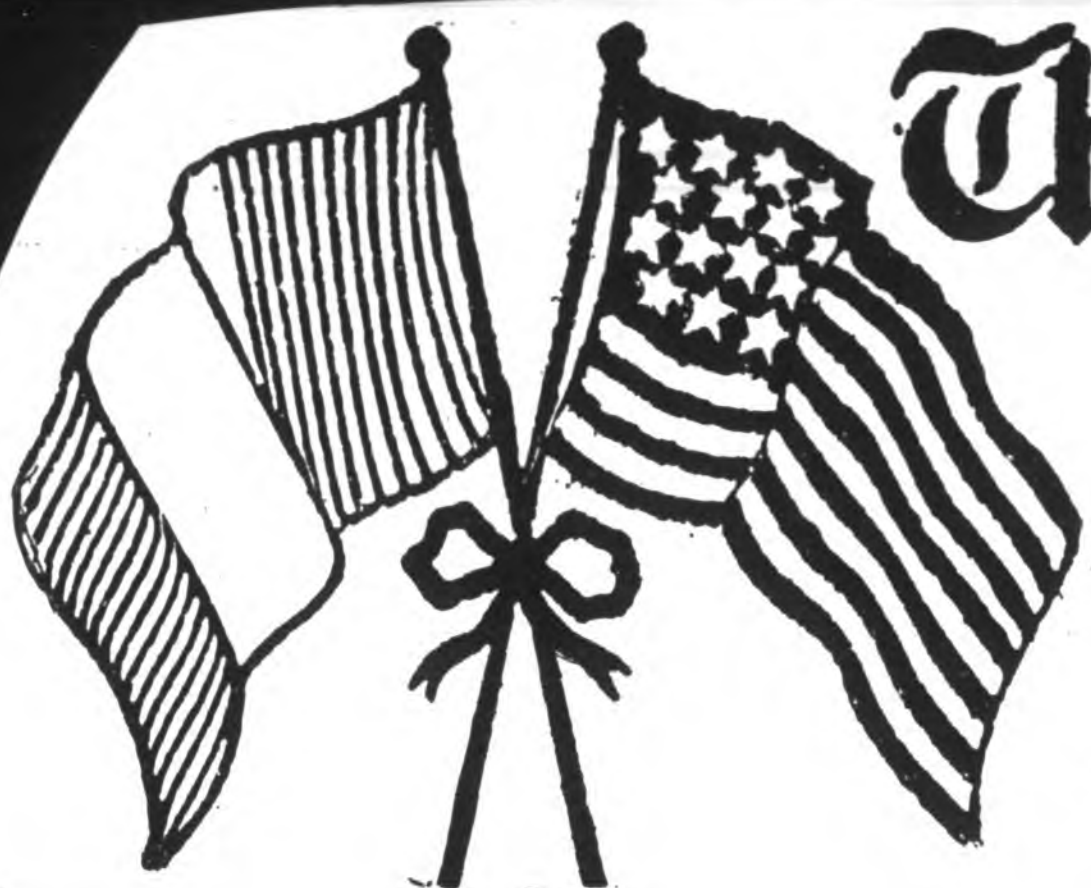


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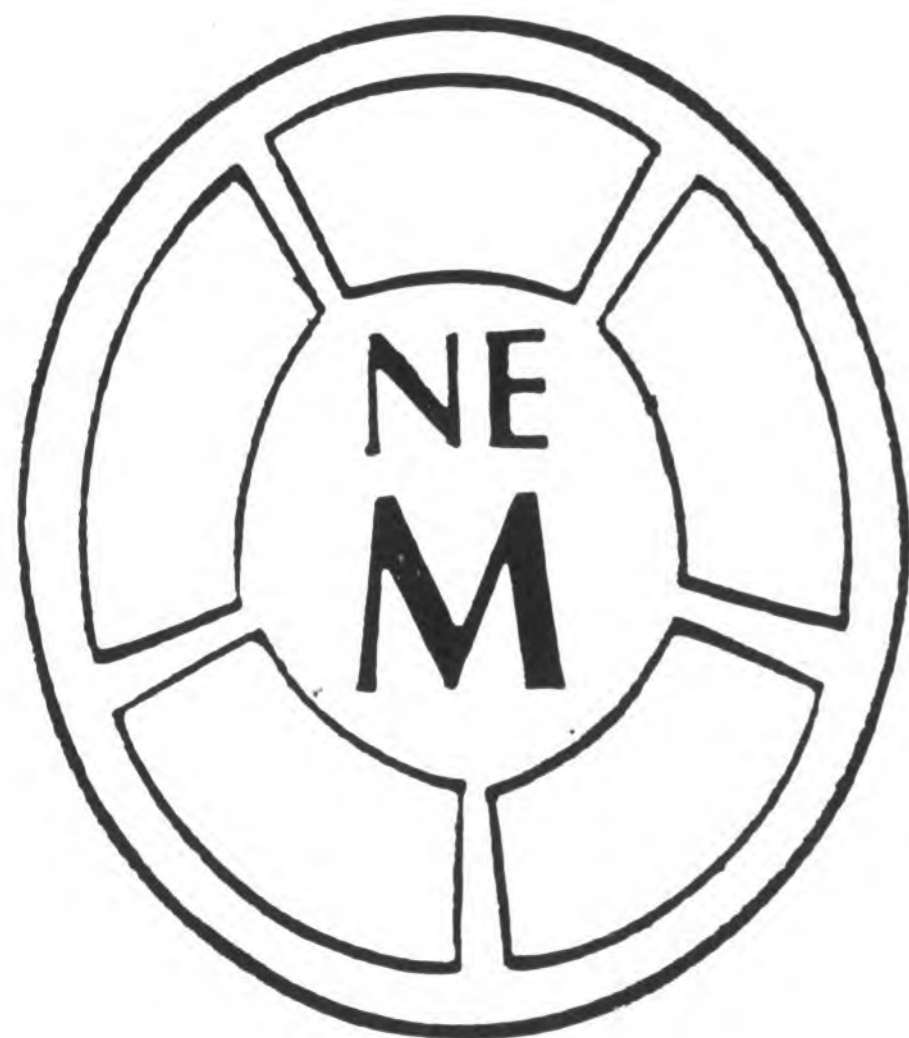
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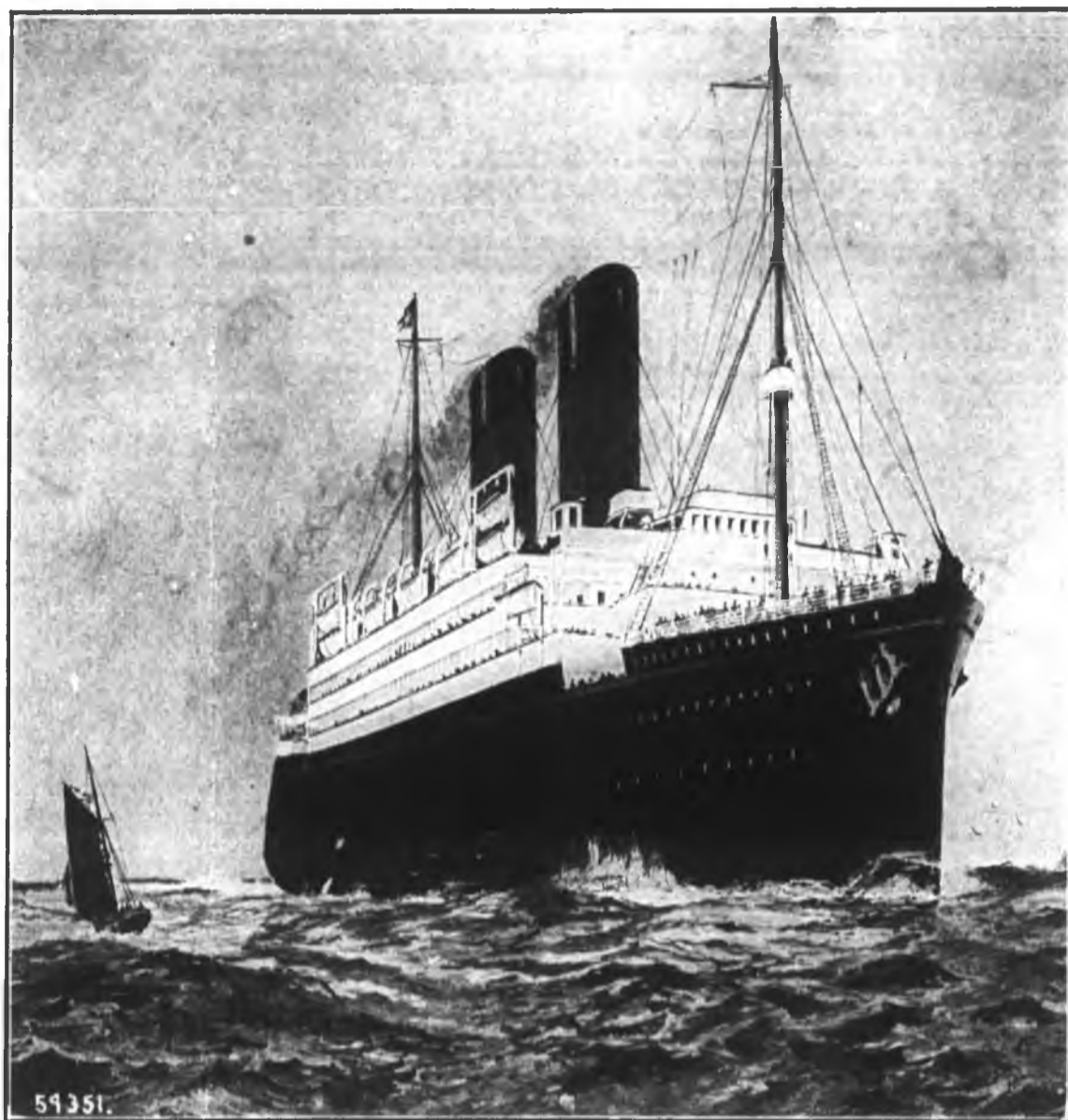
FORMER CARMELITE GENERAL SETTLES IN THE UNITED STATES

This Christmas the Irish and the Australians in the Eternal City will miss the genial presence of the Very Rev. Peter Elias Magennis, former General of the Order of Discalced Carmelites, whose two terms as Superior of his Order terminated two months ago. As retiring Superior General of his Order, Father Magennis has the privilege of choosing any of the houses of his ancient organization as a place of his future activities, and for some time it has been a matter of speculation among his friends as to which of the countries he might select for this purpose. It would be, they said, either Ireland, Australia, or the United States of America.

Father Magennis chose the States, a house of his Order in New York, the Rector of which is a Carmelite from Connaught. For many years the former General of the Discalced Carmelites held the position of Rector in the same house, centre of one of the most populous and Hibernian parishes in the United States. His decision to live in the States came as no surprise to friends who know him more intimately for America had always a very warm corner in his heart.

Few Generals of the Carmelites have worked so strenuously or travelled so many thousands of leagues in the interests of their ancient Order as has Father Magennis. Australia, every part of Ireland, South and North America, Palestine, and most nations in Europe have been visited by him on official inspections of Carmelite foundations these past twelve years. Furthermore, when his own country badly needed fearless friends in prominent positions from Easter Monday in 1916, Peter Elias Magennis was, to put it mildly, never found wanting.

He is still in the prime of manhood, barely three score or so, still busy in the great work of furthering the interests of the Church and his illustrious Order. The good wishes of many go with him to New York, especially those who have known him in Rome for the past twelve years. Father Magennis hails from the Diocese of Down and Connor.



THE EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS

Dublin, June, 1932

The Thirty-first International Eucharistic Congress at Dublin, June 22, 1932, together with the Fifteenth Centenary of St. Patrick's coming to Ireland, stands out as the most important event of the century for Irishmen and their families. This public expression of the faith of our forefathers, with its profound significance and its devoutly magnificent ceremonies, is drawing the attention of persons of Irish birth or parentage from all over the world.

We Hibernians must be there; it is not only our duty but more than that, it is our right. For generations, through the long night of her bondage, Hibernians have kept faith with Ireland. Who, then, has more right to stand by her throne in the hour of her triumph? Your National officers have borne all these things in mind, and have been steadily at work since the Convention, evolving a plan which shall insure that our great Order shall be worthily represented, and that you, its individual members, shall enjoy the advantage of the highest possible de-

gree of comfort at sea and the lowest obtainable rates of fare.

A number of plans have been submitted and have been carefully considered by us. Many decisions have been made; other details have yet to be settled. It is our hope that before the next issue of our NATIONAL HIBERNIAN goes to press we shall be able to present to you a full, well-rounded and comprehensive plan, so designed as to meet the preferences of all.

Meanwhile, we urge you to make no hasty decision. Wait until you have read and considered the offer which your National Officers will make.

MICHAEL W. DELANEY,
National President.

Chicago, Ill., December 1, 1931.

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NATIONAL PRESIDENT'S LETTER



MICHAEL W. DELANEY

To the officers and members.

My dear Brothers:

I extend to you all, on behalf of the officers of the organization, our best wishes for a prosperous year and one which will be marked by your increased activity in behalf of the order. We have a great opportunity before us this year, the 1500th anniversary of the coming of the Faith to our Sireland, and I trust that every individual feels upon himself the duty incumbent to aid our membership efforts and to increase the power and strength of our honored organization.

Annual Reports

It is the wish of your officers that every Division file at once, as provided in the Constitution, the annual reports, together

with the check for the national assessment at the time of filing. Your organization needs your financial support, and we urge upon every Division officer the necessity of his completing, at once, his share of the report, so that it may be filed at once. We need to review the reports so that we may report on the standing of the order to its membership.

Pilgrimage

We urge upon every member who plans to attend the Eucharistic Congress, this coming June, to communicate with a member of our National Committee, to obtain information relative to our plans for a Pilgrimage. We may assure all members sailing on our Pilgrimage special tours which will well warrant every possible attendant. It also offers an excellent opportunity to do something for the prestige of the order.

Irish College in Rome

The national convention at Newport urged upon the national officers the duty of closing, at once, the contribution voted for the Irish College in Rome. We hope to receive enough contributions to make the final payment of our pledge not later than Mar. 17. We urge on every Division the need of at once sending in their quota to the unpaid balance of the fund, and the same urge extends to those states whose quotas have not been completed.

Washington Celebrations

We propose that every Division of the organization hold, at some time during this year, a celebration of Washington's bicentennial observance. Let the celebration be one which will give opportunity to stress the contribution of the Irish in the early days of this Republic. We also urge participation in all civic observances of the bicentennial.

St. Patrick's Day

We need not invite every Division to hold a proper celebration of St. Patrick's Day, through the medium of socials, banquets, or some assembly which will give true voice to the best in Irish music, culture, and present the glories of our Faith. In view of its celebration in Passion week, we urge the reception of the Blessed Sacrament as a most fitting observance for every Division on the Sunday preceding the Feast Day.

Membership

Again we ask every member to be the Membership Committee for his Division. Indications point to an increased interest in the Hibernian organization and from the excellent efforts in many sections of the country, this age of depression is turning minds of men to fraternity and friendship made within our society.

We close with best wishes for the year, a final request for immediate filing of annual reports, and urging of membership efforts on the part of every individual member of our grand old order.

MICHAEL W. DELANEY,
National President.

DARBY FIELD

A New England Pioneer

In a late issue of the Boston Herald, Elizabeth Field, commenting on a recent Herald editorial on the "Field Family," noted that no mention had been made of Darby Field who discovered the White Mountains of New Hampshire in 1632.

Elizabeth Field is obviously proud of her family, and with good reason, but she objects to Darby being called Irish. She relies upon the authority of "The Field Genealogy" by Mr. Frederick C. Pierce, but as an authority Mr. Pierce is doubtful because he is contradicted by no less an important personage than Governor John Winthrop, who, in a contemporaneous account of the discovery of the White Mountains, describes Darby Field as an Irishman.

Darby Field is the first Irishman who can be identified with the settlement of New England. He gave a notable service in his discovery of the White Mountains, and some notice may well be given him in The National Hibernian.

There is evident confusion in the efforts of both Frederick C. Pierce and Elizabeth Field in their references to Darby Field. Elizabeth recites that "he was one of the signers to the Exeter Combination in Boston, England, for Oyster River, Maine." Mr. Pierce quoted Darby in a glowing account of his discovery of the White Mountains.

But the Exeter Combination to which Darby was a signer had nothing to do with Boston, England, and the Oyster River is not in Maine but in New Hampshire. Darby lived on the Oyster River at Dover Point when he signed the Exeter Combination. Apparently, Darby could not write, so he signed the combination with his mark. He hardly could have written the glowing and rhetorical account of the discovery of the White Mountains which Mr. Pierce and Elizabeth Field quote.

The Exeter Combination was a declaration of right for the government of Exeter devised by the Rev. John Wheelwright. At the time when Governor Winthrop and his party drove Roger Williams and Anne Hutchinson out of Massachusetts Bay Colony into the wilderness they also expelled Rev. John Wheelwright, and for the same reason. Roger Williams and Anne Hutchinson went south and established new homes for themselves in Rhode Island where they could be free. But Mr. Wheelwright went north, with some followers, into New Hampshire and founded the town of Exeter. New Hampshire had been settled some sixteen years before by Captain John Mason and Sir Ferdinand Georges on grants from the Plymouth Commission. That was eight years before Governor Winthrop came to Boston in the "Arbella" with the Puritans. New Hampshire had been settled two years after the landing of the Pilgrims at

Plymouth Rock, and for nearly ten years before Boston and Salem had been colonized, there were three thriving towns on the banks of the Piscataqua River, Dover, Hampton, and Strawberry Bank, now Portsmouth.

The first settlers of New Hampshire were not Puritans. They gave allegiances, ostensibly at least, to the Church of England. There is good reason for the belief, however, that some of them were Catholics seeking a refuge from persecution. The New Hampshire colonists prescribed no religion, neither was any formally established. There is, indeed, a definite record that the precursors of Mason and Georges intended a settlement on the banks of the Piscataqua as a refuge for English Catholics. And it is a significant fact that the first name given to any part of New England was the name "MARIANA," which Mason and Georges bestowed on their first grant from the Plymouth Commission. That was the grant of land lying between the Naumkeag and Merrimack Rivers. It would be hard to find a more distinctively Catholic name than Marianna, and when it is considered that it was given in 1621 when Cath-

olics were being most rigorously proscribed, it is hard to explain it on any other thesis than that it was given in honor of Queen Mary of England. Eleven years later Lord Baltimore succeeded in getting a franchise for a colony of Catholics further south and he called it Maryland. It is generally said that in the Maryland Colony religious toleration was first granted in America. But although the settlers of New Hampshire had not formally enacted religious toleration neither was any religion proscribed and all men were welcome.

That was why Reverend John Wheelwright went to New Hampshire and, probably, why Darby Field, the Irishman, was there. In the chronicle of New Hampshire we find frequent references to Darby Field between 1623 and 1642. In the latter year the Puritans succeeded in acquiring control over New Hampshire affairs. We hear no more of Darby after that. He was a brave man, no doubt. His exploit of discovering the White Mountains proves that, but he was also discreet.

MARGUERITA M. BRODERICK,
Rockland, Mass.

WASHINGTON BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

It is with pleasure and much interest that I announce the celebration of "Washington's Birthday," which occurred on Feb. 22, 1732, by the Ancient Order of Hibernians and Ladies' Auxiliary of Suffolk County.

It is fitting that Washington's Birthday should be celebrated not alone by the Ancient Order of Hibernians but also by all Irish Organizations in Greater Boston. In the memorable year of 1798 the greatest rebellion in the world's history occurred in Ireland and it was watched by Washington from America with the greatest interest and sympathy as some of his friends in the American Revolution were participants, and he was grieved at Mount Vernon in the last years of his life when he heard of the failure of the revolution. Lord Cornwallis, whom Washington had taken prisoner at Yorktown, was the English commander who crushed the men of '98. The hero was Wolfe Tone, who, captured after a heroic defense, begged that he be shot like a soldier, not hanged like a felon.

There are several important reasons why the Ancient Order of Hibernians should celebrate Washington's Birthday. One of the first societies to back George Washington with men and money was the "Friendly Sons of St. Patrick." Its members raised \$50,000 a large sum of money in those days and swung into line with a cheer. Washington was an honorary member of this Society and a frequent guest at their famous banquets on the 17th of March.

Three of the signers of the Declaration of Independence were of Irish birth; Matthew Thornton, James Smith and George Taylor. At least five others were of Irish descent; Edward Rutledge, Thomas Lynch, George Reed, Thomas McKean and Charles Carroll; and on the birthday of the great Republic it was Charles Thornton, born in Ireland, the son of an evicted Irish farmer, to whose happy lot it fell, as secretary to the assembly, to read aloud to its assembled forefathers, that great and most perfect human document—the "Declaration of Independence."

This celebration will take place in Faneuil Hall, Boston, on Sunday evening, Feb. 21, the eve of Washington's Birthday. Doors will be open at 7:30 p. m. Admission free.

It behooves every member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians and Ladies' Auxiliary to attend this meeting and bring their friends. There will be an excellent musical entertainment and the history of the organization will be discussed by men and women of the race who are members of the Order and proud of it.

A special appeal will be made to all present for an increase in membership for the year 1932. To build up we must have the assistance and wholehearted cooperation of every member of the Order and we appeal to you to give us that assistance which is necessary for success.

Fraternally yours,
BARTHOLOMEW J. FAHEY, Pres.
JAMES COOK, Secretary.

MALDEN, MASS.



MAURICE R. FLYNN

Ex-Rep. M. R. Flynn was named Associate Justice of the local court to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the late Judge H. H. Newton, by Gov. Ely recently. The nomination lies over for a week under the rules.

Judge Flynn is a native of Malden, aged 42 and one of the leading practitioners of the Malden Court. He was educated in the Centre School, graduating from Malden High, '06, attended Holy Cross College in '07 and '08, Harvard 1910, and Harvard Law School. He served in the Massachusetts Legislature in 1914 and 1915, and was in the Constitutional Convention 1917, '18 and '19.

He is a member at large of the Democratic State Committee and chairman of the local Democratic body. He organized the Woman's Democratic Club and was chairman of the Al. Smith for President Club in 1928. He has a wife and four children and resides at 33 Upland Rd.

He is a Past Exalted Ruler and Trustee of Malden Lodge of Elks and a Past Grand Knight of Santa Maria Council K. of C. He is a member of Division No. 12 of Hibernians. His office is in the Dowling Bldg.

Hon. Maurice R. Flynn, newly appointed Special Justice of the local court, was inducted into office most auspiciously in the first criminal session of court. There were six Justices on the bench, headed by Chief Justice Elbridge G. Davis, and a very large gathering of members of the bar, besides many friends and admirers of the new Justice. The court room and corridor were filled. The bench was covered with floral tributes, including baskets, bouquets and plaques.

On the bench with Judge Flynn were Chief Justice Davis, Judges Lawrence G. Brooks, and Mrs. Emma Fall Schofield, of the local court; John G. Maguire of the Woburn Court and Ralph M. Smith, Somerville Court.

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NUN, 89, WHO WAS CIVIL WAR NURSE, DIES IN WHEELING

Wheeling, W. Va., Dec. 8.—Solemn Requiem High Mass was celebrated Monday morning in St. Joseph's Convent Chapel at 9 o'clock for Sister M. Ignatius Farley, oldest member of the Wheeling community of the Order of the Sisters of St. Joseph, whose death occurred early Friday morning at the convent. Mass was celebrated by the Rev. William Lee, with the Rev. Edmund Yahn, as deacon and the Rev. Robert Weiskirchner as sub-deacon. The Rt. Rev. Bishop J. J. Swint, D.D., officiated at the absolution following the Mass. The Rev. Owen Lennon and the Rev. Martin Egan also were present in the sanctuary. The services were followed by interment in Mount Calvary Cemetery.

Sister M. Ignatius would have celebrated her ninetieth birthday had she lived until Saturday. She was one of three surviving members of religious orders in the United States who had seen service during the Civil War. During the Civil War the Wheeling Hospital was taken over by the government and Sister Ignatius was one of six Sisters employed by the government to have charge of the hospital.

One of the most beloved and widely known Sisters of St. Joseph, she was born in Marshall County, Virginia, Dec. 5, 1841, entering St. Joseph's Convent in Wheeling at an early age. She made a large circle of friends throughout the state when assigned to Clarksburg, Charleston, Grafton, and Parkersburg. For ten years she was night supervisor at the Wheeling Hospital. The last ten years of a long useful life were lived at St. Joseph's Convent, where she was active until her illness, which began a few months ago. Sister Ignatius was bedfast for only two weeks.

She was a daughter of Patrick and Catherine Murray Farley who, together with three sisters and a brother, preceded her in death. The following nieces and nephews survive her: Mrs. Frank Gibb, Lorain, Ohio; Mrs. Frank Zane, Orlando, Fla.; Mr. John Moorehouse, Miss Margaret Moorehouse, John Markey, Miss Annie Markey, Mrs. Julian Markey Chapman, all of McMechen Heights; Mrs. Katie Hazlett, McMechen; Mrs. Ben Dorsey, McMechen and Sister M. Dorothy Farley of St. Joseph's convent; one cousin, M. J. Farley, of the Island; also 14 grandnieces and nephews and seven great-grandnieces and nephews.

Sister M. Ignatius Farley is mentioned in the ever valuable book, "Nuns of the Battlefield," written by Dr. Ellen Ryan Jolly, and we take from the pages the following quotation from Sister Farley's "war stories."

"One autumn night," related Sister Ignatius, "it was necessary that I remain in the surgical ward long after scheduled time, and it was therefore

very late when I was relieved from duty. Going towards the Chapel for a visit to the Blessed Sacrament, I opened the sacristy door with the utmost care and, closing it softly behind me, I stood fascinated by the unusual picture of seven professed Sisters, worn out from severe hospital duty, who were lying fast asleep on the floor and, soldier fashion, each sister was enfolded in a blanket, while each weary head was resting upon a pillow made of leaves gathered on the campus. Over the sleeping group, which included the Superior Mother de Chantal, there rested the soft roseate glow from the sanctuary lamp, gleaming through the glass panels of the closed door, and there was still lingering the delicate fragrance of the incense used in the adjoining chapel during benediction."

Sister Farley served in one of the busiest hospitals of the war period and received in later life the medal for distinguished service from the Grand Army of the Republic. She was the only living member of the Wheeling group at the time of the publication of the "Nuns of the Battlefield."

THE SISTERS OF CHARITY

Ballaghaderin, Mayo, Ireland.

To the Secretary, President and Brothers.

Dear Friends:

We shall not keep you long in doubt as to the object of this letter. We come to solicit your esteemed orders for shamrock and National Emblems for St. Patrick's Day, 1932.

1932!! What a memorable year in the history of our beloved country!! Our Eucharistic Lord will get the greatest honors we can show Him, and countless Irish men and women from far and near will do Him homage in our Capital. You will all be there, if not in person, at least in spirit and the little Irish shamrock will recall the teachings of our great apostle, St. Patrick, and his devotion to our Eucharistic King—a devotion he implanted so deeply in the hearts of our people, that it has never waned, but on the contrary has increased as the years pass by.

So we appeal to you with confidence, knowing your unfailing loyalty and co-operation with us, in this little branch of our work for the poor.

The little children pick the shamrock, the grown people prepare it. The process is tedious, for it has to be preserved leaf by leaf, hence making it more expensive than would appear at first sight. The little emblems are made at the fireside, by the womenfolk—young and old, who are glad and

grateful thus to be able to earn something towards the upkeep of the little home.

If you know of any Irish Societies likely to sympathize with us, you would do a very kind act to pass on these words; or by letting us have their names and addresses we could communicate with them directly.

A Novena of Masses ending on St. Patrick's Day and the prayers of the Sisters and children, will be offered for all who help in this good work.

Yours faithfully in J. C.,
THE SISTERS OF CHARITY.

STATE PRESIDENT URGES INCREASE

With the new year 1932 upon us, State President George R. Reilly issues a call to all Hibernians throughout the State of California to commence an active and enthusiastic drive to increase our membership and to promote the welfare of our society wherever they go. Stating further, "We feel sure that 1932 will bring us better things and anxiously look forward with heavy hearts and our trust in God for a brighter future."

This is no time to cease working, and by a united spirit we will achieve during the year 1932 better success and continue as in the past with a renewed effort of enthusiasm to continue the growth of our organization. Plans are being made by National Director Michael Riordan and State President George R. Reilly to commence a state-wide drive for new members. Tentative arrangements are being made to create some new divisions in California, according to word received from State Organizer John Cox and Director of Juveniles Thomas R. O'Day. A meeting will be held sometime during the coming week to discuss employment and other relief measures to assist the members of our organization during these trying times of depression.

President Reilly extends a wish to all members of Hibernians throughout the State of California and their families for a most prosperous and happy New Year.

RESOLUTIONS

EDWARD RYAN, HAVERHILL, MASS.

WHEREAS, it has pleased Almighty God to remove from our midst by death our late Brother Edward Ryan, and

WHEREAS, the intimate relations long held by our deceased brother with the members of Division No. 14, A. O. H., render it proper we should place on record our appreciation of his service as a Hibernian and his merits as a man, therefore be it

RESOLVED, by Division No. 14, A. O. H., that we bow with humble

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ST. PATRICK

Again we must write on the glory of St. Patrick, to whom every Irish heart is indebted for the great gift of our faith. It is needless for us to ask every Division to hold a special celebration this year, the 1,500th anniversary of his coming to the land of our fathers. May we feel that every Di-

vision, appreciating the deep religious significance of the year, will make an effort to receive the Blessed Sacrament in a body at the Sunday preceding or following the Feast Day. We feel the words of our National President may well be followed in this regard.

The name of every Saint in the long calendar of our church arouses deep respect, but none strikes the well-spring of Faith in a manner comparative with St. Patrick. Many saints there are, whose great acts of Faith have brought to them adoration, but none but St. Patrick whose name is the word of a people, of a nation, whose sons and daughters, in every clime and every land, make of his Feast Day a day of happiness, one of celebration in joy, showing by its observance his gift which has enabled his people to keep bright in their hearts the Faith, which he brought to them and which enabled them to maintain their religion in the face of direst persecution. We bow in homage to the name of St. Patrick, enshrined in the flame of Faith burning in every Irish heart.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS

The present situation in China bears out the point of those citizens of ours who maintained the utter uselessness of the League of Nations and should serve to quiet for some time those subsidized advocates of our adherence to the League. We do not expect that these fanatics will see the error of their ways, as their subsidy goes on and on. We note that certain of the leading peace advocates have urged, at once, a boycott, which is one way of acting in an unfriendly way, rather than depending on such diplomacy as has been shown by our state department. One item of the news dispatches stated that our state department only acted after word had been received from Downing Street. We noted as well that the mother country did not rush any answer to our first frantic cables.

As time goes on, we may learn all about control of this government from abroad, as well as any rumored secret treaties which may be in existence. We feel that the Chinese situation is the last count in the general indictment against the administration, giving very broad evidence of the lack of navy power, of which we have talked in other issues, as well as the lack of good American judgment at Washington.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY SOUVENIRS

Let every Division be active in the proper presentation of our Irish history, culture, song, and story in commemoration of the Feast Day. We urge every Division to take steps that the caricatures of other years, the pipes, the hats, the pigs, and the British-Irishmen, which have been palmed for years as symbols of the day, be banned from public sale. Let us

tell the manufacturers, salesmen, and stores of the proper symbols: The shamrock, the Celtic cross, the Tricolor, and the harp. Let the Divisions in large cities send word to the broadcasting studios of their wishes relative to the music and stories to be broadcast. When we know of the tremendous musical contributions of our race, it is rather nauseating to hear some of the pseudo-Irish songs sent over the air on St. Patrick's eve and night. Every broadcasting station is anxious to please the listeners, and immediate action will ensure for us a typical Irish program, symbolical of the music of the centuries of Ireland's greatness. Let our entertainment be on the same high plane, and the Irish stories too often told by some "comedian" of other racial strain, be of real wit and humor.

