the sacrifice of its leaders only served to throw this symbolic quality into sharper relief. These things placed the Rising on a pedestal apart, as the very type of heroic devotion to country. This is what Yeats meant by the famous phrase about 'a terrible beauty' that is so often quoted these days. For him, the 1916 leaders had been ordinary mortals whom he could admire or

criticize like anybody else. But their deed has raised them to quite a different plane:

All changed, changed utterly: A terrible beauty is born.

I should like to underline one aspect of this transformation of the leaders—it immortalized them in the moment of their unity. In themselves, they represented different backgrounds and somewhat different aspirations. Had they survived, practical politics would have divided them as it divided their lieutenants and the rest of us. But their execution exempted them from this. It is in the brotherhood of Easter Week that we shall always remember them. That is why they are particularly valuable as a symbol. They do not stand for any section within the state, but for the ideal of the state as a whole.

We need have no fear, therefore, that there may be something sentimental or sensational or divisive about today's ceremony. What we are doing is normal and useful-reminding ourselves of our duty to our country by paying tribute to those who have become the very types of heroic service of country. We welcome the sense of fellowship it gives us to lay aside our differences and unite upon fundamentals. Shall I say further that we pledge ourselves to an enthusiastic service of Ireland, after the example of the men of fifty years ago? It is tempting to end with an exhortation to such a service. But I think I can find a better way of ending. Our people today-and especially our young peopleare suspicious of the pressure of exhortation. They like to have their freedom respected and to make their own choices. We shall all do, with the help of God, our common duty as citizens. How far we shall go beyond this, how far there will be an element of generous enthusiasm in our service, and what form that service will take-these are choices each one must make for himself. Or rather it is a choice each one must grow into; for in this matter, as in so many others, our final attitude will be result of development. One element of this development will surely be the experiences of these past few weeks. The gesture of the 1916 men was a powerful one. No one can be exposed to it and remain unimpressed.



An Taoiseach, Mr. Sean Lemass, and Most Rev. Dr. Henry Murphy, Bishop of Limerick, accompanied by Rev. R. Browne, National Chairman, Muintir na Tire, and Mr. Frank Lyddy, Hon. National Secretary, arriving for Tuesday's session of Rural Week at Mungret College, 10th August,

MUINTIR NA TIRE AT MUNGRET

By FRANK LYDDY

Hon, National Secretary Muintir na Tire

JUINTIR NA TIRE is a parish community Mulning the line is a grant which seeks to bring the people of Ireland, especially the rural people, together in parish guilds to cooperate in finding solutions for their community problems, and the Rural Week is the annual gathering of the movement held during the month of August.

Rural weeks began as week-ends, back in 1933, but the time came when, in 1937, because of their growing popularity, they had to be extended to full weeks.

The name of John Canon Hayes -Founder of Muintir na Tire - and an old Jesuit boy himself, will always be associated with the Rural Weeks. His powerful and engaging personality played the major part in their growth and the Rural Weeks in turn gave him a means of propagating his cause for the rural people of Ireland.

To this annual gathering come people from all walks of life and from all parts of the country and a striking feature is the attendance of international visitors, lending to the Rural Week a cosmopolitan air not equalled by any other function of this kind.

It is also the annual congress of Muintir na Tire and delegates from the various parish guilds scattered throughout Ireland come to take part in serious discussion of problems affecting the rural people. The weekly programme is a varied one consisting of lectures, discussions and delegates' meetings during the day, while at nights there are concerts, ceilidthe, and the famous Muintir na 'lire fireside chat made so popular by the late Founder-Canon Hayes.

Twenty-eight such Rural Weeks have now been held and they have reached such proportions that the energies of a voluntary organisation such as Muintir na Tire are severely taxed to withstand the strains imposed on it by this ever popular event.

Mungret College will always be associated with Muintir na Tire's Rural Weeks. The fifth one was held there in 1942, the twelfth in 1949 and the twenty-eighth in August 1965. That of 1942 saw a historic meeting between President De Valera (who was then Taoiseach) and Mr. William Bullitt, President Roosevelt's Ambassador-at-Large, when international problems affecting this country were discussed in a private conference.

It was at the 1949 Rural Week that the idea of County Federations for Muintir na Tire was mooted and later followed up and this turned out to be a most important development in the history of the movement. The 1965 Rural Week saw a further development for Muintir by the holding of a three-day Seminar, introduced for the first time in the middle of the programme when a close study by Irish and International experts was carried on into the present problems of the Western counties of Ireland. The experience has been found valuable and it would seem that a pattern has been set for future Rural Weeks and that the seminar will now become a permanent part of the programme.

OFFICIAL OPENING

The 1965 Week was officially opened on Sunday, August 8th, by His Lordship, Most Rev. Dr. Murphy, Bishop of Limerick. It was attended by His Worship, the Mayor of Limerick, Councillor Frank Leddin and members of Limerick Corporation in their robes of office and by Mr. Denis Naughton. Chairman, and members of Limerick County Council.

An Taoiseach, Mr. Sean Lemass, T.D. came on Tuesday accompanied by Mrs. Lemass. The Taoiseach addressed a public session of the Congress. A frequent visitor during the week was the Archbishop of



Murphy, Bishop of Limerick; Mr. Norman Riley, National Archbishop of Cashel and Emly; Rev. R. Browne, National

Cashel and Emly, Most Rev. Dr. Morris. Indeed, for His Grace it must have revived nostalgic memories, for as a young priest he had attended the Rural Week held at Mungret in 1942 and again in 1949 when he was one of the organising staff for Muintir na Tire. Right Rev. Dr. Wyse-Jackson, Bishop of Limerick and Aghadoe came off his annual holiday in Kerry to pay a flying visit during the week. His Lordship had read a paper at the 1942 Rural Week when he was then ministering in Limerick city and he was one of the organising committee at that time.

The subject taken as the theme of the Week - "The Rural Family" - was one which Muintir na Tire and its guilds have a lively interest in and which gave rise to many fruitful discussions during the week, but it was the theme of the three-day seminar -"Problems of Western Development" - he'd from Wednesday to Friday - which really high-lighted the week and a panel of international lecturers provided some valuable material for eight study groups to examine at length the pressing problem of the decline of our Western counties.

SEMINAR

The opening address of the Seminar was given by Mr. Charles J. Haughey, Minister for Agriculture, who said the gathering for the Seminar was a real community occasion because Muintir na Tire had succeeded in gathering together representatives from all organisations, voluntary and official, which had an interest in, or responsibility for, improving living conditions in the West of Ireland.

Mr. Tomás Breathnach, Head of the Rural Economy Section of An Foras Talúntais (the Agricultural Institute) lectured on "The Social and Economic Position of Western Areas" and was followed by Dr. John Scully. Western Regional Officer, Department of Agriculture, who dealt with "The Family Farm in the Context of Western Development."

We then had an Italian sneaker - Dr. Tommaso Crudele, Head of Section on Cooperation, Land Reform Agency for Puglia, Lucania and Molise, Bari, Italy, Dr. Crudele

spoke at length on "Problems and Action in South Italy" and dealt with the position that had existed in Southern Italy for centuries and the efforts which the Italian government had set in motion to eliminate these problems.

Investment and Credit in Irish Agriculture was dealt with by Mr. John F. Hickey, Chief Agricultural Officer of the Agricultural Credit Corporation and another speaker, Father Diarmuid Lenihan, from West Cork (a member of the National Executive of Muint'r na Tire) spoke on "The Role of Local Peop'e in Development."

The Head of the Land Improvement Section at the Cassa per il Mezzogiarno, Italy, Dr. Giullano Cesarini in another lengthy paper gave the story of further improvements initiated by government agencies in the South of Italy where problems existed somewhat similar to those that exist in our own western counties to-day.

The final lecturer was Dr. Theodor Dams, Chief, Division for Co-ordinating Structural Policies, European Economic Community, Brussels, who spoke on Agricultural Structural Policy in the E.E.C.

The Seminar was directed by Dr. George F. Thomason, University College, Cardiff. Dr. Thomason has been a frequent attender at Muintir na Tire Rural Weeks for a number of years and has conducted a number of Training Courses for Muintir na Tire.

The Rural Week closed on Sunday, August 15th, with a lecture by Mr. Norman Riley, St. Francis Xavier University, Nova Scotia. Mr. Riley was appointed National Director of Muintir na Tire in August and was introduced to the guilds at Rural Week.

RURAL WEEK FESTIVITIES

Lest it might appear that Rural Week was entirely made up of serious lectures and discussion, let me hasten to say that the usual light-hearted entertainment of the nightly concert, play and ceili was held in Mungret's new Assembly Hall, while at the same time the Lav Study Hall was crowded for the Fireside Chat

Over all the week's activities there seemed to be the spirit of the Founder — Canon



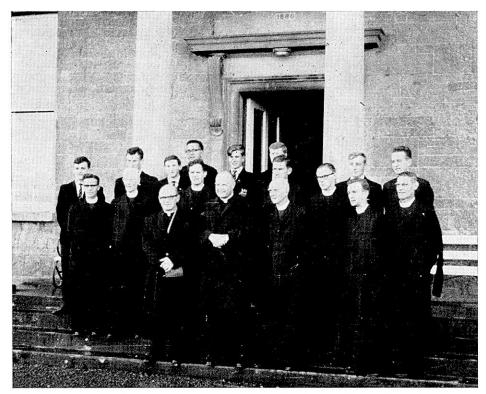
At the opening of Muintir na Tire Rural Week at Mungret College, Limerick (left to right): Dr. T. Crudele, Southern Italy (speaker); Rev. R. Browne, National Chairman, Muintir na Tire; Most Rev. Dr. H. Murphy, Bishop of Limerick, who officially opened the Conference; Councillor F. Leddin, Mayor of Limerick; Very Rev. J. Kerr, S.J., Rector, Mungret College, and Mr. F. Lyddy, Hon. Secretary, Muintir na Tire.

Hayes, returning again to the scene of two former Rural Weeks where he had played the major part. There was the same community spirit, the same friendly neighbourliness and the same spirit of co-operation which Canon Hayes did so much to encourage. "We are not concerned with methods of government"—he once said (Mungret Rural Week, 1942)... "they are the mechanical means of governing a nation. Our work is more fundamental, and that is to create the spirit of true Christian citizenship in the people of the nation."

We in Muintir na Tire are grateful for the kindness and co-operation of Father Rector and the college staff for placing the college at our disposal for the twenty-eighth Rural Week. We realise how difficult it was for them to do so in this year of rebuilding, and how much they had to bear for us. But we know that they did it with big hearts and for love of their former pupil Canon Hayes and for his movement. God will bless them for it, and Muintir na Tire's Founder will intercede for them and for their work.

College Activities





Very Rev. Fr. Assistant, Fr. Rector and Fr. Roche with members of Community and School Prefects



Very Rev. Frovincial (right) with Fr. Rector and Fr. Roche and School Prefects

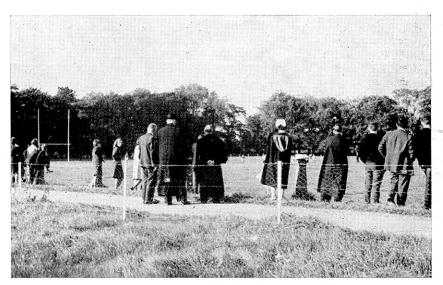
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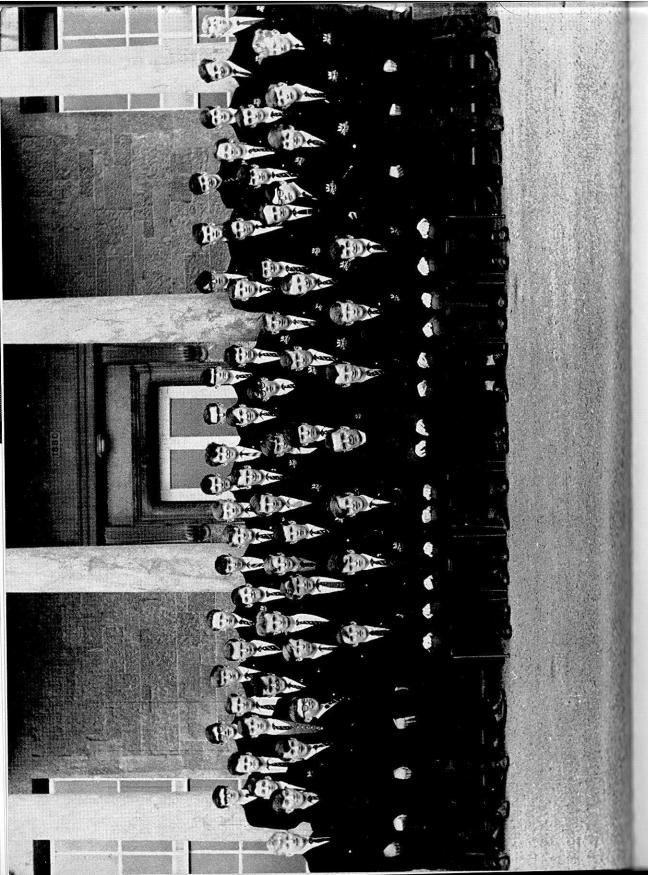
FR. DOYLE'S VOW-DAY: left to right: Fr. Meagher, Fr. Doyle, Fr. Rector, Mr. Murphy



Mr. V. Ryan and Mr. G. Walsh members of the Teaching Staff



Mungret supporters at a Sunday afternoon match



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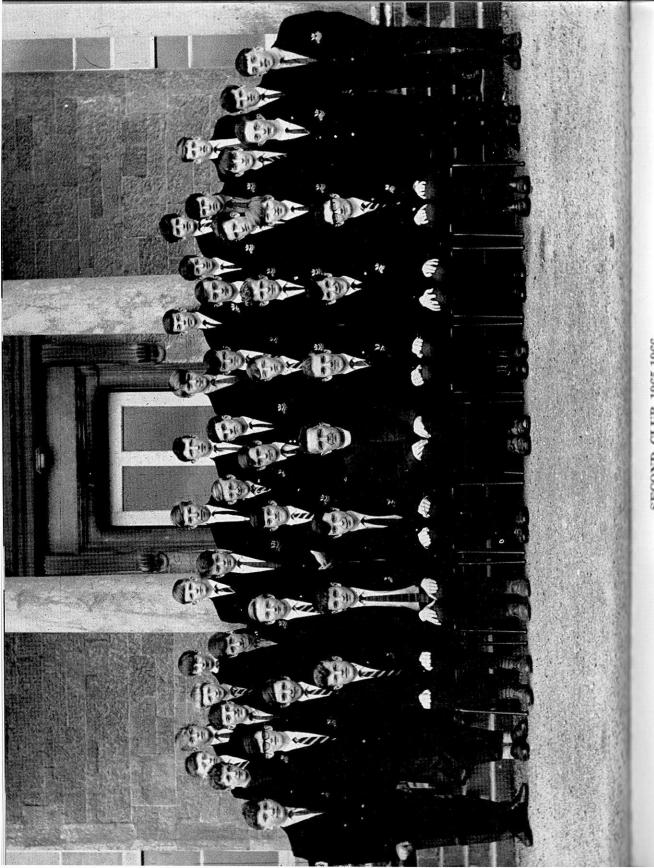
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PREFECTS



Corry Ward, Brendan Ryan, Brian Punch, Oliver Murphy, Pierce Wall, Michael John O'Donnell.



SECOND CLUB 1965-1966

Seated: P. Horan, K. Roche, J. Mullen, Rev. T. Morrissey, S.J., T. Haier, K. Power, J. Deighan.
Second Row: C. McNamara, R. Hurley, J. Tait, L. McDonnell, M. Hawe, H. Casey, R. O'Connor, F. Gallagher, M. Dwyer, J. O'Kelly, D. Barnewell.
Third Row: C. Nash, T. Madden, P. Kelly, C. Cattigan, D. Murphy, G. Thompson, B. Adams, P. Connolly, S. Boland, L. Baldwin, P. Brogan.
Back Row: W. Hearne, T. Cafferky, D. Carroll, K. Harrington, G. O'Connor, T. McKaigney, M. Gilmore, T. Brosnan, J. Fitzgibbon, M. Carlino, M. O'Malley, J. Quinlan, P. Byrne.



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DAY BOYS

Seated: P. Boland, A. Hickey, Rev. Fr. Minister, D. Purcell, C. Murphy, Second: Row K. O'Rourke, M. O'Kelly, J. Ryan, L. Fenton, J. Foley, B. O'Flynn, R. Kennedy, R. Burke.

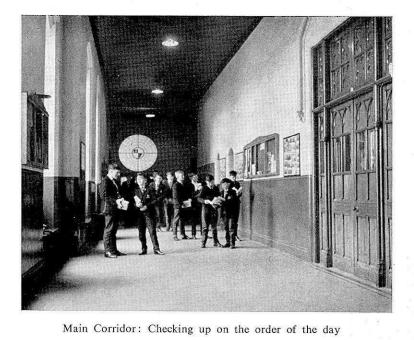
Third Row: C. Ward, J. Loftus, T. Quinn.

Back Row: M. Hayes, P. Cronin, M. Murphy, P. Cronin, S. O'Flynn.



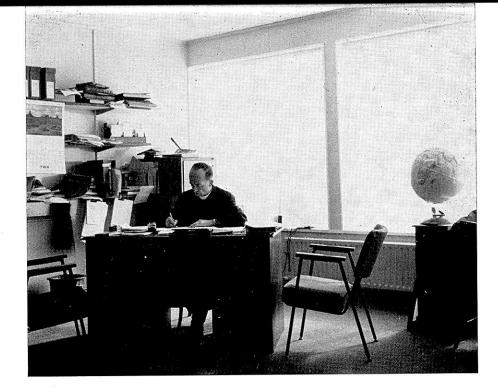
HIRD CLUB, 1965-196

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A morning round of the "track"





PREFECT OF STUDIES: REPORT

Examination Results

Although they are by no means the full measure of success in education, examinations are a tangible sign of achievement and a necessary starting qualification for most careers. Last year the results in the two public examinations were satisfactory. Out of seventy-five entrants there were seventy-two passes, twenty-eight being with honours. In detail the results were: Leaving Certificate: thirty-eight entrants, thirty-seven passes, nine being with honours. Intermediate Certificate: thirty-seven entrants, thirty-five passes, nineteen being with honours. One boy, Seamus Lynch, was awarded full marks in history in the Intermediate Examination.

Again this year the Rhetoric classes were allowed to study in small groups, or singly, in different class-rooms. Not all who made this choice found it an unqualified success, especially during the first term. It is a challenge to a boy's powers of self-control and concentration which can be a valuable formative experience and a preparation for further studies.

General Activities

Following a developing tradition the boys were encouraged to attend various educational and cultural activities outside the school. Amongst these were a Radio Eireann Symphony Concert with the famous pianist Wilhelm Kempff as soloist; the opera "The Barber of Seville" as performed by the Limerick Operatic Society; a special lecture sponsored by the Limerick Art Society on the Irish Artists Exhibition in the City Gallery. This latter event was arranged through the kind offices of Mr. Michael McCarthy our Drawing Master. Commerce students were shown over the Works of Cement Ltd., the Freight Department of C.I.E. and the Limerick Harbour and Docks. We are grateful to these organisations for their interest.

The Chess players formed a team under the leadership of Tony Cafferky, to play the Salesian College, Pallaskenry. There is growing interest in this game in the College and in local schools so that next year it is hoped that there will be several matches. The College was successfully represented on "Mark Time," popular T.V. programme by John Loftus (Captain), Brian Punch and Tom Perrem. John de Courcy stood by as substitute. Brian Punch shared the individual prize for highest score and keen competition was offered by the girls of St. Joseph's Convent, Killiney, Dublin.

Use of Television

The excellent Senior Course in Chemistry is being followed by the Poetry class and the series on Irish History is recorded for class discussion.

Career Talks

Owing to various contingencies, including bad weather and the influenza epidemic, it was not possible to maintain a continuous series of talks this year. To the following who did come we are particularly grateful: Dr. P. J. Power, R.M.S., Our Lady's

Hospital, Ennis: Problems of Maturity.
His Honour Judge J. C. Conroy: The Law.
Gordon Wood Esq.: Insurance
N. Buggy Esq. F.C.I.S.:
Company Secretaryship

Acknowledgement

The Prefect of Studies takes this opportunity to thank all the College Staff and the Students for the full co-operation and help he has received in this his first year of office.

ENTRANCE EXAMINATION

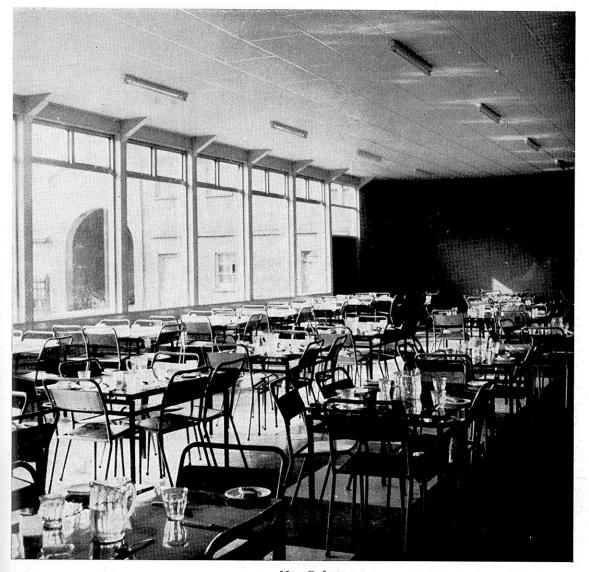
All prospective pupils must sit for an entrance examination. The examination for the school year beginning September, 1967, will be held after Christmas. Applications should be made in good time. A scholarship of fifty pounds per annum is awarded on the results.



