

ASION PLUCK ALL ROUND MEMORABLE DAY APPRECIATION

omnic Three Lives Saved At Copsewood College Of Noble Character

ISHOP BRAVE RESCUE WORK AT CORBALLY

An incident which almost ended in a triple drowning tragedy took place at Corbally on Saturday evening last. About 7:30, when the tide was practically at high level, several youngsters crossed from the mainland to have a swim at the point of St. Thomas's Island.

One of the party, a boy named O'Sullivan, aged 17 years, got into difficulties when out of his depth. Miss Betty McBride, 14 year old daughter of Mr. Bernard and Mrs. McBride, Sarsfield Street, very pluckily went to the assistance of the boy. The latter pulled her under the water.

Seeing his sister's difficulty, Miss McBride's younger brother, Bernard, jumped in to help his sister.

ALL THREE IN DANGER. All three were on the point of drowning when Mr. Larry Kinnealy, a resident of Corbally, hearing the excited cries of the other children, promptly rowed to their assistance, directed the rescue and succeeded in getting all three to the land in safety.

Artificial respiration applied by Mr. Kinnealy to Miss McBride brought her quickly round.

WORTHY OF HIGHEST RECOGNITION. The plucky actions of both Miss McBride and her brother and that of Mr. Kinnealy deserve the highest recognition.

CREAMERY WORKERS IMPROVED WAGES AND CONDITIONS

The Labour Court has sanctioned improved wages and conditions which were adopted by the creameries Joint Labour Committee as the result of proposals submitted by the Irish Transport and General Workers' Union. The rates, which are minimum ones, will operate from August 1st.

About 600 members of the Union will benefit. The new rates are: Maintenance mechanics or fitters, 15 s. w.; buttermilkers, 14 s. w.; cheesemakers, 14 s. w.; assistant cheesemakers, 13 s. w.; equipment, fitters, boiler-makers, mechanics, helpers and fitters, 12 s. w.; heavy drivers, 13 s. w.; 6d.; all other male workers in central creameries, 12 s. w. and under 20, 13 s. w. and over; all other male workers in auxiliary creameries, 12 s. w., 18 and over; 19s. 12d.; 19 s. w. and over; 20s. 4d. and over. All other female workers: 11 s. w., 18 and over; 13 s. w. and over; 12 s. w. and over; 12 s. w. and over; 12 s. w. and over; 12 s. w. and over.

SECRET TALKS LORD PACKENHAM LEAVES BELFAST

Lord Packenham, British Minister of Civil Aviation, left Belfast today for Dublin. He is accompanied by a number of Ministers of the Crown. He has conferences with the Northern Ireland Minister of Commerce, Sir Roland Nicolson, and members of the Northern Ireland Advisory Council on Civil Aviation. His departure is the result of secret talks in London regarding the talks, and Lord Packenham declined to make any statement.

LEFT OVER QUARTER OF A MILLION

Miss Mary Hilarie David Holland of Mount Tremont, Fogues, Co. Limerick, formerly of 19 St. James Square, London, S.W., only child of the late Lieutenant-General Sir Arthur E. A. Holland, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., D.S.O., left £226,740 gross, the net value of the estate being £202,218 (duty paid £24,526). She left £1,000 to her friend, Kathleen M. Moore and a further £5,000 on the death of her mother, earlier at her discretion; an annuity of £150 to her mother's nurse, Amy Fletcher, "as a tribute to her care and affection" and an annuity of £100 to her mother's maid, Miss M. Warren, "in recognition of many years of devoted service," and the residue to her mother, Lady Holland of the same address.

DEATH OF MRS. CHRISTINA DOYLE

We announce with very sincere regret the demise of Mrs. Christina Doyle, who passed away yesterday at her residence, 14 Pennycuik Road, Limerick. Deceased was wife of Mr. Patrick Doyle, a member of the composing staff of the "Limerick Leader," and for many years an Alderman of Limerick Corporation. A lady of many excellent qualities and characteristics, she was revered by all in the highest esteem by a very wide circle of friends and acquaintances. To her bereaved husband and the numerous other relatives we extend our most sincere sympathy on their great sorrow. The funeral will take place from St. John's Cathedral at 3 o'clock to-morrow (Tuesday) returning to Mount St. Lawrence Cemetery.