MEMBERSHIP

From all indications, the present age of depression has served to interest eligibles in the larger possibility of friendship and fraternity to be obtained in our ranks, as in no other fraternal organization. We feel that the news of the initiation of eighty candidates in Meriden, Conn., the organization of several Divisions in California, the addition of new Divisions in Pennsylvania, where State President Minnick is making a tour of the state in the interests of the organization, of Buffalo, N. Y., where a new Division was organized with seventy-five members, and the added membership in Massachusetts and Illinois must prove to the doubters of our society that the low ebb of Hibernianism has been reached.

The work of various county and state organizers is commencing to prove their value. We not only have need of new members, but also the greater need of overcoming suspensions, caused in great part through the depression. We must start from the present low point to gain in power and influence. We have found the greatest success has been obtained where every Division member felt he was on the committee for new members. The new ritual is proving of interest, together with the appreciation of fraternity based on ties of blood. We again urge every member to work among his associates and friends for new Hibernians.

GEORGE WASHINGTON

In these days of American participation in foreign affairs it is fitting we should recall the teachings of the "Father of Our Country" whose stand against foreign entanglements was a sure foundation for the building of our country. We believe every Division may hold a Washington celebration which will attract civic interest. Let it be one where the part played by Irishmen in the building of America may be shown, as well a restatement of the principles which actuated Washington and his associates. Efforts to

detract from the part in history filled by Washington have proved unavailing, and one phase of his life and soldierly career which may not be of interest to those of our differing fellows, is the active recognition given by him to his fellow soldiers of Irish blood. The fixing of the countersign "St. Patrick" on Dorchester Heights is but one single tribute of many.

ORGANIZATION AFFAIRS

We point to the letter of our National President for every Division officer to read. We ask the cooperation of our officers in the immediate filing of national annual reports, accompanied by the check for the national assessment based on the reported membership. We urge upon every Division the payment of any balance remaining on the Irish College Fund. We asked every Division officer to start at once on the campaign for membership, with the background of the Eucharistic Congress to better present the claims of the A. O. H. to every American with an Irish racial strain. We also suggest the formation of degree staffs for the new ritual, which has been well received in every part of the country wherever exemplified. We believe its lessons may bring home to our members the need of greater interest in Irish history, both in the homeland and in this country.

MALDEN, MASS.

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The exercises were very brief. Following the usual opening by Court Officer Kelley, Clerk Tyler read the commission of the new judge, after which Judge Davis presented his new associate in a few well chosen words. Judge Flynn was his opponent for representative, Judge Davis under the Republican banner and Judge Flynn under the Democratic. The friendship didn't continue as much as perhaps both would have liked, for Judge Flynn was elected and Judge Davis was not.

However, Judge Davis continued, he and the new judge have always been friends, and since the speaker became Chief Justice he had always found Judge Flynn a fair and impartial lawyer, fair to the defendant and fair to the court. In presenting Judge Flynn to the members of the bar, Judge Davis declared that he felt sure the members of the bar would find Judge Flynn just that sort of man in the future.

Judge Flynn replied that this was a very happy moment for him. Judge Flynn said he was no stranger in this court, having tried cases here since the erection of the building and before that in the Pleasant St. Court Building. He said that what Judge Davis had said about his services at the bar was equally true of his opponents, adding that there was the best possible feeling between him and any opponent he had ever had on any case, and he had been trying for eighteen years.

Judge Flynn said that it might come hard at first to look upon matters from the angle of the court, but he promised the best that was in him in the administration of justice and the proper preservation of the rights of the community and individuals. He then declared a recess of ten minutes, during which time he went into the lobby and all of his friends came in to personally greet him.

The first case before Judge Flynn in the criminal session at court was that of Leon Place, Malden, charged with concealing leased personal property, a

clock, and cedar chest. The attorneys were Lloyd Makepeace for the defendant and Louis Hamner for the complainant. The case was continued on agreement of counsel.

John J. Donovan, Melrose, drunk, pleaded guilty, and the records showed that he was under a suspended sentence of fifteen days in the house of correction. The usual course is to revoke the suspension on the old case but Judge Flynn said he would continue both cases on probation and Donovan got a final warning and probation to Apr. 12.

BIG GATHERING ATTENDS A. O. H. MEETING AT MERIDEN, CONN.

—Big gathering attends A O H meet

Eighty candidates, 71 from Meriden and nine from Norwich, were initiated into the Ancient Order of Hibernians recently at St. Joseph's school hall by the Abington, Mass., Division Degree Team under the leadership of Thomas H. Buckley, editor of the Hibernian magazine. The class was the largest in years received into the order in any community in the United States and was the first to be initiated in the county under the new ritual of the order.

Over 500 members of the order from around Connecticut and Massachusetts attended the meeting held under the auspices of the Meriden Division and Division 15, Ladies' Auxiliary of the A. O. H. Among the guests besides the national editor were Rev. Jeremiah J. Duggan, Rev. Arthur B. Sullivan and Rev. Thomas J. O'Connell of St. Joseph's Church, Rev. John R. Quinn of St. Rose's Church, Rev. Walter J. Lyddy of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church, Rev. Joseph A. Rice of Danbury, Rev. James Dargan of Norwich, Rev. Thomas Finnigan of Bristol, Mayor Francis T. Maloney, Mrs. Mary Martin Silk of Worcester, Mass., National President of the Ladies' Auxiliary; Michael J. Connolly of New Haven, National Director; John P. Donnelly of Bristol, Past National Director, and state and county officers headed by John H. McNamara of Ansonia and Miss Ella Garvin of Hartford, State Presidents, and William P. Looney of New Haven, County Vice President, and Mrs. Mary Halligan of New Haven, County Vice President. Members of the order were present from Hartford, New Haven, Waterbury, Norwich, New London, Rockville, Bristol, East Hampton, New Britain, Taftville, Naugatuck and Middletown in this state and Abington and Worcester, Mass.

Members of the Meriden Division and local auxiliary and the candidates received Holy Communion in a body at the 7 o'clock Mass, Sunday morning at St. Joseph's church. The Mass was celebrated by the Rev. Jeremiah J. Duggan, County Chaplain and chaplain of the local divisions, and during the Mass Irish selections were played

by Mrs. Martin A. Lineen, organist.

The degree team, composed of 20 members and a choir of 10 members that accompanied them, arrived here about 1 o'clock and were served a dinner at St. Joseph's school hall by the local ladies' auxiliary.

At 2:30 o'clock a joint installation of officers of the local divisions was held at St. Joseph's school hall. Due to illness in her family, Mrs. James Shanley of New Haven, County President of the Ladies' Auxiliary, was unable to be present, and Mrs. Mary Halligan of New Haven, County Vice President, installed the ladies' officers. She was assisted by the degree team of the local Ladies' Auxiliary under the leadership of Mrs. Victor R. Borriello. The degree team also staged an exhibition drill which was warmly applauded by the large gathering.

William P. Looney, County President, installed the officers of the Meriden Division, Richard C. Kiniry and Mrs. Patrick T. Spellacy, Presidents of the Meriden Division and the Ladies' Auxiliary presided.

Following the installation, the initiatory work took place and during the two hours that it was being staged the large assemblage voiced approval of the new ritual and the excellent performance of the degree team. At the close of the initiatory work, the Abington degree team gave an exhibition drill and the floor work of the team was loudly applauded. Music during the initiatory work and the drills of both the local ladies' and the Abington team was furnished by Mrs. Gus A. Lentz of this city, pianist.

At the close of the business session, President Kiniry called upon State Secretary John C. Reilly, chairman of the local committee in charge of the arrangements for the meeting, to preside. Among the speakers were Father Duggan, who welcomed the guests to St. Joseph's school hall, Mayor Maloney, who extended the welcome on behalf of the city; Mrs. Silk, who lauded the work of the Hibernians; Mr. Buckley, who traced the history of the Irish race and the Irish contributions to American independence, science, literature and history; Mr.

Looney, who spoke on Hibernianism in New Haven county; and Father Rice, who lauded the cardinal principles of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, "Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity."

During his remarks, County President Looney presented Father Rice, former New Haven County Chaplain of the order, with a check for \$200 on behalf of the members of the county. Mr. Looney lauded the work of Father Rice while Chaplain and extended to him the best wishes of the Hibernians in New Haven county in his new field of labor in Danbury, Fairfield county.

Father Rice was taken by surprise and in his response stated that he would always remember the pleasant affiliations that he had with the Hibernians of New Haven county.

Following the exercises at St. Joseph's school hall, the assembly adjourned to Horrigan's hall on Camp Street where a luncheon was served and a social held. Before leaving for their respective homes the visitors unanimously agreed that the affair was the greatest staged in years by the Hibernians in Connecticut.

THE MAIL BAG

466 Schuyler Ave.,

Kingston, Pa., Jan. 21, 1932.

Mr. Thomas H. Buckley,
National Editor,
198 Centre Ave.,
Abington, Mass.

Dear Sir and Brother:

The attached article under the heading "WHAT ARE YOU TO OFFER?" is the result of many months of study of the present situation in the A. O. H. I would appreciate your finding sufficient space in the HIBERNIAN to publish this article in full.

You will find that this is not just the opinion of myself but of many more of the members of our Order. If you will request remarks from other members on this same subject I am sure that you will get a very surprising result. If you feel that you will not be able to handle what replies that will be received I would be pleased if you would publish my address with the article and I would then find out what was the feeling of the members at large concerning this idea.

I am submitting this in the true fraternalism of true Hibernianism and I hope that it will be to you, and to the rest of the National Officers, a way to see the light of the "WHAT HAVE YOU TO OFFER?" of our prospective members. At any rate it is food for thought.

Fraternally yours,
PATRICK L. GALLAGHER,
County President, Luzerne County,
Pa.

"WHAT HAVE YOU TO OFFER?"

Recent issues of the HIBERNIAN have stressed the vital necessity of increas-

ing the membership of the A. O. H. Although much time and space have been taken up on this important matter, the result has been anything but encouraging.

Why has there been no satisfactory increase in membership of our ORDER? There is a reason and this reason can be answered by our prospective member. The prospective members of the A. O. H. are joining every organization except our own; they join the "Birds" or "Beasts," or what have you—but not the A. O. H. WHY? I believe I can give you the WHY of that momentous question, and it is this: Upon approaching a prospective member, the first question that is shot at you is: WHAT HAVE YOU TO OFFER? Those few words are all, WHAT HAVE YOU TO OFFER? I will answer that same question: We have nothing to offer—NOTHING! Nothing to such a highly commercialized populace as the Americans of today. Therefore let us spend a little time in an analysis of this condition.

Irish Patriotism—we teach it as a fundamental necessity of our order—but is this Patriotism of old as dear to the Irish-Americans as it is to us who have lived in Ireland? No, emphatically NO—our teaching falls upon deaf ears. WHY? What do these prospective members, most of them who have never set foot upon Irish soil, care about Irish Patriotism? Again I shall furnish you with the answer: little or nothing. So, therefore, the first of our great principles is not sufficient to interest our Young Irish-American. And those Irishmen who have recently come to the shores of America, are even more difficult to handle than the American born.

Five dollars a week sick benefits and one hundred dollars at death. So, we offer to those prospective members a little something, yes, very little indeed. We are scores of years behind other fraternal organizations in our pecuniary benefits. The adage, "MONEY TALKS," is a true one but we speak only in a whisper in this regard. Progress, it seems, has not been a part of our order, in this or any other department.

Are we failing? Again I ask you: WHAT HAVE WE TO OFFER? To the new member, NOTHING. More important still, I ask you, WHAT HAVE WE TO OFFER TO THE OLD MEMBER? Again the same answer, NOTHING! To those old members of our organization, men that have spent the best years of their lives, given their all, their best, to the glorious cause of Ireland; to them we have nothing to offer. They 'tis true, know the value of IRISH PATRIOTISM, they who fought the battle, the glorious battle for freedom, they who fought when fighting was done at a priceless cost, to them, WE HAVE NOTHING TO OFFER. Shall we say that many of them have fought in vain? NO—our answer to the old member can be NO. But it is time for action now, progress

must come, and it must come at once. For this also I have an answer and it is this: First let us consider the OLD MEMBERS, let us take care of them. HOW? That can be answered through the medium of a HOME for these gallant members of our order. Build and maintain a HOME for those pioneers, who fought the good fight, give them something for their long and tried service. What will this result in? The answer is far reaching, it will bring a sense of security and contentment to those OLD MEMBERS, who by chance or GOD'S will, are left alone in the world. At the present time what becomes of them, they are forgotten, they go to the Poor House, they die and are buried in Potter's field. Is that a charitable ending to one of our own? NO, certainly not, and you will agree with me.

Charity, the A. O. H. has long known the true meaning of Charity. The A. O. H. has been charitable to all, to Irish College, to Catholic University at Washington, to Catholic Extension, to the San Francisco Earthquake victims, to the Vesuvius Volocono victims, and on numberless other occasions the A. O. H. has responded graciously to the call for Charity. Like unto the song of old, the Irish have not only "Fought Every Nations' Battle but Their OWN" but they have also "Built Every Organizations' Buildings but Their Own." Now let us think of our own, for is it not taught that "Charity begins at HOME." This great virtue has always been ours, but we have forgotten to consider our own. Is it too late? No. How can we ever forget those who have kept alive the spirit of our race and of our faith. They were the pioneers of true Hibernianism, they, our mothers and our fathers, our grandmothers and our grandfathers, they proved true, they fought and they won, they left us our Ancient Order, our Catholic Faith, and comfortable churches to practice that faith in, they left the schools for the education of our children, hospitals for our sick, convents for the good sisters and homes for the orphans. These and many more they left us, they left us all. Now let us leave something, something vital, something honorable, something to be honestly proud of, let us be Charitable to our own. A HOME for the OLD HIBERNIANS, we owe it to them.

WHAT HAVE WE TO OFFER can be answered most convincingly for those Old Hibernians. The hope of years to come, for many of them, depends upon our organization as it is today. Action at once is the only CHARITABLE solution. Let us then consider this and soon we will find a finer way to answer the "WHAT HAVE YOU TO OFFER?" of our prospective members.

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NORTHERN IRELAND CATHOLIC SCHOOLS DENIED STATE AID

\$2,500,000 Spent On 606 Protestant Institutions—Only \$35,000 On 700 Catholic Schools—Plea Is In Vain—Grants Withheld

Dublin.—While the Protestants in Southern Ireland, who once professed to fear "Rome Rule" and injustice in the event of self-government, are now, after ten years' experience of government by an overwhelming Catholic majority, loud in their recognition of the generous treatment meted out to them in all matters and especially in that of education, the Orange Government of Northern Ireland continues to provoke the protests of the Catholic minority against serious injustice inflicted upon them, and against the disabilities to which they are subjected for their religion.

Before Ireland was divided between two governments, one overwhelmingly Catholic and the other mainly Protestant, education under the British regime, though nominally undenominational, was, in practice, purely denominational. Protestants as well as Catholics insisted on religion as of first importance in education. Teachers were chosen because they could teach the tenets of those who appointed them, and of the parents of the children concerned. The school managers were, for the most part, Catholic priests and the clergy of the various denominations.

The Southern Government maintained this system and administers it with perfect equality. The Northern Government, established on the English model, is a virtually secular system. But, of course, neither Protestant nor Catholic would part with their old principle, which indeed they held in common, that religion in education is indispensable. The result in practice in the North is that Protestant schools, teaching the kind of religion they believe in, are favored in the distribution of public educational funds, and that Catholic schools, which desire, above all things, to continue the teaching of the Catholic Faith, must suffer financially for doing it.

Public Grants Withheld

In the Senate of the Northern Parliament, Senator Campbell, King's Counsel and a leading Ulster Catholic lawyer, has just pleaded in vain for official recognition of the claims of Catholics to a share of the grants provided by the State for the building and upkeep of public elementary schools. Since 1923, he said, more than \$2,500,000 had been expended upon building and reconstruction of 606 Protestant schools, while no similar aid, save for a trifle of about \$35,000, had been given to 700 Catholic schools.

Viscount Charlemont, the Northern Minister for Education, said he could see no Catholic grievance, and declared

that Northern Catholics are better off in this regard than they would be in England, or any other part of the British Commonwealth, except the Irish Free State. Which means that where the Catholics are in a majority the Protestants are given fair play and a square deal; when the Protestants are dominant, the Catholics must pay for their religion as if it were an unnecessary luxury.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY L. A. A. O. H.

Reception to State President Mary M. Doyle, Cambridge, Mass.

The reception and dinner tendered to Miss Mary M. Doyle, State President of Massachusetts Ladies' Auxiliary, in the Hotel Commander in Cambridge on Saturday evening, Dec. 12, proved to be a most auspicious event, and its success far exceeded the expectations of the committee in charge, which was comprised of the following: Miss Mary E. Gleason, Past County President, Chairman; Mrs. Annie K. Galvin, County President; Miss Mary E. Hurley, County Vice President; Secretary of Committee, Mrs. Elizabeth Tierney, County Secretary; Mrs. Theresa Flaherty, County Treasurer; Mrs. Bridget T. Carver, County Historian; Miss Ethel Hackett, County Mistress-at-Arms; Miss Carrie Dannelly, County Sentinel; and Directors Mrs. Katherine Shepard, Mrs. Catherine Carroll and Mrs. Nellie I. Norton.

A reception was held in the Hotel parlor from 6:30 to 7 o'clock. Assisting Miss Doyle in receiving were National President Mrs. Mary Martin Silk of Worcester; County President Mrs. Annie K. Galvin and Past State President Miss Mary Kinsella of Salem. Promptly at 7 o'clock the guests formed in line for the dinner march, and to the accompaniment of Maher's Orchestra, which furnished music throughout the evening, they proceeded to the banquet hall to enjoy a delightful dinner. Rev. Brother Fabian, C. F. X., Supt. of the Working Boys' Home at Newton Highlands, offered grace. Beautiful floral centerpieces adorned the guest table. The dinner courses were interspersed with community singing.

At the conclusion of the dinner, Mrs. Annie K. Galvin, as County President, extended a cordial welcome and greetings to those present and paid a friendly and sincere tribute to the honored guest of the evening. She then introduced Miss Mary Gleason as

toastmaster for the program. Miss Mary Hurley, as Secretary of the Committee, read several messages of greetings from friends far and near who were unable to be present. The following list of speakers were then introduced: Registrar of Motor Vehicles, Mr. Morgan T. Ryan, who represented Governor Ely; National President Mrs. Mary Martin Silk; Brother Fabian, C. F. X.; Mr. John E. Fenton, State President A. O. H.; Miss Mary A. Kinsella, Past State President; Senator Joseph E. Monahan of Belmont; Mr. Thomas O'Malley, Chairman of Cambridge Library Trustees; Mr. Robert C. Donovan, President Middlesex County A. O. H., and lastly Mr. Charles F. Hurley, State Treasurer of Massachusetts, who presented Miss Doyle, in behalf of her friends, with a complete Sterling silver toilet set of exquisite design. All of these speakers, knowing the guest of the evening personally, paid her glowing tributes and extended their good wishes. The speaking program was varied by the following entertainers, each of whom is an artist in his line: Mrs. Helena M. Galvin of Dorchester, vocal soloist; Mr. Thomas Quinn of Cambridge, soloist of concert and radio fame; Miss Agnes McHugh of Everett, harpist, and incidentally winner of the first prize in the A. O. H. 1931 Irish History Contest; Mrs. Annie K. Galvin, of Framingham, County President, vocal soloist, and Miss Mary McHugh of Everett, vocal soloist.

Miss Doyle, though deeply affected by the wonderful tributes paid her, responded in a most appreciative manner.

RESOLUTIONS

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submission to the will of Almighty God.

RESOLVED, that in the death of Brother Edward Ryan this Division loses a member who was always active and zealous in his work as a Hibernian, ever ready to render assistance to the needy, one who was wise in council and fearless in action, an honest and upright man whose virtue endeared him not only to the brethren of his order, but to all his fellow citizens.

RESOLVED, that this Division tender its heartfelt sympathy to his family and relatives of our deceased brother in their sad affliction.

RESOLVED, that these resolutions be entered in the minutes of Division No. 14, A. O. H., a copy of the same be forwarded to the family of our deceased brother, and a copy to the NATIONAL HIBERNIAN.

FRED CONLEY,

JAMES HUSSEY,

PATRICK HENRY MAGUIRE,

Committee, Div. No. 14.

REPORTS FROM DIVISION AND STATE OFFICERS OF A. O. H. AND LADIES' AUXILIARY

**PROGRESS AND ACTIVITY OF MANY PLACES CAN BE DUPLICATED IN ALL OTHERS—
WATCHFULNESS OF CHANCES AND SINCERITY OF ENDEAVOR ARE THE MEANS**

CALIFORNIA

CALIFORNIA HIBERNIANS TAKING LEAD ON RELIEF WORK

National Organizer Busy In California

National Organizer Michael Riordan, and State President George R. Reilly, are carrying out one of the most progressive and splendid programs ever entertained in the State of California. The suggestion of relief for the members made by National Organizer Riordan in the last issue is being carried out in a very effective manner. The Irish-American Welfare Bureau, in the Grant Bldg., and the recent opening of a home for members of the order and others who are not members but of Irish blood are being afforded relief and assistance needed during these trying times. During these times work of this kind will be a lasting tribute to the Order and the thought of helping our own people and offering them some place of comfort is receiving warm praise from those who are interested in Hibernianism in California.

His Grace, Archbishop Edw. J. Hanna, has endorsed the fine work of the State President of California and many prominent Irish men are giving financial assistance to carry the praiseworthy work onward.

State President George R. Reilly has completed a tour of the northern part of the state in behalf of Hibernianism and finds the order doing splendidly and showing great signs of progress.

The State President will visit the southern part of the state, namely, Los Angeles and San Diego, in the very near future and hopes in the near future to send an organizer south to work in that field for the benefit of the society.

The California Spirit of Progress and enthusiasm can be followed out in many other states to great advantage. The suggestion of the National Organizer Michael Riordan to do relief work amongst those who are distressed and disabled will prove of great value in later years to our society. The formation of Relief Boards in the Divisions and County Boards throughout the state to carry on this work and the raising of funds in the way of Whist parties, dances, etc., and the funds used in this worthy cause will assist in a great measure those of our people who find DEPRESSION on the front door.

CALIFORNIA IS UP AND DOING AND THEIR ACTIVITY IS PROVING THAT HIBERNIANISM IN THE STATE IS GROWING TO A DEGREE THAT WILL PUT CALIFORNIA ON THE MAP.

Young Hibernian Receives High Honor in San Francisco.

George R. Reilly, former Election Commissioner under Governor James Rolph, Jr., and State President of the A. O. H. in California, received a very distinguished honor by his appointment as a member of the official family of Mayor Angelo J. Rossi, Mayor-elect of San Francisco. His appointment to the Board of Permit Appeals was well received by his many Hibernian friends in that city. Those who attended the National Convention of the A. O. H. at Newport can well remember this young man who was selected as Assistant National Secretary and who took such an active part in convention proceedings from the California delegation.

National Organizer Michael Riordan honored young Reilly at a testimonial party in San Francisco on Saturday evening, Jan. 23, and the Mayor and other city officials attended and paid tribute to this young, energetic worker and now member of the official family of the Mayor of San Francisco. George is a member of the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce, firm of Logan and Bryan, Stock and Bond Brokers. He was elected twice as a member of the Democratic County Committee from his district and is active in Democratic affairs of his city.

Hibernians Honor Retiring Officers.

Division No. 2, A. O. H. of San Francisco, held one of the largest meetings of the year at the testimonial social meeting given in honor of the retiring officers of the Division. Frank Molloy, Division President, presided. Timothy Treacy, Past President, acted as Social Chairman. The following officers were rewarded for their wonderful work in behalf of Division No. 2 with a beautiful gift: George R. Reilly, State President, John Nilan, and Timothy Treacy. National Organizer Michael Riordan and Miss Janet McDevitt addressed the large gathering. Molly Owens Callanan, State President of the Auxiliary, also spoke to the meeting and congratulated Division No. 2 for the wonderful way in which they rewarded the good loyal workers of the Division.

A fine list of talent was presented and a real enjoyable evening was had by all present. State President George R. Reilly heads a very active committee to promote a group of fifty new members on Feb. 16, and is assisted by Division President Frank Molloy, Tim Treacy, Vincent Connolly, Frank Lynch, John Tyter, Ford O'Connell, Jas. Purcell, John Deveney, Timothy Leahy, Thos. Conroy, and John O'Connor.

SAN FRANCISCO

San Francisco Juniors

The Junior girls welcomed the distinguished Tipperary Hurlers on Oct. 13, and placed floral wreaths around their necks, similar to the Hawaiian lei. Those presenting the flowers were Eileen Taube, Bernice Gorman, Marion Ryan and Evelyn O'Neill.

On Nov. 13 the Juniors held a whist game in Hibernian Hall. Many valuable prizes were given and the girls were pleased with the co-operation given by members of the parent organization. Auction of bacon, home made cakes and a basket of groceries brought a nice sum to the proceeds. The committee in charge was Eileen Taube, Gladys Tickert, Nora and Gene O'Dea, Edna, Rita and Elenora Gowney, Patsy and Marie Courtney, Bernice Gorman, Marion Ryan, Catherine Quinlan, Catherine O'Dwyer, Eleanor Connor.

Friday evening, Dec. 11, the Juniors held their election of officers naming Catherine Quinlan as their leader for the ensuing year. After their meeting a Christmas tree party was presented. Games and the exchange of gifts were the main attractions of the evening.

The following members offered words of encouragement and wished the girls success throughout the coming year: Miss J. McDevitt, National Vice President; State President, Mrs. M. Callanan; Past State President, Mrs. M. E. Lyness; San Francisco County President, Mrs. A. Gorman; Past County President, Mrs. C. Hartley; Past County Treasurer, Mrs. M. Kilkenny; Past County President, Mrs. M. O'Connor; Miss E. Kilkenny, Division No. 2; Mrs. K. Murnin, Mrs. A. Nugent, Miss K. Murnin, Division No. 3; Mrs. O'Donoghue, Miss M. O'Connor, Mrs. Gowney, Mrs. K. Hannan, Division No. 4;

Mrs. E. Crotty, Miss Rena Taube, Division No. 9; Visitors, Miss Marie Hannan, Mrs. Ryan, Mrs. O'Hare, Francis Rynn, Jas. Gowney and Miss Margaret Murnin.

MISS RENA TAUBE,
Junior Director.

O'Connell Division, No. 9, L. A. A. O. H.

O'Connell Division, No. 9, L. A. A. O. H., in A. elected the following officers for the coming year at their meeting held in Hibernian Hall, Wednesday evening, Dec. 9: Mrs. E. Moore, President; Mrs. M. E. Lyness, Vice President; Mrs. M. McLafferty, Secretary; Mrs. A. Cummins, Financial Secretary; Mrs. M. Murphy, Treasurer; Miss A. Murnin, Mistress-at-Arms; Mrs. M. Donahue, Sentinel; Mrs. J. McGrath, Historian; Mrs. E. Crotty, Chairlady Standing Committee.

LOS ANGELES

At the meeting of Division No. 1, Los Angeles, Calif., held Dec. 2, 1931, the following officers were elected to serve in 1932: President, Chas. F. Horan; Vice President, Jas. Gallagher; Recording Secretary, Chas. J. Sommer; Financial Secretary, Ed. J. O'Connor; Treasurer, Samuel Hickson; Sentinel, Michael McCabe; Sergeant at Arms, Thomas O'Connell; Physician, Dr. Vincent Bonfiglio; Chairman of Standing Committee, Michael Horgan. Members of Standing Committee, Earl Rumsey, Thos. Shannon, John J. O'Connor, E. Mulvihill.

Plans are being formulated for the starting of a new Division at Long Beach, Calif., Division No. 1 here is only waiting for the new ritual and regalia to get going. We are just "whoopin' and hollerin', rarin' an' snortin' to go."

A. O. H. DOINGS

Chief Quinn to Address Hibernians

Chief William J. Quinn was the speaker of honor on Tuesday evening, Jan. 5, at Hibernian Hall, on "Police Department Night," held in honor of Police Officer Mervyn Pratt. The chief discussed "Gangsterism." A large class of members of the department was initiated into the Hibernian. Other speakers included Captain Michael Riordan and Senator Tim Treacy. Chief Administrator Al Cleary, a member of Division No. 2, was an honored guest.

Retiring officers, George R. Reilly, Timothy Treacy and John Nilan, were given tokens for the years of good work performed in behalf of Division No. 2.

A social meeting under the direction of Frank Molloy was presented and a fine entertainment also.

Those active on the committee included Officer Mervyn Pratt, George R. Reilly, Tim Leay, Vincent Connolly, Dr. Peter A. Tobin, Tom Niland, Thomas C. Conroy, Vincent Reilly, Leo Reilly, Frank Lynch, Ford O'Connell, John D. Tyler, James P. Purcell and others.

Toner Heads Tour

Announcement of the appointment of Dr. J. M. Toner as State Chairman of the A. O. H. Eucharistic Congress Tour committee was made recently by State President George R. Reilly.

The Hibernian party, which will be made up of 200 members of the organization and the Ladies' Auxiliary, will leave San Francisco in June and sail from New York.

Large delegations from Oakland, Los Angeles, Fresno, Sacramento and other cities will be included in the party.

Honorary vice-chairman of the committee will be Miss Janette McDevitt, former State President of the California Divisions of the Ladies' Auxiliary and Mrs. Mollie Owens Callanan, State President.

Announcement of the chairmen of local committees which will direct arrangements in various cities throughout California will be made later by State President Reilly.

VALLEJO

Installation Big Success

On Saturday evening, Dec. 12, an event of general importance and unusual interest in Hibernian circles was the visit of State President George R. Reilly, accompanied by the degree team of Division No. 5 of San Francisco, headed by State Secretary, T. P. O'Donoghue. The purpose of the visit was

to install the new Vallejo Division officers and to put on the degree work of the order. Other state officers who accompanied State President Reilly include Thomas R. O'Day, John F. Fox, Joseph J. Burns, James Kerrigan, Vincent Connolly, James Purcell, J. Devlin, James Russell D. Hennessey, Timothy McCarthy, and many others.

Immediately following the installation and degree work a splendid banquet and entertainment was presented by the Vallejo Division. Among those entertaining include Dr. Mullany, Dan O'Mahoney, James Kerrigan.

Division President H. S. L. Hutchison sounded a keynote for progress in his plea for harmony, cooperation and the future work of the order. He stated that he alone was not responsible for the splendid response tonight—that it was due in a large part to the wonderful efforts of all the brothers who have interested themselves in the progress of Hibernians in Vallejo. He thanked the state officers and visiting brothers for their attendance on this occasion.

A great deal of credit is due to T. P. O'Donoghue for the time spent in Vallejo in reorganizing this Division, which it seems will be in the near future one of the outstanding Divisions in California. The Christmas spirit prevailed at the banquet and a good and happy feeling dominated the large attendance. After the exchange of Christmas greetings and New Year good wishes, the San Francisco delegation started homeward feeling that in the city of Vallejo, the flag of Hibernianism will continue to wave, and that under the leadership of President Hutchison the year 1932 will bring greater prosperity and success to their endeavors and hard work. State President Reilly, in his address to the large gathering, assured them of his co-operation and the loyalty of the State Board in whatever they ask for. Past President Thomas R. O'Day offered congratulations for the splendid efforts and fine work being performed in Vallejo, and recalled with a great deal of pride the wonderful Vallejo convention that has gone down in history as one of the best ever. Other state officials spoke and offered congratulations.