CLASS LEADERS



Boys' Chapel: during Mass by Fr. G. Ffrench S.J. for Apostleship of Prayer 4 8



New Refectory

SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT de PAUL

President: O. MURPHY. Vice-President: J. McGrath Secretary: L. RHATIGAN Treasurer: R. O'NEILL

Spiritual Director: Fr. G. McLaughlin The Conference of St. Nessan had a membership of twenty-seven senior boys. The meetings held each Tuesday were well attended and the Brothers in turn visited the poor in the district. Two members attended the Regional Meeting of Junior Conferences in Cork. The boys of the College are to be thanked for their generous support to the funds of the Conference.

Bro. Rhatigan.

THE NEW LITURGY

We are expressing the sentiments of all the boys here in thanking the Council the boys here in thanking the Council for the way in which it has enabled us, layfolk, to enter into the spirit of Christian Worship. Most especially are we grateful for the increased participation in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. It is very helpful to us to have the priest offer Mass facing the people. This brings us into very close contact with the Sacred Mystery. It is good to be able to see what happens on the good to be able to see what happens on the altar, to assist the priest, and to offer our

prayers with him in our own language.

We like too, the frequent singing at Mass, the Spires Mass and the Rivers Mass. This vocal participation in the Sacrifice of the



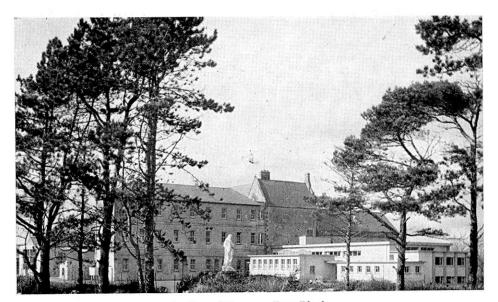
Benediction Servers



Easter Con-celebration



Fr. K. McDowell with Apostleship of Prayer group



A view of the new East Block



A view across Lough Mor towards the Cork Road

The bringing of our own hosts to the altar to have them changed into the Body and Blood of Christ, and this to be given back to us as a food for our souls is most satisfying.

These are a wonderful beginning of a new force and vigour which the Second Vatican Council has brought into our lives. We are most grateful for that, and hope to continue to develop along these lines of active participation in the Church's life, which is the life of Christ.

Oliver Murphy,

Peter Fitzgibbon.

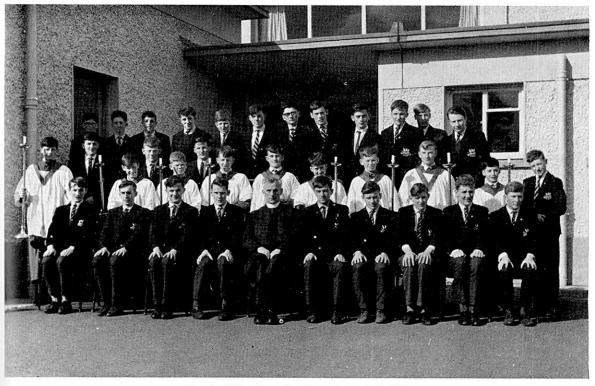
Sodality of St. John Berchmans, S.J. for altar servers

Director: Fr. P. Kelly, S.J. Officials: James McGrath, Oliver Murphy, Brian Nash, Seamus Dennison, Brendan Hill, Padraic Connolly, Dermot Barnewell, Michael Hawe, Michael Cooke.

Special Instructors: James McGrath, Clement Rumley.

The work of instructing the new servers and the Benediction teams continued during the year. Twenty two new members served Mass, and the total enrolment is ninety eight, a number which we proudly think, reflects the interest and enthusiasm of the members and instructors.

Some of our day boys, and others, by their daily and reliable attendance during the holidays, deserve especial mention, the Cronins, as always, Tom, when back on holiday from U.C.C., Paddy, Felim and Gabriel; John Ryan and Peter McGrath; Brian and Kevin O'Flynn; Peter and Brian Boland.



Fr. P. Kelly S.J. wih Altar Servers' Sodality



FIRST CLUB DEBATING SOCIETY

Seated: S. Roche, B. Ryan, T. Perrem, J. Loftus, B. Punch.

Second Row: P. Nolan, T. Crowley, P. Wall, P. Kirwan, N. Rhatigan,

F. Tully, S. Lynch.

Back Row: W. Moore, P. Cronin, O. Murphy, P. Fitzgibbon, V. Becker, M.

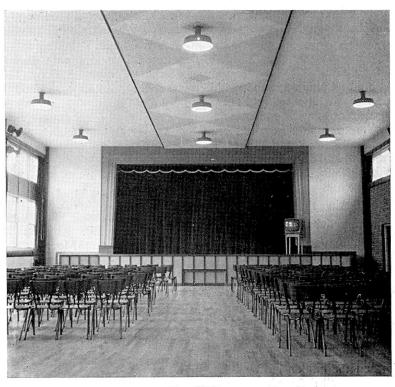
Doyle.



MARK TIME TEAM

Standing: B. Punch, T. Perrem, J. de Courcy

Seated: J. Loftus



New Hall



3rd Club Debate

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FIRST CLUB DEBATING SOCIETY ANNUAL REPORT

President: Fr. FITZGERALD Secretary: T. Perrem

The membership this year was good, with excellent attendances at all meetings. There were four house debates, with one outside debate. The society also sent a team of three to represent the College in 'Mark Time', a television quiz in which our team beat St. Joseph's Convent, Killiney.

Debates During the Year

First Debate: This debate was held on October 28th.

Motion: 'That the Irish Army should be abolished.'

Government: V. Becker, J. Loftus, T. Ouin.

Opposition: P. Boylan, N. Rhatigan, S. Roche.

Mr. Roche's speech was commended by Fr. Fitzgerald, and the motion having been put to the vote was well defeated.

Second Debate was held on 18th November.

Motion: 'That the U.N. is a dying organisation.'

Government: P. Kirwan, N. Healy. Opposition: A. Crowley, S. Lynch.

The debate was short but there were some good comments passed from the floor. Motion was defeated.

Third Debate was held on December 9th. Motion: "This house favours stronger measures against Rhodesia by Britain."

Government: P. Cronin, G. Perrem, J. O'Flynn.

Opposition: F. Tully, P. Nolan, L. Egan. P. Cronin and G. Perrem spoke strongly for the government and the motion was carried.

Most of the second term was occupied by a question time programme to select a team for 'Mark Time' a television quiz. J. Loftus was captain of the team selected to represent the school, with T. Perrem and B. Punch also selected. The team won the quiz against St. Joseph's Convent, Killiney. The team are to be commended for their good display.

Fourth Debate: March 29th.

Motion: "That the pen is mightier than the sword."

Government: M. Doyle, K. Dunne, B. Lavelle.

Opposition: P. Kirwan, S. Lynch, W. Moore.

The motion was keenly debated and the government won almost unanimously.

K. Dunne, B. Lavelle, P. Kirwan, P. Nolan were selected to speak in a 5th year debate against Bruff Convent in the last term.

The Gold Medal Debate was held on May 12th. The motion discussed was

"That 1916 was a heroic mistake."

Speakers for the Government were: T. Perrem, S. Roche, G. Perrem.

The Opposition: —O. Murphy, P. Cronin and T. Quinn.

The motion being what it was, the debate was a warm one. According to the usual custom each speaker was called on to criticise a speech from the opposing team and then defend his own speech when criticised by the opposition.

The standard of debating was high and the winner of the medal was S. Roche. He thoroughly deserved it. The medal was presented by the Prefect of Studies, Fr. Doyle. Fr. Doyle encouraged the boys to be more active in debating.

Fr. Fitzgerald then put the motion to the vote and it was heavily defeated.

The Debate against Bruff Convent held here in Mungret on May 15th was a great success. The motion was:

"That women cannot have their cake and eat it."

TEAMS

Mungret College
Philip Kirwan
Paul Nolan
Kevin Dunne
Brian Layelle

Bruf
Ann
Ann
Gera

Bruff Convent
Ann Lucey
Marlyn Dillon
Ann Lynch
Geraldine Fitzgerald

The girls and boys were drawn completely from 5th year and the standard of speaking

was high. Fr. Rector presented a prize to the best speaker on each side, Geraldine Fitzgerald being judged the best among the girls and Kevin Dunne the best among the boys.

The girls claimed the right to privileges and equal rights. They even suggested a Lady Taoiseach. The boys maintained that if the girls wanted equal rights, they must forfeit their present privileges. The adjudicators judged that the ladies were successful in defeating the motion.

Thomas Perrem, Secretary.



B. Punch, J. de Courcy, P. Wall, T. Perrem, J. Loftus and supporters setting out for Dublin for "Mark Time" contest and International Rugby match.

SECOND CLUB DEBATING SOCIETY

President: REV. L. J. MURPHY, S.J. Secretary: J. DEIGHAN

To be an effective public speaker requires practice and hard work. This obvious truth is not always apparent to school boys who often seem to believe that either one is born with the gift of eloquence or one is born without it. Such a fatalistic attitude can prove harmful to any debating society whose existence depends on its members' desire to improve their speaking powers.

Among the motions debated during the first term were such chestnuts as "Competition takes the Sport out of Sport," "Television is replacing the art of reading," "This house disapproves of British influence in our national life." One of the liveliest motions was: "In the light of modern research, school authorities have a duty to protect the health of their pupils by banning all smoking."

The high-light of the second term was the debate with Crescent College when the motion was carried by the Government (Mungret): "That the march of the Nation over the last fifty years has been a slow one."

THIRD CLUB DEBATING SOCIETY

President: Fr. Meagher Secretary: J. Gaw

This year's Debating Society was without doubt the best for many years. Hardly was one debate over when the question on many lips was "When will we have the next one?" In spite of so many counter attractions in the swimming pool, in the T.V. room and in the art room, the East room was always crowded on debate nights. Another remarkable feature of this year's society was the fact that never before in the history of the Third Club did so many boys listen to so many speeches with such complete attention.

It may be rash to make prophecies but the following will surely do well in any debating society: M. Cooke, P. Hunt, the Lydon brothers, D. Kilroy, the Moran brothers, M. Conroy, M. McCarthy, J. Murphy, P. O'Kelly, J. O'Donovan and our efficient secretary, James Gaw.

Medal for Excellent in Debating: M. Conrov.

Book Prize: J. O'Donovan.



SECOND CLUB DEBATING SOCIETY

Seated: R. Hurley, J. O'Kelly, K. Power, Rev. L. Murphy, S.J., J. Deighan,
D. Barnewell, J. Tait.

Second Row: P. Byrne, P. Connolly, M. Carlino, F. Gallagher, M. Dwyer, W. Hearne, D. Carroll.

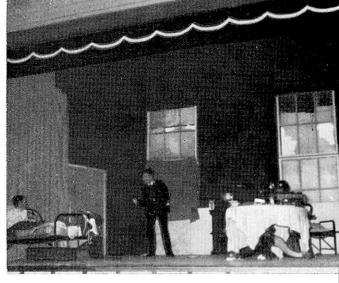
Back Row: C. Cattigan, J. Fitzgibbon, T. Cafferky.

DRAMATICS

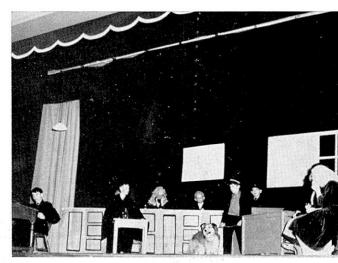
THE SHADOW OF A GUNMAN (presented by Poetry Group): The 'Shadow' is a play which can challenge the resources of a professional company and it is to the credit of the cast and the stage managers that this performance was considered to be one of the most enjoyable ever seen at Mungret. Great praise is due, in particular to John de Courcy who interpreted the complex character of the gunman with great success, and to Liam Egan who made the role of Shields his own. Seamus Lynch as Minnie Powell proved to be a considerable hit with the audience, while Paul Nolan as the magisterial Mrs. Henderson and Niall Rhatigan as the care-worn Mrs. Grigson understood the adherent who is only 'waitin' for the the cast was equally effective: Ray Raftery as the crochety landlord, Kevin Dunne as the adherent who is only 'waitin' for the call,' Robert Hand as the IRA soldier, Tony Crowley as the nervous neighbour, Bernard Doherty as the Black-and-Tan and Freddie Tully as the Orangeman.

Warm congratulations. Particular thanks are due to the Producer, Mr. C. Gallagher, S.J., to Mr. J. Glynn (who has put us still further in his debt with his assistance in making up for both plays) and to Anthony Murphy and Paul Alberrici who helped with stage sets.

A DOG'S LIFE (presented by Third Club): This one-act comedy was an enjoyable conclusion to the evening's entertainment provided by Third Club at Christmas. From the moment when Ollie Carroll, as P. C. Cox, strode on to the stage whistling 'Happy Days are Here Again,' until John Daly's (Gloria) hysterical outburst convinced the magistrates (John Roden, John Perrem, David Moran) that Rover had not been guilty of worrying Old Groves' (Jim Gaw) sheep, the action never flagged and the young cast always had the attention of their audience. Paul Alberrici gave a commanding performance as the Inspector, the witnesses (Michael McCarthy, John Lyden) were very convincing and Michael Creane



"The Shadow of a Gunman"



"A Dog's Life"

as Rover's owner won everybody's sympathies. Michael Conroy gave a suspiciously authentic display as Fred Ellis, the local drunk, and John Moloney was a formidable beangarda. The clarity and vigour of the diction was an outstanding feature of the performance and the players deserve the highest praise for this.



Fr. Coffey with Pioneer Council



Fr. Coyne with Journal Group

MISSION SOCIETY

President: Rev. C. Gallagher S.J. Secretary: Peter Fitzgibbon. Treasurer: James McGrath. Apostolic School: John Honeyands.

This was a year in which we were being constantly reminded in debates, sermons and talks of the decision which must be made by every sincere Christian on the role he is to play in bringing the Gospel to every creature.

The inaugural talk on Mission Sunday was given by a Verona Father, Fr. McErlean, a past Mungret student. This talk resulted in a greater appreciation of the work being



On the way to the Pioneer Concert at the Savoy

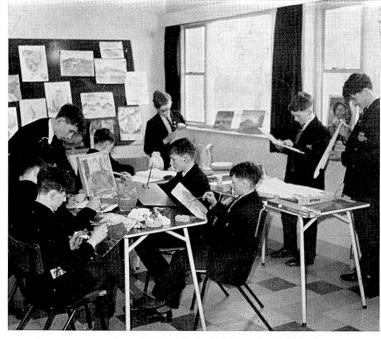


Mr. Gallagher with members of the Mission Society

carried out by the Verona Fathers, especially when under persecution in the Sudan.

Fr. Patrick McGovern, S.J., captivated his audience with stories and illustrations of his years in Malaya and Hong Kong, and more recently Fr. Edward O'Connor, S.J., described his experiences in Zambia, Rhodesia and South Africa and told of the grave problems which racialism has given rise to.

A debt of gratitude is due to all for their continued interest in and support of the Missions and in particular to the organizers in the Apostolic School and those who gave time and energy to the selling of tickets and other activities.



Arts and Crafts in the East Room

MUSIC

Several musical events of much importance took place in Limerick during the year. Rarely has Limerick had such a wide variety of music to offer within six months.

Three of these musical events were attended by students of the College.

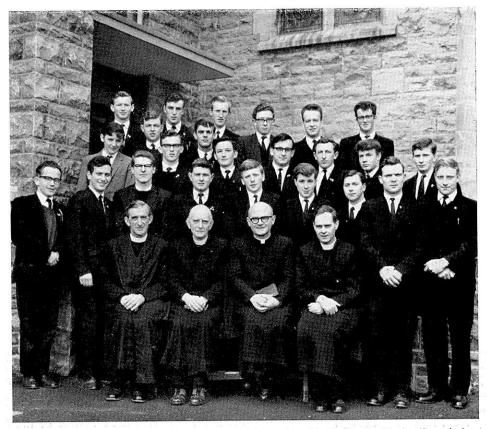
The first was a Symphony Concert in which a magnificent performance of the Beethoven "Emperor" concerto was given by Wilhelm Kempff, with the Radio Eireann Symphony Orchestra conducted by Tibor Paul, Wilhelm Kempff, the distinguished German pianist, is one of the greatest interpreters of Beethoven's works, and he has made several records of the five Beethoven piano concertos. He was enthusiastically received and gave no less than three encores. Then followed a performance of the Finnish composer Sibelius' first Symphony. This work called for a large orchestra. It was very impressive, and surprisingly a large number of the younger students preferred this music to the Beethoven Concerto.

The second event was a production of Rossini's "The Barber of Seville" by the Limerick Operatic and Choral Society. It was enjoyed very much by all, and especially by those who had never had a chance to see an Opera until then.

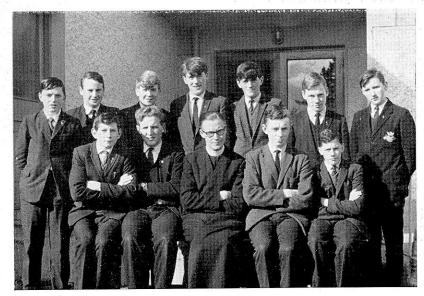
The last event was an inspired performance of Verdi's "Requiem" in St. Mary's Cathedral, given by the Limerick Choral Union in conjunction with the Radio Eireann Symphony Orchestra conducted by Tibor Paul. In this performance the Choral Union choir established itself as one of the finest choirs in Ireland.



Chess Group



The Philosophers, with their Professors. Front left to right: Fr. Ennis, Fr. Roche (Superior), Fr. Kerr (Rector), Fr. Egan



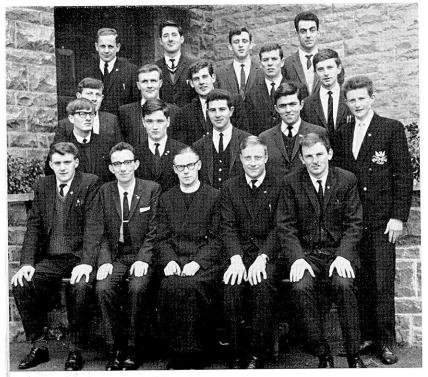
Fr. Leahy (Asst. Superior) with Senior Apostolics



Fr. B. Lawler (centre) and Fr. Egan, entertained by a Philosopher on a visit to the Recreation Hut.



Left to right Back: L. Gardiner, L. White, P. Gallagher, N. Hallinan Front: C. Donegan, A. Nichollson, T. Keyes.



Fr. Leahy with the Junior Apostolics



A Legion of Mary visitor holds a Praesidium meet with Apostolic students



Philosophers relax in their newly extended Recreation Hut





Apostolic students at work in the grounds



The Philosophers' Excursion



Some items from the Concert



Apostolics' Debating Society

PHILOSOPHERS

Chairman: J. HONEYANDS.

Committee: N. Hallinan, A. Ward.

1st Debate

Date: 10th October, 1965.

Motion: "That Partition of Ireland is Here to Stay."

Government: K. Mulkere, F. Manning, F. Gormley.

Opposition: P. Gallagher, D. Twomey, N. Kennedy.

This motion aroused great interest because of the approaching 50th anniversary of the Rising. The Government's argument was that the people of Northern Ireland would never freely join in a united Ireland for economic, religious and historic reasons. The opposition in answer spoke of the growth of goodwill in recent years in both political and religious matters. Their argument proved more persuasive and the motion was defeated by 19 votes to 11.

2nd Debate

Date: 15th February, 1966.

Motion: "Since strikes today are of no benefit to any section of the community they should be outlawed."

Government: M. Geraghty, T. McGing, L. White.

Opposition: J. Deacon, F. Dennis, T. Barron.

This was a very difficult and topical motion, and demanded great effort on the part of all the speakers to put forward their views. After a good debate of sound reasoning the opposition won—28 votes to 10.

SENIORS

1st Debate

Date: 9th November, 1965.

Motion: "The Missionary needs of the modern world are too great to allow priests to teach in non-missionary countries."

For: J. White, E. Skinner, T. McMahon.

Against: A. McDonald, P. Cahill, D. Mc-Guinness.

This was a motion which led to interesting views and arguments and something with an air of the Vatican Council about it. The Government stressed the greater role of the lay-man today and the enormous need for priests in missionary countries, while the opposition contended that this might be detrimental to vocations and to the education of youth in general. The motion was carried by 22 votes to 15.

2nd Debate

Date: 8th March, 1966.

Motion: "That Nelson's Pillar should be replaced by a monument to the memory of Padraig Pearse."

For: P. Davis, J. Moloney, M. Craig.

Against: A. Kelly, A. Byrne, T. Halferty.

This was the last Senior Debate of the year and in the light of what happened in the early hours of the same date, the most amusing. In view of the anti-climax, it was with, but, rather, to carry on as if nothing not so much the problem of removing the pillar that the speakers were now concerned had happened. Excellent speeches were heard from the speakers, including many from the house, and the motion was defeated by 20 votes to 16.

JUNIORS

1st Debate

Date: 25th November, 1965.

Motion: "That the advertising of cigarettes should be banned on Irish Television as it is in England."

For: G. Clarke, K. McCarthy, T. McGarvey. McGarvey.

Against: A. Conlon, J. Kelly, P. O'Neill.

The Government gave very cogent arguments to prove that cigarette smoking causes lung cancer and as this is the case cigarettes should not be advertised on television since it would entice people, especially the young, to smoke cigarettes. The opposition retaliated by saying that there is as yet no conclusive proof that cigarette smoking causes lung cancer. They also said that if there were no smokers, a great many people, especially those who manufacture cigarettes, would be out of a job. The debate ended in a draw—19 votes each.

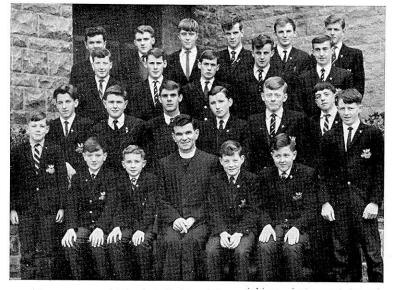
SECOND SESSION (JUNIORS)

Date: 24th March, 1966.