DEATHS

DOYLE (nee Buckner) (Limerick) August 21st 1883. Christina, beloved wife of Patrick Doyle, O.B.E., 14 Pennycuik Road, Limerick. R.I.P. Funeral from St. John's Cathedral to-morrow (Tuesday) at 3 o'clock, to Mount St. Lawrence Cemetery. Mass at 8.30 in St. John's Cathedral. LYNECH (Limerick) Co. Limerick, August 21st 1948. Janet, dearly beloved wife of Patrick Lynch, Ballinacorney, Patrickswell, Co. Limerick. R.I.P. Funeral from St. John's Cathedral to-morrow (Tuesday) at 3 o'clock, to Mount St. Lawrence Cemetery. Mass at 8.30 in St. John's Cathedral. DEEPLY REGRETTED. R.I.P. Requiem

REUNION OF PAST STUDENTS

From many of the counties of Ireland, there travelled yesterday, August 20th, to the quiet village of Pallaskey, Co. Limerick, over 100 Old Boys to present themselves at the Salesian Old Boys' Re-Union. The Salesian College opened wide its door to welcome back for three low hours those cherished sons now scattered throughout the land.

The reunion was exceptionally successful because a large gathering of Salesian priests and here-there former teachers at the College who had concluded their annual retreat on the day previous were still present. A unique feature of the meeting was the arrival from England of three Copsewood College Old Boys, who had just been raised to the priesthood. They were the Rev. M. Daly, S.D.B. (Dublin), Rev. P. Brady, S.D.B. (Dublin), and the Rev. M. Brassill, S.D.B. (Tralee).

TOUCHING SCENE

At 11 a.m. the Old Boys assembled and assisted of solemn High Mass celebrated by the newly ordained priests. This was a touching scene for the Ministers on the sanctuary, the assistants, and the congregation were all alike, proud alumni of the Alma Mater. The music was rendered by a choir composed of members of the Salesian Society, under the direction of the Rev. J. Kinsey, S.D.B.

During the Re-Union Dinner, the Very Rev. E. McElighey, S.D.B., Rector of the College, welcomed and he acted in like manner in every other regard. That was his make up. Strictly honest in all things, whether sport, business or day-to-day dealings with his fellow-men, he was a serious view of all things in life, was a most exemplary Catholic of the unostentatious kind, scrupulously honest in dealings or expression of opinion, those who were his friends, seeking him out for the enjoyment of a pleasant evening. Never in his life did he give an unkind word and certainly he never evinced any ill-will towards any man. He was charitable to the failings of others and with a sharp remark, addressed any attempt at scandal, even of a mild form. These were the qualities that made him a love John for himself. One felt that it was a privilege to know him.

WELL READ MAN.

As a scholar John stood on a high plane, but again his shy and retiring manner hid to a great extent the brilliant brain that functioned behind the mild face and kindly expression. He was one of the best read men of his time and he had an extraordinary keen intellect that enabled him to unravel the most intricate problems. In his young days he set for an examination for a position in the gift of a local public body and the result disclosed that he was such a well read man that the figures were not published. Some of those who were candidates had canvassed actively for support but John contented that to do so would be dishonourable, seeing that the position was to be filled as the result of the competitive examination. It seemed a certainty that he had won the position and it looked as though it would only a matter of time before he would be unanimously elected to the post. He did not see and John was dejected by the fact that he had been beaten more than any other candidate. The entry of indignation at the time of what was probably unfair treatment, but John was in the least perturbed and when asked his opinion of what had happened, he said: "If it were I, I would not mind what they thought was right there is an argument against their action. They would take such a charitable view, but this just proved the type of man he was and perhaps it was because he was that type that we who knew him loved him so much."

ADDRESS BY FORMER RECTOR

Very Rev. T. P. O'Connor, a former Rector of the College and now Rector of the Salesian Agricultural College, Warrentown, Co. Meath, spoke of the pleasure it gave him to meet again so many of those who had known in their young years. "Old Boys are never strictly old boys here for ever fresh in our thoughts," added Father O'Connor. In conclusion, he proposed the health of the Old Boys. An interesting address to the Old Boys was made by Very Rev. Father Molloy, S.D.B., himself an Old Boy of the College and now Rector of the Salesian Missionary College, Ballinacorney, Co. Limerick. He appealed to the members to take a helpful interest in the nation's educational problems of the day.

Conspicuous among the gathering were a few of the pupils of the first year, 1920. With these Rev. Father Grey, S.D.B., and Rev. J. McElighey, S.D.B., formed a special link. A professional committee of the Copsewood S.O.B.A. was unanimously agreed upon. Chairman, Mr. E. Murphy (Listowel); vice-chairman, Mr. M. McMahon (Limerick).

A SPLENDID FILM

The first scene on the day programme was both a beautiful and suitable ending to a day already so rich with so many memories. The courtesy of the Rev. P. Dixon, Salesian Father, a private showing of the "Life of St. John Bosco," in English dialogue, recently completed in London, was given in the Hall. This seemed to have given to all present the utmost entertainment and of a distinctive character. One professional representative pointed out this charming story of the life of the "Patron of the Cinema," as proclaimed by Pope Pius XII, was one of the best films that he had seen.