A. O. H. DOINGS

At the regular meeting held in Hibernia Hall on Friday evening, Dec. 4, John G. Duffy, the popular President of the Division, was re-elected. The following officers were also re-elected to office for the ensuing year: James P. Devlin, Vice President; T. P. O'Donoghue, Financial Secretary; Thomas Walsh, Chairman of the Standing Committee; William Loftus, Marshal; James Meehan, Sentinel. New officers elected were Frank Powers, who succeeds the veteran James J. Barry as Treasurer, and James Madden, who succeeds Hugh O'Neill as Recording Secretary.

The installation of officers was conducted by County President Joseph J. Burns on Friday evening, Dec. 18, in Hibernia Hall.

Division No. 17

The newly-elected officers of Division No. 17, Ancient Order of Hibernians, were installed Monday night, Dec. 21, by County Board President Joseph Burns, in Hibernian Hall, 454 Valencia Street.

The incoming board of officers includes President, J. J. Mulvihill; Vice President, P. J. Crowley; Financial Secretary, George P. Mahoney; Recording Secretary, J. J. Curtin; Treasurer, John J. Morrissey; Sergeant-at-Arms, Cornelius Finnegan; Bernard Naughton, Chairman Standing Committee.

A dozen turkeys were given away during the evening.

The quarterly social of Division No. 17, A. O. H., will be held Monday night, Jan. 4, in Hibernian Hall.

LOS ANGELES

Los Angeles Hibernians, in preparation for what promises to be an eventful year, elected Past National Director C. F. Horan as President of the Division for the year 1932. Brother Horan, who was laid up at his residence with a slight attack of the flu was notified that he was elected or rather drafted, and he kindly consented to take the reins to lead the forces. The Division is very fortunate in his selection as his past record as President, County President, a double term as State President and four years as National Director, in each office of which he has accomplished splendid results, augurs well for the success of Hibernianism in Los Angeles during the new year. The other officers elected include James Gallagher, Vice-President; Samuel Hickson, re-elected Treasurer; Edward J. O'Connor, re-elected Financial Secretary; C. J. Somers, re-elected Corresponding Secretary; Thomas O'Connell, re-elected Warden; Michael Horrigan, re-elected Chairman of the standing committee; and M. J. McCabe, Inside Guard.

The installation of officers will take place on Jan. 6 at an open meeting to which all members of the Ladies' Auxiliary and all friends of the Order are invited. A closed

meeting for the transaction of necessary business will be held at 7:30 p. m., a half hour earlier than usual, and will be over at 8 p. m., when the hall will be thrown open. An unusually attractive program is being prepared for the evening.

Geo. R. Reilly Enters Insurance Business

George R. Reilly, well-known in Irish and fraternal circles here, has entered the insurance field as a broker. His wide circle of friends here in San Francisco assures him of success. As a broker his clients have the advantage of placing their insurance in any company. Mr. Reilly enters the insurance field writing all types of insurance, including automobile, fire, theft, life, and other types of general insurance. His office phone temporarily is Randolph 3459 or Douglas 5070.

Sacramento Plans

Members of Division No. 1, A. O. H. of Sacramento, recently held a meeting and discussed plans for their 1932 Saint Patrick's Day celebration. The Municipal Auditorium has been secured for the entertainment and the grand ball, Mar. 17. The general plans for the celebration have been placed in the hands of the following: William Douglas, Chairman; Daniel Galvin, Secretary; Terrence Mulligan, Treasurer.

A large gathering of Hibernians, ladies of the Auxiliary and friends, witnessed the installation of officers of Division No. 1, A. O. H., at an open meeting on Jan. 6. The ceremony was conducted by the Chaplain, Rev. Gerald O'Keeffe. A program of entertainment followed. It included step dances by Miss Somers, Miss Mary Regan and M. McCabe, the rendition of Irish melodies on the violin and accordion by C. J. Connors, M. Mulaney and Steve Hickson.

Short addresses were made by Father O'Keeffe, Patrick Henry, F. McDonald, P. J. Mullins, Miss Anna M. Prendergast, President of Division No. 1; Mrs. C. Henry, President of Division No. 2 of the Auxiliary; Mrs. Carter, Mrs. Marie Forrester, Miss Sophie Devine and others. Refreshments were served and a dance followed.

The officers installed are: C. F. Horan, President; James Gallagher, Vice President; E. J. O'Connor, Financial Secretary; C. J. Somers, Recording Secretary; Samuel Hickson, Treasurer; Thomas O'Connell, Sentinel; M. McCabe, Warden; Michael Horrigan, Chairman of Standing Committee, and Dr. V. Bonfiglio, physician.

President Horan outlined the plans of the order locally for the coming year. The Biltmore hotel has been engaged for a banquet and ball on the night of March 17.

CANADA

IRISHMEN WILL

CELEBRATE FEAST

Irishmen in Montreal will attach more significance than ever to celebration of St. Patrick's Day this year, it was brought out recently at the annual meeting of the United Irish Societies of Montreal in Hibernian Hall. Mar. 17, 1932, marks the fifteen-hundredth anniversary of the landing of St. Patrick in Ireland. Tradition, borne out by Irish history, shows that St. Patrick landed with crozier and the word of God in Erin in the year 432.

And so Irishmen will fete St. Patrick's Day with particular vigor, it was decided. Besides the wearing of the green for Ireland's sake and in support of Irish charities, the annual St. Patrick's parade will be held, it being decided to stage the event on Sunday, Mar. 13, and to make it more Irish than ever.

A feature of the meeting was the re-election of Herbert E. Potter as President of the United Irish Societies. Other officers elected were: Peter Doyle, Vice President; William J. Hickey, Jr., Secretary; John Loye, Director of Publicity and Allegorical Design; Patrick Quinn, Treasurer, and

Thomas Carter, Thomas Kierans, J. Boyle, George O'Brien and C. F. Fox, auxiliary officers.

This year's parade will embody the colorful Irish features of recent years, including symbolical floats and allegorical cars, and promises to surpass any previous demonstration of its kind in Montreal. It was intimated that invitations would be sent to fellow gael in other Canadian cities to participate, and a special committee was named to consider this proposition.

QUEBEC

Hibernians Hold Their Annual Elections

The monthly meeting of the County Board of the Ancient Order of Hibernians was held in their hall, Richmond Street, the County President, Peter Doyle, presiding, while other officers were in attendance.

The election of officers for the different Divisions must be held during this month.

No. 1 Division elected their officers on Monday, Dec. 14. No. 7 followed suit on Friday, the 18th. No. 5 Division, Rosemount, elected their leaders on Monday, the 21st. The other Divisions will select their officers on their regular meeting nights. This is an important event in the progress of any organization, and there should be a full attendance of members at the annual elections.

Hibernians Elect Their Officers

At a meeting of Division No. 1 held recently, the annual election of officers took place.

Bro. J. A. Lanigan, who for years has acted very efficiently as Recording Secretary of the Division was unanimously elected President. The other officers are Bro. J. Mooney, Vice-President, re-elected; Bro. P. Boyle, Treasurer, re-elected; Bro. J. A. Murray, Financial Secretary, re-elected; Bro. H. McArn, Recording Secretary; Bro. P. J. Hyland, Chairman Standing Committee; Bro. H. Dunlop, Sentinel; Bro. B. Fenelon, Sergeant-at-Arms.

Division No. 7 had a crowded meeting recently, and the election of officers for 1932 resulted as follows: Bro. P. J. Scullion, President; Bro. J. Powell, Vice-President; Bro. A. E. Burns, Treasurer; Bro. J. J. Quinn, Recording Secretary, re-elected; Bro. R. Craven, Financial Secretary, re-elected; Bro. S. G. Foster, Chairman Standing Committee. Sentinel; Bro. B. Fenelon, Sergeant-at-Arms. Bro. R. E. Burns.

The officers of Division No. 2 will be elected at the first meeting of the Division in January.

Division No. 5 had a one hundred per cent attendance at their annual election.

The officers elected for the 1932 term were: President, Bro. E. McAllindon; Vice-President, Bro. J. Murphy; Recording Secretary, Bro. C. McEvoy; Financial Secretary, Bro. T. P. Grimes; Treasurer, Bro. J. H. McEvoy; Chairman Standing Committee Bro. L. T. Martin; Sergeant-At-Arms, Bro. D. McNelis; Sentinel, Bro. T. G. Murphy.

Bro. P. Slaney, Division No. 1, was present and assisted in the election ceremony. The election was conducted by Bro. E. McGilly.

The annual report for the year 1931 was presented and notwithstanding the prevailing adverse conditions, it was considered very satisfactory. The Division will present a class of candidates for initiation at the January meeting, and thus make a very encouraging start for the year 1932 by augmenting the membership. This is a good New Year's resolution boys, keep it up, and keep turning over new leaves every month if each turn brings results.

The installation of officers of all Divisions will be held in January, and it is evident that the County President and staff will have a busy month.

MONTREAL

Hochelaga County

The year 1931 has passed into memory, and we might with truth say it has departed unwept, unhonored, and unsung. The past year has been a trying one, not only for this organization, but for any organization which has charity as one of its guiding principles.

Our Divisions in Montreal are standing the test and using every available means to help our less fortunate brothers. Optimism, however, prevails in our ranks, and all are looking forward to the year 1932 to provide more sunshine than 1931.

The elections for 1932 have been held by three Divisions of this county with the following results: Division No. 1: J. A. Lanigan, President; J. Mooney, Vice President; P.

Boyle, Treasurer; H. McAran, Recording Secretary; J. A. Murray, Financial Secretary; P. J. Hyland, Chairman Standing Committee; H. Dunlop, Sentinel; B. Fenelon, Sergeant-at-Arms. Division No. 5: E. McAllindon, President; J. Murphy, Vice President; J. H. McEvoy, Treasurer; C. J. McEvoy, Recording Secretary; T. P. Grimes, Financial Secretary; L. T. Martin, Chairman Standing Committee; T. G. Murphy, Sentinel; D. McNelis, Sergeant-at-Arms. Division No. 7: P. J. Scullion, President; J. Powell, Vice President; A. E. Burns, Treasurer; J. J. Quinn, Recording Secretary; R. Craven, Financial Secretary; S. G. Foster, Chairman Standing Committee; T. Brennan, Sentinel; R. E. Burns, Sergeant-at-Arms.

The installation of the officers of Division No. 7 was held on Friday, Jan. 8, the County President, Brother Peter Doyle, being the installing officer. The Rev. Father Byrd, Assistant St. Michael's Church and Division Chaplain, was present and addressed the meeting at considerable length. He took great pride in reminding them that he was an old member of the Order, having been initiated a member of Division No. 7 over ten years ago. He regretted his duties prevented him from attending meetings regularly. The Rev. Father referred to the attacks being made on the Catholic Church, both in press and pulpit, and gave some excellent advice on how to counteract those attacks. Father Byrd was generously applauded on resuming his seat, and a standing vote of thanks was passed and conveyed to him by the President, Brother Scullion. Brother T. Kierans, Canadian National Vice President, and Brother P. Doyle, County President, also addressed the meeting.

At the conclusion of the regular business a "smoker" was held, and an excellent program of vocal and instrument music was rendered, the following brothers contributing: E. McAllindon, W. P. Hickey, J. A. Lanigan, T. Duffin, J. J. Quinn, H. Dunlop, J. Wood, R. Craven, W. McLarnon, and F. McGilly. The large number of visiting brothers and the members of the Division enjoyed the program given to the fullest extent and a rousing vote of thanks by the visitors was given to the officers of No. 7 for the successful manner in which the entertainment was handled, coupled with the hopes of an early "encore."

Division No. 1 held a very successful meeting on Monday, Jan. 11, and the hall was packed to capacity by visitors and members of the Division. The officers elected in December were installed by the County President, Brother P. Doyle.

The usual entertainment followed the conclusion of the regular meeting, the following members contributing to the program: J. Doran, W. McLarnon, P. J. Hyland, J. Lyng, P. Boyle, J. A. Lanigan, and E. McAllindon.

The members were addressed by Brother T. Kierans, Canadian National Vice President, Brother Pat. Keane, Past Canadian National Vice President, and Brother W. Casey.

The officers of Division No. 1 are veteran members of the Order, and the Division made no mistake when it selected a staff of such energetic and enthusiastic officers. They will undoubtedly live up to the best traditions of this, the oldest Division in the Province. Both Divisions No. 1 and No. 7 have leaders in whom their members have the utmost confidence, and they may be looked to to discharge faithfully their duties during 1932.

The United Irish Societies decided at their meeting on Jan. 10 to hold the annual St. Patrick's Day parade this year on Sunday afternoon, Mar. 13. Mr. Herbert Potter, the hard working President, is out to make this year's celebration even better than last year's, and in this respect he will have the undivided support of this organization. The celebration this year takes on a deeper religious significance than previous celebrations, inasmuch as 1932 marks the 1500th anniversary of the landing of St. Patrick on the green shores of Erin in 432. The Montreal Irish will be out to demonstrate on Mar. 13, that the faith which St. Patrick implanted in the hearts of their forefathers 1,500 years ago is still alive and potent after centuries of persecution and exile.

Last year's parade was the best ever witnessed in Montreal. We are out to make this year's better.

Best wishes are extended to all our conferees across the line.

F. McGILLY,
County Secretary.

MONTREAL

The annual Martyrs' Day celebration took place this year here on Sunday, Nov. 15. The nearest Sunday obtainable to the anniversary of the execution of Allen, Larkin and O'Brien in Manchester in the year 1867. In the church of St. Ann where the Solemn High Mass is usually chanted, the Forty Hours Devotion would have been in progress Nov. 22, so, in deference to the wish of the Pastor plans were changed to one week earlier.

It might be mentioned here that at the southern boundary of St. Ann's parish and about a

stone throw from the great St. Lawrence river stands a little cemetery in which rests a giant boulder—monolith like—bearing a short inscription, yet telling the story of eight thousand Irish exiles men, women and children, who are buried beneath its shadow, victims of England's government-made famine during 1847-48, two holocaust years for the Irish race.

It is for these eight thousand victims—a grim relic at our doors of that period and for the million other exiles, similarly affected at that time and whose bones mark a white streak on the sea beds or mingle with the soil on foreign shores; for the great men and women whom Ireland produced in her time whose names and deeds will be ever remembered by Irish people; for all who died in Ireland or in foreign lands, directly or indirectly the result of the heartless and cruel laws of the alien invader, we honor and pray for on Manchester Martyrs' Day, and so that that day may be better remembered we now include all who suffered and died for Ireland and named it in our category of activities as Martyr's Day.

Sunday, the day of our celebration was fine, dry and cool, though darkened skies, from early morn, threatened bad weather.

The procession to the church for the Solemn High Mass was led by the Montreal Tramways band and playing Ireland's marching music was but a short walk from Hibernian Hall. With a Green, White and Orange flag in front, a company of Hibernian Knights ninety strong, captained by County President Peter Doyle followed in the wake of the band and led a smart looking body of the A. O. H. Following the Order came fine representations of St. Ann's Young Men's Society, Cumnann na bHan and Gaelic League. In the rear line of the procession were the A. O. H. officers and invited guests.

Arriving at the entrance to the church the Hibernian Knights and processionists stood and opened their ranks; and while the band played "God Save Ireland" the A. O. H. officers, Civic, Provincial and Federal Administrators and the invited guests passed through the formal guard of honor to special seats inside.

Within the church and suspended from the ceiling was a large golden crown from which draped four large streamers of Green, White and Orange the ends of which were neatly tied to pillars. Six tall stands topped with cone-shaped clusters of lights as well as large pots of palms and drooping ferns adorned the floor of the sanctuary. High above the main altar stood a large golden Celtic cross studded with lights which outlined it beautifully reverently reminding us of the Faith of Patrick as well as the tireless Sentinel at every outpost of Ireland's march to full nationhood. Tiny vigil lights in clever clusters reposed in the various little recesses of the high altar completed a sight well worth seeing. The whole combination of coloring, everywhere softly blending, was a splendid presentation of Ireland's national colors.

While we waited for the congregation to be seated and the sanctuary boys take their places we happily listened to Prof. McCaffrey at the organ playing in soft low tones Moore's sweet Irish melodies.

The celebrant of the Mass was: Rev. J. McGinnis, C. Ss. R., Sub-Deacon, Rev. Henry Bartley, C. Ss. R., the pastor, and Deacon, Rev. A. Murphy, C. Ss. R.

After the Gospel Father Bartley ascended the pulpit and to the large gathering said: "In my name and in the name of my parishioners I offer the Ancient Order of Hibernians and to all who have contributed to the success of today's celebration a heartfelt and wholesome welcome to the bosom of old St. Ann's." What a touching tribute to today's generation! What a thrill these words produced.

Father Michael O'Brien, pastor of St. Anthony's, and the preacher of the special sermon, in part said:

"But the Providence who aided the early Christians never forsook the children of Erin. Long centuries before her National Rights were usurped her scholarly sons had carried the torch of knowledge throughout the boundaries of Europe—and at home—on Erin's fair heart, did they impress the flower of Divine Love and Service which has never faded.

"It is here worthy members of the Ancient Order of Hibernians that I wish to pay the special tribute of the church to you and your predecessors—when it was a crime to assist at Mass. Your ancient order protected at the price of martyrdom the Lord's anointed who in secret cove or shady mountain side offered up the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass—This they did conscientiously and in a God-fearing manner during all the years of penal servitude. How true and faithful were they not? Were they not Knights in the immediate service of the Lord? and when it came to the defense of their fellow compatriots in the search of freedom and liberty were they not still as true,—as the worthy sires who preceded them.

"This day we commemorate the anniversary of the death of three devoted sons of Erin, who in the disturbed area of Manchester, England, were arrested when ready to rescue their brothers of Irish Nationality, unfortunately the guard was shot in the prison van and five men arrested as the murderers. All denied guilt whilst two

of the five were liberated though equally guilty in circumstantial evidence. The tragedy of the Manchester Martyrs will always go down in history as a condemnation lacking the justice that is the right of all citizenship. The premier at the time was appealed to, but refused reprieve or commutation and Allan, Larkin and O'Brien gave their lives for the cause of Irish liberty as many more of her sons had done.

"Like the persecutions of the early ages, can we not find a Divine blessing in Ireland's sons and daughters, who by force or at will left home, to find freedom and religious liberty in other lands.

"The exodus of a century ago to the present hour, seems Providential. Wherever Ireland's children went they carried the faith coupled with the ideals of true manhood and womanhood. Suffering must be changed into joy or the prophecy of the Master would be at nought; and today in distant Australia, in South Africa, America and Canada, hundreds of thousands of Ireland's descendants smile, and giving thanks acknowledge the hand of God directing their course."

During the Consecration the Hibernian Knights, who held honor seats close to the altar steps, stood and gave salute to the King of Kings.

Following the Mass Father O'Brien officiated at the singing of the solemn Libera and offered for the souls of the Famine victims as well as for all Ireland's martyred people.

Prominent in the church were: Mr. John Sullivan, K. C., M. P., Honorable Joseph H. Dillon, K. C., M. L. A., Alderman Thomas O'Connell (representing the Mayor) Alderman Tailfer, Alderman J. Gibbons, of Verdun, Thomas Kierans, Canadian Vice President, A. O. H., Patrick Keane, Past Canadian Vice President, Peter Doyle, County President and Past Canadian Vice President, Owen J. Ahearn, Past Provincial President and County Treasurer, John P. Boyle, Provincial President, William Hickey, Jr., Provincial Secretary Edward J. McAllindon, Provincial Treasurer Joseph Boudro, Provincial Organizer, Tobias Kavanagh, County Vice President, Frank McGilly, County Secretary, and Joseph Lanigan, County Financial Secretary, Mr. F. Collins, President of St. Patrick's Society, Mr. J. Cullen, President of St. Ann's Young Men's Society, Mr. Thomas Kane, Grand Knight, K. of C., Mr. H. Potter, President of United Irish Societies.

Special seats were reserved for the Ladies' Auxiliary, and those present were: Miss Nora Kavanagh, Canadian Vice President, Mrs. Mary Connolly, Provincial President, Mrs. Slaney, Provincial Vice President, Mrs. Katie Callaghan, County President, Mrs. Agnes Parizeau, Mrs. M. Mallette, Miss M. Slaney, Miss Evelyn Bridgetts and Miss Rita O'Connor.

A very Happy New Year to all our readers.

CONNECTICUT

A. O. H. Social.

A social held Thursday evening, Jan. 28, by the Meriden Division of the Ancient Order of Hibernians at Horrigan's Hall was largely attended by members of the Division and guests from this city, Waterbury, Ansonia, New Haven and East Hampton. An entertainment was furnished, following which a corned beef and cabbage supper was served.

Among the speakers of the evening were the Rev. Jeremiah J. Duggan, pastor of St. Joseph's Church and County Chaplain and Chaplain of the local Division, the Rev. William B. Sullivan and the Rev. Thomas B. O'Connell, both assistants at St. Joseph's Church, Michael J. Connolly of New Haven, National Director; John H. McNamara of Ansonia, State President; Peter J. Griffin of Waterbury, State Treasurer of the order and President pro tem of the waterbury Board of Aldermen; William P. Looney of New Haven, County President; State Representative John Fitzgerald of Ansonia and Patrick J. Collins, former President of the local Division. The speakers were introduced by President Richard C. Kiniry, and the supper was served under the direction of Owen F. Flynn.

The entertainers included Martin J. O'Brien of this city, tenor soloist, and the following from Waterbury, William Delaney, tenor soloist; McKenna brothers, tap dancers; Peter Crowley, reels and jigs, and Edward Doyle, comedian. Mrs. Madeline Dreyer of Waterbury was the accompanist.

HARTFORD

At the annual meeting of the Hartford Branch, Ancient Order of Hibernians, held in Hibernian Hall, Bernard Gray was elected President. More than 200 members attended the meeting. Mr. Gray has been Chairman of the Sick Visiting Committee for several years and for the past year has been Vice President of the organization.

The other officers elected were as follows: Vice President, John J. Hayes; Financial Secretary, James A. Burns; Treasurer, M. Cole Kennedy; Recording Secretary, Dennis Barnacle; Hall Trustees, Maurice O'Connor, P. J.

Meehan, John Horgan, Thomas J. Salway, Michael Sarsfield, and Bernard Gray; Standing Committee, John Horgan, Chairman, Dennis Barnacle, Michael Green, Maurice Foley, and Maurice O'Connor; Sick Visiting Committee, Edward J. Hayes and Patrick J. Tully; Publicity Committee, Thomas G. Salway and Bernard Gray; Finance Committee, Michael F. Treahy, Michael Green, and John P. Hickey; Employment Committee, M. Cole Kennedy, Thomas G. Salway, and Eugene Flynn; Sergeant-at-Arms, Thomas Leahy; Inside Guard, John Curtin; Outside Guard, Thomas Ledwick.

Charles H. Corrigan, County President, installed the officers and gave an interesting address on the activities of the Order in Hartford County at the regular monthly meeting of the Branch Jan. 17. John Horgan, the retiring President, who presided at the meeting, was presented with a fraternal emblem, suitably inscribed, in appreciation of his services to the organization.

At a special meeting of Division No. 1, Ancient Order of Hibernians of Danbury, held in Moose Temple recently, officers were elected for the coming year and arrangements were made for the holding of a number of events during the winter months.

Councilman John W. Dunleavy, who has held the office of President for the past sixteen years, declined a re-election owing to a pressure of other business. Andrew W. Conniff was elected President, being advanced from the office of Treasurer. Rev. James J. Kane was re-elected Chaplain. Other officers elected were as follows: Vice-President, James E. Gildea; Financial Secretary, Hugh F. McDermott; Recording Secretary, John H. Mann; Treasurer, Patrick Tracy; Sentinel, Patrick Gildea; Sergeant-at-Arms, Michael McGrath; Chairman of Standing Committee, Thomas Moran.

Saturday night, Mar. 19, was decided upon as the date for holding the annual St. Patrick's social and dance of the Division. This event is an outstanding social event of long standing and has attracted a large crowd of patrons each year. A committee of arrangements is already working on plans, and efforts will be made to have the coming social eclipse those of former years. A membership drive is to be inaugurated following the installation of the newly elected officers.

HARTFORD

Hartford Branch, A. O. H., Elects Officers

At the annual meeting of the Hartford Branch, Ancient Order of Hibernians, held in Hibernian hall on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 20, Bernard Gray was elected President. More than 200 members attended the meeting. Mr. Gray has been chairman of the sick visiting committee for several years and for the past year has been Vice-President of the organization.

The other officers elected were: Vice-President, John J. Hayes; Financial Secretary, James A. Burns; Treasurer, M. Cole Kennedy; Recording Secretary, Dennis Barnacle; Hall Trustees, Maurice O'Connor, P. J. Meehan, John Horgan, Thomas J. Salway, Michael Sarsfield and Bernard Gray; standing committee; John Horgan, Chairman, Dennis Barnacle, Michael Green, Maurice Foley and Maurice O'Connor; sick visiting committee, Edmond J. Hayes and Patrick J. Tully; publicity committee; Thomas G. Salway and Bernard Gray.

John Horgan, retiring president, presided at the meeting.

200 at Joint Installation of A. O. H. and Auxiliary

A joint installation of officers of Ladies' Auxiliary, Div. No. 26, and Father Joynt Branch, A. O. H., was held yesterday in Moose Hall, Main Street. About 200 Hibernians from all over the state assembled for the occasion.

The meeting opened with greetings from the retiring Branch President, Michael J. Enright, after which the meeting was turned over to Mrs. Mary Herlihy, New London County Auxiliary President, who installed officers of Division No. 26. Edward J. Sullivan of Norwich, County Branch President, then took charge and installed officers of Father Joynt Branch.

The following auxiliary officers were installed: President, Miss Mary Maloney; Vice President, Mrs. Frank Spelman; Recording Secretary—Mrs. Patrick Kane; Financial Secretary, Mrs. Catherine Dray; Mistress-at-Arms, Mrs. Bridget Saunders; Sentinel, Mrs. Josephine McQuillan; Chairman of Standing Committee, Mrs. M. Murphy; Chairman of Irish History, Katherine Horan.

The branch officers installed were: President, Frank D. Kennedy; Vice President, Thomas Quill; Recording and Financial Secretary, George M. Kennedy; Treasurer, William T. May; Sentinel, Patrick J. Murphy; Sentinel, Florence Sullivan; Chairman of Standing Committee, William Lonergan; Marshal, J. C. Sullivan.

Following the installation ceremonies the gathering sang the Star Spangled Banner and God Save Ireland, before the speaking program and banquet got under way. Mrs. Margaret Watterson was at the piano.

William T. May, Past State President of the branch, presided over the program and introduced the following speakers: the Rev. Timothy M. Crowley, County Chaplain; Frank D. Kennedy, Branch President; John McNamara of Ansonia, State President of the branch; Mrs. Ellen Garvin of Hartford, State President of the auxiliary; John Reiley of Meriden, State Secretary of the branch; Eileen Milligan of New Haven, Past State President of the auxiliary; James Moran of Meriden, State Chairman of Irish History; Mrs. Mary Herlihy of this city, County President of the auxiliary; Edward J. Sullivan of Norwich County President of the branch and James Finnigan of Norwich, Past County President. John McKenna, President of the Norwich Division also attended.

The banquet table was arranged in the form of a large letter H. Members of Division No. 26 served a bountiful repast.

Mrs. Brooks of Norwich, Mrs. McIninch and B. F. Heim entertained with solos and instrumental music was furnished by Mr. Greenman and daughter.

NEW HAVEN

On Sunday, Nov. 29, in New London, there was a joint installation of the Ladies' Auxiliary, A. O. H., and Father Joynt Branch of the men's division of the A. O. H., held in Moose Hall on Main Street. More than 200 members attended. The meeting was called to order by Past President Michael E. Enright. Prayer was offered by the Rev. Dr. T. M. Crowley, pastor of St. Mary's Star of the Sea Church. The meeting then was turned over to Mrs. Mary E. Herlihy, County President of New London County, who installed the officers of the Ladies' Auxiliary, No. 26, and County President Edward E. Sullivan of Norwich, who installed the officers of the men's branch. Father Crowley paid a glowing tribute to the Irish and the part they played in many wars. Among those attending from around the state were state and county officers, John McNamara, Ansonia, State President; John Reilly, State Secretary, Meriden; James Moran, Meriden, State Historian of Irish History; James Finigan of Norwich and Past County President of New London County, Joseph T. Nevins of Taftville; Ella Garvin, West Hartford ladies' State President; Eileen Mulligan, New Haven, State Past President; Mary E. Herlihy, County President, New London; Rev. Father Butler, New London. The above-mentioned were all speakers of the evening. Susan Malone, Past County President, Taftville, and Frank D. Kennedy, New London. Dinner was served at 5:30 o'clock. An entertainment followed, which included solos by Mrs. Brooks of Norwich and Mrs. McIninch of New London. Officers of Auxiliaries 18 and 54 of Norwich were also present and Auxiliary 20 of Taftville. Officers installed were as follows: Auxiliary 26: Mary E. Maloney, President; Ellen Spelman, Vice-President; Katherine Kane, Recording Secretary; Katherine Dray, Financial Secretary; Sarah Mansfield, Treasurer; Bridget Saunders, Mistress-at-Arms; Josephine McQuillan, Sentinel; Katherine Horan, Irish Historian; Mary Murphy, Chairlady Standing Committee. Father Joynt Branch: Frank D. Kennedy, President; Thomas Quill, Vice-President; George Kennedy, Financial Secretary and Recording Secretary; William T. May, Treasurer; Florence Sullivan, Sergeant-at-Arms; Patrick Murphy, Sentinel; Timothy C. Sullivan, Marshal; William Lonergan, Chairman Standing Committee.

WATERBURY

Sunday afternoon, Jan. 24, Hibernian Hall in Waterbury was crowded with members of the order from around Connecticut when a joint installation of officers was held by the Monsignor Slocum Division of the Ancient Order of Hibernians and Divisions No. 5 and No. 57, Ladies' Auxiliary, A. O. H. In addition to the joint installation plans were discussed for the merging of Division 3 with the Monsignor Slocum Division.

The officers of the Ladies' Auxiliaries were installed by Mrs. James Shanley of New Haven, County President, and she was assisted by Mrs. Mary Halligan, County Vice President, and Miss Nellie McCarthy, retiring President of Division 5 of Waterbury.

County President William P. Looney, of New Haven, installed the officers of the Monsignor Slocum Division, and he was assisted by State Chairman James H. Moran of Meriden and John Parkinson, President of the Naugatuck Division.

Mrs. Shanley, Miss McCarthy, Miss Rose Shanahan, President of Division 57, and Miss Jennie Daly, retiring Sentinel of Division 57, were presented gifts.

Among the honored guests and speakers present were: National Director Michael J. Connelly of New Haven; Past National Director John Donnelly of Bristol, State President John H. McNamara of Ansonia, State Vice President William Smithwick of Bristol, State Secretary John C. Reilly of Meriden, State Treasurer Peter Griffin of Waterbury, State Chairman of Irish History James H. Moran of Meriden, State Organizer and Director Juvenile Divisions Michael Enright of New London, Past State President Eileen Mulligan of New Haven, State Historian Daisy Lord of Waterbury, County President William Looney of New Haven, County Chaplain, Rev. Jeremiah J. Duggan of Meriden, County President Mrs. James Shanley of New Haven, County Vice President Mrs. Mary Halligan of New Haven, former New Haven County Chaplain Rev. Joseph Rice of Danbury, President Loretta Cashen of the East Hampton Auxiliary, former President Mrs. Margaret Cashman of the Meriden Auxiliary, President John Parkinson of the Naugatuck Division, President Richard C. Kiniry of the Meriden Division, Trustee Joseph O'Brien of the Meriden Division, President Mrs. Mary Smith of the Naugatuck Auxiliary, and Vice President Mrs. Mary Sheehan of the West Haven Auxiliary.

Father Duggan delivered an excellent talk on "Hibernianism" and traced the history of the order. He urged all to get the priests in their respective parishes interested in the order and to receive Holy Communion at least once a year in a body. The other speakers laid stress on building up the order.