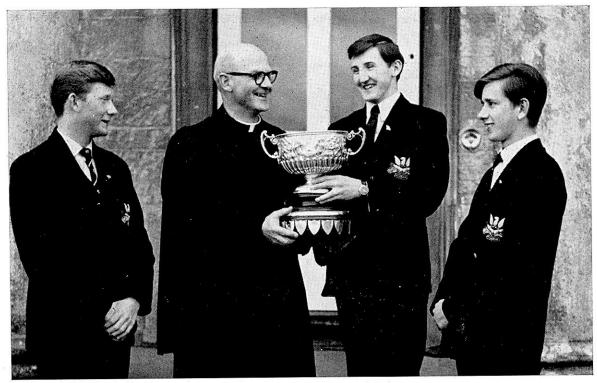
Motion: "That people have an exaggerated affection for pets."

For: K. McCarthy, P. O'Neill, C. O'Reilly. Against: N. Fitzgibbon, N. Kearney, S. Bruton.

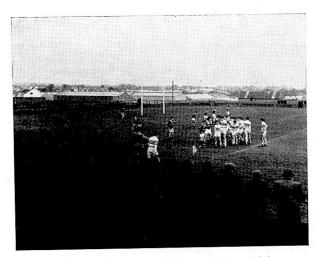
The Government began by saying that there is a considerable sum of money spent buying and caring for pets, and that this money could be better spent. They stressed the fact that people behave ridiculously towards pets, sometimes treating them as if they were human beings. The opposition said that the idea of an exaggerated affection for pets springs from the behaviour of a small minority. Some people have an affection for pets because they are the only friends they have in life and are a great source of companionship. The motion was defeated by 22 votes to 16.



Apostleship of Prayer



Acting-Captain Brendan Ryan presents the City Cup to Fr. Rector, watched by Brian Punch and Pierce Wall



Mungret and Glenstal forwards jump high



Victory speech at Thomond Park!



C. Ward, B. Ryan, V. Becker

INTERPROVINCIALS

For the first two games of the Interprovincial series the school was represented by Corry Ward (hooker), Brendan Ryan (centre and wing), and Vincent Becker (scrum-half). All three served the province well, and did credit to themselves and to the rugby standards of the college. An off-form display against P.B.C. saw Vincent Becker lose his place to the opposition scrum-half. Corry

Ward and Brendan Ryan, however, held their places for the remaining games of the Interprovincial series, against Ulster and Glamorgan Schools.

One other player deserves mention under this heading, namely Brian Punch, who captained the Limerick Schools' team in the Munster trial, and who played such an outstanding part in leading the School team this season.

MUNSTER SENIOR CUP XV.



Standing: C. Ward, R. O'Neill, P. Fitzgibbon, V. G. Foley, B. Lavelle, R. Hand, S. Roche, N. Foley. Seated: B. Ryan, S. Dennison, B. Punch (Capt.), P. Wall, T. Perrem. On Ground: V. Becker, J. Loftus.

SENIOR CITY CUP XV.



Standing: T. Perrem, R. O'Neill, D. Culhane, V. G. Foley, B. Lavelle, R. Hand, S. Roche, T. Lowry.

Seated: F. Wall, S. Dennison, B. Ryan, P. Wall, J. Loftus. On Ground: P. Brogan, J. Quinlan.

2nd SENIOR XV.



Standing: K. Harrington, P. Connolly, C. O'Sullivan, L. Egan, P. Cronin, K. Dunne, L. Rhatigan, T. Cafferky, J. Pentony.
 Seated: B. Hill, P. Kirwan, J. O'Flynn (Capt.), M. O'Mahony, F. Tullly, M. Hayes. On Ground: K. Roche, D. Quinlan.



Standing: T. Brosnan, M. Gilmore, T. Cafferky, T. McKaigney, D. Casey, M. Hayes, G. Thompson, J. Quinlan.

Seated: P. Horan, K. Harrington, W. Moore, P. Connolly (Capt.), H. Casey, B. Adams, J. O'Connell. On Ground: K. Roche, J. Mullen.



Under 15 XV.



Under 14 XV.



Brian Punch opens the scoring in the Munster Cup match



A snap try by Brendan Ryan in the Munster Cup match

A line-out in the first Munster Junior Cup game



Junior Cup Re-play at Musgrave Park



Senior Semi-final at Cork

RUGBY NOTES

"If you can force your heart and nerve and sinew To serve your turn long after they are gone, And so hold on when there is nothing in you, Except the will which says to them 'Hold On!"

These lines of Kipling have often been used to illustrate the kind of spirit required by a good rugby forward. And if there is one competition to which they are peculiarly appropriate it is, surely, the Munster Cup.

This year it seemed, for a while, that we had what was needed. Backs and forwards showed up in dazzlingly style in a run-away first round victory against Glenstal. The semi-final against P.B.C., however, demonstrated that we have not yet recaptured that blend of temperament, hardihood and skill which characterized our successful teams of the late 1930s and early 1940s. Skill there was this year in abundance, but the complimentary quality of toughness existed only in spasms. As a result our forwards were blitzed in the first fifteen minutes of the semi-final and though they struggled manfully afterwards, they could never regain the initiative. The only scores of the game came in that first quarter. P.B.C. won 6-0, and then went on to win the Cup.

OVER THE SEASON

Throughout the rugby season about thirty three players took part in senior practices. Although training sessions were heavy and frequent, interest and enthusiasm were maintained to the very end. This year again all worked hard to acquire and perfect the basic skills of passing, tackling, scrummaging, following up and covering, together with an all round fitness. For when all is said, it is the mastery of these factors which makes the difference in the excitement and tension of Cup football. Then, it is not so much the scores one gets that matter as the scores one misses and concedes!

The heavy rain in November, December, January and February, caused an unfortunate reduction of the number of matches played by the First XV. From Stepember to mid-March it was possible to play only thirteen games, excluding Cup matches. The consequent lack of match practice does, perhaps, explain the team's disappointing showing when faced with more seasoned and experienced players in the semi-final.

Of the 13 games played, 8 were won and 5 lost. The record read: Won v Crescent, 3-0, and 6-5; v Clongowes, 13-3; v. Gonzaga, 17-8, and 27-6; v.

Glenstal, 30-0, and 13-6; v. Old Crescent Juniors, 3-0.

Lost v C.B.C., 0-3; P.B.C., 0-17, and 5-8; v Royal School, Dungannon, 3-15; v. St. Munchins, 5-19.

The Muster Cup games resulted as we have

The Muster Cup games resulted, as we have seen, in a win, 31-0, against Glenstal, and a defeat, 0-6, against P.B.C.

CITY CUP RETAINED

The first round of the City Cup was played this year before the Munster Cup competition. Drawn against Crescent, the Mungret team won a very hard-fought game 6-3. The final was played at Thomond Park on the 19th March against St. Munchins. Due to flu, five of the regular team were unable to play. The absentees included the captain and two of our Interprovincials. The five replacements, however, rose to the occasion magnificently and, although three points down within three minutes, the team fought back to win convincingly by 9-3. Next day the Cup was formally presented to Very Rev. Fr. Rector by the acting team captain, Brendan Ryan.

THE SECONDS' SHIELD

The skill and enthusiasm of the Seconds throughout the year helped considerably to produce a nigh standard of rugby on the First. Up to quite late in the season there was a tight struggle for many places on the S.C.T. Not surprisingly, therefore, the Seconds were successful in the the Limerick City Shield competition. [Formerly, this shield had been competed for only by Under 17s. This year for the first time it was widened to include all Seconds].

In the semi-final the Mungret team had a narrow 3-0 victory over St. Munchins. In the final, however, they ran out convincing winners against Crescent, 18-10, in spite of the absence of a number of the regular team. A feature of this game was the crisp passing and strong running of the Mungret backs, and a whole-hearted display from both packs of forwards. On this high and hopeful note the season ended for Senior players. 'Hopeful', since all bar three of the Second XV are available next season. Finally, a word of praise to John O'Flynn, who proved a very successful captain of the Second XV throughout the season.

It only remains to say how much we enjoyed our visits to Clongowes and Gonzaga again this year, and how much we hope Gonzaga and the Royal School, Dungannon, enjoyed their visits to

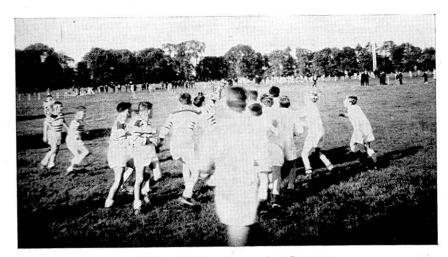
JUNIOR RUGBY

A number of boys kept the scores of our many friendly matches. They make good reading-good wins over Crescent, St. Munchins, Glenstal, P.B.C., a scoreless draw with Rockwell. All this, however, was offset by the score in the replay of the Munster Cup match. C.B.C. 5 points, Mungret 3 points. C.B.C. had beaten us early in the season, but we had improved and were expected to win. The first match was played in Limerick in atrocious conditions and ended in a scoreless draw. We went to Cork and although we had most of the play, and by all accounts should have won, we failed to do so. It is a great pity that there is no second chance in Cup matches. We learned a lot from that defeat and would, without doubt, reverse the decision if we had another chance. However, that is all over now. But the experience will be of great use to us as Seniors.

People say we should have won the Munster Cup this year. Maybe we did not believe them. But our showing in Junior Rugby this year must convince us that we can do this as Seniors. So we are looking forward to next year.

UNDER 14 RUGBY

For the first time the under 14's were introduced to strictly competitive Rugby. An under 14 League was felt to be the answer for this age group. Such a system proved to have advantages and disadvantages. If one considers that the first term must be spent in introducing the new boys to a new game and that a great deal of experiment is a necessity, one cannot expect to produce wonders early on. This was obvious when we were defeated in the first term in our two League matches against an obviously more experienced Glenstal side. Due to a tendency to put matches on the long finger, we were only able to play Munchins in one of the two League matches when they defeated us 3 points to nil. Against Crescent we had better luck because of the two League matches, each team won once. In our two "friendly" fixtures with Clanwilliam, each team lost on its home ground. Looking back on the year, there is good reason for satisfaction in the steady improvement in technique, due in no small measure to the help of some of the First Club to whom we say thanks, and also in the enjoyment and enthusiasm of the boys shown in the face of victory and defeat. Very sincere thanks are due to Fr. Cantillon for his generosity with his time and help throughout the



Under 14's in action against Crescent



ATHLETIC NOTES 1965

As the Annual goes to press in May, 'Athletic Notes' necessarily refer to last year's performances.

As has become usual in the school great interest was shown in athletic activities in the last term. The resultant achievements were both considerable and inconsiderable. 'Inconsiderable' in that only one of our athletes was placed in an All Ireland event, 'considerable' in that the school proved very successful in the North Munster Sports—winning the North Munster All Round Cup, the Limerick City All Round Cup, together with trophies for Senior and Intermediate relay, and numerous individual medals. The Junior relay team was also successful.

Prior to the North Munster meeting, a friendly competition took place at Glenstal between the home school and ourselves. Glenstal won the exciting and friendly tussle. On the Sports day itself, however, Mungret ran out convincing winners.

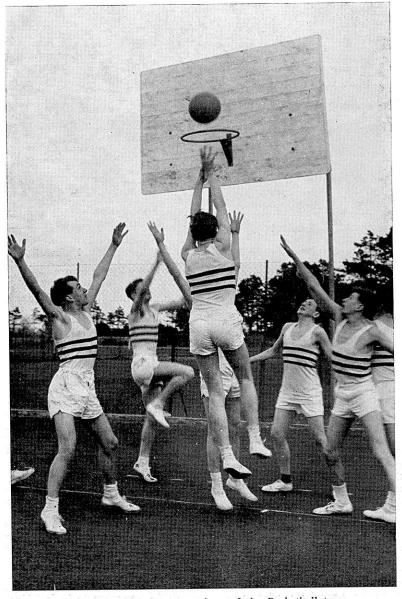
There were a number of outstanding performances. The most notable, apart from the relay treble, was the performance of Roger Fitzgerald who won the 440, 880, and mile, and finished second in the three mile event. Other notable performances included a 1st and 2nd in the Senior high jump, in the intermediate hurdles, and in the

pole vault. The result of the excellently run North Munster Competition was, therefore, that a large contingent represented Mungret at the Munster Sports.

At Cork our performance was not impressive. No first place was obtained. All three relay teams were unplaced. Roger Fitzgerald had to be content with a 2nd in the 880, as had Peter Brogan in the Junior Pole Vault and David Hill in the Senior 440. Only these three qualified for the All Ireland.

At Ballinasloe the final pruning took place. One of the three Peter Brogan, was placed. It was a very creditable performance for Peter, since he had only commenced to pole vault two months previously. His success was a tribute to his ability, but above all to his determination and will to win.

The School Sports were spread over two days. One day to heats and field events, the other, the Sports' Day proper, to finals. This proved a satisfactory arrangement. Thanks to the co-operation of numerous boy-officials, who were largely responsible for track maintenance, announcements, and the convenience of spectators, the events were run off punctually, smoothly, and efficiently. A very full day drew to its close with the presentation of prizes in the Main Hall.



A work-out for some members of the Basketball team



Junior Tennis Team: Munster Finalists 1965



P.E. Class gets under way



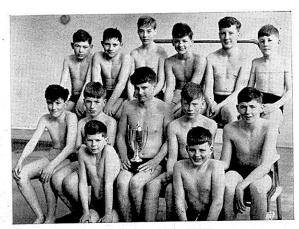
On the up and up



P. Brogan, Junior Representative at the 1965 All-Ireland



Junior Basketball Team



The Swimming Club

Swimming

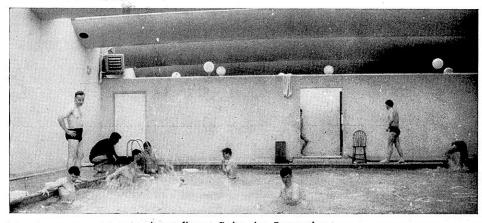
The events of the past year have placed the College well and truly on the Irish swimming map. The most significant of these events was the week-end coaching course at the beginning of the Easter holidays which was attended by about forty of the most promising Munster swimmers and conducted by the national coach, Mr. Eddie Ince, and by the treasurer of the I.A.S.A. Mr. Ken McCullagh.

In competition, our young swimming team has distinguished itself. Two of the underthirteen group, Damien McGrory and Paddy Duffy, and three of the under-fifteens, Martin McGrory, John Tait and Peter Lowry, qualified for the finals of the Irish Junior Speed Competition, and those who did not qualify gave a good account of themselves. The achievement of the McGrory brothers is especially noteworthy. Damien won first place in all the under-thirteen events, and Martin

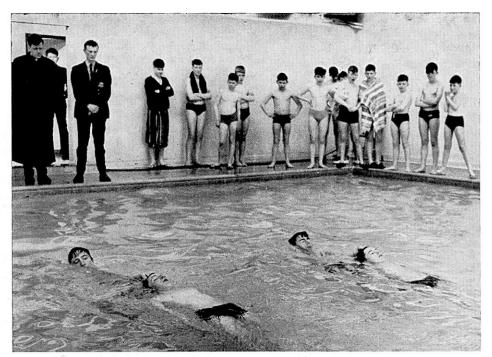
repeated the performance in all the underfifteen events.

Earlier in the year we carried off four Munster Schools trophies, with Martin Mc-Grory winning the breast-stroke, back-stroke and butterfly titles, and the under-fourteen squad winning their event. The year was highlighted by a number of most enjoyable galas. In November we travelled to Gormanston to lose the under-sixteen and win the under-fourteen section of the competition. In the Spring we welcomed a sister college, Gonzaga, and spent a day that was made memorable by the pleasant social contacts and the excellent swimming. The perpetual challenge cup presented for the occasion has had a proud place in the front parlour ever since.

Great praise is due to the team for the enormous amount of work which they have put in since the beginning of the year, and



Apostolics at Swimming Instruction



Life-Savers demonstrate 1st method of Approach-and-Carry



it is gratifying to have been able to note that the self-discipline involved has not been without reward. Sincere thanks are due to Mr. Eddie Campion who has travelled regularly from Cork to coach the team and plan its training.

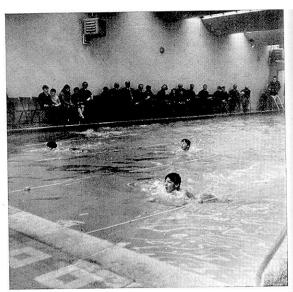
Those who represented the College in galas and competitions were: J. Tait, V. Moran, D. O'Neill, M. McGrory, R. Orpen, P. Lowry, T. Nolan, P. Hunt, D. Kilroy, B. Lewis, D. McGrory, P. Duffy, B. Adams, D. Quinlan.

Orienteering: Many of those who had been here for four or five years got their first real look at the surrounding countryside during the second term. Armed with ordnance survey maps and compasses, dozens set off to find a series of markers set over a five-mile course. Some attained such a degree of proficiency that eventually they were able to return to the house only a half-hour late for study. Others could locate none but the most familiar landmarks. However, everybody learned something, and we look forward to a renewal of the experiment next year.

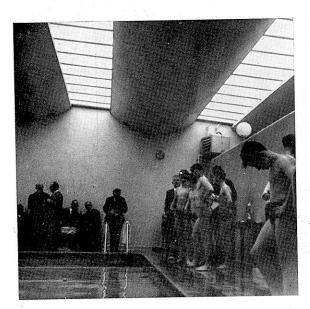


Our first representatives in the Schools' National Life-Saving Championship. Their very creditable performance—4th place out of a large entry—was due in great measure to the patient guidance of Mr. James Glynn.

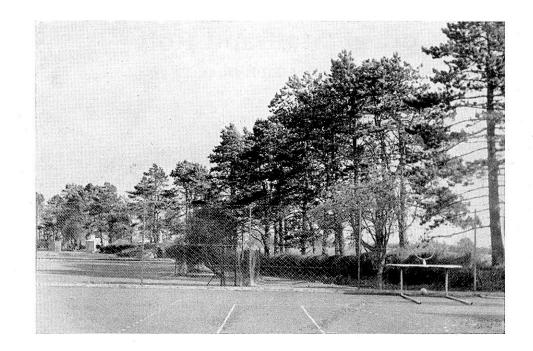


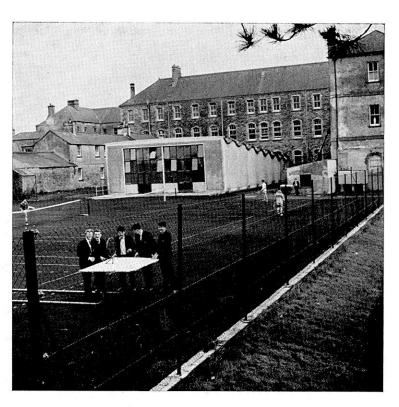


Scenes from the Gala with Gonzaga









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Dennis, Finbar Donegan, Christopher Geraghty, Martin Honeyands, john Kennedy, Noel

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Murphy, M. O'Donnell, M. Quinn, T. Ryan, B.

I. POETRY (22)

Moore, W.

Moran, M.

O'Flynn,S.

Raftery, R.

Tully, F.

Wall, F.

Rhatigan, N.

O'Connell, E.

O'Connell, J.

Boylan, P. Culhane, D. Dennison, S.

Doherty, B.* Duignan, T. O'Mahony, M. Dunne, K. O'Sullivan, C. Egan, L.

Madden, P.* Nash, B. O'C. Nolan, P. O'Connor, K. Quinlan, D. Rumley, C. Sullivan, P.M. Goodwin, V. Trainor, O. Hand, R. Tuohy, P.

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Boland, S.

Brogan, P.

Brosnan, T.

Cattigan, Ch.

Clonlon, A.*

Horan, P. Hurley, R. O'Callaghan, P.* O'Connor, R. O'Malley, M. Quinlan, J. Roche, K.

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Crowley, A.

Doyle, M.

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De Courcy, J.

Gallagher, D.

Kirwan, Ph.

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Lavelle, B.

Lynch, S.

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Cooke, T.	Moran, V.	Foley, J.	Murphy, A.
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Egan, S	O'Connor, J.	Hogan, M.	
Fion, T.	O'Donovan, J.	Kearney, N.*	
Gaw, J.	O'Mahony, J. C.	Kelly, J.*	
Hewson, D.	O'Neill, P.*	Lalor, G.	
Jordan, M.	O'Reilly, C.*	Lavelle, A.	
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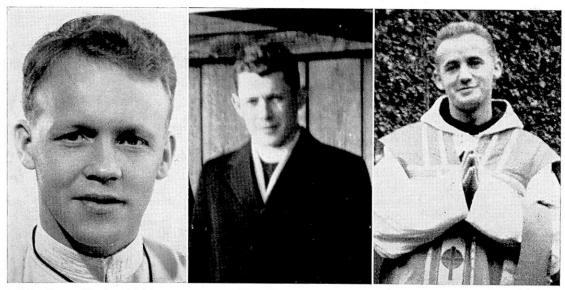
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Daly, J.	O'Kelly, P.	Dwyer, J.
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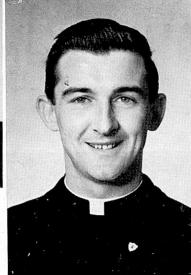
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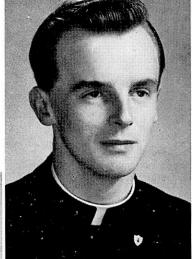


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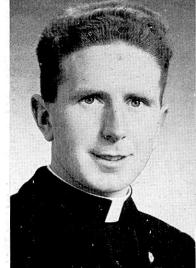
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FR. WILLIAM DEVER Kilkenny (Miami, Florida)

SCHOOL DIARY

SEPTEMBER

- 14. Back again after a delayed opening on account of the new Refectories not being finished. All agree that they were worth wait-Congrats to our new Captain, Pierce Wall and Vice-Captain Michael O'Donnell, It's an
 - all (well almost all) Limerick Cabinet.
- 16. Retreat begins. Quiet please.
- Retreat ends. Play-day.
- 25. Life in earnest at last. Maths exam.