RELIGIOUS LIFE RECEPTION CEREMONY

Miss Agnes Daly (in religion Sister Marie Monica), youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daly, Loogane, Castletown, Rathbarney, has just been received into the Order of the Little Sisters of the Assumption, at their Novitiate, Clonsilla, Co. Dublin writes our Dalkey correspondent. She is accompanied by two other sisters in religion, one in the Order of the Faithful Companions of Jesus, and the other in the Order of Our Lady of Christian Schools. Her sister, also a nun in the F.C.J., died some few years ago. Present at the ceremony were her father and younger brother, Mr. Daniel Daly, of the office staff of the Augustinian quarterly publication "Our Lady of Good Counsel," also the following relatives and friends: Mrs. Maura Quill, Ballinacorney; Mr. J. Daly (uncle), Mrs. K. O'Connor, and the Misses Terry and Mrs. Vaughan, all of Dublin. The mother of the newly received nun, who is unable to be present owing to illness. Prior to entering the religious life, Sister M. Monica was Hon. Secretary, Castletown Lawn Tennis Club, and was also prominently identified with various other social activities. A pleasing vocalist and a fine exponent of Irish step dancing, her services were eagerly sought after by promoters of many of the social events whom she was ever ready and willing to oblige. She was a fluent Irish speaker and took a very keen interest in all matters pertaining to the language revival.

The happy occasion was marked by the receipt of numerous telegrams and letters of congratulation.

LATE JOHN MCNEENEY

Speaking at a general meeting of St. Michael's Temperance Society some years ago, the then Rev. Vice-President said that all over the civilized world were to be found past members of the Society who were ever anxious to learn of the welfare of the institution and its promoters, and who could always be relied upon to breathe a prayer for the repose of the soul of a departed member on learning of same. These words came very forcibly to my mind when attending the funeral of the late Mr. John McNeeney, who for almost a lifetime was a member of the "Honor" and was the term used by St. Michael's men of long ago. The Limerick Leader is the connecting link with the home city for those who have emigrated to foreign lands, and many such will mourn the passing away of John McNeeney of St. Michael's Temperance Society with sincere feelings of sorrow.

GREAT CHARACTERISTICS

John was an every sense a most lovable boy and man. In his young days he was a draftsman and took part in many races wearing the colours of St. Michael's. How often was he held up to some of us as a model worthy of imitation because of his thoroughness and complete obedience to the orders of the man in charge. When it was a case of "rescue" John was never far because it was the right thing to do, and he acted in like manner in every other regard. That was his make up. Strictly honest in all things, whether sport, business or day-to-day dealings with his fellow-men, he was a serious view of all things in life, was a most exemplary Catholic of the unostentatious kind, scrupulously honest in dealings or expression of opinion, those who were his friends, seeking him out for the enjoyment of a pleasant evening. Never in his life did he give an unkind word and certainly he never evinced any ill-will towards any man. He was charitable to the failings of others and with a sharp remark, addressed any attempt at scandal, even of a mild form. These were the qualities that made him a love John for himself. One felt that it was a privilege to know him.

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FAITHFUL CONFRATERNITY MEMBER

When a boy became a member of the Arch-Confraternity of the Holy Family and in due time was transferred to the Men's Division. No more faithful member ever had his name enrolled. All through the long years he was a most regular attendant at the weekly meetings and if he ever missed a monthly Holy Communion no companion can recall such an occurrence. He attributed to the influence of the Confraternity the fact that Limerick was to use his own words "the most Catholic city in the world." He had a great and lasting love for his country. While never taking any prominent part in national movements, he was a keen student of what was occurring and on one occasion in 1900 he wrote a telling article for the daily Press in support of the Sinn Fein policy. Here again his shyness kept him from taking the part he would have loved to take. His whole life was devoted to the welfare of his family—brothers and sisters—to whom were sympathies extended on the loss of so loving a brother.

WILL BE KEEN SORROW ABROAD

In far-off New York, in Mahanoe, Johnstown, in the industrial cities of England and Scotland where it is known that past members of St. Michael's Temperance Society desire there will be keen sorrow when they learn that the man they looked up to and come to be revered, the Abbot, lovable John "Mac" who was always ready and anxious to solve some difficulty for them, and who so often entertained them with interesting and edifying stories, will be remembered in their morning and night prayers, and many a kindly reference will be made to his memory, as was witnessed on the day of his funeral to Mount St. Lawrence Cemetery, when every one who knew him were of the same mind—there was a link to John "Mac." His death leaves to many a great friend whose memory will live as long as life, and it was the privilege of the writer to have known him for a long number of years and to have felt better because of knowing him. M.P.