

A PROUD BOAST.

Monsignor Kissane, who got a rousing reception, explained that Maynooth had the distinction of being the national seminary of the land, and that it was its proud boast that children of all classes, farmers, teachers, shopkeepers, artisans, were received within its gates and promoted to the priesthood. This was made possible owing to the fact that Maynooth has beside a certain annual income a number of investments to help to ease the burden on students.

It was the desire of the Bishops that the priesthood be not confined to any one class, but that it be open to all having the divine voca-

tion to discharge in supporting the fund.

HOUSE COLLECTIONS.

He would like to see every house in the country have its own collection—a sort of family collection. If every house contributed one shilling they would get an aggregate sum of £50,000. If every home were to give 2/- each the amount would be £100,000. No family would miss a contribution of two shillings, yet the grand total would be something worth while. Of course, the family collection would be apart from and independent of bigger contributions (applause).

The Mayor conveyed the vote of thanks to Monsignor Kissane amidst loud applause.

CHILD MISSING

DID YOU SEE HIM?

A little boy, aged three years and six months, named Patrick O'Dea, who lived with his parents at 15 Albert Avenue, Janesboro', Limerick, is missing since three o'clock yesterday afternoon. It is believed the child was seen at Caledon Park, where a soccer match was held, later in the evening. The police have established the fact that the child was in the vicinity of the railway terminus at about 7 o'clock at which time his disappearance was reported. Since then no trace has been found of the little boy.

The child, of slight build, has fair hair and blue eyes. He wore a dark beige check coat and long black trousers, tucked inside black Wellington boots. He had no headgear.

Will anyone who may have information as to the whereabouts of the missing child, communicate with the parents or the police, Edward Street Station, at

GOING BACK TO BANTRY BAY

Anticipating that the coming into effect of the Republic of Ireland on Easter Monday will make it difficult for aliens in England, Serjeant Sullivan and his family will return to live in Ireland as soon as they can find a house at Bantry Bay. The last of the old Serjeants' houses of the Irish Bar, Serjeant Sullivan, now 78, is retiring from the Irish Bar on Easter Monday.

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FATAL EXPLOSION

CO. LIMERICK MAN

KILLED

While engaged breaking up steel scrap with explosives at Corby, Northants, England, on Saturday, William Long, aged 24, of Ballyneety, Co. Limerick, was killed in an explosion. He was working at the time with an Englishman, George Carden, of Corby, who was also killed.

William Long, who left to take up employment in England about six months ago, was son of Mrs. and late John Long, farmer, of Ballynagarde, Ballyneety. There are three other brothers and a sister in the family.

An inquest on the deceased was arranged to be held to-day. The remains are being brought to Ballyneety for burial.

ADDITIONAL E.R.P. LOAN

The Economic Co-Operation Administration in Washington has voted to the Twenty Six Counties of Ireland an additional loan of £7,500,000 under the European Recovery programme. This new credit is to be used to develop Irish agriculture.

HER PET AVERSION

Mrs. Reynolds, of 22 St. James's Avenue, Dublin, celebrated her 100th birthday last week. One of her pet aversions, she says, is "the modern young wife who goes about with one hand on the pram and the other holding a cigarette."

After the official opening, the League Players presented "Portrait of Miriam." This was the first play produced in this year's Felle drama competitions, which will continue during the next two weeks. It is learned that entries for these competitions have been received from practically every county in Munster. In all, twelve full length dramas, five one act plays, and eight Irish plays will be presented.

IMPORTANT POSITIONS

B.O.A. STATION MANAGER

Mr. E. J. Coughlan, a native of Clonmel, Co. Tipperary, now residing in Limerick, has been appointed station manager of British Overseas Airways Corporation at Shannon Airport (writing our special representative at F. O. Eanna). The first Irishman to hold this position, Mr. Coughlan is a former officer of the mercantile marine, who switched to aviation when he joined Imperial Airways in 1937, his first appointment being to Whitchurch Airport, England.

He was transferred as training officer to Foynes in 1942, and when B.O.A.C. started its North Atlantic landplane service through Shannon Airport, Mr. Coughlan became acting station superintendent for twelve months. He now succeeds Mr. Alan Dewdney, who has been transferred on promotion to Line Control, at the Corporation's new North Atlantic maintenance base, at Filton, Bristol.

Both station managers met their future wives while serving at Foynes during the flying boat days. Mr. Dewdney married Miss Little of Foynes, and Mr. Coughlan married Miss M. O'Donnell, Pallaskerry.

Mr. Coughlan is the third Irishman to be appointed station manager of an international airline at Shannon.

NOT A TRAVELLER

BUT SAID HE WAS

Before Justice C. S. Kenny, B.C. at Abbeyfeale Court,

Mrs. Nora Liston, Athea, was summoned for a breach of the licensing laws on Sunday, February 20th.

Inspector J. Butler, G.S., prosecuted.

Defendant was not present.