OCTOBER

- 2. Our Life Saving Team goes to Dublin to compete in the All-Ireland Competition organised by the Red Cross. We come fourth and are highly commended for the smart
- 4. Half-day. Rhetoric Commerce group go to Limerick to C.I.E. Freigh Department and to Limerick Docks. It must be denied that Victor tried to become a stow-away.
- 5. R.E. Symphony Concert at Savoy, about 60 attend.
- 7. During the fine dry spell, some have volunteered to pick potatoes and/or picnic.
- 13. Play-day. Town leaves. Film.
- 24. Mission Sunday with an interesting talk and coloured slides.
- 27. Play-day in hour of St. Ignatius.
- 28. Poetry Group visit Cement Factory.

NOVEMBER

- 1. Play-day, town leaves. Film: League of Gentlemen.
- 2. Butts of found in the coats of some 2nd Clubbers today.
- 3. Final trials for Munster Interprovincial team. Congrats to Bredan Ryan, Corrie Ward and Vincent Becker on getting their caps for Munster.
- 5. Even Homer nods as was proved when the rising bell didn't ring for some reason or other!
- SCT beaen by Munchins.
- Play-day, town leave, Film: The Last Wagon.
- The Past are here in all their glory and beat the Present 8 pts. to 6.
- Congrats to the JCT on keeping up their unbeaten record. JCT 0, Rockwell 0.
- Two dignitaries very nearly missing from dignitaries' table at dinner to-day. 9 Plebs in trouble. At C.B.S. with Fr. Egan.

DECEMBER

- 1. On the Home stretch now. SCT 5 PBC 8.
- 2. Play-day. Town leave for all. Chicken for dinner to-day. Our thanks to Fr. Minister, Br. Brady and staff. Film: Magnificent Seven.
- 3. Feast of St. Francis Xavier. Mass concelebrated in Boys' Chapel.
- 4. P.W. cannot stop describing Tony O'Reilly's score for Leinster.
- 5. Close of Vatican Council to-day.
- 6. Big Rush to be X-rayed. I wonder why?
- 7. Our three Inter-Pros depart for Dublin.
- Play day. Reception for Sodality. Film: Sergeant Rutledge.

JANUARY

- 14. "Back to school, Back to school, Let's go back, back to school, Back to our school days again!"
- 15. Getting back to the old routine. Sleep this morning.
- 16. Many thanks to His Honour Judge Conroy, first for a most interesting career talk on Law, and secondly for his most interesting rugby film and commentary.
- 17. "Help! Who's there?" was the cry of a 1st Clubber this morning at 6.50.
- 19. Congrats to the SCT on their fine win over Crescent in the City Cup. Mungret 6, Crescent

Here's to you, our S.C.T. Who beat Crescent by 6, 3. On a cold and windy day So listen to what I have to say.

To our forwards a tribute I pay, Who in that game so well did play, To props T. Perrem and R. Hand And to Corry Ward who did command, To Peter Fitz and Victor G. The power house of our victory, And to our back-row, good players all, To Rock and Ray and lively Wall.

And here's congrats to our back line, How each one on that day did shine, Our halves V. Becker and B. Punch, Made Crescent look a beaten bunch, To centres Ryan and Dennison, Who sold dummies by the score, To wingers Foley and Lavelle, Who took their chances O so well, And to John Loftus who pleased us all, With clever handling of the ball.

- 21. To-day we commemorate the First meeting of Dail Eireann 1919.
- 23. The S.C.T. play Gonzaga in Dublin. Mungret 27 Gonzaga 6. B.R., N.F., B.P. show that they are as fast on O'Connell's Bridge as they are on the Rugby field.
- 24. The SCT back from Dublin. They had a great time by all reports. P.F. nearly kicked the bucket this morning. P.W. thinks there are better ones in Kerry than in Dublin. Hush! To-day the F.C.A. resumed their important work. The boys are beginning to polish their buttons at last. The 17th March is approaching.
- 25. We extend a hearty welcome to our new Fr. Provincial, well-known in Mungret already.
- 26. Oh Boy! Those d- maths results.
- 27. Our hopes of going skating on Loch Mor have to be abandoned on account of the ice cracking.
- Many thanks to Fr. Coffey for making it possible for us to go to the Pioneer Rally.

FEBRUARY

- 1. Rhetoric sign on to-day for the Leaving Certificate. Some boys have just realised what they are letting themselves in for.
- 2. Play-day. Congratulations to Fr. Doyle on taking his Final Vows. F.C.A. field day. Congrats to Juniors on beating Munchins in the 1st round of the City Cup. Mungret 11. Munchins 0. Here it comes, Here comes the day. To-day Mungret played Crescent in the 1st round of the City Cup. Congrats to the S.C.T. on
- beating Glenstal by 31 points to nil. Mass exodus into Limerick to see the Tokyo Olympiad.
- Rhetoric and Poetry had a talk on Amnesty International from its Irish secretary and chief organiser.
- SCT beat Crescent fourth time in a row. Mungret 6. Crescent 5.
- 16. Play day. Town leave. You risk your life if you go to the Savoy to-day.
- What a day! Well after all we are not in a sunshine guaranteed Holiday Camp.
- Shrove Tuesday. Mr. W. has got his last chance. Hey Shiney! Where are the pan-23. Just one more day of Milk of Magnesia
- needed to recover from yesterday. O boy! Those pan-cakes. All lived. F.C.A. field day.
- 24. P.F., N.F., B.R., continually leaving Mr. Regan's class to-day. Your guess is as good as mine.
- We find ourselves in class to-day instead of being in Dublin for the International. Belfast and its epidemic!
 - 'Tis true what a first Clubber said to Mr. Murphy:

- On your side is Saxon and guile. Our our side is virtue and courage. Scotland beat Ireland by 11 points to 3.
- Spirits are mounting for the Munster Cup. The S.C.T. have stopped training to-day.

MARCH

- 1. S.C.T. finished training to-day for their Cup Match against Presentation, semi-final of the Munster Cup.
- 2.. Tension is rising, everyone is in doubt as to whether the match will be played or not. Raining all day to-day. The Camel Corps were summoned this morning for riding three-a-breast.
- 3. Senior Cup Match v. Pres. is postponed.
- 4. Congrats to the Juniors on drawing with Christians despite the fact that two of their regular forwards were sick and also the bad conditions in which the game was played. Congrats to John Loftus, Brian Punch and Tom Perrem on being picked to represent Mungret on the "Mark Time" T.V. programme.
- 5. Swimming Gala to-day against Gonzaga. Mungret wins the Inter College Trophy which was being competed for for the first
- 6. Cup fever mounts.
- 9. The whole school travels to Cork to-day to see the S.C.T. play Pres. and the J.C.T. to play Christians. We lost both matches.
- 11. Declamation to-night. The whirls have not as yet returned!
- 12. Our "Mark Time" team defeated the girls of Killiney this evening.
- 13. Those who had spent the night in Dublin after the T.V. programme return to-day to find that Bro. Flu had struck Mungret.
- 14. Bro. Flu spreads and gives the nurse a busy time looking after us all.
- 15. 'Flu claims more victims. Total so far 30. II. Poetry converted into infirmary dormitory.
- 16. The F.C.A. learned to-day that Corporal Murphy and Pte. Fitzgibbon will be missing from the ranks for the parade to-morrow.
- 17. St. Patrick's Day. The F.C.A. had a guard of honour in the Chapel and there was also a guard of honour for the hoisting of the National Flag. Film: "Kiss of Death."
- 19. To-day the Mungret S.C.T. beat Munchins in the Final of the City Cup with five of our regular team missing.
- 20. The Captain of yesterday's victorious team presents the City Cup to Fr. Rector.
- 21. Voluntary Mass this morning on account of Flu. Here we would like to say special thanks to our Nurse for all her kindness during the Flu epidemic .
- 23. Our second XV beat Crescent today and thus captured the City Shield.

- 24. Photographs for the Annual today. Smile
- Congrats to our Inter Pros playing against Ulster today, Bredan Ryan and Corry Ward. 2nd Club Debating Society debate with Crescent the motion: The progress of Ireland over the last 50 years has been slow. Mungret side wins.
- The J.C.T. were defeated this morning by Crescent in the final of the City Cup. We had a very enlightening talk from Miss Allen of the Legion of Mary on her work with the Legion in Thailand and Vietnam.
- Oral Irish exams begin.
- Annual photographs on display. Our thanks to Mr. Staunton, photographer and Fr. Coyne.

APRIL

- Back again. Need we say more.
- Play Day in honour of 1916 Celebrations. The F.C.A. hoisted the National Flag at 8.45. Mass was at 11.00 at which the F.C.A. provided a Guard of Honour. After Mass Fr. Rector unveiled the Proclamation and the F.C.A. presented arms. The Captain of the School, Pierce Wall, read the proclamation and Fr. Egan paid a tribute to

the men of 1916. Our carpenter, Mr. Tom Cosgrove, was present at the ceremony wearing his 1916 medal.

MAY

- 1. P.F., O.M. failed to pull it off. £. s.d. gone down the drain.
- 3 Bishop's Exam in Religious Knowledge. Many new heresies come to light.
- 5. Officials' Free Day. P.W. and O.M. go to Dublin to see if they can settle the Dairy Farmers' Strike. No Luck.
- 8. The Lay School v. the Apostolics in Soccer. Lay school won 2 goals to 1.
- 11. Field events of the North Munster Sports. Mungret get 15 points against Glenstal 42.
- Track Events of the North Munster Sports and Mungret make great comeback to win the Senior Cup and the all round cup. Mungret 50 points, Glenstal 46 points.
- Debate against Bruff Girls. Bruff win.
- Munster Sports in Cork to-day. Congrats to John O'Donovan on winning the Munster 220 yards Junior. Members of St. Vincent de Paul Society go to Limerick for a Youth Conference. The Mayor of Limerick presented the Life Saving certificates in the Hall.



Mr. Gallagher and Choir

HAD been looking forward with great enthusiasm to my trip to France since the arrival of a letter from Paris completing my travel arrangements. I must admit, however, as the great day approached I felt not a little apprehensive at the thoughts of spending three months among foreigners and speaking

a foreign language.

I left Shannon Airport at 9.15 on Sunday morning 13th June on a direct flight to Paris. I had only one fellow-passenger, an Englishman. The voyage lasted for two hours during which we were served a delicious cold meal. It was a beautiful clear, sunny day and we could see the ground below quite clearly. France looked very different from Ireland. The fields were not so green besides being very regular in shape. I left the plane at Le Bourget trying not to look nervous. The immigration and customs officials seemed to be practically non existent. I was waved through without having either my passport or luggage examined.

Due to some confusion about the day of my arrival I found, to my horror, that there was nobody to meet me. I had a meal at the airport restaurant and steadied myself for the ordeals ahead. I took a bus to the terminal at Les Invalides. It was a monotonous drive because we passed only through the working class districts of Paris. At the Alma Marceau metro-station I attempted to find the whereabouts of Rue Lechevin from a porter. He recognized it as the headquarters of the Little Brothers but he did not know how to get there. The parish priest who lived nearby not only knew where it was but also gave me the directions by metro. It was a good half-hour journey to "St. Ambroise" and another five minutes to Rue Lechevin.



But my troubles were not yet over; there was nobody in. I resigned myself to a long wait and took stock of my surroundings. On the glass panel of the front door were printed the words.

"Que celui qui frappe ici Sache au'il arrive chez son frere.

"May he who knocks here, know that he has arrived at his brother's house."

The Little Brothers of the Poor were founded in 1946. Since then they have done tremendous work in caring for the old and poor of Paris. They have an enormous

number of old people whom they visit regularly with a parcel of food. During the summer each year they try to give as many as possible of them a month's holidays in one of their "Chateaux of Happiness." It was to one of these houses at Villerville on the north coast near Deauville, a famous French tourist resort, that I was going. They rely for most of their help on boys aged between 17 and 25. It is an extremely practical way of learning French as well as helping to brighten the lives of people who spend the other 11° months of the year in a dark room of a shabby tenement. The headquarters of the order are situated, appropriately, in one of the poorest districts in Paris, Popincourt. Here the parcels are made up and distributed and the whole administration of the order is taken care of.

After 15 minutes I was let in by a boy aged about 19 who had a key. It turned out that he too was going to Villerville. We were then joined by a Brother who explained that the others were at an Art Exhibition. We had dinner in a restaurant in the "Quartier Latin," the university quarter of Paris. It was my first experience of "real" French food and I thought it was excellent. We decided for my benefit to make a little tour of "Paree by night."

We visited the Basilica of the Sacred Heart at Montmartre which dominates Paris. There is a truly magnificent view of Paris from the balcony in front. One could see the huge sea of lights spread out below and the flood-lit Eiffel Tower in the distance. We drove past the church of the Madeleine into Place de la Concorde with its breath-taking beauty into the Champs Elysée to the Arc de Triomphe, returning home by the site of the Bastille, the famous prison which was destroyed by the mob during the French Revolution.

We left for Villerville on Tuesday, 15th about 10 o'clock in the morning. Four of us, the advance party, travelled by car. The 30 old people were to come the following day by bus. There were four of us, two Parisian boys and a Brother who was to be in charge for the first month. Even though we had the roof of the car rolled back, the heat was almost unbearable. It was an interesting

journey, through Normandy, a region not unlike Ireland. We had lunch near Evreux in a little roadside inn. We visited the Basilica of St. Therese of the Little Flower at Liseux, and also her home "Les Buisonnets" nearby. This beautiful house contains all the toys she played with as a child and the garden has statues depicting scenes from her life.

We reached Villerville-on-sea late in the afternoon and inspected the house. It is a large 3 storey house with a basement, has 21 bedrooms in the main building and 10 in another building in the garden. It had been a hotel previously and it has private access to the beach. The remainder of the day was consumed in acquiring provisions and getting the boiler working. The gardener's wife had dressed most of the beds so we had not much to do.

The old people arrived the following day but went to bed immediately after dinner, tired out after the long drive.

The following morning we served breakfast at 9 o'clock consisting of coffee and hot milk, bread and butter and jam. Though not the accepted custom here, it is quite good manners there to eat jam at breakfast. We drew up a system of allotting the household chores. One day one concerned oneself with the dining room only, with cleaning, setting, serving and clearing of the tables. This was the job I liked because in between the meals one could talk to the old people. They were very helpful and went to great pains to make me repeat the names of the kitchen utensils and were always eager to hear about my family and school. They were mainly French but we had three Russians, a Belgian, and an Algerian.

The mid-day meal was a light one consisting of a vegetable salad, the meat dish and vegetables, salad, cheese and coffee. The evening meal at six o'clock was a longer one, of soup, main dish, cheese, dessert, fruit and a drink called Verveine or Tieull. The drinks served were, red and white wine and Normandy cider. On the other days one helped in the kitchen either with the washing-up or helping the cook. On Sunday, the midday meal was the bigger one. The main dish was chicken cooked in white wine which I



found delicious. After the meal coffee, liqueurs and cigarettes were served in the lounge and we had a very enjoyable sing-song. After the evening meal we were free to do as we wished. Sometimes we visited a nother of the chateaux at Dives about 15 miles away. This is much smaller than our house at Villerville, having only 17 old people.

On the 8th July we went on an outing to Le Havre, the transatlantic port at the mouth of the Seine. We crossed the Seine by the bridge at Tancerville which is the largest in Europe. Le Havre is a modern town and beautifully laid out. Avenue Hoch, the main shopping centre is tree-lined and has beautifully kept flower beds running along its entire length. We journeyed along the coast to Etretat with its beautiful medieval wooden buildings. A cafe owner allowed us to use his dining room in which to serve our cold lunch. Afterwards we visited the renowned Benedictine Abbey at Fecamp where the Benedictine Brandy and Liqueur is distilled. The architecture of the monastery is very elaborate. We recrossed the Seine by ferry and returned home by Pont l'Eveque where they make a famous cheese of the same name.

On July 14th, the French national holiday,

we had another outing, this time to the chateau at Dives for lunch followed by a very enjoyable party. This was concluded by a very colourful fireworks display at mid-night. On the 16th the old people returned sadly to Paris after their month's holiday, and we were left equally sad to prepare the house for a new group and manager. The new manager was a policeman called Daniel who was giving up his holidays to come and take charge for a month. We became very good friends and I accompanied him everywhere. We went together to another party at Dives, to Le Havre to see the longest liner in the world "France." Daniel had an absolute mania for parties and flowers. We had three very successful parties which went on until 4 o'clock in the morning. The work before and especially after these parties was considerable but the old people enjoyed them very much.

On the 16th August I was delegated to escort a 93 year old English lady to Paris by train. We travelled first class from Deauville and then took a taxi to her apartment but the driver, to my embarrassment left us bag and baggage on the pavement because she tried to give him directions. I hailed another and it was all I could do to stop her giving him directions also. Having deposited her baggage, we drove to Rue Lechevin for lunch. I returned home by bus with the new group. The new manager Hubert was very nice but could not cook so we had an Italian, Antonio, who is a professional cook and speaks three languages filently. The new group was more aged and invalided

than either of the previous groups. One lady was 99, another had only one leg, another was confined to bed. As it was the month of August most French boys were on holidays and it was mainly foreign students that were helping. We had quite a variety: Irish (myself), Belgian, Spanish, Dutch and Italian.

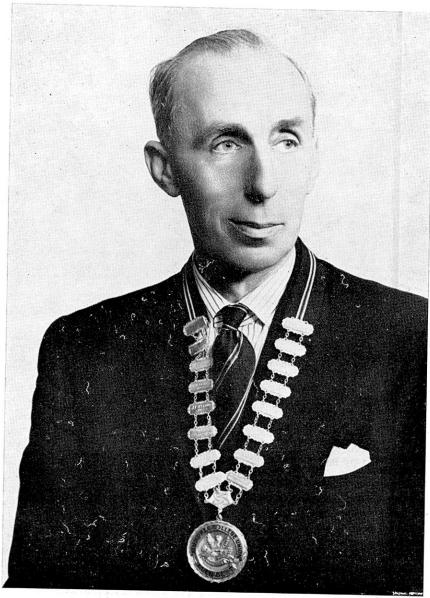
The night before I left, we had a huge party at which we entertained the old people from Dives. The following day Hubert, Antonio, a German priest who had been on holidays with us for a week and myself left by train for Paris. I was very sad indeed but my sadness was somewhat alleviated by the prospect of a week's holiday in Paris. I toured all the well-known places, the Louvre, Notre Dame, the Eiffel Tower, and Les Invalides. In the Louvre many people were intrigued by the Mungret crest and were not slow to ask its meaning.

I went one day with two other boys to drive an old lady to a convalescent home near Tours in the Loire Valley. We visited the beautiful Gothic cathedral at Chartres with its unrivalled stained glass windows, also the chateaux d'Ambroise, Blois and Chambord. We had supper in Orleans and arrived back in Paris at midnight.

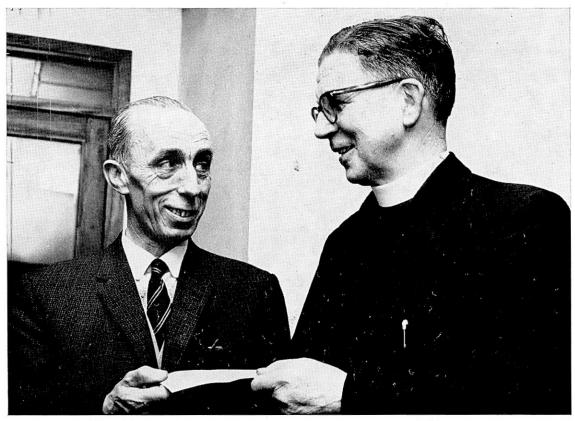
On Sunday the 5th of September I left Le Bourget airport for Shannon and in contrast to the beautiful day of my arrival exactly 13 weeks previously it poured rain. I was glad to be returning to Ireland again but also sad at leaving my friends of many nationalities.

THE END





Mr. P. J. Nutley, President of the Mungret Union, 1965-66.



Mr. P. J. Nutley makes a presentation on behalf of the Union to Rev. T. Martin, S.J., Director of Missions

Branch Activities: As in previous years the Southern Branch has been outstanding in its activities on behalf of the College Building Fund and in the period under review the Annual dinner-dance was held in Limerick. Our President was present and reported that the function maintained its high position as the highlight of the social season. From the West I have very little news but am still hopeful of a revival there among our Past. During the year Fr. Coffey was responsible for the formation of a Branch in London under the Chairmanship of Dr. R. Henry. The initial meeting was held in the Irish Club and the information I have would indicate it is a very healthy baby. It is to be hoped that we will have some representation from there at this or our next Annual dinner.

Some of us took part in the week-end retreat exercises in Milltown Park recently but it is a matter of some regret to me that among our Union members who number some 400 and our many hundreds of other past students we cannot find 30 to 40 to fill the retreat house with our own people, but we are holding on to our nucleus of a dozen or so and hoping that we will improve in time.

We extend our sincere sympathy to all our Past who suffered bereavements during the year and especially to our President, whose mother died, and to Eamonn Greene whose wife died recently. May the Lord have mercy on their souls.

The above is an outline of our activities for the past 12 months, Gentlemen, and I trust it gives you some idea of the work of your Council and Branches.

T. J. Lynch,P. Coffey, S.J.Joint Hon.Secretaries.

MUNGRET COLLEGE UNION

Report of Hon. Secretary, 1965-66

Mr. President, Very Rev. Fr. Rector, Rev. Fathers and Gentlemen:

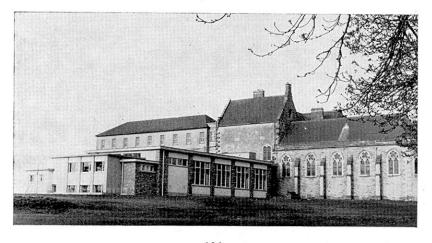
As your Hon. Sec. it falls to me to report the doings and activities of our Union during the past twelve months. First of all I must say a word of thanks to Fr. Rector for his kindness in allowing us the run of the College for this meeting and our dinner to follow.