Edward Doyle, who was installed again as President of the Monsignor Slocum Division, acted as master of ceremonies and introduced the various speakers and entertainers. A luncheon was served and music was furnished by the County Mayo Boys orchestra.

The entertainers included: Dorothy Sternberg, dancing; Christine Shanahan, songs; McKenna Brothers, tap dancing; Michael Wallace, Irish songs; Miss Dolly Carroll, dancing specialty; Miss Dorothy Byron, dancing specialty; Mrs. Sue Fox Drufa, solo; Peter Crowley, reel and jig dancing; Miss Betty Dyling, eccentric dancing; Bobby Scanlon, songs and dances; William Delaney, solo; Miss Marjorie Glynn, song and dance; Miss Betty Maher, solo; John Freeman, Irish songs. The County Mayo Boys of New Haven played for the dancing that followed.

The committee in charge of the event consisted of Timothy Horgan, Edward Ryan, Patrick Griffin, Timothy Quane and John Griffin of Msgr. Slocum branch, Mrs. Julia Kyle, Mrs. Mary Branigan, Mrs. B. Dunn, Mrs. Margaret Grenier and Mrs. B. Rafferty of Div. 5, and Mrs. Marsella Cusick, Mrs. Dorothy McBride, Miss Nora Fitzgerald, Mrs. Katherine Dowd, and Mrs. Margaret Dowling of Div. 57.

MERIDEN

The Meriden Division following its recent large initiation, when 80 candidates were received into the order and given the degrees by the Abington, Mass., degree team, has taken steps to organize a degree team of its own. Stanley Buckley, chairman of the degree team committee, called for candidates Sunday morning, Jan. 24, and about 20 responded. Such enthusiasm was displayed that the committee decided to carry 30 members on the degree team and choir. The next rehearsal will be held on Monday evening, Feb. 1, at St. Joseph's school hall, which the Rev. Jeremiah J. Duggan, County Chaplain, has generously donated for the use of the team.

The Division also has plans in the work for the organization of an athletic association and a bugle, fife and drum corps among the members of the Junior Division of the order.

Another drive for members also has been started and the Meriden Division will hold a corn beef and cabbage supper at Horrigan's hall on Thursday night, Jan. 28, to start the ball rolling. It is hoped to have another class as large as the last to initiate at some date around St. Patrick's Day.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

BROOKLAND

A very interesting ceremony took place at St. Anthony's School, Brookland, D. C., when representatives of the Commodore John Barry Division, A. O. H., and of the District Board of the Ladies' Auxiliary presented to Miss Margaret Grant, an eighth grade pupil of that school, a check for fifty dollars, from the national treasurer of the A. O. H., said check being the first prize for class B essays on Irish history.

The presentation was made by Sir Patrick J. Haltigan, K. S. S., past national director, A. O. H., in the presence of the pupils of the school, who were assembled in the music room by the Sisters in charge of the school.

Bro. Haltigan delivered an eloquent and forceful address, urging the pupils to emulate Miss

Grant in the example she had set, and wishing them the same measure of success.

Brief introductory remarks were made by the Rev. Patrick E. Conroy, pastor of St. Anthony's Church. Rev. T. N. McCarthy, District Chaplain of the A. O. H. and Ladies Auxiliary also delivered an address along the lines of and supplementing Bro. Haltigan's oration. He exhorted the children to give more attention and closer study to the facts of Irish history, and to what has been accomplished by our race in furthering the interest of church and state in this country.

Mrs. Margaret B. Daly and Miss Elizabeth Lynn, representing the Ladies Auxiliary, warmly complimented the young lady in whose honor we had assembled, as well as the good Sisters who had encouraged and urged the pupils to take up the work which had such a happy consummation in the exercises of the day.

Bro. Martin Dufficy and Counselor James Conlon, members of the committee, spoke briefly and urged all present, teachers and pupils, to continue to maintain the splendid reputation now borne by St. Anthony's School, not only in the matter of writing prize winning essays, but in keeping at the front in all other branches of learning.

Seated on the stage were Mr. and Mrs. Paul Grant, parents of Miss Margaret Grant, and their happy faces bespoke the pride they felt in their talented young daughter.

Patrick H. O'Dea, president of the Commodore Barry Division, presided at the exercises with honor to himself and to the Order.

All members of the Order are pleased that the first prize was won by a young lady of this jurisdiction.

At the monthly meeting of the Commodore Barry Division on Nov. 17, Father T. N. McCarthy, District Chaplain, regretted the appearance and spread of bolshevism in Ireland, and hoped that it will not receive moral or financial support from our people here in a spirit of mistaken or misguided patriotism. Father McCarthy also spoke on the ideal christian home which is fast disappearing from our country.

At the bi-annual convention of the Ladies Auxiliary, A. O. H., the following were elected to the District offices for the current two year period: District President, Miss Lillian Fay; District Vice President, Mrs. Mary Kengla; District Secretary, Miss Mary Winston; District Treasurer, Mrs. Ella Stanton; Chairman of Irish history, Miss Catherine Crowley; Mistress-at-arms, Miss Julia Linskey; Sentinel, Mrs. Nettie Grady.

Miss Crowley is a niece of the late Michael Davitt, the great Irish patriot who spent several years in British prisons, and who devised and instituted the "Land League" which did so much to unite our people in the early eighties of the last century, and through which the various Land Acts were brought about.

Our worthy past president, Bro. James T. McCarthy, who has had a protracted illness, is now making rapid strides toward complete recovery.

GEORGIA

SAVANNAH

Ladies' Auxiliary of A. O. H. in Convention

Mrs. Claudia Gannon, President of the Ladies' Auxiliary, A. O. H., was unanimously re-elected president at the state convention recently held here. Other officers named were Miss Mary A. Collins, Augusta, vice president; Mrs. F. H. Oliver, Savannah, secretary; Miss Catherine Quinnan, Savannah, treasurer; Mrs. Catherine Callahan, Augusta, historian; and Rev. T. A. Foley, Savannah, chaplain. The convention opened with Mass at the Cathedral, followed by business sessions at the Catholic Club. Mrs. Gannon reported on the biennial convention at Newport, R. I., which she attended and Mrs. Callahan was re-elected to the national board of directors the only one from the South.

ILLINOIS

CHICAGO

On Dec. 8 the Ancient Order of Hibernians and Ladies' Auxiliary of Chicago, gave a Sacred Concert, as their contribution of the city-wide Carnival of Nations, in Orchestra Hall, 220 South Michigan Ave. Rev. Father O'Malley, leader of the World Famous Paulist Choir and his full choir was the leading feature of the program.

The entire proceeds of the Concert will be distributed through the joint Emergency Relief Committee to aid the needy Irish and Irish-American people of Chicago. The officers and members of the Ancient Order of Hibernians and Ladies' Auxiliary of Chicago, extends to Father O'Malley and his famous Choir, our gratitude for the wonderful program they rendered on Dec. 8 in Orchestra Hall, and to those who were not connected with the Paulist Choir, who entertained us so beautifully by dancing, instrumental numbers, we also feel grateful.

The officers and members extend their thanks to Mr. Knox, owner of the Chicago Daily News, and Mr. T. J. Walsh, Editor of the Chicago Daily News, for the wonderful assistance extended to us, thereby contributing to the success of this concert.

Installation of All Division Officers in Chicago

On Sunday, Jan. 3, at 6:30 p. m., in the Great Northern Hotel Ball Room, every Division Officer was installed by our esteemed National President Captain Michael W. Delaney. After the installation, a dinner was served in the Crystal Room to 300 officers and members and their friends.

After the dinner Brother John C. Kelly, County President, served as toastmaster. Addresses were made by our County Chaplain, Rev. John J. Doody; Miss Mary F. McWhorter, County President of the Ladies' Auxiliary, and Robert Stack, County Treasurer.

The toastmaster introduced the speaker of the evening, our National President, Brother Michael W. Delaney, who talked to the members on what our order stands for, and what it has accomplished for the Irish and Irish-American people in this country since its inception. Brother Delaney appealed to every officer who was installed and every member present to go back to their Division and commence building up in the Divisions, as each Division was the foundation stone of our order. Several vocal and instrumental and dancing numbers were rendered and every member present enjoyed a pleasant evening.

Brother John C. Kelly, County President, and the state and county officers and the members of the committee are to be complimented for the success of this splendid entertainment and installation.

St. Patrick's Day Celebration

On March 17, 1932, the Ancient Order of Hibernians in Chicago will celebrate St. Patrick's Day by giving a dance and card party in the Crystal Room and Oak Ball Room of the Great Northern Hotel.

The committee on arrangements is working hard for the success of this great Hibernian celebration.

Brother Maurice Cotter, County Secretary and Secretary of the dance committee, reports that 1000 tickets have been sold to date. He assures every person who attends this dance that the committee has secured a Ball Room for dancing and a Ball Room for card players. It is the desire of this committee that every convenience will be at the disposal of every person who attends the dance and card party.

Division No. 20

Brethren:

Happy New Year! It is a profound satisfaction to any man to have assurance that he has so many friends who have associated with him as has been our many years' work together.

You have demonstrated this friendship, or at least, like me well enough to have honored me once more in re-electing me President of Division 20. This honor is one of special significance to me—it makes me feel that there has been something worth while and real in the work which I have been doing and something trustworthy and dependable in myself, or you never would have honored me and stood by me as you have.

God knows that I am both thankful and humble to be your President—thankful because I still hold your confidence and friendship, and humble because you have been generous enough to give it to me, even though you know that I have not always been able to do for Division 20 all that I had in my heart and wished to do. Anyway, I am wished on you for the coming year and I may say, you are wished on me, so I presume the sensible thing to do is to make the best of it.

By birth I am a blend of two imaginative, emotional races. By inclination I am emotional and sentimental to a degree. Through experience, which grows richer with the passing years, I have learned to cherish the things which have come to me richly through their appeal to my sentiment and my emotions. I never wished to be "hard boiled" even on the outside. I have accepted emotion and sentiment as gifts of the Creator, gifts to be valued, to be used, to be developed, to be controlled, to be directed, to aid me in getting into more intimate touch with my fellows. I shall from now on take greater delight than ever before in expressing the thoughts that come to me from deep down within me, the thoughts I value most and which come closest to my ideal of the truth; and I shall find joy beyond expression in gently forcing those thoughts on all my friends and acquaintances of Irish birth or descent who will do me the honor of signing up an application for Division Twenty, A. O. H., to the end that I may be the means of making them more human, more responsive, more responsible, less selfish, more loving and more lovable. . .

"There's a destiny that makes us brothers,
None goes his way alone;
All that we send into the lives of others
Comes back into our own."

Now brothers, do not forget the Installation of Division Officers—Sunday, Jan. 3, 1932, in the Ballroom of the Great Northern Hotel, Jackson and Dearborn Sts. at 6:30 p. m. sharp. A dinner will be served following installation, for which the sum of 75 cents will be charged. This is a public installation, but reservations must be made on or before Saturday, Jan. 2, 1932.

The next meeting of Division 20 will be held Tuesday evening, Jan. 5, 1932, in our Lady of Sorrows School Hall, Albany and Van Buren. Let us make a good start for the New Year by presenting at this meeting the application of a friend. "In unity lies our strength"—the only way we can counteract bigotry and intolerance.

Wishing you and yours an abundance of God's choicest blessings, for the year 1932, I am

Cordially and fraternally yours,
CORNELIUS NAGLE, President.

SING US SOMETHING IRISH

Composed by William Mulligan, Div. 35, Cook County, 7640 S. Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

1.

Sing us something Irish,
Sing us the Minstrel Boy,
The Harp that once thru Tara's Hall,
That fills my heart with joy.
Sing us the Wearing of the Green,
And the Boys of Garraon,
Those were songs my old father sang
In our happy Irish Home.

2.

Sing us something Irish,
Rory on the hill,
The dashing Boys of Limerick,
I think I see them still.
Sing us the White Caucade,
And the Maid of Sweet Athlone.
Those were the songs my old father sang
In our happy Irish Home.

JOLIET

Nov. 24, 1931, Division 2 of Joliet gave their 7th annual card party and dance in Division 2 Hibernian Auditorium. This dance and card party was a splendid success. Division 2 officers and members are to be complimented on the many splendid activities they undertake for the upbuilding of their Division in the city of Joliet.

Division 2 has lost two of their best members, namely: Brother John Meaney, 40 years a member of the order in Joliet and Edward Darcy, 42 years a member of the order in Joliet. On behalf of the State Officers in Illinois we extend our sincere sympathy to their families and friends, with a prayer for their souls, which have passed to their Eternal Reward.

On Sunday, Jan. 24, Brothers Peter Doody, State President; Michael M. Fee, State Secretary and John D. Casey, State Organizer, will attend Division 1 of Bloomington, Ill., meeting, for the purpose of building up the Order in Central Illinois.

I remain,

Fraternally yours,

MICHAEL M. FEE,

5712 Normal Blvd., Chicago, Ill., State Secretary.

INDIANA

County Officers are Chosen by A. O. H.

Officers of the Ancient Order of Hibernians of Marion County were re-elected at a meeting Sunday afternoon in the assembly room of the Claypool hotel. They are Eugene Shine, President; George O'Grady, Vice-President; P. J. Kennedy, Treasurer; D. J. Cangany, Recording Secretary; Michael Commons, Corresponding Secretary; Eugene O'Sullivan, Chairman of the St. Patrick's Day Celebration Committee, and the Rev. Michael W. Lyons, pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes church, Chaplain.

Hibernians Hold Big Booster Meeting

The Marion County Hibernians, now consolidated into one Division held a big booster meeting at their new headquarters, the old Elk's Hall, 16 East Maryland St. The principal speakers were City Attorney James E. Deery and Rev. M. W. Lyons, pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes parish. Plans for the St. Patrick's Day program were made.

In a letter to J. P. O'Mahoney, of the Indiana Catholic, former editor of The National Hibernian, National President M. W. Delaney of Chicago, says: "Indianapolis was always a great Hibernian center—one of the finest in the Middle West. I sincerely hope

that with the consolidation, which is a great thing, the grand old Order will grow and prosper more than ever before. It should take up the work of Irish American history and the achievements of the Irish race in America. It is the logical body to promote everything that tends to advance the interest of the old race in America."

In addition to the speaking there was a musical program.

KENTUCKY

LOUISVILLE

Here is some news, written with the intention of sending monthly news to the members of our Order through The National Hibernian in regards to activities best suited to create a stronger and more sincere interest in our fraternity.

Division officers are providing free social entertainments for the members, which will bring forth strong fraternal cooperation, will cause those who are legally qualified to become members, restore the prestige and power of Hibernianism to the front ranks of fraternalism and cause to increase in security our religious, civil, and political rights.

A social entertainment on Dec. 16 at Hibernian Hall, in which Irish and American songs and music blended, and in which the Hibernian quartet took a very prominent part was participated in by members of the local Divisions and the Ladies' Auxiliary. The members of the quartet, Brother James Donahue, bass, Brother John Riley, baritone, Brother John Martin, tenor, Brother Joe Grimes, contralto, have many years of practical experience and lay claim to the title, "Hibernian Quartet Championship" of the South.

Another impressive feature of the evening was Brother Martin Sheehan's quick, lively dancing. Brother Sheehan is considered the best Irish jigger in the state, having won many medals.

The Juveniles, from whose Division will come the future leaders of Hibernianism, under the ever watchful care and direction of Sister Margaret Hourigan, more than pleased the large attendance with songs and music, as well as their knowledge of Hibernianism and Irish history.

Many souvenirs were distributed to winners of various games.

Sister Rose Sweeney, whose ability, as a leader in Auxiliary affairs has crowned her efforts with much success, concluded the program by singing "The Rising of the Moon."

LOUISVILLE

A joint state and county meeting took place in Bertrand Hall, on the afternoon of Dec. 6, at which fifty members of the organization attended, including officers of the local Divisions, and was a big success.

The members not only enjoyed themselves, but were enthused by the spirit of the speakers and the romantic poetry of Bro. Thomas Langan, a life-long Hibernian.

Bro. Daniel McCarthy, Vice President of Division No. 4, and a Hibernian for 48 years, delivered a very impressive lesson on Hibernianism. Past State President Joe D. Hennessy addressed the meeting on the principles and benefits of the order, and urged the members to keep alive the memory of its founders, by increasing the membership.

State officers present were: President, Dennis of Hines; Vice President, Mathew O'Brien; Recording Secretary, Joe D. Hennessy; Treas-

urer, John Martin. County officers present were: President, Joe D. Hennessy; Vice President, James Donahue; Recording Secretary, D. J. Hines; Financial Secretary, John Broderick; Treasurer, Charles Finegan.

The exemplification of friendship and unity was the delight of the afternoon.

MARITIME PROVINCES

CAPE BRETON, NOVA SCOTIA

Division No. 3, New Aberdeen

At the last regular meeting of the A. O. H. held here, the new officers were installed by County President James Nearing. They are as follows: President, Alex McKinnon; Vice President, Lawrance Miller; Secretary, Jos. F. Campbell; Financial Secretary, Bert Hurley; Treasurer, A. J. McDonald; Marshal, Bernard Wrice; Chairman of Irish History, J. W. Gilles; Sentinels, James Crook, Vinc St. John.

Rev. Ronald McDonald, Chaplain of the Division, was present and spoke in glowing terms of the good work that the A. O. H. was doing for the betterment of our community. Speaking on behalf of the ladies, Mrs. Dave Murphy, President of the Ladies' Auxiliary, referred to the work of the Auxiliary. She also gave a very interesting outline of the early history of Ireland.

James Nearing, County President, spoke at some length on the history of the Order.

The Ladies' Auxiliary served refreshments and several of the sisters and brothers took part in singing Irish melodies.

CHARLES DONNELLY.

St. Patrick's Corporation

The members of Division No. 3, New Aberdeen, own their own hall and in 1920 they had their hall incorporated by an act of Parliament, under St. Patrick's Hall Corporation. One of the provisions of this act is that they be free from taxation. The past year, as in former years, non-Catholic organizations have launched a bitter attack with the city council to have us pay taxes or to have themselves granted the same privilege as enjoyed by us. But armed with a chosen Board of Trustees and our Act of Parliament, we have withstood the attacks of both parties.

At the annual meeting of the corporation held a few nights ago, the reports of the various officers were read and adopted after the auditors had found them in first-class shape. The financial reports showed that the corporation has had a very prosperous year.

All members of Division No. 3 in good standing are members of the corporation.

There was a large turnout of members at the annual meeting.

The following were unanimously re-elected as members of the Board of Trustees: President, Alex McKinnon; Vice President, Bernard Wrice; Secretary, John Kavanagh; Treasurer, Charles Donnelly; Manager, A. J. McDonald.

The spacious rooms of the Division were repainted and decorated during the past months. The large ballroom below was also remodeled.

CHAS. DONNELLY.

Junior Officers of the A. O. H. Installed

At a largely attended meeting of the Junior A. O. H. Division, organized recently in this town, County Organizer Joseph F. Campbell of New Aberdeen was present and performed the installation ceremony. There were some sixty boys present and the following were the officers installed: President, Eddie Gillis; Vice President, Rudolph Mullins; Financial Secretary, Angus Young; Recording Secretary, Cornelius Aucoin; Treasurer, Hugh McDonald; Chairman of Standing Committee, James Larade; Sergeant-at-Arms, Martin McDonald; Sentinel, Wilyfrid McDonald.

Mr. Campbell, after the installation ceremony, gave the boys the benefit of his experience in an able speech, advising them as to the methods of promoting the best interests of their organization. He said they would be the men of the future and the business ability acquired in their meetings through debates would make them more useful citizens and help them along in their later life. The society has also organized an athletic club and will take part in all forms of sports, from basketball to boxing. There are some fine athletes among them and it will be an organization to be reckoned with in the near future. Mr. Joseph Carrigan of New Aberdeen assisted Mr. Campbell in the installation of the officers.

MARYLAND

BALTIMORE

On Nov. 23, Division No. 6 lost one of its best and oldest members in the death of Brother Edward Reynolds. Brother Reynolds was always ready and willing to help anyone who was in distress and was noted for the

many good deeds he had done. He was known to the members of the Division and many of his friends as "Uncle Ned."

Brother Reynolds was a member of St. John's Holy Name Society and was an active worker for the church.

All of the officers and a large delegation of the members went to the home of the deceased brother to review the remains and recited The Rosary for the repose of his soul.

Brother Reynolds was buried from St. John's Church where a High Mass was celebrated and burial was in New Cathedral Cemetery.

The sudden death of the late Brother Frank Donahue brought sadness to the members of Division No. 6, as he was an active worker for the good of the Division.

Brother Donahue was born in Dublin, Ireland, in 1872, and emigrated to this country when a boy of two years with his parents settling in Baltimore where he was educated at St. John's Parochial School. Brother Donahue was a member of St. John's Holy Name Society and was returning from confession on the eve of Holy Name day when he was struck by an automobile and severely injured, which accident caused his death.

As there were no relatives surviving him, Division No. 6 took full charge of the funeral arrangements. A solemn High Mass was celebrated at St. Ignatius Church for the repose of his soul. The following members acted as pall bearers: P. J. Coughlin, James Burke, Patrick Troy, James Casserly, Thomas Kelly and Owen Garrigan. Burial was in New Cathedral Cemetery.

Baltimore—On Dec. 2, Division No. 6 held the regular election of officers with the following chosen for office: Patrick J. Greene, President; George McElroy, Vice President; Thomas L. Garrigan, Financial Secretary; Peter J. Coughlin, Treasurer; Francis Wallace, Recording Secretary; Constin McGuire, Sergeant-at-Arms; James Casserly, Sentinel.

The Division has been very unfortunate during the past year by the loss of many of its brothers through death. The death and sick benefits have been considerable higher than for many years, but through the good work of the members it has been possible to meet the heavy demands on the treasury. It has been the motto of the officers and members "to continue" even when it means personal sacrifices in many instances.

The Division has inaugurated something new in its social activities by having Irish dances every month. It is the only place in Baltimore where you can go to an Irish dance having an old time fiddler. The dance is given after meetings on the first and third Wednesdays of each month, and it has been the means of attracting new members to the Division especially among the young Irishmen who have made this country their home during the past several years.

The Order in Maryland has suffered a great loss in the death of two very good active members. The first in the death of Bro. John H. Gallagher who died on Sept. 6, 1931. Bro. Gallagher was Vice President of the County Board and a life long member of Div. No. 3 of Baltimore. Bro. Gallagher was for a number of years president of Div. No. 3 and was always active in the order and he will be missed by not only the members of his division but by the order at large. And the second death was that of Bro. Martin J. Mannion, Vice President of Div. No. 1 of Baltimore, who died on Oct. 29, 1931. Bro. Mannion was a member of the Baltimore Police Department and at the time of his death was a Lieutenant Detective and a police for thirty years. He was buried from St. Katherine's Church where a Requiem Mass was said by Rev. Wm. M. Clements. Burial was in the New Cathedral Cemetery. Born in Ireland he came to this country when a boy. Members of the Police Department headed by the Commissioner Charles D. Gaither acted as pallbearers. He was commended seven times for bravery by the Police Department. He will be sadly missed by the members of his division and the order at large for he was a very active member and had a host of friends. On Oct. 22, 1931, Div. No. 2 held a minstrel show and dance and a very large crowd was present. Bro. Wm. Murphy, a member of the City Council, was the chairman and assisted by a very good committee, made it the great success that it was. It sure was a grand sight to see so many members of the order in Baltimore present that night and a good time was had by all present. On Nov. 5, 1931, Div. No. 4 of Baltimore held a hard party at Calvert Hall College Hall and a very good crowd was present. This division is the baby division in this state and under the leadership of its President Bro. Wm. M. Guerin is making great headway. Div. No. 5 and Div. No. 14 of the Ladies' Auxiliary held an entertainment and dance on Nov. 17 at the Cadoa. A play called radio station AOH was presented by Bro. Wm. M. Malstrom of Div. No. 5 and well received by all present. Bro. John I. Mullin of Div. No. 5 was the chairman and Miss Anna Doyle, presi-

dent of Div. No. 14, the assistant chairman. A good number of members of the order were present and a good time was had by all present. Div. No. 6 of Baltimore are holding monthly dances at the Catholic League Hall. All of these divisions are to be highly commended for their good work and it is hoped that a number of new members will be obtained from these social affairs.

MASSACHUSETTS

Plans are being completed for a banquet to be held in commemoration of St. Patrick's Day by the state organization, assisted by the Ladies' Auxiliary. A. O. H. Chairman John E. Fenton, State President, has outlined plans for the affair to be held in Boston on Saturday night, Mar. 12, with a reception, banquet, speaking by distinguished guests and members of the order, and closing with an entertainment and dance program. The price per ticket for the banquet will be \$2.50, and a limited number of tickets will be sold. John E. Fenton, State President, Lawrence, Chairman; Miss Mary E. Doyle, State President, L. A., Cambridge, Secretary; Miss Mary Kinsella, Salem, Treasurer.

The following committees have been appointed: Banquet—Mrs. Mary Doyle, Cambridge; Maurice F. Walsh, Wakefield; Mrs. Mary Kinsella, Salem; Mrs. Mary Dignan, Boston; Mrs. Mary Donohue, No. Easton; Michael Ahern, Boston; Bartholemew Fakey, Boston; Timothy F. McCarthy, Cambridge; Reception—Matthew Cummings, Chairman, assisted by the County Presidents; Printing—Joseph Kerrigan, Lawrence; Entertainment—Patrick Cannon, Clinton, Chairman, James Ivory, No. Brookfield; Mrs. Mary Dignan, Boston; Mrs. Mary Kinsella, Salem; Robert C. Donovan, Somerville; Publicity—Thomas Buckley, Abington, Chairman; R. C. Donovan, Somerville; Ralph Dunn, Malden.

The installation of officers of Division 31, A. O. H., Suffolk County was held in Arcadia Hall, Dorchester early in November.

It was one of the largest and most enthusiastic meetings held by the Division.

State Treasurer Michael J. Ahearn, County President Bartholemew J. Fahey, County Vice President James Hegarty and County Treasurer Michael Cusick were the guests of the Division.

President Michael J. Cox was installed for the twelfth term as President. The State and County officers paid tribute to President Cox for his good work during his time in office. State Treasurer Ahearn complimented Division 31 as being one of the leading Divisions in the state and asked the members to continue to cooperate with their officers for the next year.

The other officers installed were Vice President, Thomas W. Russell; Recording Secretary, Maurice P. Downey; Financial Secretary, Frank Cunnally; Treasurer, Martin Walsh; Sentinel, John Evans; Sergeant-at-Arms, Joseph McCarthy; and Chairman of the Standing Committee, James Byrnes. The officers were installed by County President Fahey assisted by County V. P. Hegarty and Captain Sullivan as marshals.

After the meeting refreshments were served and an entertainment was held. Bro. Peter McCarthy, John Dailey and Peter Donaghue participated in the program.

EVERETT

Joint Installation For Everett A. O. H. Divisions

There was a large attendance Nov. 30 at the joint installation of officers of Division 10, Division 23 and the junior division of the A. O. H. in Wehner Hall, School St. Mayor and Mrs. Michael C. O'Neill attended.

Mayor O'Neill, in an address, lauded the contributions of persons of Irish descent to the country's development. He said there were many Irishmen in Washington's Army and pointed out

that since then the men of that race had been foremost in the Nation's defense.

The Mayor announced the appointment of Thomas J. Casey, president of Division 10, and Mrs. Katherine Shepard, president of Division 23, to the commission which will arrange the coming Washington celebration.

Other speakers were Rev. Father Thomas J. MacCormack, Mrs. Anna Galvin of Framingham, county president; Miss Mary Hurley of Belmont, county vice president; Mrs. Tierney of Waltham, county secretary; Mrs. Flaherty of Woburn, county treasurer; Miss Ethel Hackett of Maplewood, mistress-at-arms; Mrs. Carver, historian; Mrs. Carrie Danahy, sentinel; Robert C. Donovan of Somerville, county president; Maurice Walsh of Wakefield, state vice president, John Barrett of Lowell, county vice president.

Entertainment was provided by Mrs. Alice H. Evans and Mrs. Josephine M. Gramstroff, songs, with Mrs. Annette S. Driscoll as accompanist; Mrs. Powers, songs; Miss Molly Ireton, Miss Anna McNevin and Mrs. Anna Galvin. Mrs. Henrietta Lavoie was in charge of entertainment.

County Pres. Donovan announced the appointment of President Casey of Division 10 as county organizer. Mr. Donovan paid tribute to the work of Mr. Casey and Mrs. Shepard.

Officers of Division 23 installed were Mrs. Katherine Shepard, president; Mrs. Rachel Casey, vice president; Mrs. Katherine Doherty, recording secretary; Mrs. Mary Cahill, financial secretary; Mrs. Annie Dunphy, treasurer; Mrs. Mary Burns, mistress-at-arms; Miss Annie Lynn, sentinel; Mrs. Delia Lemieux, chairman high standing committee; Mrs. Audrey Willoughby, historian.

Officers of the St. Therese junior division inducted were Catherine Kenney, president; Sabina Higgins, vice president; Margaret Casey, recording secretary; Frances Casey, financial secretary; Dorothea Whelan, treasurer; Anna McNevin, mistress-at-arms; Mary Morris, sentinel; Alice Whelan, chairman standing committee; Rita Doherty, historian.

WHITINSVILLE

The installation of the officers of Division No. 19, A. O. H. in connection with the officers of the Ladies Auxiliary, took place in Mumford Hall on Dec. 10, 1931. The officers of Division No. 19 are as follows: Chaplain, Rev. John J. Foran, D. D.; President, J. W. Horan, 29 East St.; Vice President, Denis F. Duggan, 21 Pleasant St.; Treasurer, James T. Kearnan, 9 High St.; Financial Secretary, John E. Healey, 153 East St.; Recording Secretary, John D. Leonard, 3 Woodland St.; Sentinel, Frank Hynes, 39 Spring St.; Sergeant-at-Arms, John Hayes, 42 Cottage St.; Chairman Standing Committee, John T. Savage, 12 Johnston Ave., and Historian, Martin McGuire, Mountain View Farm.

The installing officer was County President Michael J. O'Sullivan. Guests of Honor were Rev. John J. Foran, Rev. Paul T. Foley, Mayor-elect John C. Mahoney of Worcester, Representative Edward Kelley of Worcester, County Organizer of Worcester County A. O. H.

The entertainment was under the direction of Brother Thomas M. Roche of Division No. 19 and consisted of vocal and instrumental selections by a quartet comprising James P. Kane, George Kane, Raymond Baszner and Francis Brown; vocal and piano selections by Miss Gladys Aldrich and Misses Mary Kelliher and Mary McGoey and selections by the Boys' Band, under the direction of Rev. Paul T. Foley. Addresses were given by the Pastor, Rev. John J. Foran, and his assistant, Rev. Paul T. Foley, Mayor-elect John C. Mahoney, County Organizer Edward Kelley, and President J. W. Horan. A collation was served by the members of the Ladies Auxiliary, and the meeting closed with the singing of the Star Spangled Banner.

PLYMOUTH COUNTY

The quarterly meeting of Plymouth County Board was held Sunday, Dec. 27, with Division 6 of East Bridgewater with County President Ring presiding. The President reported on State Board meeting held in Boston and delegates accepted recommendations of appointing Organizers for County and Divisions. President Timothy Sullivan of Division 1 was appointed County Organizer and promised to get results with the cooperation of Presidents of Divisions. After some discussion the initiation fee was established at \$3.00.

The President also appointed a publicity committee of Brothers John Jarvis of Division 6, M. F. Burke of Division 2, and Wm. Caffrey of Division 5. Remarks on good of order were made by President Ring, Past County President Holland, President Sullivan of Division 1 and County Historian John O'Shea.

Division 6, put on first class social and entertainment after meeting.

