

SEVENTY YEARS

Maitland In

**OF ARCH-
FRATERNITY**

Family. A splendid series of lectures to the public on Irish history a short time before leaving for Australia. After his arrival at Maitland he was elected Vice-Provincial of the Australian Province of the tourist Order. In 1929 he was appointed by the Holy See to Maitland, and on the occasion of his consecration the archdiocese sent him a



ESON.

STILL THEY COME

**American Tourists
And The War**

**NO FOUNDATION FOR SCARE
REPORTS**

REPORTS stating that Americans, scared by the newspaper headlines of last week, were clamouring for airline space back to the U.S. at Shannon, are entirely inaccurate (writes our special correspondent at the airport). On the contrary, U.S. tourists continue to arrive in large numbers—73 departed on Saturday—and hoteliers and others interested in the tourist traffic can be assured that so far there is no indication that the war in the Far East is causing any change of plans.

People who sit in high places in America and who came to Europe recently, made no rush to get back, thereby setting a headline for the tourist who has come to Ireland for a short or extended holiday.

NO ANXIETY TO GET BACK

Mr. Maurice Tobin, U.S. Secretary of Labour, who attended the I.L.O. conference at Geneva, finished his European Tour with a few days in Dublin as guest of the President, and waited until an United States Air Force Skymaster came from the continent yesterday afternoon to collect him. Congressman Augustin Kelly, who also attended the same conference, actually got off the plane to spend a three weeks holiday in Ireland with his wife, and they motored to Killarney last evening. No sign of anxiety to get back as far as they were concerned. Mr. Kelly's parents emigrated from Co. Cork.

A leading traffic agent in New York is not only continuing to dispatch his clients daily, but on Saturday also sent his two daughters over for a holiday in Dublin.

As was expected, Irish-American pilgrims to Rome are also breaking journey on the way back to spend a holiday here, and every westbound T.W.A. plane brings its quota.

AGED NUN AT SHANNON.

Among thirteen passengers who got off one Constellation at Shannon on Saturday was 73-years-old Sister Paul O'Connor, of Houston, Texas, a native of Waterford, who had been to Rome and Fatima. She was greeted on arrival by her 78-years-old brother, Mr. Peter O'Connor, who was one of Ireland's most famous athletes earlier in the century. He competed all over the world, holding the world's long jump record for 20 years, and the English title for six, while his Irish record is still standing since 1901. He was also a runner of note, and held the Irish 220 yards title for a year, as well as other championships at different times.

Sister Paul, who last visited Ireland for the Eucharistic Congress in 1932, will remain here for six weeks.

BIG EXAGGERATION

While incoming traffic to the airport continues to increase, there has been no change in the volume of westbound traffic from Shannon, which is usually small at this time of the year. The number of passengers stated to have left one day last week was three-times that of the actual figure.

GREAT PRIEST

Loss To Jesuit Order

**DEATH OF REV. FATHER
MCWILLIAMS**

WITH deep regret we announce the death of Rev. Patrick McWilliams, S.J., which took place at Milford House, Limerick, yesterday, after a long illness. The passing of this distinguished member of the Society of Jesus has occasioned profound regret and sorrow, and we join fully with the general public in tendering to the community heartfelt sympathy in their great loss.

Though born in Co. Derry 89 years ago, the late Fr. McWilliams had come to be regarded as a Limerickman, for he had spent over fifty years in the sacred ministry in this city, where he was held in affectionate regard by the citizens.

**MOST ZEALOUS AND ACTIVE
PRIEST.**

Fr. McWilliams was the doyen of the Jesuit Order, not only in Limerick but in Ireland at the time of his death. A most zealous and active priest, he was known throughout the length and breadth of the country for his many outstanding traits. A preacher of a very high order, he conducted missions and retreats with consummate success and his services were always in keen demand. Indeed, despite his great age he continued to discharge the manifold duties of his priestly office until stricken down two months ago with an illness that was to prove fatal.

Father McWilliams was born at Creagh, Toomebridge, Co. Derry, in 1861. Educated at St. Patrick's College, Armagh, he entered Maynooth Seminary in 1883 and was ordained secular priest four years later and was attached to his native archdiocese of Armagh until he entered the Society of Jesus in 1891.

Among his fellow novices at that period in St. Stanislaus College, Tullamore, was the celebrated chaplain of World War I, Father Willie Doyle, S.J. In 1893, Father McWilliams made his religious profession at Milltown Park, where he spent the next two years following a course of Theological studies.

**REST OF HIS DAYS IN
LIMERICK.**

He was then transferred to Sacred Heart College, Limerick. There, with the exception of one year spent in Tullamore in giving missions, he was destined to pass the rest of his days. For some time he continued to give missions through the country and he was later attached to the teaching staff of the College, and from 1912 to 1948 he was Director of the Women's Sodality.

Father McWilliams is survived by his nephew, Rev. James McWilliams, of the Maynooth Mission to China, who is stationed at St. Columban's, Essendon, Victoria, Australia.

Office and High Mass will be celebrated in the Sacred Heart Church to-morrow at 10.30 o'clock and the funeral will leave immediately for Mungret, where the interment will take place.

PIANO ON BOARD

CONCERT ENTERTAINMENT

TOWN TOPICS

THEY WON'T DIM.

THE strictures passed recently by District Justice Gleeson on the motorist who will not dim his headlights were very much to the point, but, unfortunately, his comments would not seem to have had the desired effect. Though the law has laid it down that all motor cars must be provided with a dimming device, it is not obligatory on drivers to put it to practical use. In any case, scarcely 50 per cent. of motorists go to the bother of dimming. Indeed, some drivers, especially those having unusually powerful lamps, take a special pleasure in dazzling on-coming traffic, ignoring all signals to have the dimmer operated.



WILFUL WASTE.

There is a feeling in the Town Hall that water is being wasted wholesale all over the city. Consumption, in any case, continues to increase at a rate that would suggest that numerous taps are being allowed to flow continuously. While it is true that water is cheap, very cheap, it must not be forgotten that the chemicals used for its purification are costly. Therefore, those who waste water deliberately or through carelessness are inflicting a heavy burden on the ratepayers. But apart from this aspect altogether, those who permit their taps to "run" day and night, and neglect to have leaks in service pipes stopped, are doing a serious disservice by having the water pressure to their neighbours considerably reduced.



FIFTY GALLONS PER HEAD.

The consumption of water in Limerick at approximately 50 gallons per head per day is abnormally high. In most cities the average consumption does not exceed 30 gallons per head of the population. So, it must be agreed, there is something radically wrong in Limerick. Our daily consumption at present is 2,500,000 gallons. We are now spending a sum in the region of 180,000 in order to improve the service. When the works on hands are completed the citizens can draw on a daily supply of 3,600,000 gallons. But if we continue to use, or, as it is feared, waste water at the present rate of 50 gallons per head of the population, the extra supply being made available will not be sufficient to ease the shortage being experienced in the extremities of the city.