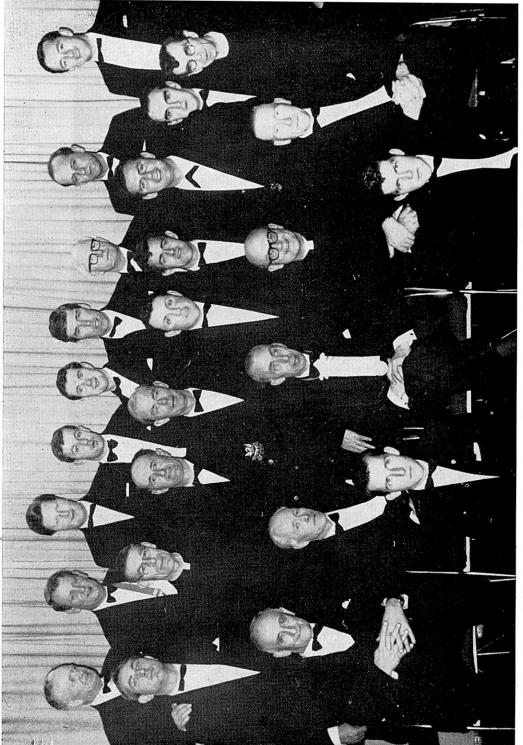
It is a very great pleasure to us all to come back and see the wonderful improvements that are constantly being made in our Alma Mater. I should also like to pay a very sincere tribute to my colleague Fr. Coffey whose efforts on behalf of the Union have been invaluable and who maintains his contact with the 'Past' both personally and through The Eagle.

On Sunday, April 25th, 1965, our Annual dinner was held here in the College and was presided over by our President Paddy Nutley. It was a very enjoyable function with an attendance of around 100 and was well

worth the effort of the long journey from Dublin to those of us who made the trip. 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 G.C. and was a most successful outing due mainly to the efforts of our man on the spot Tom Roche. Our team did not fare so well at the inter-schools competition in Milltown but we look forward with confidence to the coming season when we hope to put the College name on this trophy for the first time. It was decided to drop the three Unions dance this year, but the date was retained and for the first time we ran the function ourselves. An enthusiastic committee was formed and I am very pleased to be able to inform you that we were able to hand over a sum of £120 for the Jesuit Missions. Next year we hope to improve on that figure and the dance will be held in the South County Ballroom on Friday, November 4th, 1966, where we look forward to meeting many members from the South and West.





Committee and Guests: Annual Dinner Dance, Southern Branch, Cruises Hotel, 21st November, 1965.

MUNGRET COLLEGE UNION SOUTHERN BRANCH

At the Annual General Meeting, Mr. G. Keogh was elected Chairman, Mr. B. Miller Vice-Chairman, Mr. T. Lane, Hon. Secretary and Mr. R. Barry, Assistant Secretary.

The Annual Dinner Dance was held this year at Cruise's Hotel, Limerick, on 21st November, the same day as the Past Match. This Dinner Dance has become a delightful Social occasion. A feature of the Past Match was the presentation of a magnificent shield and a set of cups for the winners by the Union. The Past captained by Ray Hennessy, a Final Irish Trialist, won in extra time. Among our guests at the Dinner Dance were:

The Very Rev. Fr. Kerr, S.J., Rector,

Rev. Fr. P. Coffey, S.J.

Rev. Fr. T. Deevy, S.J

Rev. Fr. T. Morrissey, S.J.

Rev Fr. R. Coyne, SJ.

The Mayor of Limerick, Mr. Frank Leddin, and

The Chairmen of the Limerick College Unions with their wives.

A special vote of thanks must go to Mr. John Hurley, for his organisation of this very successful function.

T. Lane, Hon. Secretary.



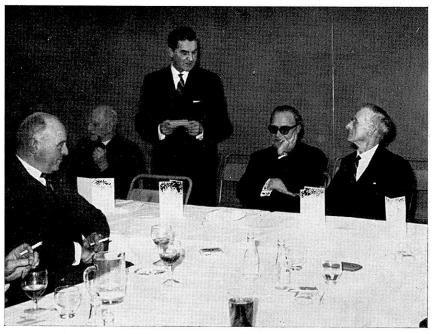
Group at Dinner Dance, Southern Branch.



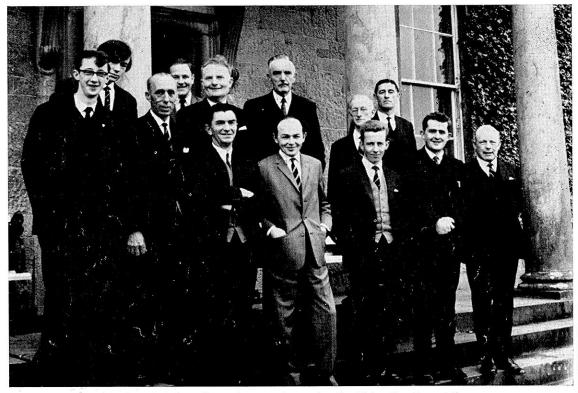
Mr. J. Callanan, President of the Union, 1966-67



Mr. J. Callanan, speaking at the Union Dinner in the College.



Mr. D. Hurley speaking at the Union Dinne rin the College.



Some of the members who stayed over for the Union function at the College at the week-end of April 16-17, 1966.



At the Union Dinner in the College, April 16th, 1966



Mr. and Mrs. Michael E. Carter (London branch)

MUNGRET COLLEGE UNION

LONDON BRANCH

Last November an idea which had been in the minds of many for a long time came to fruition when a Branch of the Union was started in London. The main credit for this is due to a small number of hardworking individuals namely Michael E. Carter, Dr. Al. Henry and Fr. Pat O'Connor. A lot of the secretarial work, we may add was done by Dr. Henry's wife.

Circulars were issued to those whose addresses were available and an encouraging response was obtained. The First Meeting was held at the Irish Club on November 10th. It was attended by sixteen past Pupils of different periods at Mungret. After some brief introductions dinner was served and memories of former times were interchanged. Dr. Henry gave a warm welcome to the gathering. He suggested that the aim of the London Branch should be twofold, first to help in a practical way as far as circumstances permitted the needs of the Alma Mater, secondly to enable old Mungret Boys who came to London to have an opportunity of establishing a link with colleagues already living there. Fr. O'Connor suggested a Chairman be appointed and Dr. Henry was unanimously elected. M. E. Carter was appointed Secretary, Fr. M. O'Dwyer, Treasurer, and

Michael R. Carter, Assistant Treasurer. An annual membership fee of £1 was agreed upon, this to include a copy of the Mungret Annual to be posted to each member.

A second meeting was held on February 9th which again was highly enjoyable. On May 11th a change was made when wives and lady friends were also invited. This proved a very successful and entertaining venture. It is hoped to arrange a dance in the Autumn.

Old Mungret men in London are asked to contact either Dr. Al Henry, 97 Parchmore Rd., Thornton Heath, Surrey. Tel. No. LIV 3642 or

M. R. Carter (in the absence of M. E. Carter), Torwoodlee, Roystone Grove, Hatch End, Middlesex. Tel. No. HAT 4153.

It is not out of place here to offer our congratulations to Michael E. Carter on his marriage to Miss Pamela Chance.

NEXT MEETING
AT THE IRISH CLUB
OCTOBER 12th



BALLINTUBBER ABBEY

750th Anniversary



Father Thomas A. Egan, Ballintubber Abbey, Co. Mayo, with Mr. Martin Marren, Chairman, and Mr. Patrick O'Beirne, President of Muintir Mhuigheo (the Mayomen's Association of Dublin). Fr. Egan received the Mayoman of the Year Award of 1965 in recognition of his work on the restoration of Ballintubber Abbey. The Award is a sculpture in bronze by Edward Delaney.



BALLINTUBBER ABBEY 1216-1966

EVERY day of the school year the boy looked out on the stately ruins of the ancient Abbey of Mungret. Thomas Egan was something over fourteen years old, the abbey fourteen hundred. It is possible that the serenity and dignity of that ancient pile influenced the boy's mind.

Be that as it may, Fr. Thomas Egan, who left Mungret in 1926 and is now priest of Ballintubber, Co. Mayo, has carried out a unique work in restoring the ancient and storied Abbey of Ballintubber. This year, on September 8th, will be celebrated the 750th anniversary of the abbey he has restored.

LEFT: Archaeological investigation shows original Cloisters and Chapter House of Ballintubber Abbey restored.

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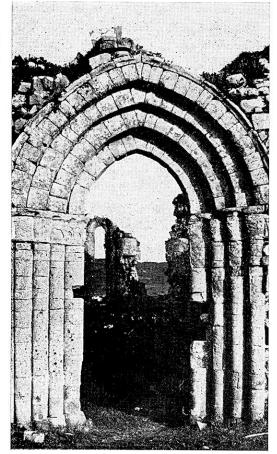
COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC WORKS

IN IRELAND

ORIGINS

In 441 St. Patrick founded a church from which the place got its name Baile Tobair Phadraig. This is the Abbey's name in the Annals of the Four Masters. In papal documents it is "Monasterium Sanctae Trinitatis de villa fontis Patricii."

Here in 1216 the Abbey was built by King Cathal Crovdearg O'Conor; Cathal Mor of the wine-red hand. It was in charge of the Canons Regular of St. Augustine. The death of their first Abbot is recorded in 1225. St. Malachy introduced the Canons into Ireland. As a point of interest, it is recorded in the Annals of Ulster that St. Malachy's father died in the Abbey of Mungret on October 5th, 1102: — "Mughorn Ua Morghair, ardlector of Ard-Macha and of all the West of Europe felicitously finished his life before many witnesses on Sunday the 3rd of the nones of October."



BALLINTUBBER ABBEY: CHAPTER HOUSE DOORWAY

Fr. Egan places the foundation of Ballintubber Abbey in its contemporary historical setting: — "The fourth Lateran Council had just closed; Innocent III. was in the Chair of Peter; the new religious Orders, the Dominicans and Franciscans, were just being founded; King John had made peace with his unruly barons in the signing of Magna Charta at Runnymede."

It would be too long to list the chief dates of its 750 years. Fr. Egan gives them all, quoting the documents, in his remarkable book "Ballintubber Abbey."

"THE ABBEY THAT REFUSED TO DIE"

The most astonishing claim for Ballintubber Abbey is that in the 750 years since its foundation in 1216, Mass has been celebrated in it unbrokenly. The priest today offers Mass on the same altar that the first Albbot, Bricius O'Maicin used in 1216. It is the oldest church in the English-speaking world with continuity of the Mass. There is is a strong local tradition testifying to this. Also, Fr. Egan has traced the continuous references in historical records. They show that Mass was still being offered there even after the suppression by Henry VIII., and the partial destruction by Cromwellians. Moreover, Fr. Egan has traced the history of churches in England that continued to offer Mass through the Reformation. The four oldest he has found have not as long a record as Ballintubber.



BALLINTUBBER ABBEY 17th CENTURY SCULPTURE



BALLINTUBBER ABBEY. MASS, 1865, IN UNROOFED ABBEY

ITS SOUND HAS GONE FORTH OVER ALL THE EARTH

This bit of Mayo reaches round the world, or the world reaches it—25,000 every year. All during the summer ten coach tours a week call, most of these are given a personally conducted tour by Fr. Egan himself. In addition he answers about 500 letters a month.

As well as in Fr. Egan's scholarly publications and lectures, the Abbey has been featured in "Welt am Sonntag," and in Time-Life, New York. It has been the subject of a lecture in Washington D.C., and an O'Connor of Florida is organising a chartered flight to Ballintubber for the celebration in September.

Recognition at home is indicated by such facts as the following: Fr. Egan has been honoured by the distinction of "Mayo Man of the Year" for 1965, and

by the National Union of Journalists' Award for Community service; and the Government will honour the completion of his noble work of restoration and the 750th anniversary of Ballintubber by a special commemorative stamp.

As for ourselves, we cannot sufficiently express our admiration of Fr. Egan and his work, a man of genius, a work of dedicated perseverance, of vision, taste and skill. The Fathers of Mungret College, who still look out on the changeless Mungret Abbey, offer you, Fr. Egan, their proud congratulations and their sincerest good wishes.

In conclusion, we profess the daring hope that in another 750 years Ballintubber will still be Ballintubber, owing to Fr. Egan's magnificent achievement, and that Mass will then have continued there for an unbroken 1500 years.

-A.E.



MUNGRET ABBEY: Fr. Ennis with some future historians

reap an an nSealac

A spiorad an duine doshásta agus dochloite. An tseoid dofhála a bhíonn a lorg de shíor aige. Is leor a rá leis go bhfuil rud éigin do-dhéanta no dofhála cun é a comáint ar a lorg. Fágfaidh sé a thír agus a mhuintir agus caithfidh sé a bhfuil sa tsaol aige sa chuardach. Is cuma leis cruatan agus anró, teas agus fuacht, ocras agus tart agus baol. Teastaíonn uaidh, is dócha, a cruthú gurb é máistir na cruinne é agus tar éis an tsaoil nach é sin an teideal mórálach a bhronn Dia air i dtús ama.

Is mór é ár mheas ar daoine a rinne instealladh orthu féin le fridíní marfacha cun teacht ar leigheas ar ghalair de gach cinéal. Tá na mílte eile nach iad ag lorg eolais agus is mór againn iad. Cén fáth ansin nach bhfuilim i bhfábhar an spás-fheachtais seo atá ar siúl ag na Stáit Aontaithe agus ag an Rúis? Toisc go bhféacaim im thimpeall agus go bhfeicim an domhan mar atá.

Tá go leor cainte le cloisteáil ar na saolta seo i dtaobh tíortha neamhfhorbartha. Tá ná miliúin ar fúd an domhain agus gan go leor le n-ithe acu. Is uafásach iad na pictiúir a fheicimid ón India, ón gCoiré agus ó thiortha eile san Oirthear.

Tá galair marfacha gan leigheas go fóill—galair ar nós na hAilse agus na lobhra—galair

iad a scuabann leo na milte in aghaidh na bliana. Cun iad a chosc agus a leigheas tá géarghá le taighde agus le hospidéil ach is eol don saol mór nach gcuirtear a leithéidí ar fáil gan raidhse airgid. Ós rud é gurb é an gad is gaire dá scórnach a scaoileann an duine ar dtúis, dar liom gur cheart tosnú leis an bhfulaing agus leis an gcruatan atá in ár dtímpeall. Sin é an fáth go gceapaim gur náireach an caitheachas oll-mhór ar réroicéid agus spas-stáisiúin agus diúracháin treoraithe. D'fhéadfaí leath-dosaen ospidéal a thógáil ar chostas an roicéad is lú dá seoltar amach sa spás. B'fhurasta na céadta teach a cur suas ar chostas diúracháin amháin.

Is inmolta an ní é cumas an duine a thaispeáint trí mháistreacht a fháil ar fórsaí an dúlra ach tá rud níos gataraí ná sin le deanamh i dtosach báire. Táim in amhras nach bhfuil i gceist sa spás-rás seo ac mustar agus móráil náisiúnta agus cad é do mheas ar mórbhealaí dúbalta agus tithe spéire i mBaile Átha Cliath—agus tithe ag titim anuas i sráid na bhfiníni agus sráideanna nach í?

Sea! cuirimis fear ar an ngealach gan aon dabht ach sula thógaimid teach nua dó, thall, cuirimis slacht agus riar ar an sean teach abhus ar dtúis.

THE PAST

MR. JOHN BITHREY, M.A., was an Inspector of Secondary Schools 1913-43. A distinguished Classical Scholar, he has been interested chiefly in Latin, Greek, French and English literature; and his editions of texts are still in use in Secondary schools. He is author of Our Secondary Schools and Other Essays.

Mr. Bithrey, who was a boy at Mungret 1889-93, is now one of our oldest Past Students. He is still active and does a considerable amount of writing. We are greatly indebted to him for the most interesting memoirs below which he so kindly consented to write for the "Mungret Annual."



MR. JOHN BITHREY

Memories of Mungret (1889-93)

"Remembrance wakes with all her busy train Swells at my breast and turns the past to pain." Oliver Goldsmith (1728-'74)

If any names are found printed on my heart when I die, the name of Philip Brady, priest of the Society of Jesus, will take a leading place.

He taught me Greek—(Parry's Greek Grammar), Latin (Allen's Latin Grammar); he saw to it that I kept up my piano practice and that I wrote regularly to my mother in Kinsale; I had four sisters, but I was her only son and she missed me. No one ever had a truer or better friend than I had in Philip Brady. Nothing can describe the interest he took in me—(I was not quite ten when I entered Mungret)—or the affection he lavished on me. It is impossible for me to exaggerate his goodness to me, nor have I ever been able to repay it. *

One First Prefect in my time was Father Matt Maguire, once a gentleman farmer in the North of Ireland and (I fancy), a late vocation. He had a pony and trap, which he drove with great elegance, and his special friends were Joe Tyrrell, (whose brother was a prominent furrier in Dublin)—Joe was a boy of great charm; Billy Sampsen, whose father was a doctor in Scarriff, Co. Clare (a big lovable, generous fellow was Billy) and my tiny self, Jack Bithrey from Kinsale whom Father McCormack (a Cork man and a fine cricketer) used

to mimic repeating the words in my Cork accent, then very marked, with its ups and downs of musical pitch, but lost long ago. These drives with Father Maguire were most enjoyable.

There were two Rectors in my time, the first was Father Head, a small, squat, grim-looking man, who walked along the corridors with eyes fixed sideways on the skirting of the passage. The second was Vincent Byrne (whose sermon on Aloysius Gonzaga was regarded as a masterpiece of oratory and a thing of great literary beauty and who took an active part in the kind of "gravel football" played by the Seniors in those days.

The Choir master was a Jesuit Scholastic, Thomas Taaffe, a delightful singer, a brilliant teacher, a most charming man, tall, well-spoken, well groomed. His singing of the Kerry Dances was something never to be forgotten. His choir music was delightful. He had been trained in Belgium and he had the most lovely Ave Verums, Tantum Ergos and other pieces of Church music. I was in his choir. I was supposed to have a sweet voice. Also in the choir was Johnny Martin of Wigan, Lancashire, who had a splendid voice and who used to sing with such fervour and energy that I could see the veins stand out on his neck. He was a splendid fellow and he became a splendid Jesuit of the Irish Province in later



years. Much of the music was too high in pitch for me, but Mr. Taaffe had a wonderful harmonium on which he was able to lower or raise the key of any piece, so as to fit the voice. I have never anywhere else met such a wonderful device for raising or lowering the pitch of a song. My eldest sister, Mary, was a good musician—so was my mother—and had won a scholarship in the Cork School of Music. She went to it twice a week and never came home without a sultana scone for me, her brother—God rest her soul! She was a famous organist and accompanist in Kinsale and she had the wonderful gift of being able to transpose any accompaniment at sight. No wonder she was so sought after as an accompanist.

Once a year Mr. Taaffe got a free day for his choir, and took us for a picnic. In the evening we had a special supper and a sing-song. These sing-songs I shall never forget for three reasons—

The Kerry Dances sung by Mr. Taaffe, The White Squall sung by Michael Garrahy and O Native Music-that most lovely song in which exquisite words are married to most exquisite music -music and words by Samuel Lover-sung by Brother Carter. Brother Carter had charge of the Priests' Refectory. He had an exquisite tenor voice, and his singing of this lovely song was something quite unforgettable. My own contribution was Wallace's In Happy Moments, from that gifted Waterford man's opera Maritana. Yes, the Mungret choir in my time made the most lovely music. Mr. Taaffe also taught me French and Roman History, and it was a privilege to be taught by him. His lessons were most carefully prepared and were delightful to listen to.

There were two saints in Mungret in my time. Father Michael Browne, Prefect of Studies, Head of Our Lady's Sodality, fine preacher, fine scholar, a man delightful to meet, tho' extremely austere in life—and Brother McEvoy who had charge of the kitchen and who was reputed to spend his summer evenings praying amongst the tombs in the cemetery near the front gates of the College Grounds.

Mr. Taaffe was a scholastic, not a priest. Another Scholastic was Harry Potter, a splendid athlete and a brilliant acrobat whose performance on the parallel bars and the horizontal bar were the admiration of all. Like Mr. Taaffe he was handsome, very well groomed, of sanguine temperament and very pleasant to meet. Another scholastic I remember was named J. F. K. O'Brien, son of a famous member of Parliament, I think; a cricketer, but somewhat delicate in health.

Amongst the lay boys of my time were Michael Garahy, George Byrne, Pat Connolly and John Martin (already mentioned) all of whom became distinguished S.J.s Michael Garrahy (of Offaly) a preacher, Geo. Byrne, a Chinese Missionary, Pat Connolly, founder and first editor of Studies, and John Martin, late Rector of Xavier College, now a very famous school teacher in Melbourne, Aus.

tralia. Bat Coghlan also became a Jesuit and was well known in Galway as a Confessor and a speaker of Gaelic, I remember also Jack Devine, gifted pianist and pencil artist. Oliver St. John Gogarty of Dublin and William Sullivan of Bantry were both with me at school. Willie, no doubt, was one of the famous Bantry family. The O'Mahony's of Bantry, Florence and his two brothers, were also there; two Egans from Tullamore, Pat and Harry; two Stephensons from Waterford, Raymond and his brother. I remember too, Jim Carbery of Dublin, a splendid looking fellow, lithe, tall and supple, a trained boxer. He quarrelled with a big country fellow and they fought it out beyond the ambulacrum, with referee, seconds and scouts to give warning of danger. It was a famous fight, a contest between skill and training (Carbery) and brute strength and courage, and the verdict was a draw. The big country man had a black eye. Jim Carbery, who sat next to me in the study hall (tho' years older), confessed that his ribs were black and blue and sore from the hefty body blows received. Jim was a pretty fearless and rebellious spirit.