WAKEFIELD

A. O. H. Bodies Have Triple Installation
Division 26, A. O. H., its Ladies' Auxiliary

and the Junior Auxiliary had their officers jointly installed in A. O. H. hall.

Robert Donovan, Middlesex County President, was the installing officer for the men; Mrs. Galvin, County President, installed the auxiliary officers and Miss Mary Curley, County Vice President, installed the officers of the junior division.

The Marshals assisting were Miss Carrie Dannahy, Stoneham; Mrs. Tierney, Waltham, and John O'Brien of Somerville.

State President John E. Fenton of Lawrence spoke on the condition of the organization and advised the formation of juvenile divisions all over state. He also recommended county and division organizers to build up the organization all over the state. He said organizations such as the Hibernians were badly needed to protect the country and the world at large from the evils of Communism.

Father Halloran, Chaplain, gave a fine address on the evils of Communism. He stated that conditions in Russia today were almost slavery, in a country where a man has no liberty, where God is denied and everything, even the home and family, is controlled by the state. Visitors to Russia, he said, are shown only as much as the Bolshevik officials wish to have them see and see nothing of the terrorism and sabotage that is taking place all over the country under the cloak of liberty.

Short talks were given by the following: Miss Frances Callan, President of the Junior Auxiliary, whose grandfather, the late John Callan, was a charter member of Division 26; Miss Nora Hurton, President of the auxiliary, who thanked the members for the honor conferred on her as head of the organization for a third term, much against her will; Michael J. Kelly, who spoke in a similar strain and asked the co-operation of the sisters and brothers for a bigger and better membership in the ensuing year; Mrs. Annie Galvin, Miss Mary Hurley, Mrs. Tierney, Miss Carrie Dannahy, Miss Ethel Hackett, Robert Donovan, County President; John Barrett, County Vice President (of Lowell), and James McManimen of Lowell and John O'Brien of Somerville, who gave very interesting talks on the activities and building up of the organization.

Maurice F. Walsh, State Vice President, who installed the officers of Division 12 of Malden in the evening, gave a brief talk on the conditions in the state. The several state and county officers who were present complimented Mr. Walsh on his promotion to the state board and predicted greater honors for him in the future.

Maurice B. Walsh, violinist, and Miss Agnes Walsh, cellist, accompanied by Miss Mary Walsh, played a beautiful medley of Irish airs. Mrs. Galvin sang "Danny Boy" and "I'll Take You Home Again, Kathleen," in a very pleasing manner. John W. Monks sang two numbers in his usual pleasing way.

Refreshments were served by a joint committee of the men and auxiliary.—Press Correspondent.

Hibernians and Auxiliary Install Officers for Year

With an attendance of close to 400 people present to witness the spectacle, including national, state and county officers and a large number of visiting Hibernians, the annual installations of Division 8, A. O. H., and the Rev. James T. O'Reilly Auxiliary were conducted jointly in Hibernian building. The affair was followed with a baked Virginia ham supper, and a very enjoyable speaking and entertainment program.

State President John E. Fenton was the inducting officer for the men and he was assisted by James Hussey of Division 14, Haverhill, as Marshal and by John J. O'Brien of Newburyport, County Vice President. The ladies were installed by Essex County Auxiliary President Annie Donovan of Peabody, assisted by Mrs. C. Theresa Regan, County Vice President and Mrs. Elizabeth Kelley, County Recording Secretary for the auxiliaries. The drill team of the auxiliary, captained by Mae Judge and comprising 20 members, aided with the installation of the ladies and put on a floor drill that was a ritualistic performance of splendor.

The officers of the Division are: President, Thomas J. Herlihy, second term; Vice President, Rep. Thomas J. Lane; Treasurer, John Calnan; Financial Secretary, Joseph E. Kerrigan, County President; Recording Secretary and Organizer, Frank J. Ryan; Sentinel, James Shine; Sergeant-at-Arms, Patrick J. Danahy; Chairman of the Standing Committee, Michael F. Scanlon.

The officers of the auxiliary are: President, Elizabeth A. Murphy; Vice President, Agnes O'Brien; Recording Secretary, Lola Sullivan; Financial Secretary, Catherine Coyne, fourteenth term; Treasurer, Margaret Webb; Mistress-at-Arms, Helen Reilly; Historian, Mary Cavanaugh; Chairman of the Standing Committee, Helen Mahoney; Sentinel, Mildred Brandy. Standing Committee: Mrs. Margaret Cronin, Mrs. Katherine Murphy, Mrs. Elizabeth Walsh, Mrs. Anne Mosson; Literary Com-

mittee: Mrs. Breda Donovan, Mrs. Annie Mahoney, Mrs. Nellie Sheehy; Employment: Genevieve McCann, Mary Cronin and Mary Murphy; Finance Committee: Margaret Walsh, Bessie Fitzpatrick, Mrs. Daniel Elliott; Sick Committee: Julie Fallon, Molly Keefe, Mrs. Katherine Lane; pianist, Nellie McCarthy.

Beautiful gifts were presented the three outgoing officers by Elizabeth Murphy on behalf of the auxiliary, as follows: Katherine A. Fitzpatrick, outgoing President; Mrs. Nellie Walsh, Past Chairman of the Standing Committee; Nellie Judge, outgoing Vice President.

Following the installation, the supper was enjoyed in the upper hall, after which the master of ceremonies, Thomas J. Herlihy, opened the postprandial exercises by calling on the Division and Auxiliary Chaplain, Rev. James A. McDonald. Father McDonald urged the members to support the work done by the St. Vincent de Paul society of St. Mary's church which is weekly caring for many unfortunates. He stated that generous donations received in signed and unsigned letters enabled him to supply many shoeless and stockingless children as well as caring for destitute families.

Other speakers on the program were: John E. Fenton, State President of the A. O. H.; Patrick Cannon, State Organizer; Joseph E. Kerrigan, County President; Timothy McCarthy, State Chairman of Irish History; Maurice Walsh, State Vice-President; Miss Mary Dolye, State Auxiliary President; Miss Annie Donovan, County President; Miss Mary Curran, Past County President; Atty. Joseph M. Hargedon; John Donnelly, Past State President; Miss Mary Hurley, Middlesex County Auxiliary President; Miss Katherine A. Fitzpatrick, County Treasurer; John P. McGrail, Holy Cross graduate, County Chairman of Irish History and Past President of Division 8, Clinton; John E. Barret, Vice-President of Middlesex County.

LAWRENCE

Div. 8 Auxiliary Juniors Install

Featuring a fine evening's program which also marked the second anniversary date, the annual installation exercises of Rev. James T. O'Reilly Juniors, A. O. H., was held in Hibernian hall with a large gathering present to witness the affair. County President Joseph E. Kerrigan installed the officers, assisted by County Auxiliary Treasurer Katherine A. Fitzpatrick and the local auxiliary's degree team, which also featured with an exhibition of floor work.

The officers installed are: President, Anne Broadbent; Vice-President, Agnes Carroll; Recording Secretary, Margaret Maxwell; Financial Secretary, Irene Minehan; Treasurer, Claire Fitzpatrick; Mistress-at-Arms, Eileen Cookson; Historian, Mary Breen; Sentinel, Rita Fenton; Standing Committee: Eileen McAuliffe, Chairman, Mary Buckley, Eunice Donovan, Mary Casey and Rita Collins; Sick Committee: Grace Daly, Beatrice Delaney and Mary Casey; Finance Committee: Rita Mitchell, Rita Moher and Dorothy McCarthy; Entertainment Committee: Marguerite Foley; En-Noonan and Eileen Donovan; Good of the Order: Claire Creeley, Marguerite O'Sullivan, and Genevieve Killeen; pianist, Mary Kerrigan.

An excellent entertainment program was presented as follows: Hymn, "Immaculata," Juniors choir; song, "Wearing of the Green," choir; poem, "God Bless Us," Rita Noonan; solo, Agnes Carroll; remarks, Eileen Fenton; solo, Marguerite Foley; dance, Eileen Hickey; solo, Anne Broadbent; poem, Eileen McCauliffe; tap dance, Marion Weldon and Eileen Fitzpatrick; solo, Rita Mitchell.

A beautiful birthday cake with two candles burning brightly in its center was a feature of the evening in honor of the occasion. Miss Eileen Fenton, retiring president, was presented with a beautiful pair of crystal beads and a gift was also presented Miss Katherine A. Fitzpatrick for their activities.

WORCESTER

More than 75 newly elected officers of seven Divisions and two Ladies' Auxiliaries of the Ancient Order of Hibernians were installed at the installation services of the United Divisions of the order at A. O. H. hall.

National, state, county and local officers, together with city dignitaries attended the exercises.

Michael J. O'Sullivan, President of the United Divisions and of the county organization, installed the men's divisions, with Miss Belle McLoughlin of Milford, County President of the auxiliary, installing officer for the two auxiliaries. They were assisted by other high officers.

Invited guests for the installation and the banquet were: Mayor and Mrs. O'Hara, Mr. and Mrs. John C. Mahoney, Mr. and Mrs. Patrick F. Cannon of Clinton, John E. Fenton of Lawrence, State President; Rev. Edward J. Fitzgerald, pastor of St. John's church, and formerly County Chaplain; Rev. John E. Murphy of St. John's church, Chaplain of the United Divisions; Rev. Charles H. Duffy, pastor of St. Margaret Mary church, County

Chaplain; Rev. Charles P. Malumphy, Immaculate Conception church; James H. Ivory of North Brookfield, State Treasurer and Past County President; Mrs. Mary Martin Silk of Worcester, National President of the Ladies' Auxiliary; Thomas H. Buckley of Abington, editor of the NATIONAL HIBERNIAN; George H. Smith of Fitchburg, County Vice-President; John O'Connor, Florence J. Donoghue, Past County Vice-President, and Mrs. Donoghue; Edward J. Kelley, County Organizer, and Mrs. Kelley; Mrs. Margaret T. Carrigan, Mrs. Annie Hogan, Miss Nellie Hayes, Miss Katherine Law, Miss Mary Doyle of Cambridge, State President of the Ladies' Auxiliary; Patrick J. Leary, Past State Treasurer, Dr. Peter O. Shea and Mrs. Leary and Mrs. David J. Burke, Past County President.

At the hall in the afternoon there was community singing under the leadership of David J. Hannigan, with John F. McGrath as accompanist.

Guests from other Divisions from Worcester County attended.

The seven Divisions and the two auxiliaries of the A. O. H. meet at the hall of that name at 26 Trumbull street. The individual Divisions have been in existence more than 40 years. On Aug. 26, 1901, the corner stone of their home on Trumbull street was laid. The inscription on the cornerstone in Gaelic, reads "Dedicated to Our Faith and Our Country."

The first Division in Worcester was formed in 1885 at the home of Patrick McCarthy on Pond street. The first officers were John Kelly, President; Patrick Lavin, Vice-President; Matthew Cauley, Secretary, and John Gaffney, Treasurer. Meetings were held in Turner's hall on Mechanic street. Rev. John J. Power, D. D., V. G., was appointed Chaplain in 1875.

The order grew so rapidly that it became necessary to form another Division. This was known as Division 3, organized in 1871. Later in 1876, Division 24 was formed, and with it came the first side-arm company, known as the Hibernian Guards.

Division 34 was organized in 1896, followed by Divisions 35 and 36 in 1897 and by Division 38 some years later. The two Ladies' Auxiliaries, Divisions 1 and 11, were organized in 1894 and 1898.

Eugene Moriarty of Worcester was the first County President of the order, serving in 1872. He was later followed by these Worcester men, John Burns, 1890; John J. Rogers, 1894; William I. McLoughlin, 1910; John J. Franagan, 1912; Joseph J. Sharry, 1924, and Patrick J. Leary, Past State Treasurer, County President in 1927.

Members with outstanding years of service in the A. O. H. are James P. Coffey of Division 24 and Thomas J. McDonough of Division 3, who have each served 47 years as officers in their Divisions.

Officers installed were Division 1, Joseph M. Griffin, President; Cornelius J. Murphy, Vice-President; Joseph J. Clifford, Recording Secretary; Ulick J. Clifford, Treasurer; Robert Wiseman, Chairman of the Standing Committee, and Daniel J. Clifford, Financial Secretary.

Division 3, Philip H. Breen, President; Michael T. Guerin, Vice-President; Robert Hurley, Financial Secretary; Thomas J. McDonough, Recording Secretary; James M. Kearns, Treasurer; Thomas J. Mulhern, Chairman of the Standing Committee, and Dr. Joseph P. Mulhern, Physician.

Division 24, James F. Shea, Jr., President; James J. Marshall, Jr., Vice-President; James P. Coffey, Secretary; David J. Hannigan, Financial Secretary; James F. Donoghue, Treasurer; Patrick J. Leary, Chairman of the Standing Committee; Eugene A. O'Rourke, Sergeant-at-Arms; Walter Mattimore, Sentinel, and Dr. Jeremiah J. Donoghue, Physician.

Division 34, John J. Harrahy, President; John D. Hassett, Vice-President; James F. Lyons, Recording Secretary; Martin V. Haskins, Financial Secretary; Michael J. O'Sullivan, Sr., Treasurer; William K. Kerns, Chairman of the Standing Committee; Peter S. Lavin, Sentinel; John S. Kavanaugh, Sergeant-at-Arms; Dr. Peter O. Shea, Physician, and Michael J. O'Sullivan, Sr., trustee for three years.

Division 35, John F. McGrath, President; Austin Grady, Vice-President; Patrick J. Keaney, Recording Secretary; William J. O'Malley, Financial Secretary; Patrick J. Connor, Sergeant-at-Arms; Frank Fowley, Sentinel; James S. Preston, Chairman of the Standing Committee; Dr. John J. Cummings, Physician, and Patrick J. Keaney, Trustee for three years.

Division 36, R. Leo Burke, President; John J. Killeen, Vice-President; Daniel J. Donahue, Recording Secretary; Patrick D. Flynn, Financial Secretary; Gilbert S. Cahill, Treasurer; John J. Doherty, Chairman of the Standing Committee; Thomas F. O'Connor, Sergeant-at-Arms, and James J. Horrigan, Sentinel.

Division 38, Thomas W. Cameron, President; John F. Finnegan, Vice-President; John J. Corbett, Financial Secretary; John E. McGarrell, Treasurer; Joseph H. Gilfillen, Recording

Secretary; Edward Boyle, Sergeant-at-Arms; Nicholas O'Dowd, Sentinel and Philip W. Johnston, Chairman of the Standing Committee.

Division 1, Ladies' Auxiliary, President, Mrs. Margaret T. Carrigan; Vice-President, Mrs. Annie Barnicle; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Hannah D. McCue; Financial Secretary, Mrs. Helen Lekstrom; Historian, Mrs. Mary Quirk; Treasurer, Mrs. Nellie Hayes; Mistress-at-Arms, Mrs. Bridget Dolan; Sentinel, Mrs. Delia Barnicle and Chairman of the Standing Committee, Mrs. Bridget Murphy.

Division 11, Ladies' Auxiliary, President, Mrs. Annie Hogan; Vice-President, Mrs. Mary McGurl; Recording Secretary, Miss Minnie E. Mara; Financial Secretary, Miss Catherine Crowe; Treasurer, Mrs. Sadie Dean; Mistress-at-Arms, Miss Margaret Buck, and Historian, Mrs. Minnie T. Burke.

The executive committee in charge of the installation and banquet headed by Michael J. O'Sullivan, Chairman, assisted by James F. Shea, Jr., Vice-President; Miss Minnie E. Mara, Treasurer, and David J. Hannigan, Secretary.

The general committee comprises Joseph M. Griffin, Cornelius Murphy, Daniel J. Clifford, Ulick J. Clifford and Patrick Manning, Division 1; Philip H. Breen, Michael T. Guerin, James M. Kearns, Timothy J. Hurley and John J. McLoughlin, Division 3; James J. Marshall, Jr., James P. Coffey, James F. Donoghue, Division 24; John D. Hassett, John J. Harrahy, Michael J. O'Sullivan, Sr., Peter Lavin, James Lyons and James McGourty, Division 34; John F. McGrath, William J. O'Halley, Michael J. McDermott, William Rooney and Patrick J. Keaney, Division 35; R. Leo Burke, John J. Killeen, John J. O'Keefe, Daniel J. Donoghue, Division 36; Thomas W. Cameron, John H. Finnegan, John E. McGarrell, Joseph H. Gilfillen and John J. Corbett, Division 38.

Ladies' Auxiliary committee is, Division 1: Mrs. Margaret Carrigan, Mrs. Annie Barnicle, Mrs. Hannah D. McCue, Mrs. Helen Lekstrom and Miss Nellie Hayes; Division 11: Mrs. Annie Hogan, Mrs. Mary McGurl, Mrs. David J. Burke, Miss Minnie E. Mara and Mrs. Sadie Dean.

Mayor O'Hara and Mayor-elect John C. Mahoney spoke from the same platform last night at a dinner at the Warren hotel following the installation of officers of seven Divisions and two Ladies' Auxiliary branches of the Ancient Order of Hibernians.

Mayor O'Hara brought the greetings of the city and said he would "leave any discussion of city affairs to my successor, Mr. Mahoney."

After thanking the Hibernians for their prayers and support during his campaign, Mr. Mahoney said he needed "your assistance, prayers and counsel more than ever now" since "perhaps no man was ever inducted into the office of mayor facing such problems. It is almost beyond human endeavor to solve some of them," he added.

75 Officers Installed

The banquet last night, attended by state, county and city officials of the order, followed the installation, at A. O. H. hall in the afternoon, of more than 75 officers of the Worcester units. About 150 attended the dinner.

Mr. Mahoney spoke of his joy in being a member of the order for 30 years and thanked members for their loyalty and support of his mayoralty candidacy.

"No class, creed or color will have a lien on my services to the detriment of others. I will be a broadminded executive who will serve all the people," he promised.

Other speakers included Mrs. Mahoney, James H. Ivory of North Brookfield, State A. O. H. Treasurer and Past County President; John E. Fenton of Lawrence, State President; Mrs. Mary Martin Silk of Worcester, National President of the Ladies' Auxiliary; Thomas H. Buckley of Abington, editor of The National Hibernian, and George H. Smith of Fitchburg, County Vice-President.

Michael J. O'Sullivan, President of the United Divisions and of the county A. O. H., was toastmaster at the banquet. He also was installing officer at the afternoon ceremonies.

Other guests included two other Democratic mayoralty candidates, John S. Sullivan and James J. Hurley, and Mrs. Margaret T. Carrigan, President of Division 1 Auxiliary; Mrs. Annie Hogan, President of Division 11 Auxiliary; Nellie Hayes, Miss Mary Doyle of Cambridge, State Auxiliary President; Mr. and Mrs. Patrick J. Leary, Past State Treasurer, and Mrs. David J. Burke, Past County Auxiliary President.

After the installation community singing was led by David J. Hannigan with John F. McGrath as accompanist. At the banquet, Miss Katherine Sullivan, Miss Mary Thompson and Michael Leahy entertained.

SOMERVILLE

Middlesex County Hibernians Meet

The Middlesex County Hibernians held their quarterly convention at Hibernian Hall, Som-

erville, with over 100 delegates in attendance. President Robert C. Donovan presided.

Among the speakers were Revs. F. J. Quinlan and J. A. Flaherty of St. Joseph's Church, Somerville; Mayor John J. Murphy of Somerville; State President John E. Fenton of Lawrence; John F. Carrigan, President of Essex County; James J. Fitzpatrick, President of Division No. 8 of Lawrence; State Vice President Maurice Welsh of Wakefield; State Historian Timothy F. McCarthy of Cambridge; County Organizer Thomas Casey of Everett; Past State President John J. Donnelly; President-elect of the Waltham City Council James J. Harold; County Historian James J. McMannamun of Lowell.

Mayor Murphy, after his remarks, signified his intention of becoming a member of the Somerville Division and was presented with an application blank by State President John E. Fenton.

The following committees were appointed by President Donovan: Auditing, Thomas Kelley, Watertown, James McCarthy, Somerville, and James McHale, Stoneham; Judiciary Committee, John F. Doherty, Woburn; Michael Kelley, Wakefield; Thomas Gunning, Belmont; John F. Donnelly, Cambridge; and Bernard Eagle, Waltham; County Historian, James J. McMannamun, Lowell; County Organizer, Thomas Casey, Everett; County Publicity, Ralph J. Dunne, Malden.

State President John E. Fenton told of the plans for a membership campaign. A prize of \$25 will be awarded to the Division making the largest gain in members.

A letter from Brother Fabian of the Working Boys' Home, Newton, was read, expressing his regrets because he was unable to attend.

The next convention will be held at Marlboro, March 27, as the guests of Division No. 16. The invitation was extended by President Thomas Shaughnessy of Division No. 16.

Plans are under way for the first state banquet, to be served in Boston around St. Patrick's Day. Plans will be made at the next meeting of the State Committee. State President John E. Fenton is Chairman.

ROCKLAND

Installation Junior Division No. 2, L. A. A. O. H.

At the G. A. R. Hall recently was held the installation of Little Flower Junior Division No. 2 in connection with the third anniversary observance of the Senior Auxiliary. About 200 members, guests, delegates of the County Board, and St. Mary Juniors of Brockton were present.

Miss Catherine Regan, Secretary of the County Board, installed the following officers: President, Miss Esther Peters; Vice President, Anna Regan; Recording Secretary, Miss Ruth Kane; Financial Secretary, Miss Dorothy Mahoney; Treasurer, Miss Alice Regan; Mistress-at-Arms, Miss Ray Egan; Sentinel, Miss Eva Barry; Historian, Miss Rita Hogan; Pianist, Miss Helen Walls.

The installing officers were assisted by Miss Josephine Burke as Marshal, Miss Blanche Pluffe and Miss Catherine Kane as aids and the Junior Advisor, Miss Margaret Telavin. Addresses were given by Michael Burke, President of Division No. 2, and President Miss Mary Galvin of the Senior Auxiliary. A special program was arranged, including piano solos by Helen Walls; a song and dance by Mary Ryan; tap dancing, Eleanor and Dorothy Woodward; vocal solo, Anna Regan; and a specialty act by Ray Egan, Alice Regan, Rita Hogan and Helen Walls.

Miss Catherine Cronin, the Past County President, gave a very interesting talk to Juniors of Little Flower on the work they have done for the last few years.

The hall was decorated for the occasion and luncheon was served by the Juniors. Dancing followed.

JAMES MONAGHAN,

Recording Secretary, Division No. 2, Richland, Mass.

LAWRENCE

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The officers of the Auxiliary are: President, Elizabeth A. Murphy; Vice-President, Agnes O'Brien; Recording Secretary, Lola Sullivan; Financial Secretary, Catherine Coyne, fourteenth term; Treasurer, Margaret Webb; Mistress-at-Arms, Helen Reilly; Historian, Mary Cavanaugh; Chairman of the Standing Committee, Helen Mahoney; Sentinel, Mildred Brandy; Standing Committee, Mrs. Margaret Cronin, Mrs. Katherine Murphy, Mrs. Elizabeth Walsh, Mrs. Anne Mosson; Literary Committee, Mrs. Breda Donovan, Mrs. Annie Mahoney, Mrs. Nellie Sheehy; employment, Genevieve McCann, Mary Cronin and Mary Murphy; Finance Committee, Margaret Walsh, Bessie Fitzpatrick, Mrs. Daniel Elliott; Sick Committee, Julie Fallon, Molly Keefe, Mrs. Katherine Lane; pianist, Nellie McCarthy.

Beautiful gifts were presented the three outgoing officers by Elizabeth Murphy on behalf of the Auxiliary, as follows: Katherine A. Fitzpatrick, outgoing President; Mrs. Nellie Walsh, Past Chairman of the Standing Committee; Nellie Judge, outgoing Vice-President.

Following the installation, the supper was enjoyed in the upper hall, after which the master of ceremonies, Thomas J. Herlihy, opened the post-prandial exercises by calling on the Division and Auxiliary Chaplain, Rev. James A. McDonald. Father McDonald urged the members to support the work done by the St. Vincent de Paul society of St. Mary's church which is weekly caring for many unfortunates. He stated that generous donations received in signed and unsigned letters enabled him to supply many shoeless and stockingless children as well as caring for destitute families.

Other speakers on the program were: John E. Fenton, State President of the A. O. H.; Patrick Cannon, State Organizer; Joseph E. Kerrigan, County President; Timothy McCarthy, State Chairman of Irish history; Maurice Walsh, State Vice-President; Miss Mary Dolye, State Auxiliary President; Miss Annie Donovan, County President; Miss Mary Curran, Past County President; Atty. Joseph M. Hargedon; John Donnelly, Past State President; Miss Mary Hurley, Middlesex County Auxiliary President; Miss Katherine A. Fitzpatrick, County Treasurer; John P. McGrail, Holy Cross graduate, County Chairman of Irish history and Past President of Division 8, Clinton; John E. Barret, Vice-President of Middlesex county.

The entertainment program included musical selection by a group including William O'Connell, violinist; Anthony Depippo and Joseph Tomaselli. Solo by Agnes O'Brien, Margaret Webb, Mrs. Stephen Burns, Edward Bulger and John M. Shea. Joseph Walsh was the pianist.

NEW BEDFORD

The joint installation of officers of Division 7, Ancient Order of Hibernians, and Division 4, Ladies' Auxiliary was held in Hibernian hall before a gathering of 350 members and invited guests. Delegations were present from North Attleboro, Fall River, Taunton, North Easton, and from Division 9 and Division 12 of this city.

John H. Ryan of this city, County President, was Installing Officer for Division 7, with Mrs. Elizabeth Toothill of North Attleboro, County President of the Ladies' Auxiliary, in charge of the installation of Division 4. The degree team of Division 4 assisted at both ceremonies, and at the completion of the installation put on a special degree drill.

Following serving of the supper, an entertainment was given under the title of "A Night at O'Hara's." Those taking part were Mrs. Annie Keenan as Mrs. Nora O'Hara; Thomas McDonnell as Patrick O'Hara; Miss Winifred Roche as Katie O'Hara, and Vincent C. Ryan as Officer Doherty. The guests in the cast were Mrs. Elizabeth Worden, who sang, Thomas McDonnell, solo, Miss Winifred Roche, song and dance, John Tomlinson, solo, Miss Cecelia Sweeney, song and dance, Miss Annie Keenan, reading; Joe Duffley, solo, Miss Jennie Murphy, Irish dance. Miss Kathleen Roche was pianist.

At the close of the exercises a pearl necklace was presented to Miss Anna Roche, retiring president of Division 4, in recognition of her services to the order during her term of office.

The committee in charge of supper arrangements and entertainment were John H. Ryan,

Chairman; John Tomlinson, Secretary-Treasurer assisted by Martin Maguire, James Cawley, William J. Harding, Charles Normile, Thomas McDonnell, John Cawley, John Mayall, Miss Anna Roche, Miss Sarah E. Hart, Miss Margaret Quinn, Miss Annie Roche, Miss Margaret Hart, Miss Harriet Stenson, Mrs. Ellen Wade, and Miss Margaret Foy.

The officers inducted into their respective positions by County President John H. Ryan were: President, Martin Maguire; Vice-President, James Cawley; Financial Secretary, Joseph Mullarkey; Recording Secretary, Thomas McDonnell; Treasurer, John H. Ryan; Chairman of Standing Committees, John Tomlinson; Sentinel, Charles Normile; Sergeant-at-Arms, William J. Harding.

Officers installed in Division 4 A. O. H. Auxiliary, with Mrs. Elizabeth Toothill as installing officer, assisted by the degree team, were: President, Miss Mary E. Hart; Vice-President, Miss Kathleen Roche; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Cecelia Sweeney; Financial Secretary, Miss Sarah E. Hart; Treasurer, Mrs. Ellen Wade; Mistress-at-Arms, Mrs. Katherine Howard; Sentinel, Mrs. Mary Hemingway; Irish Historian, Miss Jennie Murphy; Chairman of Standing Committees, Miss Mary Terry.

MINNESOTA

STILLWATER

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the A. O. H. at Stillwater, Minn., held their January meeting in Knights of Columbus hall. Mrs. Anna K. Bryant, of Minneapolis, National Secretary and State President of the Insurance Fund of Minnesota, and Mrs. Delia McDonough, of St. Paul, State President of the main order, were present as guests of the Auxiliary and conducted the installation of the officers for the year, using the impressive ceremonies of the order. The following County and Division officers were installed:

County Officers—Catherine Connors, County President; Theresa McGuire, County Vice-President; Norah Glynn, County Secretary; Agnes E. Reilley, County Treasurer and Chairman of Irish History.

Division officers—Mary Zimmerman, President; Mary Kent, Vice-President; Alice Forcia, Recording Secretary; Catherine Connors, Financial and Insurance Secretary; Mary McCarthy, Treasurer; Bridget McCarthy, Mistress-at-Arms; Maud Crowe, Sentinel; Mary McAlpin, Chairlady of Standing Committee.

After the installation Mrs. Bryant spoke on the insurance feature of the order, its sound basis, and method of handling the funds, and stated that the surplus money was all placed in the very best bonds and other securities. Her talk was very interesting and instructive. She complimented the local Division on the large number of insured members and the insurance secretary on her method of handling the funds.

Mrs. McDonough talked on the standing of the main order and its growth during the past year.

Margaret E. Grady, State Insurance Secretary, who is a member of the local order, gave a very gratifying report on the present condition of the funds.

The musical selections by Mrs. McAlpin and Mrs. Frank Humphrey were very much enjoyed.

A very interesting paper on the life and works of Brian Donn-Byrne was prepared and read by Agnes E. Reilley.

Mrs. Bryant and Mrs. McDonough were then presented with a lovely gift, in appreciation of the interest they have always taken in the Stillwater Division. Mrs. Catherine Connors made the presentation speech.

After the meeting a fine lunch was served. The hostesses for the meeting were, Mrs. McCarthy, Mrs. Zimmerman, Mrs. Kent and Mrs. Carroll.

MINNEAPOLIS

The newly elected officers of the Junior Division of the Ladies' Auxiliary to the Hibernians installed Saturday afternoon, Jan. 30, at the home of the retiring President, Miss Alice Kelly, 3519 24th Avenue South. The installation exercises were conducted by Mrs. Mary Foley, County Vice-President of the Ladies' Auxiliary to the A. O. H., in Hennepin County, and who has direct supervision over the Juniors in Hennepin County.

The following officers were installed: Miss Marian Bennett, President; Miss Ruth Fleetham, Vice President; Miss Betty McGuire, Recording Secretary; Miss Bernice Archambault, Treasurer; Miss Catherine Quigley, Mistress-at-Arms; Miss Mary Alice Turbin, Sentinel; Miss Ethel Fleetham, Chairman of Standing Committee; Miss Mary Jeanne Hughes, Chairman of Irish History; Miss Margie Quinlan, Chairman of Committee on Sick.

The following were guests at the installa-

tion: The Vice-Presidents of the different Divisions of the Auxiliary in Hennepin County, who have special supervision over the Juniors in their respective districts: Mrs. Elizabeth Bradt, Mrs. Katherine Simon, Mrs. Isabel Dunleavy, Mrs. Margaret Rooney, Mrs. Margaret Moran, Mrs. Catherine Connolly, Mrs. Hannah Weed, Mrs. J. H. Keegan, Mrs. Mae Boller, Miss Catherine Delaney, Miss Margaret Finnegan, also Mrs. Anna K. Bryant, National Secretary of the Organization and Mrs. Mary F. Sweeney of St. Paul, State Vice-President.

Miss Alice Kelly the retiring President is the daughter of Mr. James Kelly, National Director of the A. O. H.

Mrs. Anna K. Bryant, President of the State Insurance Fund of the L. A. A. O. H., in Minnesota recently entertained the insurance secretaries in Hennepin County at luncheon.

After luncheon matters of importance pertaining to insurance were discussed and it was decided to organize a club composed of the insurance secretaries in Hennepin County.

This is the first club of its kind in connection with the insurance fund and its object is to give closer attention to matters pertaining to same and obtain a greater membership.

The following officers were elected:

Miss Mary Boylan, President.

Mrs. Mary Hans, Vice President.

Mrs. Anna Hughes, Secretary.

Mrs. Margaret Hatcher, Treasurer.

By-Law Committee:

Mrs. Julia Adams.

Miss Margaret May.

Mrs. Florence C. Crepeau.

Committee on Arrangements:

Mrs. Bea Collins.

Mrs. Sarah Nilan.

Mrs. Frances Caswell and Mrs. Nellie Whitney.

NEW JERSEY

TRENTON

A large and enthusiastic joint meeting of the members of the Mercer County, A. O. H., and Ladies' Auxiliary was held for the installation of the newly elected county officers. The men were installed by State President Dennis Fitzgerald assisted by State Secretary Joseph M. Brennan. The Ladies by State President Mrs. Anna M. Carey assisted by Mrs. Mary Hart, State Secretary and Mrs. Mary Parker, County President of Hudson County. Those installed were President, M. William Murphy; Vice President, Peter A. McDade; Recording Secretary, Edward J. Glendon; Financial Secretary, James Moohan; Treasurer, Walter Phillips; Sergeant-at-Arms, George Collins; Sentinel, Harold Kenney; Past County President, James T. Dechan. The Ladies were President, Mrs. Elizabeth Shannon; Vice President, Miss Anna Yard; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Mary E. McNally; Financial Secretary, Miss Catherine King; Treasurer, Mrs. Elizabeth Tyrell; Mistress-at-Arms, Mrs. May Camagy; Sentinel, Miss Anna Dillon; Chairlady of Irish History, Miss Mary J. Rafferty; Chairlady of Standing Committee, Miss Bessie Horan. Following the installation talks were given by State President Fitzgerald, State Secretary Brennan, Past State Vice President James J. Mulligan of Camden, Past State Treasurer James H. Dillon, County President Murphy, County Vice President McDade and Thomas S. Ford, State President Mrs. Anna Carey, State Secretary Mrs. Hart, State Mistress-at-Arms Miss Rosemary McKernan, Mrs. Ellen Mulligan, County President of Camden County and Mrs. Mary Parker, County President of Hudson County, Mrs. Shannon, County President presided. Following this luncheon was served and dancing enjoyed until a late hour. It is the wish of Mrs. Anna M. Carey, State President, Mrs. Elizabeth Shannon, County President and M. William Murphy, County President in keeping with the time honored and kindly custom to extend to all the members of the A. O. H. and Ladies Auxiliary their sincere wish that they will enjoy a new year that will bring them the richest blessings from our Eucharistic King and Saviour. The N. Jersey State board held a state meeting at Trenton on Nov. 29. William Murphy assisted by the County board and Mrs. Anna M. Carey, Mrs. Elizabeth Shannon and the county board of the Auxiliary held a big card party on Dec. 26. Plans are being made for an "On to Chicago" Club among the men and women. Peter A. McDade has been appointed to reorganize the County Degree team and the Hibernian Dramatic Club are getting ready for their annual St. Patrick's Day Show.

FIFTY-SIXTH BIENNIAL CONVENTION OF THE ANCIENT ORDER OF HIBERNIANS OF NEW JERSEY

The State Convention of the Ancient Order of Hibernians and the Ladies' Auxiliary was held at the Hotel Strand, Atlantic City.

The first proceedings of the Convention was a solemn High Mass held in St. Nicholas Church. The large sacred edifice was crowded. The

sermon was preached by our State Chaplain, The Right Rev. Monsignor Griffen. The State Chaplain paid a glowing tribute to men and women of the order from its early history down to the present time. His remarks were an inspiration to all of us.

After the Mass a joint session was held in the school Hall adjoining the Church. Thomas E. Randow, County President of Atlantic County welcomed the delegates, in behalf of Atlantic City members, and then introduced the Mayor's Secretary, Major William A. Casey, who in a very fine but brief address in behalf of the City Government of Atlantic City presented the Keys of the City to the State President, Thomas J. Finnegan and reminded him that nothing would be locked up in Atlantic City while the Hibernians were there. State President Finnegan thanked Secretary Casey on behalf of the Order and then pinned a Hibernian Badge on his coat lapel, exacting a promise that he would become a member.

The State President then introduced Mrs. Anna Carey, State President of the Ladies' Auxiliary who also thanked Major Casey on behalf of the Ladies' Auxiliary. Next in turn to be introduced was Mrs. Mary Holden, National Chairlady of Irish History and Mrs. Mary Martin Silk, National President of the Ladies' Auxiliary. Mrs. Holden in her usual scholarly manner expressed her happiness in being present at the Convention as a representative of the National Board. Mrs. Silk, the National President, no stranger to the members in New Jersey thanked the State President for his introduction and told how delighted she was of having the opportunity of attending the State Convention. Eloquence combined with that gentleness of character is indeed her greatest gift.

Adjournment of the joint session then took place, the Ladies to meet at the Steel Pier and the men at the Strand Hotel at two thirty p. m. The afternoon session was taken up with routine matters, appointment of committees, officers reports and the nomination of officers, all State offices being contested. The present officers with the exception of the State Secretary having served four years declined to be candidates. State President Finnegan having been elected as National Treasurer at the Newport Convention declined any State office. He gave a general and concise written report of the proceedings of the National Convention.

The nominations for State Officers were as follows:

State President:

Dennis Fitzgerald of Middlesex County.
James J. Mulligan, Camden County.

State Vice President:

Thomas Farrell of Union County.
James Moohan of Mercer County.

State Secretary:

Joseph M. Brennan, Essex County.
George Connolly, Essex County.

State Treasurer:

John Sullivan, Hudson County.

Convention adjourned at five-thirty p. m. to meet at ten o'clock on Saturday morning.

Final Session Saturday

The final session of the Convention was called to order by State President Finnegan at 10 a. m. Reports of Committees were first in order. The resolutions Committee report in brief was read and adopted as follows: That a committee be appointed to interview the two Bishops in the State, that all Parochial Schools where Irish American children predominate be closed on St. Patrick's day. Strong resolutions were adopted against this Country entering the World Court or the League of Nations, also against the cancellation of war debts owing to this country. Resolutions requesting our Senators and Congressmen to work for the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment and while doing so to alter the Volstead Act to permit the manufacture and sale of light wines and beer.

Irish College Fund

A lengthy discussion took place on the Irish College at Rome fund. The quota being \$3,000. There is approximately two-thirds of this amount already paid in to the National fund. Brother John Jennings of the Northern part of the State promised to collect one-half of the amount and Brother M. William Murphy promised to do the same for his section of the State. At this point the following National Officers entered the Hall. Past National President, Michael Donohoe, National Directors, Thomas J. Welsh and John O'Hagan.

State President Finnegan in turn introduced Past President Donohoe, Directors Welsh and O'Hagan. The addresses given were of such patriotic character as to arouse the delegates to the highest spirit and applause greeted each at the conclusion of their address. A rising vote of thanks was given to the visiting National Officers. A delegation from the Ladies then entered the Hall, among them National President Mrs. Silk who brought the greetings of the Ladies to the convention.

The election of State Officers having taken place previously, the Judge and tellers entered the Hall and announced they were ready to

make their report with the following results:

State President, Dennis Fitzgerald.
State Vice President, Thomas Farrell.
State Secretary, Joseph M. Brennan.
State Treasurer, John Sullivan.

The other appointed State Officers are as follows:

State Chaplain, Right Rev. William A. Griffen.

Junior Past State President, Thomas J. Finnegan.

State Organizer, Edward R. Hayes.

State Chairman, Irish History, James Kelly.

The Convention closed with the installation of officers by National Director O'Hagan and the singing of the Soldiers Song. The Ladies Auxiliary reelected their present set of officers headed by their State President Mrs. Ann M. Carey and if future events are to be judged by the past the members of the ladies are in good hands.

TRENTON

Hibernianism has been very active during the past month. All the Divisions held their elections and in most cases the old officers were reelected. Saturday, Dec. 26, the County Board held a card party at the A. O. H. Home which was very successful, due in a great measure to the help of the Auxiliary. Wednesday evening, Dec. 30, the annual Christmas party was held. A very enjoyable time was had by all with dancing until midnight and refreshments. Mrs. Mary Kenney was chairman of the committee. The hall was beautifully decorated for the occasion by James Moohan. The decorations including a large Christmas tree with many electric lights. Wednesday evening, Jan. 6, a joint installation was held by Divisions 1 and 2 and the Ladies' Auxiliary of Division No. 2. County Vice-President, Peter A. McDade installed the men as County President Murphy was being installed as President of Division No. 1. State President, Mrs. Anna M. Carey installed the women as County President, Mrs. Shannon was being installed as President of Division No. 2. Following the installation short talks were given by Mrs. Carey, Messrs. Murphy, McDade and Dillon. Jan. 25, a large delegation of men and women went to Camden, N. J., to attend a celebration in that city. Jan. 27, Division No. 5 of the Auxiliary held their anniversary celebration. March 12, Division No. 1 will be 60 years old and a committee is now making arrangements for a celebration. Sunday, March 13, all the men of the county will receive Holy Communion in a body. St. Patrick's Day, the annual play will be given with County Vice-President Peter A. McDade in charge. All the members of the Order are happy to see County President Murphy return to Trenton looking so well. Brother Murphy was on the verge of a breakdown early in December and was ordered by his physician to take a rest. With Mrs. Murphy and the children he enjoyed a cruise to Haiti, South America and Havana. Now that "Bill" is feeling better we hope he will take it a little easier. We wish to take this opportunity to extend our sincere congratulations to Mrs. Anna M. Carey, State President of the Auxiliary on her appointment as a member of the Legislative Committee of the Federation of Representatives of the Fraternal and Beneficial Organizations of New Jersey. This organization represents over 100,000 people in this state. Its object is combating legislation introduced in the state legislature inimical to fraternal and beneficial organizations. We also extend our congratulations to James A. Russell, one of the young members of Division No. 1, who was awarded a gold medal by the National Safety Council for saving the life of a young Trenton girl from drowning. "Jim," who is also experienced in resuscitation work labored for more than half an hour before the girl regained consciousness. Here's hoping, Jim, you may live long to enjoy the honor which you richly deserve. We also extend our congratulations to our young County Vice-President, Brother McDade, also Mrs. McDade. "It's a girl." Now we are sorry but we must sign off because we have reached the bottom of the page so until the next issue bye, bye. Station A. O. H., Trenton, N. J.

UNION COUNTY

From the activities that have been held by three of the four Divisions in Union County during the past two weeks, it is freely predicted that Hibernianism is going to have a big year in this county. The attendance at the meetings has been very large and the enthusiasm the biggest. Division No. 3 of Rahway had the first of the three affairs above referred to when the Installation of officers was held on the evening of Jan. 11. The County Chaplain, Rev. Father C. J. Kane; State Secretary Joseph M. Brennan; County President Matthew R. Daly; former Past State President Patrick J. McCue were among the prominent members present. The installation was conducted by State Secretary Brennan, assisted by the County Vice-President, Timothy Cadigan and Brother M. Cadigan.

Later Father Kane gave a very stirring talk on membership, a timely topic, as Division 3 is now engaged in a special effort to that end. The State Secretary in his talk congratulated the Division on its fine turnout that evening and told of how much pleasure he always gets from a visit to the Rahway Hibernians. The County President, the County Vice President and Past State President McCue, all delivered talks that were very well received. At adjournment a social time was got under way and the many members present enjoyed a very pleasant time.

The next night, Jan. 12, Division No. 2 of Elizabeth had their installation at their fine large home in Elizabeth. The hall was filled to capacity and among the prominent members present were Rev. C. J. Kane, County Chaplain; the State President, Dennis J. Fitzgerald; State Vice-President, Thomas Farrell; County President, Matthew R. Daly; County Vice-President, Timothy Cadigan. Installation ceremonies were conducted by County President Daly assisted by Brother McCue of Rahway and the County Secretary L. O'Sullivan, Plainfield. After the meeting adjourned the social session began during which Father Kane delivered a very inspiring address and was followed by the State President who told of plans for upbuilding the order in New Jersey. Others spoke and many sang and with the abundance of refreshments served the very large gathering thoroughly enjoyed every minute of their visit.

On Tuesday evening, Jan. 19, Division No. 4 of Plainfield was host to a very large audience that came to assist at their installation. The installation was in charge of County President Daly assisted by Brother Patrick Gilgannon of Rahway and Brother Timothy Cadigan of Elizabeth. The prominent guests included County Chaplain, Father C. J. Kane, State President, D. J. Fitzgerald, and Past State President McCue.

During the social session which followed the regular meeting Father Kane made a very fine address which was warmly received. State President Fitzgerald spoke on "Co-operation and Its Benefits to the Division." During State Vice President Farrell's remarks he feelingly told of the regret that Division 4 felt at the retirement of Brother John Gallagher from the office of Treasurer after many years service and presented Brother Gallagher with a wallet from the Division. Brother Gallagher responded in a feeling way and was given a rousing round of applause. There were many songs rendered and warmly received. And of course the eats and refreshments left nothing to be desired as to quality and quantity.

One of the pleasing features noted at these three meetings was the large number of visiting brothers from neighboring Divisions. Another bright spot in those meetings was the large number of young members present and their eagerness to pitch in and assist as singers, servers or in any way needed. So in conclusion Union County is going to be heard from early and often in 1932.

At this writing No. 7 of Elizabeth hasn't as yet held their Installation which is scheduled to be held in February.

PERTH AMBOY

Division No. 3 Having Great Membership Drive

At the monthly meeting Division No. 3 A. O. H., heard a great response from the members regarding the membership drive which has been going on the last six weeks. Plans were formulated at this meeting to initiate a large class on March 18 in the Knights of Columbus Home, the initiation will be followed by a reception, which will last all day. In the evening the members, 100% strong, will attend vesper service in St. Mary's Church.

Thomas Burke and Edward Scannell announced that they will again take care of the destinies of the baseball team of the order, a very successful season was had last year, but with new members coming in, an even better season will be looked for. New officers were elected for the coming year as follows: President, Philip Costello, Vice President, Harry McArdle; Recording Secretary, Patrick Gegley; Financial Secretary, Patrick Burke; Treasurer, John J. Clark.

NEW YORK

LOCKPORT

To the Officers and Members of New York State.

Brothers:

With the Nineteen Thirty-Two Division Officers installed I extend to them my hearty congratulations. I sincerely

appeal to each one, whether re-elected, or recently assuming office, for his whole-hearted cooperation, in obtaining the following results during the year:

First—Securing at least one new member by every present member.

Second—At least one reinstatement of a former member by every present member.

Third—Action in every Division to prevent the suspension of any member, because of unemployment—or any other reason.

Fourth—One hundred per cent attendance of Division Officers at every meeting.

During the past week I have had the pleasure of visiting two of the most active Divisions in the State. Tuesday evening, Jan. 19, I participated in the unique ceremony of a triple installation at Niagara Falls. Officers of Division One, its Ladies' Auxiliary, and Junior Division, were installed in the presence of a large membership from each unit, together with a bus load of Lockport members.

Sunday, Jan. 24, at Buffalo, I had the privilege, with the assistance of Erie County President Robinson, and staff, of initiating the largest class of candidates inducted into the Order in the state in recent months. Included in the class, organized by Division Four of Erie County, were many prominent Buffalonians. It was particularly gratifying to note the number of former members. Judging from the interest displayed, it is apparent that this recently organized Division is destined to become, in the near future, one of the largest in the state.

Fraternally and sincerely,

WILLIAM J. RYAN, State Pres.

DIVISION No. 5, A. O. H.

Installation ceremonies last evening—Officers selected for coming year: President, John J. Skelly; Vice-President, Dennis Tooher; Treasurer, Michael G. Rooney; Financial Secretary, John J. Fealey; Recording Secretary, Frank W. Cummings; Sergeant-at-Arms, Kyrán McGarrity; Sentinel, Patrick Brennan; Chairman Irish History, John Quirk; Standing Committee, Michael Kennedy, Nicholas J. Barry, John Tiernan, John Denn, Thomas Aspel.

Installing officer—State Director Matthew Curran, Rensselaer county. Assistants—Dennis English, Schenectady county, and Patrick Ryan, Rensselaer county.

Speakers—John J. Skelly, County President, Albany county; Phillip J. Ryan, County President, Rensselaer county; Dennis English, former State Secretary, Schenectady; Matthew Curran, State Director, Rensselaer; Nicholas J. Barry, former County President, Albany; and Rev. Michael J. Dwyer, pastor, St. Ambrose church, Lathams.

Visiting officers—State, county and city—and all members thoroughly enjoyed Father Dwyer's eloquent and masterful address.

Entertainment followed under direction of Brother Thomas Clowery, chairman of entertainment committee.

At the next meeting Thomas Clowery, Chairman of entertainment committee, will submit final report on arrangements for the annual card party and dance on Monday evening, Jan. 25 at Carmen's hall. This year the card party will bring together many "old timers" in a "45" contest, and keen interest is manifested, as the members are wondering as to the better players. Three playing teams known as Green, White and Gold, tricolors of Ireland, and captained by Dennis Tooher, James Queegan and Michael Gannon, will compete.

The following members will assist Chairman Clowery at the affair:

John J. Skelly, President; John Fealey, Financial Secretary; Frank W. Cummings, Recording Secretary; Michael Waters, Terrence McLaughlin, Michael Ryan, John J.

Fitzgerald, Dennis Tooher, John Quirk, Michael Kennedy, Charles Henk, John Ellis, Kyrán McGarrity, Michael G. Rooney, James Queegan, John Brennan, Michael Gannon, John Rooney, Edward Collins, Joseph Roddy.

The installation committee will report on visits to divisions in Rensselaer and Schenectady counties and submit recommendations accordingly.

Rensselaer county board has extended an invitation to President John J. Skelly to attend the first county board meeting of that county at Hoosick Falls, Sunday, Jan. 24.

Rev. Thomas Tooher continues as Chaplain of Division No. 5.

Financial reports of Treasurer and Financial Secretary for past year received. Treasurer Michael G. Rooney reported substantial gain during past year, and members are well pleased with large balance in hands of officers.

Division No. 3, Erie County

Division No. 3, Erie County, held a special meeting Sunday, Jan. 17, 1932, for the purpose of conducting its annual installation of officers for the ensuing year. The newly elected and re-elected officers are: President, John J. Hooley; Vice President, John A. Tate; Treasurer, Frank J. Clement; Financial Secretary, Joseph D. Nolan; Recording Secretary, Alan McDonough; Sergeant-at-Arms, W. J. Riordan; Sentinel, J. McIntyre; Chairman of Standing Committee, Harold O'Conner.

The meeting was opened by President Hooley and was then turned over to the County President, George P. Robinson, who was the installing officer, assisted by Brothers Barrett and Lynch. At the conclusion of the installation the meeting continued with the new officers at their respective posts.

President Hooley and the other new officers addressed the members, assuring them of their willingness to fulfill the obligation which was theirs by virtue of their election and their readiness to aid the upbuilding of the Division. President Hooley expressed his desire for the members to lend every cooperation to help make Division No. 3 one of the outstanding Divisions in the state of New York.

A social hour followed under the direction of Brother Gordon, including entertainment by Brothers Oshei, Robinson, and the Hooleys.

Arrangements have been completed for Mar. 17, our Saint Patrick's Day Card Party and Dance to be held in the Annunciation Hall. Every effort is being put forth to make this party the crowning event of the year.

Division No. 3, Long Island City.

The first meeting of the new year held by the United Irish Societies of Brooklyn and Long Island Monday evening, Jan. 4, 1932, enjoyed a very large attendance of representatives and worthy speakers. National Director John O'Hagan presided.

The business of the meeting transacted was of major importance, part of which was the adoption of the following set of resolutions:

The aims and object of the organization are:

(a) To preserve American ideals of liberty as enunciated by Washington and Jefferson.

(b) To protest against any attempt to besmirch the good name or character of the Irish people.

(c) To encourage the study of Irish history, language, and literature, and to create an interest in Irish games and pastimes.

(d) To effect a closer relationship amongst the Irish race.

Further: That we emphatically are opposed to embroiling this nation in the League of Nations or the World's Court.

Furthermore: We are opposed to any cancellation of the European War debt.

(Signed) TIMOTHY MURPHY,
EDMUND KELLEHER
JAMES MULGUEEN
MICK KEEHAN
EDWARD BUGEN
PATRICK J. KINSELLA
JOHN F. O'LAUGHLIN,

Members of the Resolutions Committee.

WILLIAM A. WALSH,
Secretary of Committee.

A Committee on Education was appointed to investigate the movement of centralizing the education of the country under the federal government's control.

The eloquence of the speakers aroused their hearers to a pitched enthusiasm.

The speakers of the evening were as follows: Edmund Kelleher, of Queens, "Accomplishments of the Irishmen in America"; William A. Walsh, of Queens, "Irish Family Life in America"; William Gorman, of Brooklyn, President of the Brooklyn Letter Carriers Union, "Necessity of the Irish People to be United in this Country"; Thomas Breen, of Brooklyn, "Enforcement of the Prohibition Law Aboard Ships Flying the American Flag

Beyond the Twelve Mile Limit"; James J. Kelly, of Brooklyn, Deputy County Clerk, "The Need of a Drastic Change of the Present Burdensome Process of Obtaining Naturalization Papers in the borough of Brooklyn.

OHIO

We have entered upon a new year, that of 1932, and with its advent, there came new hopes, new ambitions, new resolves. The old year of 1931, passing from us forever, left no mysteries unsolved and no doubts in our minds as to the experiences through which we had passed and the net result of such experience. As the old year neared its ending, with that hope that ever springs eternal in the human breast, we felt that with its passing, there would also disappear the many trials, hardships, suffering, and distress that had darkened its days, and into the mystic future of 1932 we visioned universal happiness, success, and prosperity. Our unalterable faith and confidence in this great nation of ours causes us to feel that our vision has not been tricked, that it was not a myth, but in reality an actual advance likeness of what would, without question, be a part and parcel of this new year of 1932.

During this new year we celebrate the two hundredth anniversary of the birth of George Washington, the "Father of our Country," and a sincere and exhaustive reflection upon the principles embodied in that great statesman and patriot may be a most important, yes, perhaps a paramount factor in the liberation of our nation from the national gloom which envelops it.

It is perhaps no exaggeration to declare that we as a nation have been diverting too far from those well defined admonitions of Washington. Let us reflect for just one moment: The great Washington, heart and soul in the success, then and for all time, of this our country, gazed into the future and foresaw the many dangers that would, as a natural consequence, confront it and, like a devoted father's zeal for the future of a son, he outlined a certain procedure, feasible in its application, that would reduce to a minimum the liability of national hazard. There are some who will contend that the advice of Washington was intended only to serve his time, and the period immediately pursuant thereto, but nothing could be further from the fact. The advice of the "Father of our Country" has not only kept pace with its progress but has been one step ahead.

It continues so even in this day of modern development. He admonished that there be no entangling alliance with foreign powers. "Friendly relations with all," he said, "but entangling alliance with none." He gazed into the future and he observed international greed; he saw certain elements ready to repudiate every principle of national prosperity in exchange for the golden calf. This beloved nation of ours is passing through a grave crisis, the outcome of which

depends on whether or not we intend to return to that principle espoused by the "Father of our Country." We as Irish Catholic men and women have ever been first and foremost in every crisis through which our beloved nation has passed, and now, more than ever, we cry out to those who would seek to undermine or repudiate those principles laid down by Washington, "they shall not pass." Let us demand that only those who are willing to adhere to the ideals of Washington be elected to office in this nation. If, during this year of 1932, we succeed in a return to those high ideals of patriotism and loyalty to this—our nation—then truly may we declare that the current year has been a red letter year in our national history.

Activities in Cuyahoga County, Cleveland, Ohio, are showing results, judging from the interest manifested by the members and friends attending the social session of Division No. 1 on Sunday, Jan. 17. The newly elected officers were installed by our Worthy State President, William Gavin, who gave a masterly address on the meaning of Hibernianism and the work that remained for us to do in the interest of our organization. Visiting members from Division Nos. 5 and 2, together with the Ladies' Auxiliary and friends, rendered a very interesting program of song and music. Visiting members of other Irish organizations were enthusiastic in their praise of the good-fellowship of the Ancient Order of Hibernians.

Division No. 1 has been exceptionally hard hit during the past year in the passing of five of its old time members, William Driscoll, Martin J. Madden, Patrick Gavin, John P. Flynn, and Michael Meany.

Brother Meany was for many years the efficient Marshal of Division No. 1. He died suddenly on Jan. 8, after leaving Mass at St. Thomas Church, of which he was long an exemplary member and from where he was buried on Monday, Jan. 11. After the solemn High Mass, a most beautiful sermon was preached by Rt. Rev. Msgr. Mahon, the Pastor. He was for forty-six years a member of the order and for about the same time a charter member of the Carpenters' Union, three of whom, with three Hibernians, were pallbearers. It was a shock not only to his own Division, but to all members in the county to hear of his passing, as he was

known and loved by all. He attended the meeting of Division No. 5 on Jan. 3 and, notwithstanding his 75 years, he enjoyed being among the "boys," as he called them. Usually when called upon, he treated them to the "Rising of the Moon," his favorite song.

He leaves to mourn his loss his wife, Catherine Nee Lynch, the daughter of the man from whom he learned his trade in his native County Clare, over fifty years ago, one son, James, also a member of Division No. 1, and a daughter, Marie.

The parting words of those who knew and loved him are: "God rest you, Michael Meany, and may your oft repeated wish be granted, that your kindly, generous, faithful soul pass through Old Erin on its journey to its God."

PENNSYLVANIA

POTTSVILLE

State Secretary's Letter

The December issue of The National Hibernian called to your attention what should be expected of Division and county officers. When the officers are lax in performing their obligations, the rank and file of the Division follow the example. The National Secretary advises that annual reports are to be completed and forwarded by Jan. 15.

The following Divisions of the state have their reports returned and checks for state taxes accompanied: Division No. 5 of Allegheny, Division No. 2, Northumberland, Division No. 3, Westmoreland, Division No. 2 of Tioga, Division No. 10, Schuylkill, Division No. 7, Westmoreland, and Division No. 15 of Cambria.

The Divisions mentioned in this space have forwarded reports, without checks: Divisions Nos. 8 and 18 of Allegheny, Division No. 14, of Cambria, Division No. 2 of Mercer, Divisions Nos. 10, 25, and 44 of Philadelphia, Divisions Nos. 16, 2, 15, and 18 of Schuylkill. The first complete report

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is visible, and which Division shall be last?

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At a meeting held in St. Joseph's Auditorium, Shamokin, Northumberland County, Sunday, Jan. 10, Division No. 3, A. O. H., was organized. This good work was accomplished by Raymond E. Cannon, State Historian, and Neil Connaghan, County Treasurer. Leo Quinn called the meeting to order, and in turn selected the State Secretary to preside. State President Thomas J. Minnick, Jr., of Philadelphia, was introduced, and in his remarks outlined the various reasons why every eligible man and woman should become a member of the L. A. and A. O. H.

Past County President Raymond E. Cannon obligated the newly elected candidates. State Organizer James Dougherty of Philadelphia installed the following newly elected officers: President, Edward V. McCormick; Vice President, Thomas J. McDevitt; Recording Secretary, Daniel F. Rattigan; Financial Secretary, John P. Forbes, and Treasurer, John F. Barrett.

Rev. Father William F. Boyle, Pastor, and Rev. Father Edward J. Shannon, Assistant Pastor (it was the desire of the latter to place his name on the first application), were enrolled, and both voiced their opinion of the necessity of the men and women of their city AFFILIATING under the banner of the A. O. H.

Brothers Dr. Morrison, Neil Connaghan of Mt. Carmel, M. J. Brennan of Shamokin, and others too numerous to mention addressed the meeting and resolved to put forth every effort to have an additional application to present at the first regular meeting on Jan. 17.

In his closing remarks State President Minick very kindly thanked Father Boyle and Father Shannon for their cooperation, and said that at any future time his services were at their disposal. He also thanked all the brothers present who gave their services on this occasion, closing the meeting with prayer.

The February issue of our national organ will arrive in advance of St. Patrick's Day. As this is the Hibernians' Memorial Day, it WILL BE REGRETTED IF ANY DIVISION fails to have some social function in honor of the Patron Saint of Ireland.

County and Division officers should be the sponsors of those activities. The national and state officers have every confidence in you and hope your efforts will be crowned with success.

Fraternally yours,

M. L. McANULTY,
State Secretary.

NEW STATE PRESIDENT OF SCRANTON A. O. H. GREETED AT COUNTY BOARD MEET.

The County Board of the Ancient Order of Hibernians held a dinner reception for the new State President, Attorney Thomas J. Minnick, Jr., at Rosar's Restaurant, Washington Avenue. He succeeds John F. Buckley, Scranton.

In the afternoon the quarterly meeting of the board was held in Leonard's Hall, where it was decided to conduct a membership campaign from Mar. 18 to Aug. 18. The 1500th anniversary of St. Patrick will be celebrated by the individual units. Mr. Buckley was toastmaster of the dinner and the state officers were welcomed to Scranton by Mayor Fred K. Derby.

Other speakers included Rev. James A. Walsh, Susquehanna; Rev. Stephen O'Boyle, Mrs. Mary McIntyre, State Treasurer of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the A. O. H., Philadelphia County; Mrs. E. J. McTiernan, State President of the Auxiliary; Mrs. Mary Chessler, Philadelphia County President; M. A. McAnulty, Pottsville, State Secretary; Ray Cannon, Cameron City, State Historian; John McCarthy, Luzerne County, State Treasurer, and Attorney Mennick.

Present were Thomas F. Rafter, Michael J. Rudy, J. B. McCormick, Charlotte Hawks, Mrs. M. J. Coleman, John J. Sullivan, Mary Mahon, Anna Sullivan, Nora Cummings, Mrs. Lawrence Hart, Mrs. Marie Messitt, Mrs. Mart Ratchford, Mrs. P. J. Ratchford, Patrick Shea, Eleanor B. Casey, Mrs. M. Dufkin, Mrs. J. K. Sharbough, Mrs. Anna Manley, M. G. Cronin, Mrs. Mary Murphy, Mrs. Anna Smith, Mrs. Anna Mullin, Mrs. Emma Tobin, Mrs. John F. Buckley, Rev. James Walsh, Rev. Stephen O'Boyle, Mayor Fred K. Derby, Mrs. Mary McIntyre, Mrs. E. J. McTiernan, Mrs. Mary Chessler, James Dougherty, M. A. McAnulty, Ray Cannon, John McCarthy, Attorney Thomas J. Minnick, Jr., Mrs. John F. O'Toole, Anna Connor, Mrs. M. F. Judge, Mrs. James F. Connor, Mrs. Emma McNally, Katie O'Holleran, Mrs. John Miskell, Mrs. John Casey, Mrs. Theresa Feeney, Mrs. Nellie Farrell, Mrs. Mary Colwell, Mrs. Harold Cawley, James Connery, Dr. E. F. Scanlon, L. E. O'Brien, John Joyce, M. F. Judge, Daniel Connolly, Mrs. Elizabeth Langan, Catherine Mullin, Catherine Scanlon, Mrs. Nora Reilly, Anthony Gallagher, Mrs. Mary Gannon, Mrs. John F. Buckley, Mrs. John Blockberger, P. J. Messett, Peter Coleman, P. J. Mulhern, and the following county officers of the men's and ladies' societies: A. F. Murphy, Vice President; M. J. Coleman, Secretary; M. J. Smith, Treasurer; John Coyne, secretary; May Egan, Vice President; Mrs. Agnes McAloon, Secretary; Mrs. Mary Cummings, Treasurer; Mrs. Mary Regan, Historian.—Scranton Times, Jan. 25, 1932.