What Apostolic students do I remember? First comes Joe Wright of Templemore, a fine cricketer. Joe had money and often went to Limerick City. He never came back without a bag of good sweets for me, bought at Kidds, then a famous confectionery in the city. Joe, like all the apostolics, got his B.A. (Mental and Moral Science) at the Royal University of Ireland, an examining body like London University, was ordained in Rome and served in the U.S.A. He is, I suppose, dead long ago, God rest his soul! Jim Coyle, already mentioned, became a strict pastor somewhere in the U.S.A. In later years he rescued a woman from an unscrupulous man and was assassinated by the man for his pains. I remember Andy Killian, later a Bishop in Australia; I remember apostolics named Galvin and Stenson; splendid men all the apostolics were, giving a wonderful example of industry and of religious devotion.

One other memory I have, of the skating on Lough Mor during a winter—I forget the year—of hard and continued frost. I also remember Mr. Taaffe bring picked members of the choir to visit the Limerick Chapels of Repose on Holy Thursdays. We walked in and back, and I remember his brushing the dust off his shoes—using a handker-chief—before entering the city. He liked to be well dressed and well groomed. Indeed there was something quite aristocratic about him and about the others members of the Jesuit community, and it often struck me that in manners, speech and bearing, they resembled what I imagined to be the officers of a crack English Cavalry regiment.

I would like to add that the only examinations the lay boys did were the London Art and Science Examinations. I remember we had two hours each day for Latin. We did Allen's Grammar and Bradley's famous book thoroughly. But the chief thing about the Mungret College training of those

days was that when a boy left, he had formed a habit of study, a habit of working to a time-table; he had learned to say his prayers regularly and very especially to have a devotion to Our Lady, the Mother of God—no mean equipment with which to face the world.

Who were the distinguished Past Pupils of Mungret? Leaving out of account the ecclesiastics, I would say Joe Walsh of Killenaule, Founder of the Irish Foreign Affairs Department, its First Secretary, and later Ambassador to the Vatican. He was a man of great ability. He was much after my time; but I had the privilege of knowing him and I knew him to be a most loyal and fervent supporter of the Past Pupils' Mungret Union.

Next I would select Frank Fahy, a famous Ceann Comhairle in his time and not unworthy of his great predecessor, Michael Hayes.

Hugo Flinn was Trade Minister in one of President de Valera's governments and was a distinguished Minister.

Hugo was in Mungret with me. I knew his family in Kinsale. They came every summer for the fishing season. The father, a wealthy merchant in Liverpool, bought all the fish he could get in Kinsale, brought it to Liverpool in his own ships and sold it there, making a very great profit. Hugo's two brothers went to Clongowes. Joe became a famous Jesuit and organised the Pioneer Movement. Tom became a Chartered Accountant and practised in Dublin.

Jim Veale, an Apostolic, was Prefect of Juniors, a splendid type of man of fine physique. I remember him for two reasons. Once on the free day, we walked to Patrick's Well to get the train to the Earl of Dunraven's place. We were late starting, and we had to run the last half mile. I was then tired, and seemed likely to be left behind; so Jim Veale took me under his arm, like a rugby football, and brought me to the train in time. The other reason was this, the calves in the fields were creatures full of curiosity. Jim, who had a great spirit of fun, used to crawl towards them on all fours, and it was most amusing to see the calves gather round him. Then he would suddenly rise, and they turned and galloped, panic stricken away.

There was, in my time, a student named Jim Roberts, and when the annual sports fell due, I remember the severity of his training for the mile. He always won the race. He took the opening laps at a steady race, but he did the final lap with what might be called a sprinter's speed and outdistanced all opponents. What his later career was I never heard.

The gentlemen of Limerick—O'Donnells, Spillanes and others—played a cricket match with us once a year. They were much too good for us, having learned their cricket at Stonyhurst or Downside. But Father Whitaker, S.L. who was then on the staff of the Crescent College, always came and played for us. He was a good bowler. He was a superb batsman and he was always sure to

make 60 or 70 runs for us. He had learned his cricket at Tullabeg, a very famous Jesuit school, outside Tullamore.

I remember a Michael Danaher of Limerick, a lay boy in my time—he died quite recently, I believe, at the fine age of 92 or 93.

I remember the Cuffes of Dublin; Charlie, a charming boy, who later became a Jesuit, Tom, a big fellow, and Willie. The father was a famous cattle dealer, I think.

I remember often looking over at the Cratloe Hills and wondering what lay beyond them. I remember the Apostolics of the 1st Arts writing on a blackboard

"Nil sine magno vita labore dedit Primis Certibus."

They were reading Horace. I remember their speaking of the "Magnetic Dip," something they had learned from Science lectures of the Abbe l'Heritier, who came from Lord Emly's home (whose chaplain he was) to teach Science to the University students. I did not know what the phrase meant, but it was jocosely applied to the slope of the head of one of the leading apostolics, a stately giant of a man who carried himself like an archbishop or a cardinal, and whose name, alas, I do not remember.

About the Choir I wish to add something. It consisted of tenors, baritones, trebles and altos. There was little unison singing. Mr. Taaffe was a strict choirmaster. He insisted on accurate timing, "Do not drag." he used to say at the rehearsals; "do not drag"; yet he could achieve excellent accelerandos and effective rallentandos.

I have mentioned his lovely Ave Verums but his most enchanting hymn was Jesu dulcis memoria in which the lovely words were matched by even lovelier music. Another was the Advent hymn Alma Redemptoris Mater a lovely tune which he himself used to sing as a solo, the choir coming in for the refrains.

He had certain soloists, of which I was one. I had a very limited range, but within the range, I was considered to have a very moving voice and to sing with great expression and feeling. With his harmonium, of course, he was able to lower the pitch to suit me.

I have already referred to the two hours a day we had for Latin. I myself, and the class to which I belonged, was taught by Father Brady at first, and his translation of Virgil's Aeneid I. into English was well worth remembering. About line 50, where Juno, extremely angry, enters the land of the stern winds, to make trouble for the hated Aeneas who is at sea, we have the words Nimborum in patriam, loca feta furentibus castris. I have never forgotten Father Brady's rendering of the last four words: "a country big with blustering blasts." It was a fine, sonorous phrase and it gave us all, I think, a good sense of what was meant by felicity and eloquence of expression.

Once, I remember, we, each of us, had to sign a form, giving inter alia the position of the male parent. I was then sitting near George Byrne, later famous as a Chinese Missionary. He wrote, I well remember, "Gentleman." All the other boys near me wrote "Farmer." I remember writing "Captain in the Mercantile Marine" since my father commanded one of the passenger sailing ships which is these days plied between Plymouth and Sydney, New South Wales. It was a three months' voyage each way, so he was away six months at a time and we saw very little of him.

I remember George Byrne for another reason. He was clever with Indian clubs, which he was able to swing with great skill. He was, we thought, a little vain of his skill, so we played a nasty trick on him. In the room there was a bracket overhead containing two oil lamps made of glass. We got him to stand under the lamps and asked him to give us an exhibition. Each club struck a lamp, smashed it to smithereens and the oil came pouring over him. I am sorry to say we screamed with laughter; but I must add, he took it very good humouredly and did not retaliate in any way, either by word or by action.

One final memory of Jim Carbery, he was a man of splendid physique. There was something sinewy and yet something snake-like, colubrine, sinuous about him, he was a very picture of suppleness and elasticity, an immense imposing figure he had. This ease and swiftness of movement gave him a great advantage in his fight against the burly giant of Offaly. He was able to slip aside and evade the blows; able to weave in and out of the combat area and to avoid the six inch punches which can be so deadly in the in-fighting. What happened to him in later life, I never heard.

Let me end with one more memory. Near me in the study hall during my first year was Larry

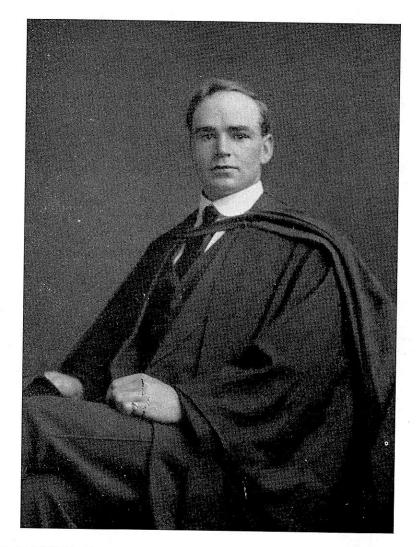
Devereux of Wexford. He was always well supplied with tiny chocolates which, I fancy, his mother used to send to him. One evening I noticed him turning over and over the leaves of his English-Latin dictionary. His search seemed to be fruitless, so I whispered "What are you looking for, Larry?" "The Latin word for the definite article "The" he replied and I was able to tell him there was no such Latin word. It did not exist in the Latin language. Larry fought in the South African War, 1900-1901 and that is all I knew of him.

At a later stage my Latin class was taught by Father Guinee, who was, I think, a Cork man. He used to write the solution of the compositions (Bradley's Aids) on the blackboard. Sometimes there was a slip in gender, or in case, or in mood, and we were not slow to point it out to him. But he had always a very clever reply. It was: "I just wanted, boys, to see if you would notice it, I am glad you did notice it."

Father Guinee was sent to Australia and many years later was buried in Melbourne, I think.

* The following tribute by Mr. Bithrey is from the Preface to his Edition of Vergil Aeneid Book I. (Dublin: Browne and Nolan Ltd., 1948):

"I wish, in conclusion, to mention the name of Father Philip Brady, of the Society of Jesus, at whose feet I first read Aeneid I nearly fifty-five years ago in Mungret College, Limerick, and who, from the time of our first meeting until his death, honoured me with a friendship that never faltered, a most unselfish and wonderful friendship. May his place in Heaven be high amongst those qui sui memores aliquos fecere merendo."



DR. DANIEL C. HAYES (Mungret 1901-03) R.I.P.

Extract from "THE CLARE CHAMPION," September 25, 1965

Dr. Daniel Christopher Hayes, who died at his residence, Kilmaley, Ennis, was one of the oldest district Medical Officers in Ireland.

Born at Cloncolman, Lissycasey, he was educated at Mungret College, Limerick, and qualified from Glasgow University in 1911. After a short spell of practice at Glasgow and Sheffield he was appointed Medical Officer at the Killanniv Dispensary District in 1912 and continued in practice there for 52 years.

He endeared himself to his patients by his untiring efforts and devotion to their care, and was held in the highest esteem by them and his professional colleagues.

He was brother of the late Mr. James Hayes, Cloncolman; Fr. Patrick Hayes, Newmarket-on-Fergus; Very Rev. Monsignor T. A. Hayes, Troon; Mr. Martin Hayes, Doonbeg; Fr. Joseph Hayes, O.Cist., Roscrea; Dr. Frank Hayes, Glasgow; Rev. Mother Evangelist O.D.C., and Mrs. Dr. J. Marmion, Liverpool and Dublin

The late Dr. Hayes is survived by many relatives including Dr. Aubrey C. Hayes, M.Ch., D.O. (son); Mrs. Lavinia Randles, London; Miss Pauline Hayes, B.A., H.Dip.Ed., London; Mrs. Christabel Myers, Limerick and Miss Patricia Hayes, Kilmaley, Ennis (daughters).



Mr. Aubrey C. Hayes M.Ch., D.O. (Mungret 1941-43) and colleagues at conferring of degrees U.C.D.



CAPT. RONALD le BAS (1935-40) has been prominent in the activities of the Mungret College Union for a good many years.

Capt. le Bas was attached to the Permanent Defence Forces 1941-63. He served with the Supply and Transport Corps and was stationed mainly in the Eastern Command. Since 1963 he has been with the Reserve of Officers 1st Line.

In 1963 he was appointed Assay Master for Ireland by the Goldsmiths' Company, and in May 1965 appointed to the Board of the Company. He was one of the Founder Members of the International Hall-marking Association and has represented Ireland at International Hall-marking Conferences.

Capt. le Bas was President of the Lambretta Club of Ireland for three years, and Vice-President of the Safety First Association of Ireland for a period during the fifties.

He was married in 1953 to Miss Alice Counihan of Querrin House, Co. Clare. They have five children—three boys and two girls.



A SOUVENIR RECORD of Pope Paul's visit to the United Nations Assembly, New York, October 1965, was presented to the Taoiseach, Mr. Lemass, by Mr. Brian A. Garland, Irish representative of Alitalia Airlines, Dublin. Copies of the Record were also presented to Mr. L. Cosgrave T.D. and Mr. B. Corish T.D., by Mr. Garland on behalf of the Company

The Record (an L.P. made specially for Alitalia), is a recording of the Pope's address to the United Nations Assembly, and of the Mass celebrated by the Holy Father at the Yankee Stadium, New York, on 4th October, 1965.

Alitalia is the airline by which the Pope travelled from Rome to New York on that occasion. The plane, an Alitalia Super D.C. 8 Jet, overflew Ireland.

We wish to congratulate Mr. Garland on his appointment last year as Alitalia's Area Representative for Ireland. Mr. Garland, who is 29, holds a Law Degree of University College, Dublin. He has had considerable commercial experience, and has travelled extensively abroad.

Brian was at Mungret College (1950-55), as also were his brothers *Dermot* (1950-53) and *Kevin* (1952-55). Kevin is now in the family business, while Dermot has started a business of his own. Dermot, Brian and Kevin have all been married in recent years, as already recorded in the Mungret Annual.

All three continue to keep contact with their Alma Mater. In February we had a visit from Brian, who very kindly presented to Fr. Rector a copy of the Souvenir Record referred to above, for which we wish to express our appreciation on behalf of the College to him and his Company.



Gerard Beggan ('47-'52)

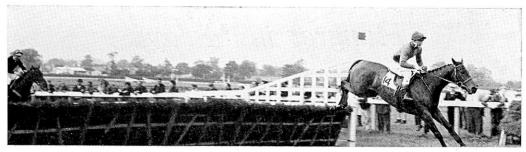
"Seeing things from the other side". That's what Gerard is doing now, and doing it as he does everything, very well. Congratulations to him on his appointment as Secondary School Inspector of Mathematics and Applied Mathematics for Munster (Southern District). We had the pleasure of welcoming him here in his official capacity during the year and turning the school over to him for the day.

Congratulations to him also on his marriage to Miss Marie Celine Fitzsimons (B.A., N.T.) of Rathgar, a very distinguished past pupil of St. Louis, Monaghan.

Gerard has had a distinguished career since leaving Mungret in 1952. He trained as

a National teacher, taught for six years, and subsequently did his B.Sc. in Mathematical Science in U.C.D., later getting his M.Sc. in Mathematical Science, specialising in Pure Mathematics. Finally came his well merited appointment to the position of School Inspector. He recently paid us a visit—unofficial—accompanied by his wife, and was gladly welcomed by his friends, old and new.

His brother Frank is with Coras Iompair Eireann at Inchicore. Another brother James, previously teaching at St. Conleth's College, Daingean, is an Oblate Brother, at present studying at Belcamp College. Our good wishes to a distinguished Mungret family from our own neighbourhood of Patrickswell.



Tom Stack rides a winner "New Money" at Wetherby, October, 1965

THE TURF

Robert Barry '56-63

After leaving school, Bobby spent a year studying veterinary in Dublin. He then took over the running of the family farm, and judging by the accounts which have reached us, he is a making a great success of this.

During his free time, if farmers may be said to have free time, he trains and rides his own horse "Chenille War." He was still at school when he won his first race, and since then the partnership has recorded no less than sixteen firsts, and has been placed on numerous other occasions. At time of going to press, his most recent success was at the Limerick meeting on May 5th, when winning the Sarsfield Handicap Chase by three lengths from a field of eleven. Bobby also rides for other trainers and owners when he can afford time off from his farming activities.

Barry Brogan '60-'62

Our most recent news of Barry is that he has joined Mr. Tom Dreaper's stable at Kilsallaghan, Co. Meath, as assistant trainer and amateur rider. Those of us who throw the odd glance at the racing columns in the newspapers will have noticed his name appearing not infrequently at the head of the field. He has indeed been very successful in the career which he took up at the early age of fifteen. Though still in his 'teens he has a very respectable number of "firsts" to his credit. The reputation which he has built up for himself can be appreciated when we consider that such leading trainers and owners as Tom Dreaper, T. W. Riddel-Martin, Mr. R. B. Bamber and Mr. O'Flynn have engaged him to ride for them on various occasions.

Among his more recent successes were-

"Vulture" in the Ballyhack Plate at Fairyhouse; Highlandie" in the La Touche Memorial Cup, run over a distance of $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles, and "Thoroughaway," in the Blessington Handicap Hurdle at Punchestown. "Panasol" at Navan, and "White Abbess" at Leopardstown were among others that he piloted safely home.

He was engaged for three mounts at Cheltenham, where Tom Stack hit the limelight, but he was prevented from riding under the cross-channel regulation which does not permit assistant trainers to ride. Otherwise it might well have been a "Mungret Double"—or treble!

Our best wishes for the future, Barry—"intende, prospere, procede, et regna."

Tom Stack '58-'63

After leaving Mungret, Tom spent some time with the Phoenix Insurance Co. in Dublin. Though he got on well at this work, he could not resist a stronger and clearer call—that of the Turf! So, next we heard of him, he had joined the stable of trainer Mr. R. Renton in Ripon, Yorkshire, as an amateur jockey.

Success was not long coming and in October last he rode his first winner "New Money" at Wetherby. A fall at Doncaster put him out of business for a short while with a broken wrist, but Tom was in the saddle again for Cheltenham. This time, though still in plaster, he piloted "Well Packed" safely home to win the Grand Annual Steeplechase Challenge Cup and £1,365 for owner Mrs. A. Myddleton—winning by half a length, with half a hand!

Well, Tom, we'll be looking forward to hearing still greater things of you in the future, and wish you every success. E.C.

Mungret in Malaya

Many people don't know where Malaya is; and when it comes to Petaling Jaya, there are many who find it hard to spell the word. It is the name of a new, growing suburb of Kuala Lumpur, the Capital of Malaya.

Petaling Jaya is five miles outside the Capital; a town of small chalet-type houses, some clinging to the side of a hill; a factory town with 'nice' factories which do not blacken the sky with smoke: Singer sewing machines, Radio and TV assembly factories; Cerebos salt, Coca-Cola bottlers....

Here in Petaling Jaya are living four Jesuits who are all past Mungret students: Fr. Edward Bourke (1919-23); Fr. Albert Cooney (1920-23); Fr. Edmond Sullivan (1918-22); and Fr. John Wood (1927-31).

Their address is: —

Church of St. Francis Xavier,

Jalan Gasing,

Petaling Jaya,

Selangor, Malaya.

Fr. Edward Bourke is Superior of the Jesuit Community, and was at one time Superior of the Jesuit Mission in Malaya.

which included the Church and Hostel and Residence in Singapore. Father Bourke was for many years working in Penang, teaching, giving instructions to non-Christians, and directing Retreats. He has been directing Retreats all over Malaya for years to nuns, students, the British Army; and he brings to this work a load of experience and a charm of manner which many may envy but few can equal. He was also director or Warden of Xavier Hall Hostel for University students; and now he is Chaplain to the Catholic students in the University of Malaya.

Fr. Albert Cooney—Fr. Cooney was at one time in Hong Kong and Macao. He is now in charge of Xavier Hall, the Jesuit University Hostel for students attending the University of Malaya. Fr. Cooney was at home in Ireland until 1962 when he returned to the East: to Singapore for 6 months, and then to Petaling Jaya.

Fr. Edmond Sullivan is Parish Priest of the new Jesuit Church in Petaling Jaya, referred to on tourist postcards as a 'Cathedral,' which it is not; and as a 'landmark' which it is not—except that every church is a land-





mark. But if the Church is not a landmark, Fr. Sullivan is. His name sounds a bit like Sulieman, a Muslim name, and the Muslims like this and call him Fr. Sulieman. He is known all over the Parish as he goes on his rounds, with his bags and his umbrella (to keep away the dogs guarding the houses). God alone knows what good he has done. Nobody else will.

Fr. John Wood.—Fr. John spent many years in Hong Kong first as a scholastic, and later as a Priest, being Rector of the Regional Seminary. During the years of World War II he studied in Shanghai. He has only come to Malaya recently, as he was doing Parish work in England until last year. He is now Curate to Fr. Sullivan and Minister to the Jesuits in Petaling Jaya.

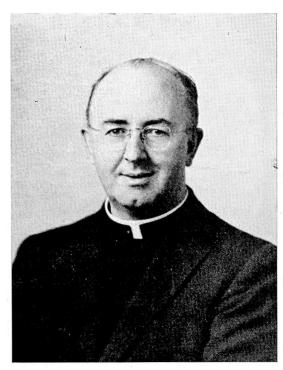
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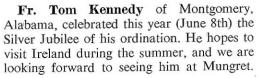
THOSE who have seen the film "The King and I" will remember Anna, tutor to the son of the King of Siam. It will be of interest to them to know that Anna's successor was an Irishman—Joseph Caulfield James. He went to Siam—now known as Thailand—towards the end of the last century to teach in a mission school. Then a turn of the whirlygig of time and he found himself tutor to the royal family!

On January 16th of this year his grandson, **Brendan James,** became the first Jesuit to be ordained in Singapore. It was an occasion of great solemnity. The ceremony took place in the cathedral which also happened to be the church in which Father James was baptised. The ordaining prelate was the Most Reverend Dr. Olocomendy, the Archbishop of Singapore. Another young man, a Chinese, who like Father James had been a pupil of the De La Salle College in the city, was ordained at the same time. After the ordination the two new priests con-celebrated Mass with the Archbishop at the high altar of the cathedral.

Father Brendan's father, Mr. Frank James, has been a teacher in the De La Salle Brothers' College for more than forty years. He is one of the best-known and best-liked men in the city of Singapore. Literally thousands of boys have passed through his hands. Many of them now hold several of the principal posts in the state. Mr. James is one of the most sought-after Godfathers in Singapore! Many of the boys who, after leaving school, decide to become Catholics, turn to their old teacher and ask him to be their Godfather.