M. J. COLEMAN, Secretary.

HIBERNIANS WANT YOUTH PROTECTED

Local members of the Ancient Order of Hibernians gave a testimonial dinner last night in honor of John McCarthy, of Plymouth, newly elected State Treasurer, at Hotel Sterling. The affair was attended by a representative gathering of the order and much enjoyed.

State President Thomas J. Minnick gave an interesting talk, in which he stated that the power and influence of the organization should be used to strengthen its moral fibre. He recommended junior lodges of the organization as one way of training boys and girls in the way of good citizenship and away from the temptation of speakeasies and other fertile places of crime and sin. He told of the A. O. H. having waged a campaign many years for the freedom of Ireland and that efforts of the organization should now be devoted to obtaining proper training for youths. He pleaded for a more thorough home training for boys and girls along moral and spiritual lines.

Mr. McCarthy was presented with a traveling bag. Tribute was paid to him by Mayor Daniel L. Hart, Ray Cannon, State Historian; James Fitzgerald, Philadelphia; Mrs. Rose McTiernan, State President of the Ladies' Auxiliary, A. O. H.; Michael McNulty, State Secretary; P. L. Gallagher, President of the county organization; Mary Shovlin, President of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the county organization; Rev. P. J. Colligan, pastor, of St. Vincent's Church, Plymouth; Rev. Cornelius O'Brien, and Arthur A. Maguire. Joseph F. Evans was toastmaster.

Miss Shovlin presented corsage bouquets to State officers of the Ladies' Auxiliary.

Entertainment was given by Esther Gallagher, Mrs. Celia Kennedy, Joseph Gibbons, Mrs. Mary Blake, Frances and Anna Sheerin, Mary Hoffman and Mary and Jane Hagen.

Guests:

Mrs. Joseph Hastings, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Haffey, Mrs. Edward Brennan, Mrs. T. P. Dolan, Mrs. Theodore Hornan, Mrs. William Hersberger, Mrs. Philip H. George, Frances Sheerin, Mrs. M. F. Flaherty, Jane Hagan, Mary Hagan, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Dougherty, Mrs.



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RHODE ISLAND

NEWPORT

At a joint meeting of Division No. 2, Ancient Order of Hibernians, and its Women's Auxiliary, officers of the two organizations were installed for the year by National Director John H. Greene, Jr., who was assisted by County Presidents Patrick J. Lyons and Mrs. Bridget Casey Sullivan. Past County President Lyons acted as marshal, and Benjamin T. Carter, Francis Sullivan and Michael O'Connor as escorts, for the installation of the Division officers. John P. Gallagher and Mrs. Norah Lynch were installed respectively as President of the Division and as President of the Auxiliary. The officers of Division No. 2 are as follows: Chaplain, Rev. Edward A. Higney; President, John P. Gallagher; Vice-President, Timothy F. Buckley; Recording Secretary, Philip A. Maguire; Financial Secretary, Cornelius J. Sullivan; Treasurer, John J. Sullivan; Marshal, Patrick J. Sullivan; Chairman Standing Committee, John J. Casey; Inside Sentinel, John D. Casey; Outside Sentinel, Richard O. Sullivan; Sergeant-at-Arms, William F. Porter.

President Gallagher announced the appoint-

ment of the following committees: Entertainment: Timothy F. Buckley, Patrick J. Lyons, Patrick L. Sullivan, John Doyle, James F. Stewart, John H. Greene, Jr., Benjamin T. Carter, Timothy Houlihan, John Sullivan, Halsey street; Membership: Martin J. Murray, James Bradley, Francis Sullivan; Employment: James T. O'Connell, Benjamin T. Carter; Sick: Patrick L. Sullivan, James Bradley, Patrick Fogarty, John Doyle, Michael O'Connor; Bowling: Francis Sullivan, Charles Bowman, John J. Sullivan, John O'Connell, Patrick Twomey, Michael J. Sullivan, John J. Casey, James Walsh, John Sullivan, Russell avenue, William Corcoran, Philip A. Maguire, James Bradley, Martin Murray, Barney Kane, William Sullivan; Investigating: Cornelius J. Sullivan, James Bradley, John Doyle; Finance: Maurice Roach, John H. Greene, Jr., Michael J. Sullivan; Athletic: Benjamin T. Carter, Patrick J. Lyons, Maurice Roach, John Donnelly, John Roach, Lawrence Sullivan; Washington's Birthday: John H. Greene, Jr., Timothy F. Buckley, Francis Sullivan; Publicity: Philip A. Maguire, John H. Greene, Jr., Francis Sullivan; Relief: T. F. Buckley, Maurice Roche, John H. Greene, Jr.

The installing officer was assisted in inducting the officers of the Auxiliary by County President, Mrs. Sullivan as Marshal, and Mrs. Julia Ryan and Mrs. Catherine Gallagher as escorts. The officers installed are as follows: President, Mrs. Norah Lynch; Vice President, Miss Mary Lyons; Recording Secretary, Miss Mary Marren; Financial Secretary, Mrs. Mary Casey; Treasurer, Mrs. Honora Hickey; Mistress-at-Arms, Mrs. Nora O'Connor; Sentinel, Mrs. Margaret Porter; Chairman Standing Committee, Mrs. Ellen Harrington; Historian, Mrs. Delia Ebbitt.

Addresses were made by National Director John H. Greene, Jr., County Presidents Patrick J. Lyons and Maurice Roche, County President Mrs. Bridget Casey Sullivan, Mrs. Elizabeth Harrington, President of Division No. 1 Auxiliary; Mrs. Lynch, President of Division No. 2 Auxiliary; President Gallagher and Vice President Buckley of Division No. 2, and Mrs. Honora Hickey, Treasurer of Division No. 2 Auxiliary.

PAWTUCKET

Irish-American Hall, North Union Street. Pawtucket was the scene of a triple installation when officers of Division 1, Division 8, of the Order and Division 9 of the Auxiliary took the solemn obligation on Sunday, Jan. 3, 1932. The men were inducted by County President John Quinn, while the ladies were installed by Auxiliary County President Lillian Hannan.

The meeting was opened by selections by the Glee Club which recently made its first appearance. During the exercises the club also rendered patriotic Irish numbers. The club is under the direction of Miss Nellie McConaghy, the accompanist at this installation being Miss Mary Kelley, both members of Division 9 of the auxiliary. It is composed of members of the ladies of Division 1 of Central Falls, Division 9 of Pawtucket and Division 17 of Valley Falls.

State President Patrick McCabe, State Vice-President Michael Foley, State Treasurer John McKenna gave short, inspiring messages. Remarks were also made by County President Quinn, County Vice-President Timothy Foley, of Providence County. Greetings from Division 9 of Central Falls were brought to the two Pawtucket Divisions by Pres. James Doherty, and from Division 17 of Valley Falls by President Michael Kane.

Remarks were made by State Secretary of the Auxiliary Bridget Grady, State Historian Teresa Gilmore, County President Lillian Hannan, County Vice-President Mary McNally, County Secretary Helen Grady.

Past State President Carrie McAloon was Mistress-of-Ceremonies. In addition to the numbers rendered by the Glee Club vocal selections were given by Evelyn Corcoran, Kathleen O'Hare, and Mary Fallon.

VALLEY FALLS

The joint installation exercises of Division 17, A. O. H., and its Auxiliary took place in the Catholic Institute Building, Valley Falls, Sunday, December 13.

In the absence of County President Quinn, County Vice-President Foley inducted the men into office, and Lillian Hannan, County President officiated for the ladies.

During the installation exercises the newly formed Providence County Glee Club made its debut, rendering "O'Donnell Abu," "Soldiers of Erin," and "God Save Ireland." They also entertained with selections during the program, soloists being Kathleen O'Hare and Evelyn Corcoran. They were greeted with applause and acclaimed a success. Some of the men immediately filed transfer applications, so that they might become eligible to membership in the club.

A feature of the installation program was the unveiling of the Papal Blessing, by Mrs. Elizabeth Salinger, President of the Auxiliary.

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VERMONT

RUTLAND

Division No. 1, Rutland, elected the following officers: President, Martin McGarrity; Vice President, John Howard; Recording Secretary, E. J. Hannon; Financial Secretary, Jas. Hannon; Treasurer, Denis Healy; Chairman of Standing Committee, Wm. Crosby; Sergeant-at-Arms, Edward Gallagher; Sentinel, Patrick Ryan. It was a very enthusiastic meeting.

Rutland Division lost one of her old reliable members, Patrick Caten, who died in Rutland Hospital Thursday, Jan. 14, after a long sickness. He was Financial Secretary for twenty-five years. The funeral was held Saturday morning, 8:30 o'clock, at St. Peter's church. The High Mass of Requiem was celebrated by Rev. Father Conlin, who also officiated at the grave in Calvary cemetery. Members of the Ancient Order of Hibernians attended the funeral in a body. Among the floral tributes sent to the family were set pieces from the ancient Order of Hibernians.

West Rutland elected the following officers: President, E. H. McNeil; Vice President, Joseph Carter; Recording Secretary, Robert Watters; Financial Secretary, Jas. C. Brennan; Treasurer, Edward Kenney.

West Rutland Division has made all necessary arrangements for an Irish drama for St. Patrick's night. This little town of West Rutland so far has never let St. Patrick's night go by without an Irish play or celebration of some kind. The Division President, Brother McNeil, for the last 17 years has always taken a part in the St. Patrick's night entertainment. Believe me, he is no novice in the game. We all look for him when the curtain comes up, especially the girls, but don't tell anybody.

At the meeting when all arrangements were made for St. Patrick's night there was a very good attendance and many of the members

NEWPORT

Division No. 2 of Newport elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Chaplain, Rev. Edward A. Higney; President, John P. Gallagher; Vice-President, Timothy J. Buckley; Secretary, Philip Maguire; Financial Secretary, Cornelius Sullivan; Treasurer, John J. Sullivan; Chairman Standing Committee, John Casey; Inside Sentinel, Patrick Geraghty; Outside Sentinel, Richard O'Sullivan; Marshal, Patrick Sullivan; Sergeant-at-Arms, William Porter; Member of Board of Trustees, James T. O'Connell.

The Athletic Committee, consisting of Benj. T. Carter, Maurice Roche and Patrick J. Lyons, reported that the Division would enter a basketball team in the City League as usual to be known as the Division 2 A. O. H. Team. Manager Donnelly reported on the team. Chairman Francis Sullivan reported that his bowling teams were already active, there being four teams from the Division. National Director Greene, President Gallagher and Mr. B. T. Carter have offered prizes to the teams. On Nov. 19 the Division ran a Whist for the benefit of St. Joseph's Church in the Auditorium of the Church.

expressed their opinions on the various ways of getting new members. T. A. Mullaney spoke on the good and welfare of the organization. Brother Brennan talked on getting new members. Brother McNeil also spoke on getting members. The State President spoke on a general outline of the work that was necessary to build up the Order.

Fraternally,

H. M. SHANAHAN.

WASHINGTON

TACOMA

Installation of A. O. H.—L. A. A. O. H. at St. Leo

A joint installation of officers of the Ancient Order of Hibernians and the Ladies' Auxiliary, A. O. H., was held in St. Leo's Hall, Jan. 10.

New officers of the A. O. H. are: Leo McGavick, Pres.; Michael McDonough, Vice President; Joseph L. Kerrigane, Financial Secretary; Emmet Maloney, Recording Secretary; Dr. Joseph McLaughlin, Treasurer; Thomas Danaher, Sergeant-at-Arms; John Sheridan, Sentinel; Wm. P. McCarty, Chairman, Standing Committee; Wilfred Richmond, Junior Past President.

Officers of the L. A. A. O. H. are: Mrs. Wm. P. McCarty, President; Mrs. H. M. Shovlain, Vice President; Mrs. Gertrude Normile, Recording Secretary; Mrs. J. F. McDonald, Financial Secretary; Mrs. Camilla Cashion, Treasurer; Mrs. Anna Corrigan, Sentinel; Mrs. T. P. Molloy, Mistress-at-Arms; Mrs. Elizabeth Coleman, Chairman Standing Committee; Miss Ida Cullen, Musician.

The Hibernian Degree Team, with Terence Molloy as Conductor, and E. N. McDonnell, W. P. McCarty, Edward Boyne, Jr., and Dr. Joseph McLaughlin directed installation ceremonies for the Hibernians; Mrs. Elizabeth Coleman, County President had charge of the Auxiliary ritual.

Welcome New Members

Welcomed to membership in the Hibernians were the following: L. R. Krause, H. C. McGavick, Leo McGavick, Andrew Haley, J. Peter, P. Healy, John Derig, John Sullivan, James Doohan, and Theodore Gaffney.

Following the installation there was a joint banquet of the two organizations at 5:30 in St. Leo's banquet hall.

The Rev. Wm. Quigley, Pastor of St. John's Church, Seattle, and a noted speaker, delivered the principal address; other talks were made by Wilfred Richmond, retiring President; Rev. P. J. Mahoney, Chaplain, Mrs. W. P. McCarty, L. A. A. O. H. President; Leo McGavick incoming president of the A. O. H. The Rev. David McAstocker, S. J., delivered the invocation and W. P. McCarty was toastmaster.

Miss Mary Clarey gave readings: Katherine McMahon, Barbara and Vera Healy, step dances; Mrs. Edward Boyne, Jr., and Mr. Lawrence LeVance, vocal numbers.

TACOMA

Hibernians Installed Officers on January 10

Hibernians, Division No. 1, have chosen the following officers for the ensuing year: President, Leo McGavick; Vice-President, Michael McDonough; Recording Secretary, T. E. Maloney; Financial Secretary, J. L. Kerrigan; Treasurer, Dr. Joseph J. McLaughlin; Standing Committee, Jack McDonough; Sergeant-at-Arms, Thomas Danaher; Sentinel, John Sheridan.

Officers were installed and the Hibernian Degree work exemplified on Sunday, January 10, at St. Leo's Fraternity Hall. The A. O. H. were joined by the Ladies' Auxiliary and a banquet and entertainment followed the installation and degree work.

The retiring President of Division No. 1 is W. A. Richmond, who has been President of the organization for the past two years.

WISCONSIN

MILWAUKEE DIVISION

The year 1932 started rather auspiciously for the Hibernians in this vicinity, with the installation of officers in the Division and the Ladies' Auxiliary, given together in a masterly and impressive manner by Past State President, Jas. B. Coffey.

The newly installed officers of the Division are as follows: W. J. McMahon, President; Wm. C. Kennedy, Vice-President; Patrick J. Feely, Recording and Financial Secretary; Wm. Regan, Treasurer.

The Ladies' Auxiliary: President, Mrs. Wm. P. Donovan; Vice-President, Miss Alice Markey; Secretary, Miss Mary Harrington; Recording Financial Secretary, Mrs. Alice Doolley; Treasurer, Mrs. A. D. Howrahan; Chairlady, Irish History, Mrs. Wm. J. McCormick; Chairlady Standing Committee, Miss Mary E.

Kennedy; Mistress-at-Arms, Miss Alice Lawler.

After the ceremony, the ladies provided a delicious lunch, which was thoroughly enjoyed, and then those present swung into an informal dance to music supplied by two of our State Officers Roy J. Daly, State Secretary, and John A. McSweeney, State Treasurer, whose nimble and educated fingers brought strains that not only delighted the ear, but made everyone feel that they just couldn't make their feet "behave." We surely had a good time.

Monday evening, Feb. 1, the Ladies' Auxiliary held a Hard Times Party, which was very appropriate, during this wonderful "Prosperity Depression," through which we are now passing.

A St. Patrick's Day Celebration Committee has been formed. Our genial and energetic State Chaplain, Rev. Jos. P. Hurst, is a very busy man these days, between his growing parish of St. Jude and St. Bernards Home for workmen, of which he has charge; but Wednesday, Jan. 13, he managed to get a little time off to witness the staging of a Hard Times Party at the parish hall. His own, and neighboring parishioners, were there in great numbers, and of course the Hibernians and Ladies' Auxiliary were represented, Mrs. J. J. Nolan having charge of the refreshments, and Bro. Joe Nolan, impersonating a Keystone Policeman. Although Bro. Joe didn't show any credentials, he managed to "arrest" quite a number of dancers, among whom were Bro. McMahon, and Mrs. Walsh, this charming lady being charged with "flirting with the policeman."

How it was that our popular State President, Wm. J. Kingston and Mary Foley escaped the police drag net is still a mystery. There is some talk of inviting a "Hoover Commission" to investigate the nature of Bro. Kingston's "pull with the police."

Incidentally, it was noted that our dynamic State Secretary Roy J. Daly, did not dance at all that night. Later it was found that this was due to the presence of a beautiful and talented young lady, recently from the County Mayo, Ireland.

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President's Letter



Dear Sir and Brother:

My message to you is one of appreciation and gratitude. I hope the next two years will bring with it to us, above everything else, the kindly spirit, kindly affection toward every member. It is this spirit that gives to membership in our Order its true worth and will eventually reflect in the success of the Ancient Order of Hibernians.

Because I know the majority of our members are constructive and helpful, I am confident that the Ancient Order of Hibernians will continue to receive the loyal support so necessary to the success of our Order during the next two years. I am making plans to make them two of the best years in the history of our Order, and if the response is good from our officers and members, I feel that our efforts will be a success.

I hope that every state and county will make an extra effort this year to have all division officers elected and installed before the first of the year so that on January 1st every division in United States and Canada will start an organized drive to build up our Order. Next year will be Membership Year. I hope that every officer and member in our Order will feel the responsibility to help build up our Order.

I hope that the next two years will bring new hopes and greater opportunities, not only in the Ancient Order of Hibernians but in all things that help to make life worth living.

Best wishes and kindest personal regards,

Cordially and fraternally,
JOSEPH E. KERRIGAN,
National President.

National Chaplain Will Speak at Norwood

The Rt. Rev. Fulton J. Sheen, National Chaplain of the A. O. H., will deliver a lecture at Norwood, Mass., Sunday evening, October 29, 1939, under the auspices of the Newman and Siena Clubs of St. Catherine's Parish. Among the guests of honor will be Joseph E. Kerrigan, the National President, and Judge John E. Fenton, Past National President.

"I feel sure," says the pastor, of St. Catherine's, the Rev. Christopher P. Griffin, "that many Hibernians will welcome this opportunity of hearing America's foremost Catholic Orator."

Buckley Has Been Given High Federal Post

Thomas H. Buckley, of Abington, Editor of THE NATIONAL HIBERNIAN since 1930 and Auditor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for six years, has been appointed U. S. Deputy Collector of Internal Revenue for Massachusetts by President Roosevelt. Brother Buckley is one of the most distinguished Democrats in the Bay State. He was three times elected State Auditor, and was widely respected as a fearless and competent executive. In the Republican landslide of 1938 he ran far ahead of the Democratic ticket. He succeeded the veteran Irish Nationalist and writer, John O'Dea, as Editor of THE NATIONAL HIBERNIAN in 1930.

National Convention Owes Much to Secretary Kelly

Pittsburgh, a city said to be perpetually darkened by the soot of industry, will always be remembered by delegates to the National Convention of 1939 as Pittsburgh, a city shining with the light of hospitality. Every arrangement was made beforehand, every contingency foreseen, every detail provided for, and nothing went wrong. That this could not have happened by chance every one knew. Before the convention adjourned every one knew that this combination of American efficiency with ancient Gaelic hospitality was due in large measure to one modest and indefatigable man, the National Secretary, Leo Kelly.

National Directors Intend to Enroll American Youth

President Believes International Crisis Demands Expansion

With the New Year the National Board of Directors intends to open a nation-wide, intensive campaign to increase the membership of the Ancient Order of Hibernians. Although there will be every attempt to interest men of mature years, above all to recapture delinquent members and those who have lapsed, the primary objective will be the enrollment of youth.

"The A. O. H. does not dwell on memories," says National President Kerrigan. "It has an innate appeal to forward-looking youth. We will not rest until every young man of Catholic Faith and Irish descent is enrolled under the banner of friendship, unity, and Christian charity."

To the end that all decks may be cleared for action in time for the mobilization of Catholic youth in the service of the great fighting principles of Hibernianism, the President urges the prompt election of officers, state, county, and local. The installation of these officers should not be perfunctory, but should be carried out with all the ceremony of which the profoundly ritualistic nature of the Gael is capable. "Let these installations be regarded as what they really are," continues the National President—"civic events, preliminary to our greatest effort to enlarge the sphere of our influence."

In Memoriam

THOMAS J. FINNEGAN

In the death of Thomas J. Finnegan the Ancient Order of Hibernians has suffered a grave loss, where loss is most keenly felt, among its leaders. An able engineer, a public-spirited citizen whose active patriotism led naturally to public office, Thomas Finnegan devoted a great deal of his abounding energy and idealism to the service of his fellow Hibernians. Worn out by the very intensity of his way of living, his great heart failed.

Rest in Peace,
Loyal Hibernian!

Martin Kennedy at Oslo Conference

Proudly THE NATIONAL HIBERNIAN notes that U. S. Congressman and Hibernian Brother Martin J. Kennedy of New York was a member of the American delegation to the conference of the Interparliamentary Union, held at Oslo, Norway, last summer. The Interparliamentary Union is composed of delegates from the legislative bodies of all the democratic countries. The well-known Hamilton Fish of New York was also a member of the American delegation. Ireland was represented by a Mr. Fahey. The journal of the conference records in French, the conventional language of international diplomacy, that on "jeudi, 17 août, 1939, la seance est ouverte sous la presidence de M. Ivar Lykke, President du Groupe norvegien." After Bulgaria's Govedaroff and America's Hamilton Fish, Britain's Colonel Evans, Norway's Hambro, and Ireland's Fahey, Brother Kenedy addressed the chair:

"Mr. Kennedy (United States) declares that he represents New York State, one of the most thickly populated of the United States; its 7,000,000 inhabitants have various origins, and belong to various races and religious faiths; nevertheless they live in harmony, firmly attached to the ideals of the country of which they are citizens. All of them are pacifists in the sense that they love peace and hate war; many know the horrors of war by personal experience in 1918.

"The problem of peace takes precedence of all others in the present European situation. No effort must be overlooked, and one cannot do more for peace than by reminding men of the teaching of human brotherhood and the love of one's neighbor. The speaker wishes success especially to the efforts for peace of His Holiness the Pope. The Oslo conference should exalt these peaceful aspirations and guide the peoples in the way of peace and continue the noble tradition of preceding conferences, which must ever inspire the fruitful meetings of the Union. The speaker declares that the desire for peace is common to all peoples regardless of appearances, and so feels an absolute confidence in the ultimate triumph of peace [lively applause]."—Translated by the Editor.

Patrick J. Walsh Elected New York County President

At the 61st biennial New York County Convention, held at the Hotel Astor, Oct. 15, Patrick J. Walsh was reelected County President. The other officers: Vice-President, William Burke; Recording Secretary, Thomas P. Knowles; Financial Secretary, Christopher J. Quinn; Treasurer, Joseph McLoughlin; Trustees, John F. X. McHugh, James McNally, Patrick Meenan.

John J. Sheahan, Division 29, chairman of the Resolutions Committee, who is well known to New Yorkers as the grand marshal of the St. Patrick's Day

Parade, brought in several resolutions of more than local interest. These were seconded by the County Chaplain, the Rev. Patrick J. O'Donnell, who commented that they "covered the United States, Ireland, and the Church." They were adopted unanimously.

One resolution requested "the executive department of our national government to keep our American people out of the war now going on in Europe between nations with rival interests and ambitions." Another appeal to "our United States Senators and Congressmen to vote for the retention of the arms embargo and for a policy of real neutrality." Another pledge, "our continued support to the people of Ireland in their efforts to establish complete national independence, and we denounce the partition of Ireland, by the English government, as a deliberate attempt to destroy the unity of the ancient Irish nation and foster sectarian strife, as part of the imperialist policy of 'Divide and conquer.'"

A final resolution: "That, at this first convention of the A.O.H. of New York County held since the death of that great churchman, His Eminence Patrick Cardinal Hayes, we express our sorrow at the passing of this outstanding spiritual leader, distinguished citizen, and lover of the poor and afflicted, who was known as the 'Cardinal of Charities.' We extol the character and reverently honor the memory of the departed Cardinal Archbishop. We pledge our loyal support to his worthy and eminent successor, His Grace Archbishop Francis J. Spellman, and wish him a long and successful career as head of the Catholic archdiocese of New York."

Canada A.O.H. Welcomes Irish Diplomatist

Down to welcome Eire's first diplomatic envoy to Canada, High Commissioner John J. Hearne, on his arrival in Montreal, Aug. 18, came Provincial President McAllindon of the A.O.H. and County President McAvoy.

"I cannot say I hope to establish good relations between your country and mine—because they have already been established. But it will be my aim to perpetuate and extend those good relations," said Mr. Hearne, who must have had in mind the fact that 1,230,000 Canadian citizens regard Ireland as their motherland.

Mr. Hearne is what, in the United States, would be called a career diplomat. He was educated at Waterpark College, Waterford, and at the National University. He was invited in 1937 to lecture on the new Irish Constitution at Oxford. He has been legal adviser to the Department of External Affairs and representative of Eire in the assembly of the League of Nations at Geneva since 1929.

Mr. Hearne's patriotism permits him no doubt of the ultimate reunion of Northern Ireland with Eire either in a unitary state like South Africa or a confederation like Canada.



James McMahon

Solemn requiem high mass was celebrated for James McMahon Sept. 13 at St. Peter's Church, North Side, Pittsburgh. Rev. James Campbell was celebrant, assisted by Rev. J. Dudley Nee and Rev. Paul Tomlinson.

Brother McMahon, who was a Pittsburgh streetcar man, was a charter member of Division 38. As a matter of fact he was the spear head in the forming of that division.

A native of Ireland, he came to this country as a boy of 14 and after a short period in New York came to old Allegheny, now a part of Pittsburgh, and became a hod carrier. Later he served as a member of the Allegheny Fire Department and from there he went to the streetcar line. Brother McMahon was retired from the Pittsburgh Railways Company in 1933. From 1933 until his confinement in October of last year he attended mass every morning.

Friendship, Unity, and True Christian Charity was Jimmy McMahon's motto throughout life. Known as "Father" to thousands of Pittsburghers, he raised four orphans from childhood to manhood and many a day he gave up so a fellow co-worker could make a day's wages.

Serving one term as vice-president of the Division he was always content to be just a member putting his shoulder to the Division's wheels and making it one of Pittsburgh's finest.

Brother McMahon was the widower of the late Mary Ann Sullivan McMahon. He is survived by his second wife, Mrs. Anna McMahon; one son, John McMahon; one step-son Robert Weber; and two sisters, Mrs. Mary McGouldrick and Mrs. Catherine Zimmer.

A member of the Holy Name Society he was buried in North Side Catholic cemetery with four fellow Hibernians as pallbearers.

Richard Burke

It was with sincere regret that Division No. 1, A.O.H., Schenectady, N.Y., learned of the passing of one of its oldest members, Bro. Richard Burke, for more than 40 years a member of this Division. Bro. Burke belonged to the Schenectady Company of Hibernian Rifles when that Company was one of the best in this state. His rifle is still a treasured possession of this Division. While not so active in recent years, Bro. Burke never failed to attend a meeting if his health permitted. His passing leaves a gap that will be hard to fill. Our sincerest sympathy is extended to his family in their hour of bereavement.

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Your Magazine at War

The state of international tension and hatred that we have for twenty years been euphemistically calling peace has now given way to a state of international tension and bloodshed that we correctly call war. The outbreak of the Second World War has imposed upon THE NATIONAL HIBERNIAN a new and grave responsibility: the responsibility of recording and formulating the attitude of Hibernians toward this awe-inspiring calamity.

As Catholics and as citizens of a great democracy, we cannot regard events in Europe with the serene detachment that might be appropriate to the inhabitants of Mars. THE NATIONAL HIBERNIAN cannot escape its responsibility by pretending that other journals are satisfactorily interpreting the European conflict. For there are those among us who look to this Order for intellectual leadership; men like those Californians for whom the Rev. Denis B. Barry, D.D., State Chaplain for California, spoke in a recent letter to the National President:

"I now speak for our California membership only. . . . They all have a love for the Order paper. . . . They quote from the Order sheet at all meetings, conventions, etc. It comes to them through the mails without their paying or asking; it seems something personal like a letter and it seems part of the Order which is their social and mental outlet."

"Their social and mental outlet." So THE NATIONAL HIBERNIAN proposes to sift the news from Europe occasionally and to indicate the few golden grains of truth in the torrent of dross. So THE NATIONAL HIBERNIAN pro-

poses to define your attitude toward the great issues of war and peace. In such a dangerous business no magazine can hope wholly to avoid error.

We hope therefore that you will individually constitute yourselves contributing editors. Your words of praise will be sweet music to our ears. Your letters or articles of unfavorable criticism we will, so far as space permits, publish. We will respectfully consider your arguments to the end that we may all draw nearer to the ideal of our war policy. Hibernian attitude toward the contending nations is conceived in JUSTICE and dedicated to CHARITY.

WANTED:

Who's Who in Hibernia

In the account of the Essex County (Massachusetts) Convention it is pleasant to note the presence of three Hibernians at least who have been elected by their fellow citizens to public office.

One of these, Brother Thomas J. Lane, is President of Division 8, Lawrence. After a distinguished career at the bar and in the lower House of the Massachusetts Legislature he was elected in 1938 to the State Senate.

Another, Brother Walter A. Griffin, who brought the official greetings of the City, broke local precedent in 1938 by his election to a third two-year term as Mayor of Lawrence.

The third, Brother Sylvester Whalen is President of his Division, and also a precedent breaker. He is the first Catholic of Irish descent to be elected Mayor of Gloucester. In Gloucester the Catholics are a minority, and a considerable portion of this minority consists of Portuguese and Italian fishermen. The voters of Gloucester apparently recognize merit when they see it.

Attention, Division Secretaries! The roll of Hibernians at this moment holding elective public offices must be as long as it is honorable. Send the Editor the names of members of your Division who have been elected (not appointed) to public office and are now in office; add biographical details, emphasizing Hibernian affiliation, and, if at all convenient, enclose photographs. At any rate, send the names.

Miss Kinsella Again Chosen By Ladies' Auxiliary

When the Ladies' Auxiliary again selected Miss Mary A. Kinsella of Salem, Mass., to be their National President, they demonstrated anew their ability to recognize a leader. Miss Kinsella is a woman of culture and of impressive personality. She is intelligent, upright, and energetic. She possesses the executive ability so necessary in carrying on the work of a great organization. She is a tireless traveler. In speech she is both fluent and eloquent, a rare combination. The National President and Board of the A.O.H. welcome the opportunity of co-operating with Miss Kinsella.

LETTERS

This magazine is yours. It chronicles your activities; it reminds you of the obligations and privileges of your Faith; it commemorates the heroic heritage of Ireland, the home of your race; it gives voice to your hopes. This column in particular is reserved for the individual members. That you make frequent use of it is the earnest hope of the editor. Take a sheet of paper now, set down on it your thoughts, and address to—

THE NATIONAL HIBERNIAN

54 Osgood Street,
Lawrence, Massachusetts

San Francisco, California,

August 21, 1939.

Sir:

This division has ordered me to communicate with you regarding the motion picture, now showing throughout the United States, "Irish and Proud of It."

This division strongly protested the showing of this film in this city and forced the manager of the theatre showing the film to cut short its run.

We wish to inform you that the film is an insult to the Irish people, picturing them as drunkards and as persons of loose morals, and showing the youth of Ireland as easily led drunks.

Feeling that this film will be sent to some other locality and knowing that you can forewarn true Irishmen to be on the lookout for it, we send you this letter.

Hoping that this finds you well and praying for a United Ireland, I am

Fraternally yours,

VINCENT MURPHY,

Secretary, Division 17.