Father Brendan James came to Ireland in 1952 to complete his secondary studies at Mungret College, near Limerick. His sister, Noreen, was already a pupil of the Sisters of the Holy Infant Jesus, at Drishane. Another sister, Moira, later became a student of medicine at University College, Cork.





Fr. Tom was a student at Mungret from 1930 to 1937. Then he went to Louvain University. He was ordained at St. Patrick's College, Carlow in 1941. Since 1953 he has been in Montgomery, Alabama. At St. Margaret's Hospital he is beloved for his work among the sick.

Fr. Kennedy has many connections with Mungret. His uncle, the late Fr. Jeremiah Kelly, was head of the Apostolic School and afterwards Rector of the College. The late Fr. Michael Kenny, who was one of the first students enrolled at the Apostolic School, was a cousin of Fr. Jeremiah Kelly and of Fr. Kennedy's mother. Fr. Kennedy has a nephew at Mungret at present, Ger Clarke of Rosmuc.



Fr. Harry Naylor was ordained by the Bishop of Hong Kong in the chapel of Wah Yan, Kowloon, on 15th May, 1965. He said his first Mass in the chapel of the Hong Kong College.

Fr. Naylor was born in Damascus in 1931, of a Greek mother and an Irish father. He finished his secondary education in Dublin, to which his family returned after the war. He then studied medicine, but after two years entered the Jesuit novitiate in 1951. He did a science degree in University College, Dublin, and after a year's teaching in Mungret went to Hong Kong in 1960.

Greetings and all best wishes to Fr. Harry from his friends at Mungret.

Australia

The autumn marked the Centenary of the beginning of the Australian Province—the 21st September 1865 being the date of the Irish Jesuit Mission to Australia, which became an independent Vice-Province in 1931 and a full Province in 1950. Irish-Australian associations over the years were recalled on the occasion of the Centenary, which has been a subject of note in the publications of both the Australian and the Irish provinces.

We were glad to have news especially of our Jesuit brethren in Australia at this time who were students at Mungret or had other associations with the College. The following information was very kindly supplied in the course of a letter from one of our Australian colleagues in February 1966.

Fr. Thomas Barden—He was prefect of studies at St. Aloysius' College, Sydney, for a number of years. He was also prefect studies at St. Ignatius' College, Norwood, Adelaide and Rector of St. Louis' School Perth. After two years as dean of St. Thomas More College, he went back to St. Louis School where he is now Vice-Rector and prefect of studies.

Fr. Cornelius Finn—He has spent most of his time teaching in the scholasticate in Watsonia. He is still there. He was director of the Retreat House. He gives weekend retreats by the dozen. He is also very much in demand for school boys' retreats, nuns' retreats and priests' retreats. He may be visiting Ireland this year on the way to Spain for the International Conference on the Exercises.

Fr. Daniel Fitzpatrick — He is very widely read in scientific subjects. He has been on the staff at Xavier for a long time. He is a most successful teacher of Physics and Chemistry, and his boys have gained many honours and distinctions. He is a very popular retreat giver.

Fr. Richard Harris—He came from Hong Kong about two years ago and is doing Parish work at St. Ignatius' Richmond.

Fr. Henry Johnston — He has had a very distinguished career in Australia. He was Rector of the Regional Seminary for many years, and Rector of the scholasticates in Pymble and Watsonia. He was Parish Priest of North Sydney and he is now Parish Priest of Hawthorn. He has written some splendid books amongst which are "Plain talks on the Catholic Religion," "The Sacraments," "A critic looks at the Catholic Church." He is much in demand for lectures and retreats.

Fr. Thomas Johnston—He was professor of moral theology in Werribee for some time; then Rector of Riverview and of the Regional Seminary in Christchurch. Dean of Newman University College in Melbourne. At present Rector of St. Leo's University College, Brisbane.

Fr. William Moloney, St. Patrick's College, East Melbourne. He has celebrated his Golden Jubilee as a Jesuit and as a priest. He left Ireland in 1916 and came to St. Patrick's College that year. He has had a unique record — 50 consecutive years in the same house.

Fr. Michael O'Mahony—Taught at Xavier as a scholastic and as a priest. Now teaching at St. Ignatius' College, Norwood, Adelaide.

Fr. John Williams—He taught at Riverview for a number of years. He was transferred to St. Louis School, Perth, where he was prefect of studies. He is now on the teaching staff of St. Louis School.

Fr. Austin Kelly-Taught at Mungret. He has rendered great service to the Society in Australia. He began his career in Australia by being First Division Prefect at Xavier College. He was transferred to St. Alovsius' College, Sydney where he became Rector. He was sent to Perth with another Mungret man Fr. Tom Perrott (R.I.P.) to open St. Louis School. He was Rector and Fr. Perrott was Minister, procurator, and everything else! From Perth Fr. Kelly became Provincial of the Province and when his time was up he went to India as Superior of the Mission at Hazaribagh. He was then 60 years of age. He returned from India about three years ago, worked on the Parish in Hawthorn

OBITUARY

The Right Rev. Monsignor Philip Cullen, P.A., S.T.D., Ph.D.

It was with deep regret that we received news of the death of the Right Rev. Monsignor Philip Cullen, P.A., S.T.D., Ph.D., Chancellor of the Diocese of Mobile-Birmingham, Alabama He died, after a long illness, on 11th May, 1966, aged

As Chancellor, Monsignor Cullen was Assistant to the Archbishop, Most Rev. Thomas J. Toolen, D.D. He had been Chancellor for 41 years and pastor of St. Patrick's Church, Mobile for 39 years; and would have been a priest for 49 years on June 2

Monsignor Cullen was a native of Kinsale, Co. Cork. He was educated first at the Christian Brothers Schools, Cork, and later at Mungret College, Limerick (1907-11). He continued his studies at the Propaganda College, Rome, and was ordained to the priesthood in Rome on 2nd June, 1917 at the age of 23. While in Rome he obtained his Doctorates in Philosophy and Theology.

Coming to the Diocese of Mobile-Birmingham in 1917, he was assigned to mission work over the wide territory of Central Alabama, with his home base in Montgomery. After a year on the missions, he served three years as assistant at St. Michael's in Pensacola, and in 1921 was appointed pastor of St. Patrick's Church at Apalachicola, Fla.

In 1925 he was appointed Chancellor of the diocese, and from that time onwards his work was concerned mainly with the administration of the Chancery Office, the Matrimonial Bureau and the business affairs of the diocese. In 1926, in addition to his duties as Chancellor, he was appointed Administrator of St. Patrick's, Mobile, and in 1927 he was made pastor.

During his long time as pastor of St. Patrick's, he made many improvements to the Church, which is one of the most historic in Mobile, celebrating its centennial year on last St. Patrick's Day.

Monsignor Cullen was elevated by Pope Pius XI to the rank of Domestic Prelate in 1934, and by Pope Pius XII to Protnootary Apostolic in 1952.

"In the death of Monsignor Cullen," said Archbishop Toolen, "the diocese has lost one of its best priests and a faithful servant, and I have lost a dear personal friend. We shall always remember him as a truly great man of God."

Monsignor Cullen is survived by a sister, Miss Nan Cullen of New York, and other relatives, to whom we offer our deep sympathy. May he rest in peace.

AUSTRALIA (continued)

and this year he has been transferred to Lavender Bay Parish, Sydney.

Fr. Thomas Montague - Also taught at Mungret. He has been at Xavier for many years, and has done magnificent work for the College. He was Headmaster of the Preparatory School for about ten years, and was Minister at Xavier for about ten years also. Despite his age he is still teaching-Mathematics and French. He has done wonderful work over the years on the production of operas in the School.

Fr. Robert Peterson-Also taught at Mungret. He is teaching history to the students in Werribee. He was prefect of studies for over 20 years.

We are also glad to have some news of Priests in the Archdiocese of Melbourne who are past students of Mungret College:

Rt. Rev. Monsignor Francis Greenan, D.D. V.F. is Parish Priest of St. Mary's, Geelong, and one of the Consultors of the Archdiocese.

Fr. Michael Flanagan is Parish Priest of Broadmeadows, a new parish of the Archdiocese.

Fr. Albert Gilhooly is Parish Priest of Maidstone, a new parish, where he has built a fine church dedicated to Our Lady of Perpetual Help.

Fr. Donal O'Reilly is Assistant Priest of Healesville, a parish in the Dandenong

Fr. Michael Sheehy was recently transferred from Kyneton to Kew, where he has proved equally popular.

Fr. William Walshe, who was Assistant Priest in the parish of Deepdene, has been transferred to West Brunswick on the northern side of the city. He is greatly missed in his former parish.

Another past Mungret student, Fr. Alphonsus Hayes, C.M., who was on the Mission staff of the Vincentian Fathers in Malvern, has recently been transferred to the Mission Staff in Ashfield, Sydney.

Right Rev. Monsignor Thomas M. Cullen, Vicar-General of the Mobile-Birmingham Diocese and pastor of St. Mary's Parish, is 40 years a Priest this year.

Monsignor Cullen, a native of Glen Imaal, Co. Wicklow, was a student at Mungret College from 1917-22, and at the North American College, Rome, He was ordained to the priesthood on 3rd April, 1926.

On coming to the diocese after his ordination, Monsignor Cullen spent a year on the Montgomery Missions 1926-27. He was then assigned to St. Mary's Parish where he is now pastor.

Archbishop Toolen appointed Monsignor Cullen to be Director of Catholic Charities in 1932, a position which he held until 1962. Monsignor Cullen was elevated by Pope Pius XII. to the rank of Domestic Prelate in 1939, and to Protonotary Apostolic in 1952. For his services to the community in welfare work Monsignor Cullen has received many honours and awards.

In 1963 Monsignor Cullen was appointed Vicar General of the diocese. He accompanies the Archbishop on his visits to Europe, and attended the Second Vatican Council.

Monsignor Cullen has devoted himself to recruiting young Irish priests and to promoting vocations among the youth of the diocese.

Right Rev. Msgr. Timothy J. Pathe, S.T.L. (1916-21).

Rev. Michael Pathe C.SS.R. (1906-10)

We join with the parishioners of St. John Church, Florida in their celebration of the fortieth anniversary of the Ordination of

their Pastor, Msgr. Pathe.

Timothy Pathe of Carrigahorrig, Co. Tipperary, came to Mungret in the year 1916, and was with us for five years. He studied Theology in Rome, and received his degree of S.T.L. in the Propaganda College. Later on, in the year 1955-56 he had the honour of being the President of the Priest-Alumni of that college. He was ordained on June 3rd, 1926, in St. John Lateran Basilica, and began his work in his diocese in the Cathedral in Mobile. He became in turn administrator of St. Paul Church, pastor of St. Anthony Church and pastor of Our Lady of Sorrows. During the world war he became a chaplain in the U.S. Army with the rank of Captain, and saw action in Italy. In 1946 he returned once again to the Cathedral where he later became administrator. Here in 1951 he celebrated the silver jubilee of his priesthood. in 1952 he was honoured by Pope Pius XII. with the rank of Domestic Prelate and the title of Rt. Rev. Monsignor. In 1962 he received his present appointment.

We wish him and his parishioners many more happy years together, and we assure him of a welcome in Mungret at any time. We send our good wishes too to his elder brother Fr. Michael, whom we hear is a noted Redemptorist missioner in Detroit.

Very Rev. Thomas D. Morgan, who was at Mungret College from 1928 to 1934, was made Monsignor in June 1965.

Mgr. Morgan, who was a student at the Irish College, Paris and at the Patriarchal Seminary, Lisbon, was ordained on 25th July 1939 at Torres Vedras (Portugal) for the diocese of Monterey-Fresno, California.

Mgr. Morgan has had a busy pastoral life. After being assistant pastor of St. Alovsius. Tulare (1939), St. Brigid, Hanford (1940-43) and Our Lady of Mercy, Merced (1943-45), he was made pastor of Sacred Heart Church, Merced.

In 1951 he was made pastor of Holy Trinity, Greenfield. In 1960 he became pastor of St. Joseph, Cayucos; and in 1961, when this parish was divided, he became pastor of the new parish. He is chaplain at Santa Catalina School, Monterey.

Mgr. Morgan is a brother of Mr. Robert Morgan, who is a Lay Master at Belvedere College, Dublin.

We extend our hearty congratulations to Fr. Eugene Toner S.J. (1923-29) on the occasion of the Silver Jubilee of his Priesthood.



ZAMBIA

Fr. Joe Conway, S.J. (1938/43) played wing forward on the J.C.T. that won the Cup in 1941 and on the S.C.T. in '42 and '43. He is now back in Ireland on holidays after spending six years on parish work in Chikuni Mission in Zambia. Zambia is about 15% Catholic. Chikuni parish has a population of 10,000 and dis 75% Catholic. It has 16 outschools, each of which represents an area the size of a small Irish country parish. The average number of pupils in these outschools is about 150. The rate of baptisms in the parish is at present 1,000 per year. Fellow Jesuits on the staff of Canisius College help out with Sunday supplies so that each area gets Mass once a month. The rest of the week Fr. Conway is the only priest at the service of this vast parish.

Lay catechists are employed to help prepare children for First Communion.

Chikuni parish has its own Soccer League and Cup Competition. (The ground is too hard for rugby). There are 12 teams in the parish and between them they make up a team called "Chikuni United" which turns out in the green and white (the same colours as Shamrock Rovers).

Some time last year a rumour reached Chikuni that a hitch-hiker named Conway, an old Mungret man, had passed through Chisekesi, six miles away. Surely it must have been Paddy Conway (40/44) of Rathkeale.

Fr. Hugh Cronin, W.F. (O.M. 40/44-Apost. School), who is in the northern part of Zambia, has visited Chikuni.

Dr. Kevin McCormack used to be in Zambia but is now in Wexford.

In recent times the roads in Zambia have improved considerably but there are still many areas which can only be reached by jeep or even by bicycle. When the heavy rains come the rivers are impassable as there are only bridges on the main roads. With the present rate of development in education, agriculture and industry, the need for priests is greater than ever. Without more priests it becomes more and more difficult to cater for the spiritual needs of our new Christians.



Fr. Rector with R. Bluett (left) and M. Keane (right) who are at U.C.C.

We were glad to have a visit from Mr. Andrew Feeney of Chicago, when he was visiting Ireland in May. Mr. Feeney, who is a native of Roscommon, was at Mungret 1917-18.

Ted Starr who has been in the United States Air Force for the past two years, was home in Nenagh on his way from Tokyo to the United States. He is stationed at Hunter Air Force Base in Georgia, from where he flies freight planes to the Philippines.

Peter Culshaw is at Campion House, Osterley, studying to be a priest. Peter was with the de Havilland Aircraft Co., but he left that job to study for the priesthood.

His brother Paul is doing Accountancy in London.

Mgr. Bryan Walsh (1948-50) has been Pastor of SS. Peter and Paul's, Miami, Florida since June 1964. In addition to the pastoral duties of this large city parish, Mgr. Walsh has many responsibilities for social welfare work.

In February 1965 he was released from his position as Diocesan Director of Catholic Charities, to become the Diocesan Co-Ordinator for the participation of Catholic organisations in the Federal Government's War on Poverty programme.

Mgr. Walsh is still the Executive Director of the Cuban Children's programme, another Government sponsored project which has been in operation during the past 5 years. In December 1965, Mgr. Walsh was appointed Chairman of the Diocesan Commission for Cuban Refugees.

Mgr. Walsh is also Chairman of the Inter American Institute for Social Formation, founded by the Bishops to provide Catholic training in the social action field for trade union and co-operative leaders from Latin American countries.

Matt Mitchell (1952-58) of Bruff, Co. Limerick called to see us at Mungret at Christmas, and we met him again in Dublin at the New Year. Congratulations to Matt on his success in the Final Examination for Solicitors.

Very Rev. Richard Cantwell, W.F. (Mungret 1944-46) has been appointed Superior of the White Fathers' Community at Cypress Grove, Templeogue, Dublin. Prior to his appointment to Templeogue he spent several years doing mission work at Kasama, Zambia.

CHARLES MURNANE (1922-24)

OLD friends will be sorry to hear of the death of Charlie Murnane which took place on December 11th. Shortly after leaving Mungret, Charlie went to America. In all he spent about thirty years there. Most of his time there was spent in Cincinatti. Becoming ill, he returned to Ireland in the hope of building up his health. However, that was not to be. He underwent an operation shortly before his death. To his brother Harry and his relatives we offer our deep sympathy. R.I.P.



Gerard Rumley ('65) now in the Bank of Ireland

PAST PUPILS OF ABOUT THIRTY YEARS AGO

Below we give news of some of those who left Mungret in the 1930's:

Thomas Brady, B.Comm. is a Vocational Teacher in Dun Laoire, Co. Dublin. He is a Captain in the Army Reserve.

Richard Browne, B.E. is with Shell-Mex in Dublin.

William Cotter is in the Munster and Leinster Bank in Arklow.

Dermot Fuller is in the family business in Galway.

Daniel Halpin is in dental practice in Dublin.

Bryan Kennedy (Dr.) has a medical practice at Bray.

Matthew Kennedy is in the family business at Ennis.

Anthony and James McInerney are in the family business at Ennis.

Michael S. O'Beirne (Dr.) has a medical practice at Arklow.

Michael O'Shea (Capt.) is attached to the Curragh Camp. He served in the Congo and Cyprus.

Noel Smyth (Dr.) has a medical practice at Dun Laoire, Co. Dublin.

Cyril Tarrant is a solicitor in practice in Arklow.

Thomas White, B.E., is with the E.S.B., in Sligo.

Edward Daly is in the Munster and Leinster Bank in Dublin.

PAST PUPILS OF ABOUT TEN YEARS AGO

Garrett Barry is farming near Herbertstown, Co. Limerick.

Kieran Bourke is farming in his native Oola.

Eamon Cassidy has served as Lieutenant in the Congo. He is now with Unilever in London.

Tom Cooney is in the National Bank, Cashel. He is married, with a young son.

Tim Costello (1951-53) who runs the Dublin Film Unit, was recently married to Fionnuala Flanagan, the well-known theatre, film and T.V. artiste.

Tadg Dwyer is in the Bank, in England. His brother Frank is doing Engineering at U.C.D.

Noel Dolan is a solicitor, working in Dublin. His brother Ray has taken his B.Comm. at U.C.D. and is now doing his B.A.

Ray Donegan has qualified as a Dentist.

Noel Dowling is in the motor garage business at Cashel.

William Galvin, who has got his Commerce degree, is now in the family business.

Martin Giles is in the Malaysian Navy.

Sean Hannafin is a final Law Student. Colin Healy is a Veterinary Surgeon.

Barry Hennessy has qualified as an Architect, and is doing a post-graduate

course at Bolton St. College of Technology.

John Hartnett is with Aer Lingus in London. He got married recently, to a Co. Kildare girl.

Michael Hickey is doing Accountancy. He plays Rugby for Blackrock.

Ray Hickey is in the Chaseman Hatton Bank in New York.

John Liston is farming in his native Castlemahon and helping in the family business.

Pat Liston is a solicitor, working in Athboy, Co. Meath.

James Lyons is doing his Final Medicine at University College, Galway.

Peter Maguire is doing Medicine at U.C.D.

Dan McGing got his B.Comm. at U.C.D. and is an Accountant.

Denis McNamara is farming near his native Croom, Co. Limerick.

Paddy O'Dwyer is an Accountant, and is at present studying for the Chartered Institute of Secretaries.

John Reynolds is with the Bedford firm in Luton.

Louis O'Sullivan and John Power are doing hotel management in Dublin.

John Sweetman is doing his final Architecture at U.C.D.

John Walsh is a Creamery Manager at Toher, Doon, Co. Limerick.



Fr. M. Pelly S.J., with past Mungret students at University Hall



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IN U.C.D.

Cecil Naughton ('59) is doing Final Dentistry.

Patrick Fitzgerald ('60) is doing 3rd Year Agricultural Science.

Seamus Kelly ('63) is in 3rd Civil Engineering.

Robert Tait ('63) is in 2nd Medical.

Francis Malone ('64) and Richard Cooke ('64) are in 1st Medical.

Anthony Davis ('64) is in 1st Dental.

Val Rogers ('64) is in 2nd Arts.

Patrick Finn ('64) is in 1st Agricul-

Thomas Rowland ('64) is in 1st Commerce.

Dan Chambers ('65) and Paul Malone ('65) are doing 1st Year Law.

Michael Headon ('65) and Gerard O'Flanagan ('65) are doing 1st Arts.

Austin Slowey ('65) is doing 1st Science.

John O'Connor ('65) is doing 1st Engineering.

David Hill ('65) and Peter Kirwan ('65) are starting Medicine.

Brian Ward ('64), Francis Pelly ('64) and Peter Curtin ('64) are at the College of Technology, Bolton St., Dublin. Brian is doing Architecture, Francis is doing Draughtsmanship, and Peter is doing Quantity Surveying.

John Maher ('65) who won an Alliance Scholarship last year, is in Gonzaga University, Spokane, Washington.

Fr. Rector had a letter from John about the middle of first term. He said he was very happy at Gonzaga University, and had made many friends. He gave a glowing account of Gonzaga and of its facilities e.g. for games, and we were interested to hear that he was on the School Soccer Team-centre forward. John has, however, been working

hard at his studies and hopes his results will enable him to keep his Scholarship at Gonzaga.



Finbarr Corry and Brian Smyth

Finbarr Corry (1951-56) and Brian Smyth (1957-60) were among the past students who attended the Union Dinner at the College at the week-end of April 16-17.

Finbarr is in the National Bank in Dublin. He is an active member of the St. Vincent de Paul Society. His hobbies are photography, travel and literature His brother Declan (1954-59) is also in the Bank. Congratulations to Declan and Finnuala on the birth of a young son.

Brian is with a firm of structural engineers at Santry, Co. Dublin. He is interested in youth work and is one of the helpers at the Belvedere Newsboys' Club. He is keen on horse-riding as a pastime.

RECENT PAST

Alan O'Hara ('61) is in the Post Office in Dublin.

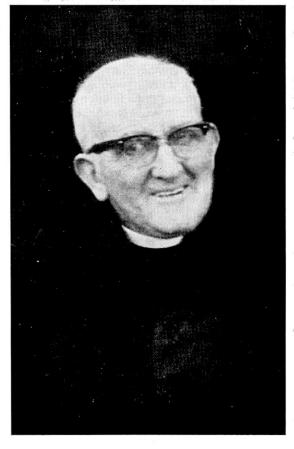
Edward Owens ('63) is in the National Bank in Dublin.

Charlie Reardon ('63) is in the Police Service in Hong Kong.

Hugh McDermott '61) is doing Final Dentistry.

David Jordan ('61) is doing 3rd Veterinary.

Michael Durcan ('62) is doing Final Pharmacy.



REV. BROTHER THOMAS MURPHY S.J. is due to celebrate the Golden Jubilee of his Religious Profession on the 30th June, 1966.

Brother Murphy's many friends at home and abroad will join in our good wishes to him for this happy occasion.

During the 50 years of his religious life, he has been an example for his loyalty to the ideals of his vocation, in his humility, piety and faithful service; and his genial good humour and droll wit have endeared him to all.

In the course of a long life he has seen many changes, not only in the world outside, but within the College, where he has spent more than 40 years. His interest in

BROTHER MURPHY S.J. current affairs is matched by his interest in all the activities in the College. Those who remember him for his double devotion-to the National Flag and to the College Flagwill be glad to know that he still keeps both flags flying.

> Many who as boys dwelt within the walls of Mungret College are likely to associate Brother Murphy with these same wallswith the work of building and repairing, of heating and plumbing, of painting and decorating, and innumerable jobs involved in the upkeep of a large College building. After so many years of faithful service in the maintenance of the fabric, Brother Murphy can survey with satisfaction the building as it stands to-day, with all its facilitiesincluding new Assembly Hall, Refectories and Swimming Pool-for the boys of the present time.

> The edification to which Bro. Murphy has contributed has not been only material but spiritual as well. His devotion to the welfare of the boys, and his interest in their later careers, especially of those who followed vocations to the priesthood, is well known. Who knows, however, how the example of Bro. Murphy and other Brothers may have influenced the vocations of many of those who labour in the missions of to-day? We are reminded that it was through the example of the Jesuit Brother, St. Alphonsus Rodriguez of Majorca, that St. Peter Claver was inspired to become an apostle to the negroes of Cartagena.

> Brother Murphy has a remarkable memory of those who have passed through Mungret over the years. He is always eager to have news of them, whether Churchmen or Laymen, whether in Ireland or abroad. He is among the first to welcome those returning to visit the Alma Mater, or among the first for whom they enquire. Those who have not had an opportunity of meeting Brother Murphy for some time will be glad to know that he has recovered from his illness of recent years, and while not as active as formerly, is at present in good health and spirits. We pray the blessing of God on him, and wish him a very happy Golden Jubilee - ad multos annos.

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"Nothing less than the authority of the Holy Father himself can put an end to the exploitation worked by those who, using one excuse or another, attempt to draw the Church aside from the pursuit of the common good under the pretext of 'eternal salvation'. It is, of course, impossible in fact to separate the life of man in time from eternal life, or one's love of God from his love of man. Indeed, the man who declares that he loves a God whom he cannot see, but who is without love for man whom he can see, is called a liar in the Scriptures." (Archbishop Helder Camara of Recife, Brazil).

IRELAND'S RESPONSIBILITY

Consequently, Irish laity, as well as Irish priests and religious, have both a personal and corporate responsibility in the matter of relieving the needs of people worse off than themselves in developing countries overseas. Moreover, Ireland is uniquely poised between the rich and the poor nations. She is poor in political ambition, in military strength, in material resources, but she is rich in the Faith, in a reputation untarnished by colonial ambition and in the generosity of her children who have established down the centuries a magnificent missionary tradition. Irishmen are welcomed everywhere in developing countries because there can be no suspicion about their desire to serve.

THE INFORMATIONAL OBSTACLE

At the present moment there are five hundred laity serving overseas, mostly in the educational and medical fields, and doing enormous work for the Church. But if we rightly understood the terrible needs, we would be personally anxious to send far greater numbers of professional personnel who have special skills to offer in all sorts of fields, which would enable the emerging nations to help themselves. The Governments of these nations, conscious of the necessity to bring their peoples through an almost revolutionary change in social conditions, have allotted comparatively huge budgets for the development of education at all levels, of medicine, of agriculture, of the technical and social services. They are exceedingly sensitive to the economic strings which many Governments and Agencies attach to development aid. Consequently, they are wide open to one kind of voluntary assistance in the professional and technical fields and provide salaries and material conditions which, in most instances, are much higher and better than are available here at home in Ireland. I was talking the other day to a young teacher who spent two years in Nigeria where he was amazed at the facilities and salary provided, out of which he was enabled to save six hundred pounds before coming back to take up a comparable post in an Irish College.

There is an encrmous file of such posts available for trained personnel in developing countries in the archives of Viatores Christi



Group of teachers in Nigeria, including two from Ireland

at 7 Harcourt Terrace, Dublin. This is a lay sponsored association founded in 1960 out of U.C.D., which in the meantime has sent roughly one hundred graduates and other trained personnel into various posts throughout the developing world. So there is no dearth of information if you feel called upon to prepare yourself for personal service overseas.

PERSONAL RELUCTANCE TO PARTICIPATE

The inclination for most young people will be to hide behind the mass inertia and apathy which lies like a wet blanket on the majority of people, hindering fruitful social activity for the neighbour. It is all very easy after the Council to yield to the temptation to insist on the rights proper to an adult mentality. It is equally easy to renege on personal responsibilities. The human heart finds in itself a terrible narrowness—

"Man's heart is small, it is self-centred, it has no room for any more than itself and a few other persons, those of one's own family and one's own circle. When after long, tiring, and noble efforts, it opens up a little and succeeds in understanding its own country and its social class, it still is always looking for barriers and confines with which it can restrict itself and wherein it can take refuge." (Pope Paul VI. in his Pentecostal Address to Students, May 18th, 1964).

We have to fight seriously and effectively against this temptation. We have to enlarge our hearts to embrace the whole gamut of human needs throughout the world. We have to establish in our own private and professional lives a climate favourable to universal service of the neighbour in need, in keeping with the mind of the Church and our obligations as Catholics, Finally, if we feel personally called to give personal service overseas, we will allow no obstacle to deter us from taking personal part in and giving our personal contribution to the tremendous Mungret tradition which has been built up over the years.



Mr. T. Deasy, who has taken out his M.A. degree at University College, Cork, is in the C.I.E. in Cork.

Mr. John E. Clear (1943-49) has been appointed general manager for the milling division, Bolands Ltd., the Dublin firm of millers, bakers and biscuit manufacturers.

Mr. Clear is a member of the Institute of Cost and Works Accountants, and gained costing experience in Fords at Dagenham. He holds a diploma in economics from the University of London, and has studied business systems in the United States. He also has been cost consultant to the Pigs and Bacon Commission.

MARRIAGES

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

Bernard Gleeson to Miss Georgina Clery.

John Murphy to Miss Peigi Delap.

Dr. Maurice Noonan to Miss Maura Lyons.

Robert Burden to Miss Marie McCormick.

Liam Thompson to Miss Anita Owens.

John Keating, M.R.C.V.S. to Miss Maria O'Mahony.

Joe Dillon to Miss Margaret Kavanagh.

Tom Devaney to Miss Mollie O'Farrell.

David Nolan to Miss Mary Browne

Pat Connor to Miss Letty Gahan.

Tom Mannix to Miss Valerie Byrne.

Brian O'Regan to Miss Joyce Jackson.

Gerard Beggan, M.Sc., to Miss Celine Fitzsimons.

John Whitelaw to Miss Margaret McGrath.

Roger Hayes to Miss Anna St. George.

Michael O'Byrne to Miss Peggy Kendrick.

Declan Corry to Miss Finnuala McGlynn.

Michael E. Carter to Miss Pamela Chance.

The wedding took place on May 14th at All Saints Church, Kenton, Middlesex, of Michael E. Carter ('59) and Miss Pamela Chance. Robin Boles was bestman and a number of other old Mungret men attended. Michael is Secretary of the London Branch of the Mungret Union.



Left to right: Fr. Rector, Mgr. David O'Meara, Barry Manning, Fr. Minister, Bishop Manning and Fr. Roche.



Left to right: Bishop Greene, Fr. Roche, Fr. Patrick Sutton and Fr. Coyne.



Some recent Past Students who visited



Mungret in October and November, 1965

From Mungret to Kuwait

by John Tait

Monday

We boarded the Channel Ferry at 5 a.m. The sea was very calm and we had a very smooth crossing, arriving Ostend at 9.45. We drove in to Brussels, and in a small shop, in front of the buildings of a former World Exhibition we bought some fruit, butter and wine. Then we continued our drive along the motorway via Louvain and Liége. We stopped for lunch between Brussels and Louvain. Passing through the German border at 2.50 we encountered a thunderstorm but continued to Cologne. We spend along to Bonn and there lost ourselves in looking for the road going along the Rhine. Upon finding it, we drove to Bad Godesberg and stayed the night there in a beautiful, spotlessly clean Gasthaus. It had the typical German-style bed, with only packed feathers, eider-down cover and no blankets. We had really good service. For example, on the back of the wardrobe door was some black and white thread and several buttons and needles.

Tuesday

We left Bad Godesberg at 9.30 having bought a picnic lunch and headed for Mainz driving along the banks of the river Rhine. The river was alive with boats and barges, carrying passengers and cargoes of all varieties.

Wednesday

We stayed the night in Baden-Baden, our hotel giving us a very nice dinner at 10.3° p.m. Next morning we had a Continental breakfast and set out on the road to Freudenstadt, Rottweil and Tuttlingen. We travelled through the Black Forest and because it was a very sunny day the Forest wasn't black at all. The scenery was glorious. We passed Lake Constance.



Thursday

Next morning after a good Continental breakfast, having bought our picnic lunch we left Lermoos motoring along quite happily until we arrived at the foot of the Grossglockner Pass where, changing down to first, we began the ascent of 15 miles. At the top of 29 hairpin bends, believe me, they were hairpins, we saw glaciers and big chunks of solid ice banking the road, some weighing tons and tons. From the top of the Pass you could see snow-covered mountain peaks.

Friday

Leaving Villach on 20th we bought some fruit and groceries and left Austria by the Wurzen Pass into Yugoslavia. At the Border the customs men just looked at the G.B. plate and waved us on. In Yugoslavia the country people seemed very poor. We saw wooden ploughs drawn by oxen and I saw a woman walk across the road, over a freshly-cut hay field in her bare feet!

Saturday

At the Yugoslav-Bulgarian border, where there was the minimum of formalities and little delay, we bought drinks and chocolate and were soon on our way, through the Dragoman Pass on the road to Sofia, the capital. As we entered Sofia I thought it looked deserted, little traffic, few people, and the buildings looked dull, terribly old and grey. There were trams, trams groaning and grinding furiously along. The whole city gave the air of being out-of-date and run down.

The roads were mostly old-fashioned cobble stones, but fairly smooth. That night we stayed in the Hotel in Plovdic where we were given a suite and in it we had a fridge, T.V., Radio and needle and thread in the cupboard. Yet I noticed the people were very sombre when sitting round the table.

Sunday

Driving from Plovdic to the border we passed quite a lot of communal farms. These farms are run by a few families in one big house; the farm being pretty big. Every available piece of land was under cultivation -rice, maize, sunflowers and acres of fruit trees. We passed through a number of small Bulgarian towns and we noticed especially that instead of curtains the windows were covered with brown paper. We also noticed the streets were nearly deserted, and the shops were shut. So we were surprised but it was a Sunday. We could not get to a church to hear Mass that day. At the border we had no trouble at all on the Bulgarian side and we sat down to have a meal and a few drinks before going through the Turkish Customs.

Going through the Turkish customs was a nightmare. Some cars were being completely ransacked, but we were lucky and got through in roughly two hours. The roads in Turkey were terrible with tortoises crossing them a lot, but they were in fact desert tracks. Soon, however, we joined up with a decent road and drove to Istanbul. Our map advertised Motels on this road but the ones we saw were either full up or unsuitable. So we thought, instead of trying for a Motel in Istanbul we would try for a hotel on the roads in East Turkey and after a good night's sleep, cross the Bosphorus again and tour around Istanbul.



Monday

In every village we passed, mosques were to be seen. When a truck passed we would wave and they would blow their horns. Some trucks had four to six horns. We stopped at the roadside for breakfast at 9.00. My father boiled the kettle on the Primus and then we had Irish Stew and Spaghetti with Crackers and hot coffee with Cream! the nicest breakfast I ever tasted. The houses around were made with tiny bricks set slantwise in plaster supported by wooden struts. Every G.B. car we passed acknowledged us with a wave or blow of the horn which we returned. The Turkish drivers were very courteous. Entering Ankara we spotted a plane discarding parachutists. My father then took the car to the Ford agency down town to change the headlamps and then we came back and rested a few hours.

Tuesday

We rose at 5 a.m. and were on the road at 6 a.m. We left Ankara very quickly and on the outskirts saw a U.S. Air Force building and personnel. It was a flat countryside with very low hills and no trees. Some rice was being grown but it was all very uninteresting steppe land. We passed the "Lake of Gold" which certainly lived up to its name. Passing through the Taurus mountains we descended through fields of cotton. This appeared to be the main crop of the district between the Taurus mountains and the Mediterranean coast. The weather had got noticeably hotter and more humid. Then we caught our first sight of the Mediterranean.

Wednesday

Entering Syria we noticed large numbers of fields of melons and cotton but the roads were very bad and bumpy. We passed a large number of olive groves. We arrived at Damascus at 12.20 and stayed at the — Hotel. We rose at 9 a.m. and went shopping for scarves and some leather handbags. We also went down to the market and bought cool-seats for the car, as it was hot, so hot that your clothes stuck to you, sitting in the car.

We left the hoter a p.m. as the heat of the day began to subside, and took the road south to Jordan and the route across the desert to Baghdad, Iraq. Road still poorly surfaced, rather bumpy, saw our first camels, villages and villagers typical of Biblical pictures.

At the Syrian border there was absolute chaos, large numbers of drivers from trucks and cars all clamouring for attention whilst the few indifferent officials were taking the longest possible time. After some time we got through all this confusion and on the road again.

In a short distance we came to the Jordanian frontier, this was much better organised and we very quickly completed formalities and got on our way. There were signs "Welcome to the Holy Land" and the road South was clearly signposted to Amman, Jerusalem, Jericho, the River Jordan etc. Unfortunately our target date for Kuwait did not allow us to visit these places, so we turned East and headed into the desert. The road was fair, the setting sun behind us bathed the whole desert in golden glow, and it was not too hot.

The people we saw now appeared in the typical Arab desert nomad dress, head scarves, long robes and cloaks, daggers in their belts and sandals. The Army were on guard at many road blocks; at each of these places we had to stop, produce our passports and travel papers for the car, the soldiers were very quick and fortunately we had no great delays. We had an anxious moment over our petrol supply, as it was now dark and we were heading into a vast desert, our anxiety was great. Luckily we managed to buy petrol at one of the road blocks, and so on through the night to the Jordan-Iraq frontier, which we reached by midnight. The night

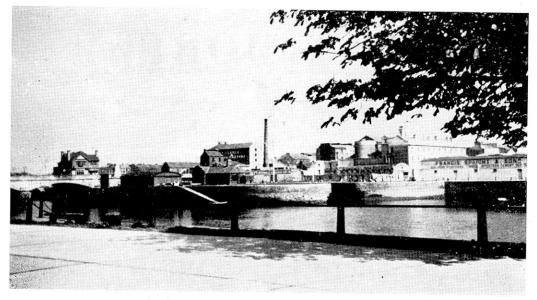
was very dark, we saw nothing but the headlights of our fellow travellers, in our convoy, except one or two desert foxes, which got caught in the headlights' glare, and an occasional Nairn bus (these are large airconditioned buses that run between Beirut and Baghdad and have been doing so since the early 1920's).

Thursday

It was very hot and humid, so we were happy to get petrol and speed off along the road to Baghdad, at least the breeze was cool. By 9.30 we had arrived at the city centre and after one or two enquiries were directed to the - Hotel, an air conditioned haven in what was now a very hot wilderness. At 7.30 next morning, feeling much refreshed, we departed from Baghdad on the last leg to Kuwait, about five hundred and fifty miles away. The road from Baghdad south is an excellent road, following the Tigris to where the river Euphrates also joins the main stream some miles above where the two rivers become The Shat-al Arab, entering the Persian Gulf as one mighty stream.

Friday

Our journey to Basra was very hot. At one of our stops we found a thermometer showing a hundred and ten in the shade. We stopped and sheltered from the noon heat in a guest house at Amara, and had cold drinks and salty crisps. With only short delays at the Iraq exit and Kuwait entry posts, we soon were speeding along a familiar road to Ahmadi and our home. We arrived shortly after 6.30 p.m. just in time to stop my mother hopping out to play bridge. My mother had not expected us for at least two more days, so she got a great surprise.



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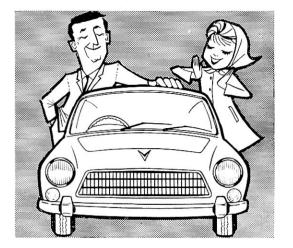
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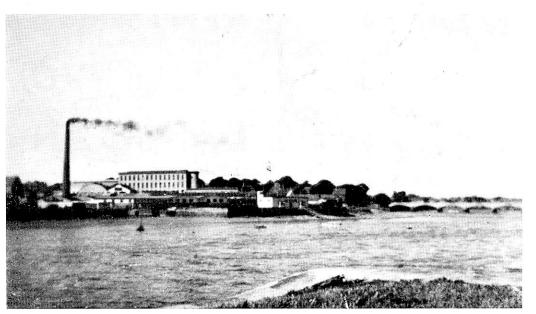


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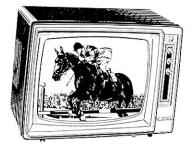


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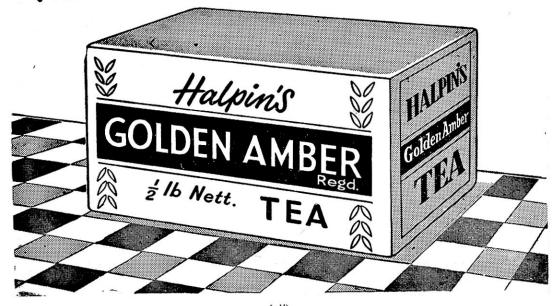
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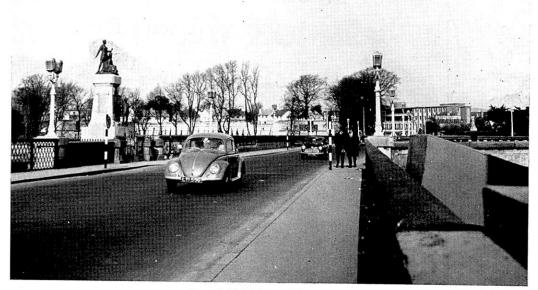
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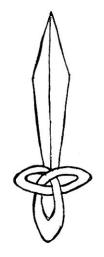
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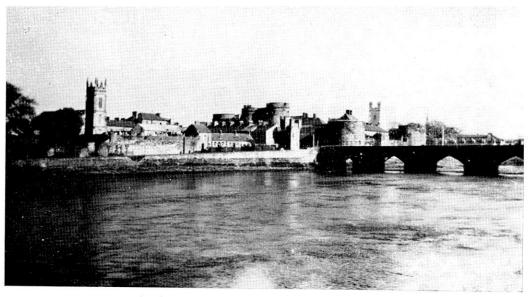
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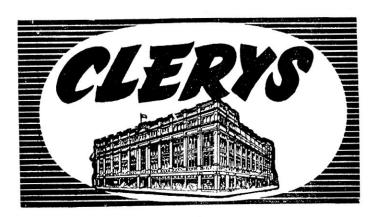
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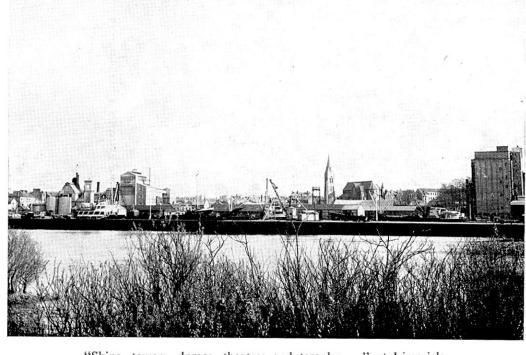
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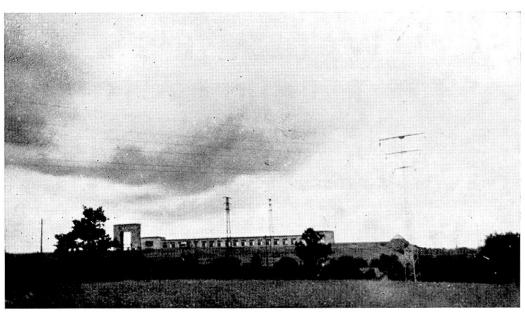
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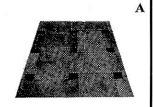


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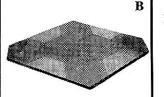
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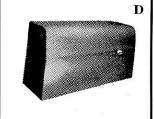
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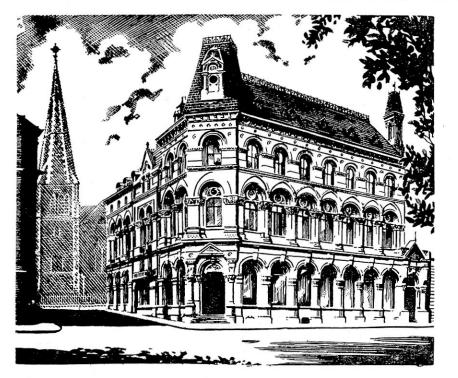
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