Manager Sheen Reappointed National Chaplain

Suppose a blank sheet of paper had been given to every Hibernian. Imagine him requested to name on that sheet his personal choice for National Chaplain of the A.O.H. Beyond any doubt the unanimous choice would have been that very priest who has been again appointed National Chaplain. The Rt. Rev. Fulton J. Sheen has won the admiration of all men by his profound scholarship, his brilliance as a teacher, his extraordinary eloquence.

History Chairman Asks Officers' Aid

National Chairman of Irish History Patrick H. Bonner, of 7955 South Elizabeth Street, Chicago, reminds Hibernians everywhere and especially officers, that one of the most important permanent aims of the A. O. H. is to cherish an interest in Irish history. He therefore requests State and County Boards to send him the names and addresses of their respective chairmen of Irish history in order that he may keep in touch with them by mail.

What the Divisions Are Doing

California . . .

Mulvihill is Elected State President

At the fifty-third state convention held in San Francisco, September 17-19, the following officers were chosen: President, Jerry Mulvihill; Vice-President, John D. Foley; Secretary, Alex J. McDonald; Treasurer, Charles J. Horan, Jr.; Chairman of Irish History, James J. Barry. The Rev. P. J. Bennett is State Chaplain, George R. Reilly is National Director, Terence Mulligan, Junior Past State President, Denis T. Crowley, State Organizer, Thomas F. Gilligan and Dan Higgins, Assistant Organizers, and Thomas R. O'Day, Director of Juveniles.

Illinois . . .

P. F. Enright Elected State President

Patrick F. Enright was elected State President, while his son, the Rev. Patrick F. Enright of St. Bartholomew's Church, was elected State Chaplain at the sixty-first State Convention at the Hotel Morrison, Chicago, September 10. Other officers: Vice-President, Dr. James J. O'Connor; Secretary, Patrick C. Burns; Treasurer, Patrick Brennan. All except the treasurer are Chicagoans, he being from East St. Louis. Telegrams of felicitations were sent to His Eminence, George Cardinal Mundelein, President Roosevelt, Governor Horner, and Mayor Kelly, and a cablegram to Eamon De Valera.

Retiring State President Patrick H. Bonner was toastmaster at a luncheon. Among the speakers: the Rev. John J. Doody, pastor of Queen of Angels Church, the Rev. Francis P. Fenton, and Chaplain Enright.

John D. Casey Elected Cook County President

At the Cook County Convention, which was held in Lincoln Hall, 19 West Adams Street, Chicago, Sunday, September 24, 1939, John D. Casey of 721 East 88th Street, Chicago, was elected County President. Other officers: Vice-President, Michael C. Brady, 513 Humphrey Avenue, Oak Park; Recording Secretary, Maurice N. Cotter, 7000 South Campbell Avenue, Chicago; Financial Secretary, Jerome P. Healy, 7221 North Bell Avenue, Chicago; Treasurer, Emmett Grannan, 1508 East 71st Place, Chicago; Marshal, Thomas McGeehan, 5416 South Sawyer Avenue, Chicago; Sentinel, Joseph Barth, 2709 West 71st Street, Chicago. The Rev. Francis P. Fenton, St. Rita's College, Chicago, was named Chaplain.

The outgoing President, Patrick J. Egan, presided at the convention. Those

present who delivered short addresses on subjects of interest to the organization included: the Rev. Francis P. Fenton, National Director Daniel S. Harrington, National Chairman of Irish History Patrick H. Bonner, Judge Joseph E. Geary, former Alderman Thomas J. Terrell, Assistant State's Attorney William V. Crilly, and outgoing State Vice-President Walter Clark, of Division 29.

Maryland . . .

W. J. Guerin Elected State President

William J. Guerin of Baltimore was elected State President at the A. O. H. convention held at Cumberland, September 2-4, 1939. Other officers elected: Vice-President, Thomas E. Stakem, Midland; Secretary, J. Fahey McDonald, Baltimore; Treasurer, John T. Mullin, Baltimore; Chaplain, the Rt. Rev. Hugh J. Monaghan, of St. Ambrose Church, Baltimore; Historian, Michael O'Connor; Organizer, Gerard W. McCaffrey. Renewed loyalty was expressed in a telegram to His Excellency, Michael J. Curley, Archbishop of Baltimore.

State Attorney General William C. Walsh was the toastmaster of the banquet at the Fort Cumberland Hotel, Sunday evening. The principal speaker was Judge Oliver H. Bruce, Jr. Mgr. Monaghan also spoke, and the Rev. William M. Canning, County Chaplain, of Havre de Grace. The Rev. Patrick J. Bradley of Frostburg was a guest of honor. The convention closed Monday morning with a Mass of Thanksgiving at St. Patrick's, Cumberland, Mgr. Monaghan being the celebrant.

Attorney General Walsh was among those initiated in the Division formed in Cumberland recently.

Massachusetts . . .

John A. Donovan, Essex County President

Essex County.—At Lawrence, Sunday, September 24, 1939, the biennial county convention of the A. O. H. and the Ladies' Auxiliary was held in Hibernian Hall. Among the resolutions adopted these were of more than local interest: a resolution "reaffirming the undying loyalty and devotion of all Americans of Irish ancestry to the United States"; another declaring the Roman Catholic Church to be "the one instrument by which the world can be restored to sanity"; another urging that the arms embargo be retained, and that the United States "observe strict neutrality in foreign wars"; another pledging the A. O. H. "to defend American institutions

against all assaults from whatever source"; and another condemning the news magazine, *Time*, because it had "repeatedly slandered the Catholic Church and employed irreverent and abusive language in news reports concerning the Church . . . despite courteous protests from responsible Catholic representatives."

The officers elected: County President, John A. Donovan, Peabody; Vice-President, Daniel Hourihan, Salem; Recording Secretary, P. J. O'Callaghan, Lawrence; Financial Secretary, Charles Smith, Lynn; Treasurer, Edmund J. Burke, Haverhill; Chairman for Irish History, James B. Sullivan, Lawrence; Organizer, Francis Monahan, Lynn.

The officers were installed by Hon. John E. Fenton, Judge of the Massachusetts Land Court and Past National President. He was assisted by State Senator Thomas J. Lane, President of Division 8, Lawrence, and Patrick J. Lynch.

The solemn Mass that preluded the Convention was celebrated by that kindly master of the Gaelic language and literature, octogenarian Father D. J. O'Mahoney, O. S. A., and the sermon was preached by the Rev. John E. Glennon, O. S. A.

County President John J. Cahill, Lawrence, presided. Among the speakers: Rev. Patrick J. Campbell, O. S. A.; Rev. James A. McDonald, O. S. A.; Judge, Fenton; Massachusetts State President Robert C. Donovan; Brother Sylvester Whalen, the first Catholic of Irish descent to be elected Mayor of Gloucester. Brother Walter A. Griffin, Mayor of Lawrence, conveyed the official greetings of the City of Lawrence to the Convention guests.

The National President, Joseph E. Kerrigan, called elsewhere on business of the Order, telegraphed a message to the Convention.

Division 8, Clinton—Senator Walsh Delivers Barry Day Address

Clinton's most distinguished Hibernian, U. S. Senator David I. Walsh, delivered a powerful attack on the "cash and carry" bill in an address delivered at a banquet in St. John's Auditorium, Sunday, September 17, 1939, held in observance of Commodore John Barry Day. Division 8 of Clinton sponsored the banquet. State President Robert C. Donovan of Framingham was one of the speakers.

The guests of honor included National President Joseph E. Kerrigan, the National President of the Ladies' Auxiliary, Miss Mary Kinsella of Salem, and Past National President John E. Fenton. P. F. Cannon of Clinton was the toastmaster.

At the business session of the county convention Attorney Philip H. Breen was unanimously reelected county President. Other officers: Vice-President, Dennis F. Duggan, Whitinsville; Recording Secretary, R. Leo Burke, Worcester; Financial Secretary, James F. Kilcoyne, Clinton; Treasurer, Paul Raftery, Milford; delegates to the next

national convention—Attorney Francis D. Mullins, Worcester; Patrick F. Cannon, Clinton; Michael J. O'Sullivan, Worcester; alternates—William J. Moore, Fred M. Herlihy, John O'Connor, James H. Ivory.

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Division 1. Lawrence—Richard Gibbons Elected President

Former State Senator Richard A. Gibbons was elected President of Division 1 at the annual election of officers held Sunday, October 8, 1939, in Spanish War Veterans' Hall, Lawrence. Recording Secretary P. J. O'Callaghan, reelected, who was recently elected County Secretary, was presented with a purse by his fellow members. The purse he turned over to the charitable fund of the Division. Patrick J. Connors was elected to his eleventh term as financial secretary. Other officers: Vice-President, Joseph P. McKenna, reelected; Treasurer, Thomas A. Irwin; Marshal, Patrick J. Lynch, reelected; Sentinel, William Walsh, reelected. The junior Past President is Edward J. Lappen, and the chaplain, also reelected, is the kindly, octogenarian Gaelic scholar, the Rev. Daniel J. O'Mahoney, O. S. A. The installation will be held November 12, 1939, in Spanish War Veterans' Hall, together with those of Division 6 of Andover and the Ladies' Auxiliary of Division 1.

Michigan . . .

Charles Ford Elected State President

The Michigan State Convention of the Ancient Order of Hibernians was held in Escanaba, September 10 and 11.

The following officers were elected: State President, Charles Ford, Escanaba; State Vice-President, Edward D. Cuffe, Hancock; State Secretary, Gervase T. Murphy, Calumet; State Treasurer, Patrick J. Murphy, Detroit; State Chaplain, Rev. M. Melican, Marquette.

The newly elected officers were installed by D. S. Harrington, National Director from Chicago.

Judging by the enthusiasm shown throughout the Convention, the caliber of the officers elected and the appropriation of \$1,000.00 for organization purposes, the Michigan Hibernians are "going places" in the coming two years.

Missouri . . .

John J. O'Connor Elected State President

John J. O'Connor of Kansas City was elected State President at the thirty-third state convention at the Hotel Phillips, Kansas City, September 3, 1939. Other officers elected: Vice-President, Al J. Reynolds, St. Joseph; Secretary, Thomas Quirk, Kansas City; Treasurer, Patrick Diggin, St. Louis. St. Joseph will be the site of the next state convention, which will be held in the autumn of 1941.

The plight of children discharged from orphanages and unable to find work was drawn to the delegates' attention by A. J. Reynolds. He urged the A. O. H. to sponsor a movement to help these unfortunate children.

With the present State President, Clay Scanlan of St. Joseph in the chair, resolutions were adopted (1) advocacy of the restoration of the four northern counties to Eire, (2) attesting the fidelity of the A. O. H. to His Holiness Pius XII, (3) renewing the members' undivided and undying loyalty to the United States, and (4) pledging Hibernians anew to the basic principles of the Order—friendship, unity, and Christian charity.

At the banquet President-elect O'Connor was toastmaster. The guest of honor was the Most Reverend Bishop Edwin B. O'Hara. Among the guests were Mgr. J. W. Keyes and the Rev. William Stack of Kansas City.

New York . . .

On Sunday, August 27, 1939, about 150 members and friends of Div. No. 1, A. O. H., Schenectady, N.Y., journeyed to Brother Thomas Powers' Grove for their annual clambake.

A varied program of sports had been arranged and included Baseball, Tug-of-War, Races of all kinds, etc. At the ball game Brother J. Donnelly's married men trimmed Brother Hugh O'Donnell's single men, 27 to 1. All enjoyed Brother Madden's music on the Irish Pipes. However, the main event of the day was the Tug-of-War between the Holdbacks and the Drawbacks. The line-up was as follows: Tom Spellman, Hugh O'Donnell, Jim Purcell, Louis Rouette, Bill Murphy (anchor man) for the Holdbacks, and Tim Donovan, Scotty Burns, Matt Gormley, Jim Shiely and Frank Golden (anchor man) for the Drawbacks. The Drawbacks pulled the Holdbacks all over the place. Bro. Shiely was very active with his candid camera and I am sure we will enjoy looking at the pictures he took. Bro. Mike McPadden and Bro. Tim Donovan finished first in the Wheelbarrow and Passenger Race.

The Bake was served at 4:00 p.m. All declared the day a huge success and that the Committee which consisted of the following: Brothers Thomas Powers, Eugene Sullivan, Thomas Spellman, James Purcell, Eugene Farland and Joseph Donnelly, deserved much credit for the splendid work they did in making all arrangements.

Montana . . .

Walter N. Riley Elected State President

Walter N. Riley of Anaconda was elected State President at the state convention held August 13-14, 1939, at Hibernia Hall, Butte. Other officers elected: Vice-President, Don Dwyer, Great Falls; Secretary, Dan

Dooley, Butte; Treasurer, Joe Malloy, Anaconda; Chairman for Irish History, Patrick O'Donnell, Anaconda. Retiring State President William S. Durkin of Anaconda installed the new officers.

The untimely death of State Treasurer Charles Kennedy was the occasion of a resolution of regret and sympathy. The convention recorded its gratitude to the Bishop of Helena, the Most Rev. J. M. Gilmore. Congratulations were extended to the newly elevated Bishop of Great Falls, formerly Mgr. William J. Condon of Spokane, Washington. The 1941 Convention will be held in Anaconda.

At the banquet James J. Brett was toastmaster, and the Rev. J. A. Rooney the principal speaker. Other speakers: Retiring State President Durkin, the Rev. M. M. English, the Rev. Peter F. MacDonald, the Rev. Michael McCormack, Auxiliary State President Catherine Burke.

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President Durkin Reports

A joint social session was recently held at Anaconda, attended by members of the organization and Ladies' Auxiliary from Silver Bow county and Deer Lodge county. James Hamill of Anaconda was chairman of the program, which included addresses by Walter J. Sewell, Butte; Mrs. McCarthy, county president Ladies' Auxiliary, Butte; State President Walter Riley, state secretary; Daniel Dooley; Mrs. Dee, Butte; President William Sullivan, Butte; Hugh Daly, and a splendid report on the recent national convention at Pittsburgh by retiring State President William S. Durkin. Brother Durkin, native of Salem, Massachusetts, also visited his old home in connection with the trip to the national convention.

New Hampshire . .

John Harrison Elected State President

At the annual state convention at Dover, August 27, John Harrison was elected State President. The rest of the officers: Vice-President, Thomas McKernan; Secretary, Martin McKeon; Treasurer, Timothy Harnedy.

"Democracy and the United States" was the subject of a notable address by the Rev. Edmund Quirk at the banquet in the City Hall Auditorium, by which the convention was concluded. Spoke briefly these clergymen also: Mgr. Jeremiah Buckley, the Rev. Thomas Redden of Laconia, State Chaplain, and the County Chaplain, the Rev. J. Francis Happny. Past State President John D. Flannagan was toastmaster, and Mayor Blair brought greetings of the City of Dover.

National President Joseph E. Kerrigan graced the occasion with his presence and uttered words of praise for retiring State President Flannagan and his six years of loyal service to Hibernianism in New Hampshire.

Another guest of honor, Judge John E. Fenton, Past National President,

complimented Past National Organizer John Lawless.

Briefly and felicitously spoke the National President of the Ladies' Auxiliary, Miss Mary Kinsella, of Salem, Mass., and the reelected State President of the Ladies' Auxiliary, Mrs. James P. Lawless.

At the business session the A. O. H. adopted resolutions opposing entrance into the world court and foreign entanglements, favoring isolation for the United States in the present European War, and pledging support to the Catholic Church and Catholic doctrines.

Ohio . . .

State Secretary Casey Retires After 27 Years

State Secretary Joseph Casey was compelled by ill health to decline reelection after twenty-seven years' service. In appreciation of his long and faithful service the convention unanimously voted him a life membership in the Ancient Order of Hibernians.

Joseph M. Cogan of Dayton, Ohio, was elected State President. Other officers: Vice-President, John Quinn, Cleveland; Secretary, John E. Kernan, Dayton; Treasurer, Michael J. Malloy, Cincinnati; Organizer, T. Carl Walsh, Youngstown; Chairman of Irish History, John Walsh, Cleveland.

Rhode Island . . .

President Byland Reelected

The biennial State Convention was held at Providence, September 17, 1939. The solemn Mass that precluded the Convention was celebrated by the Most Reverend Bishop Francis P. Keough, D.D., whose greetings were extended to the delegates by the Rev. John F. O'Neil. After the Mass the Bishop received the State Presidents, National President Mary A. Kinsella of the Ladies, Past National Director John H. Greene, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Peter Carolan, the latter being National Treasurer of the Ladies.

The officers elected by the A. O. H.: State President, Fred A. Byland, Providence; Vice-President, Patrick J. Lyons, Newport; Secretary, Robert J. Monaghan, Jr., Pawtucket; Treasurer, Michael F. Kelley, Newport.

President Byland presided. Among the speakers: National President Joseph E. Kerrigan; Mayor John F. Collins of Providence; National President Mary A. Kinsella; State President Brigid Grady; Mrs. Carolan; Vice-President James J. Martin, and the Ladies' Vice-President, Mrs. Bessie Bradley.

West Virginia . . .

Edmund Burk Reelected State President

At the twentieth annual convention of the A. O. H. and the Ladies' Aux-

iliary, held at Parkersburg, Sunday, October 2, 1939, Edmund Burk of Wheeling was reelected State President. The rest of the officers, all reelected: Vice-President, James Burk, Wheeling; Secretary, M. J. McNamara, Parkersburg; Treasurer, R. F. Murphy, Parkersburg.

The Rev. Joseph J. Daly of St. Xavier's Church, in his sermon at the eight o'clock Mass, paid a glowing tribute to the A. O. H. At the noonday luncheon in the Hotel Chancellor, Mrs. John J. Kennedy, State President of the Ladies' Auxiliary, presided, the Rev. Thomas Rafferty said grace, the toastmaster was State Treasurer Murphy. The National President of the Ladies' Auxiliary, Miss Mary Kinsella, of Salem, Mass., was the guest of honor and the principal speaker. Briefly spoke also the Rev. Joseph J. Daly and State Vice-President Burk.

Canada . . . ONTARIO

Falvey Reelected Provincial President at Convention

The Twenty-third Biennial Convention of the Ancient Order of Hibernians and Ladies' Auxiliary in Ontario was held in the City of Toronto on Thurs-

National President Sends Message On Peace to Canada

Perfect and lasting peace can only come through moral rearmament and under God-guided plans, said National President Joseph E. Kerrigan in a message to the biennial convention of the provincial chapter of the A. O. H., held at the Queen's Hotel, Montreal, Canada, October 6-8, 1939.

President Kerrigan was unable to remain in Montreal for the Communion Breakfast, and so his message was read by Father Carroll:

"There never was a better time for the members of the A. O. H. to practice the principles of our Order—friendship, unity, and true Christian charity. . . . I feel that every member of our Order is endowed, through heritage, with the courage to be loyal to all that is worthy and noble. To be a Hibernian is to be a good citizen. Dictators and subversive isms are attempting to destroy our civil and religious liberties and even undermine the very foundations of Christian civilization. I hope along with our armament plans will come moral rearmament, because only under God-guided plans will ever come perfect and lasting peace. Whatever prestige the A. O. H. possesses, whatever influence for good it wields in Canada, I hope you will use for the unity of our people, both within and out of our Order, and that you will help them to realize the importance of duty to our God, our race, and to country."

Provincial President McAllindon presided at the breakfast. Among the speakers: National President of the Ladies' Auxiliary Mary Kinsella; W. J. Hushion, M.P.; J. L. Whitty; Frank L.

day and Friday, August 17 and 18.

The first order of business at the afternoon session was the election of officers and the following were re-elected: President, P. W. Falvey, Toronto; Vice-President, M. J. Bonnay, Hamilton; Secretary, William Ryder, Ottawa; Treasurer, J. P. Travers, Toronto; Medical Supervisor, J. S. Cross, M.D., Ottawa.

After the election of officers a very pleasing event took place. Brother John Sullivan, a member of Division Number 3, York County, and one of the oldest members in the Province, came forward. In a very able address he referred to the many offices of service which our worthy Provincial President, P. W. Falvey had rendered on behalf of the Irish people in general and the Order in particular. In conclusion, on behalf of the delegates, he presented Brother Falvey with a set of pipes as a token of appreciation for his long and faithful service in the interest of the Ancient Order of Hibernians. Brother Falvey, completely taken by surprise, made a suitable reply, thanking the delegates for their mark of appreciation for any service which he had accomplished on behalf of the Order.

It was decided to hold the next convention in Peterborough.

Connors, M.L.A. for St. Ann; Alderman Leo McKenna, representing Mayor Houde; Father Carroll; G. A. Coughlin, K.C., member of the Catholic School Commission; Mrs. P. Slaney; Mrs. P. Doyle.

The officers elected: President, E. J. McAllindon; Vice-President, J. O'Conner, Quebec; Provincial Secretary, G. Stanley Foster; Treasurer, J. Lanigan; Chairman of Irish History, J. Murphy.

Vice-President's Message

Brothers of the Ancient Order of Hibernians:

May I join with our National President, Joseph E. Kerrigan, in expressing my appreciation to the delegates, to the 61st national convention, for their consideration in conferring upon me, the honor of National Vice-President for the coming two years.

During these two years, the national officers, with the cooperation of the state, county and division officers, can do much to interest eligible men to join with us, in perpetuating the ideals, culture and aspirations of the Irish Race. Only through the Ancient Order of Hibernians can this be done. We are the oldest continuing organization, that has worked toward these ends at all times, with our race in America on a true fraternal basis.

It is not so many years ago that our race in America wielded a powerful influence in public opinion. When our membership spoke for the good of the nation, we were given attention. We have allowed ourselves to become weak, and it is now the duty of every member of the Order, to feel that upon him depends the future of this organization. Let him be determined to rebuild it by securing the reinstatement of former members and the applications for membership of new ones, so that we will again have that strength, that the Irish race is entitled to in the United States.

Let us, from the highest to the humblest member, make a resolve that from this time forward the Ancient Order of Hibernians and its successful future is our responsibility, and that each and every member will propose the name of at least one applicant before the year 1939 is out.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,
MICHAEL A. McGRATH,
Cleveland, Ohio National Vice-President.

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National President Writes

Sir:

Congratulations and success to you and to THE NATIONAL HIBERNIAN.

Your generous offer of space for a report of our activities is very much appreciated.

Realizing that no organization can hope to succeed without reaching the individual member, I am exerting every effort to interest the members of the Ladies' Auxiliary in the value of THE NATIONAL HIBERNIAN and the benefit which we will derive from subscribing for it.

Before December 1st every division president will have mailed to her a letter urging a membership subscription for the year 1940.

Only through joint activities and participation in the affairs of our Church and Nation can the the Ancient Order of Hibernians and the Ladies' Auxiliary continue to be leaders in Catholic Action, the avenue through which peace will be restored to the world.

Looking forward to generous response to my appeal for support for the national organ and hoping to be of service to you, I am,

Very sincerely,
MARY A. KINSELLA,
National President,
Ladies Auxiliary, A.O.H.

Maryland . . .

Miss Doyle Reelected State President

At the convention of the A.O.H. and the Ladies' Auxiliary of Maryland, held at Cumberland, September 2-4, 1939, Miss Anna F. Doyle was reelected State President. Other officers elected: Vice-President, Miss Nellie Tansey, Allegany County; Secretary, Mrs. Nellie Fannon, Mt. Savage; Treasurer, Mrs. John T. Mullin, Baltimore; Historian, Miss Mary Quinn, Baltimore.

Massachusetts . . .

Mrs. Elizabeth Kelly Elected Essex County President

At Lawrence, Sunday, September 24, 1939, the biennial county convention of the A.O.H. and the Ladies' Auxiliary was held in Hibernian Hall. The Ladies elected: County President, Mrs. Elizabeth Kelly, Haverhill; Vice-President,

In recognition of the Friendship, Unity, and Christian Charity that constitute the ideal of all Hibernians, ladies no less than men, THE NATIONAL HIBERNIAN dedicates this department to a chronicle of what is going on in the Ladies' Auxiliary. The ladies have always inspired with their devotion and adorned with their graces the private lives of us men. Let the shining record of the Ladies' Auxiliary henceforth adorn our pages and inspire our Divisions to chivalrous emulation.

Katherine A. Fitzpatrick, Lawrence; Secretary, Lucy Howard, Haverhill; Treasurer, Annie Hegarty, North Andover; Chairman for Irish History, Anna Collins, Newburyport.

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Plymouth County Elects Mrs. Pickett President

At Miramar, Sunday, September 24, the Plymouth County Board elected the following officers: President, Mrs. Eileen Pickett; Vice-President, Miss Mary C. Galvin, Rockland; Treasurer, Miss Margaret Hynes, Whitman; Secretary, Miss Mary Murdock, Middleboro; Historian, Miss Mary Little, Brockton; Mistress at Arms, Mrs. Gertrude Walker, Brockton. The officers were installed by State Historian Catherine Donovan and past county presidents, Kathryn Cronin and Agnes Burns. To retiring County President Susan Lavigne the members presented a purse.

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Delia O'Brien, Suffolk County President

The officers of the Suffolk County Board are: President, Delia O'Brien; Vice-President, Bridget Moynihan; Secretary, Margaret Keppel; Sentinel, Mrs. Doolin; Chairman of Irish History, Mrs. Donovan. The board of directors: Mary Reynolds, Mary Cronin, Margaret Shannon, Margaret Kelley, and Mrs. Cloonan. This account came from the Chairman of the Press Committee, Mrs. Lulu Flaherty.

Montana . . .

Catherine Harrington, State President

Miss Catherine Harrington of Butte was elected State President of the Ladies' Auxiliary at the convention of the A.O.H. and the Ladies' Auxiliary,

held at Butte, Sunday, August 13, 1939. Other officers: Vice-President, Mrs. Mildred Dwyer, Great Falls; Secretary, Mrs. Elizabeth McCarthy, Butte; Treasurer, Mrs. Julia O'Donnell, Anaconda; Chairman for Irish History, Mrs. Kate Tracy, Anaconda; Chairman for Missions, Mrs. Margaret Ford, Great Falls. The officers were installed by the retiring State President, Miss Catherine Burke of Butte.

Rhode Island . . .

Lillian Hannan Elected State President

At the biennial state convention of the Ladies' Auxiliary in Providence, September 17, Lillian I. Hannan of Lonsdale was elected President. Other officers: Vice-President, Mary Casey, Newport; Secretary, Mrs. Albert E. Bradley, Central Falls; Treasurer, Mrs. Mary Keane, Westerley; Chairman for Irish History, Nora Lyons, Newport.

West Virginia . . .

Mrs. John J. Kennedy, State President

At the twentieth annual convention of the A.O.H. and the Ladies' Auxiliary, held at Parkersburg, Sunday, October 1, 1939, Mrs. John J. Kennedy of Parkersburg was reelected State President of the Ladies' Auxiliary. The rest of the officers, all reelected: Vice-President, Miss Katherine Clark, Wheeling; Secretary, Mrs. Anna K. Hushion, Grafton; Treasurer, Mrs. Cecelia Gilmartin, Wheeling. To the newly created office of Historian was elected Miss Angela Murphy.

The National President of the Ladies' Auxiliary, Miss Mary Kinsella, of Salem, Mass., who was the guest of honor at the noonday luncheon in the Hotel Chancellor, delivered a notable address on the history of the Order and its manifold activities. Mrs. Kennedy presided at the luncheon; the invocation was by the Rev. Thomas Rafferty of St. Xavier's Church; the toastmaster was R. F. Murphy, State Treasurer of the A.O.H.

Canada . . .

Mrs. Mary Slaney Elected Provincial President

At the biennial convention of the provincial chapter of the A.O.H. and Ladies' Auxiliary held in Montreal, October 6-8, 1939, the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Mary Slaney; Vice-President, Miss M. Geraldine Egan; Secretary, Miss Lillian Whelan; Treasurer, Miss Agnes Quinn; Chairman of Irish History, Mrs. Catherine Wright. National President of the Ladies' Auxiliary, Miss Mary A. Kinsella of Salem, Mass., spoke at the Communion breakfast, Sunday, October 8, of the great part played by women in the work of Hibernians.

Advertising Income Will Be Sought For Magazine

Hopeful and energetic National President Joseph E. Kerrigan, with the approval of the National Officers and Directors, announces a prolonged and intensive effort to sell space in THE NATIONAL HIBERNIAN to advertisers. Everybody knows that a magazine, issued monthly, is indispensable to a national order with far-flung membership. Everybody knows that the cost of publishing a magazine and mailing it throughout the country is considerable. All the officers and members of the A. O. H. can work together for the common good by pointing out to advertisers the opportunity offered them of presenting their services and their wares at reasonable cost to a representative body of Catholics of Irish descent. President Kerrigan's statement:

Appeal to Members

The contract for printing and mailing our paper has been awarded to Kable Bros., union printers, publishers of our paper for a number of years, who submitted the lowest bid. I am trying to direct the organization as I would my own business, honestly and fairly, and I feel that I have no right to put any extra expense on our treasury at this time.

Of course you must realize that because we have no revenue from advertising, the cost of printing and mailing our paper must come out of the treasury and if we are going to print the paper every month it is necessary to keep the cost as low as possible.

We have started a plan that we hope will help bring in some revenue to our paper. We have reduced the size to magazine size, hoping to attract some national advertisers. We are contacting advertising men in different parts of the country to solicit ads. We have appointed John D. Holahan as a representative in Pittsburgh, on a commission basis, and we expect to have a report for the next issue.

I hope that every officer and member will see the need for our paper and if it is possible, get some advertisers to advertise in our paper or send us the leads and we will contact them. We would appreciate any ideas or suggestions that any member might have in regards to the publishing of our paper. Send in copy and ideas to the Editor.

Harrington's Visit Stirs Michigan A.O.H.

With his habitual enthusiasm and boundless energy, National Director D. S. Harrington of Chicago made the 327-mile journey to Escanaba, Mich., where the Michigan State Convention was held, and stirred the delegates to action by a vigorous address. Brother Harrington said in part:

"Mr. State President, State Officers and Delegates to the Michigan State Convention of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, in America: I bring you greetings from our National President

Joseph E. Kerrigan. He bids you God-speed in the work of our great Order for the coming two years and trusts that the State of Michigan will, again, take that proud position it once held in the years that are gone.

"These State Conventions furnish an opportunity to the National Board to get in close touch with the membership, by having some member of the Board present at each State Convention. We come, then, primarily on a mission of good will and understanding, with the basic thought in mind that we are one brotherhood striving for the same purposes, and all of us interested in the future growth of our Order.

"Each National President coming into office is imbued with the desire to show something for his tenure of office. The yard stick by which success will be measured will be largely an increase of membership. To hold the membership we have is of primary importance, for while we may get in new members, if they come in the front door and go out the back, what will it avail us, as an increase to our membership?

"Each locality may have different problems, and a different modus operandi in working out a campaign for increase of membership, but no matter what plan may be followed, it resolves itself down to one final essential—that we must by personal contact and personal solicitation get the new recruits to our ranks.

"In soliciting Irishmen or Irish Americans to join our ranks, we have no apologies to make. In the 104 years of our existence in America, we have accomplished much for our Race and our Creed. We have helped the people of our own race to secure employment, have advanced them to positions of trust. We have built churches and schools (for it is to our Divisions the priests usually came to start the drive for funds). We have contributed to every worthy cause. Large contributions were made to the San Francisco and Charleston earthquakes and to the Johnstown, the Galveston and the Ohio floods.

"The Catholic Church Extension Society was given \$45,000.00. A Hibernian Chair of Celtic Literature was established in Washington at a cost of \$50,000.00. The Irish College in Rome received \$50,000.00. Countless thousands have been paid out by our Divisions in sick and death benefits. Christian Charity, one of the foundation stones of our Order, has always been exemplified in helping the needy and distressed."

National Organizer Calls Members to Colors

Deeply appreciating the honor conferred upon me by National President Joseph E. Kerrigan, in my appointment as National Organizer, but, also, fully realizing the responsibility that goes with that appointment, I have accepted. With your help, and only with your help, can I make good. Will you help? From time to time suggestions for advancing our Order will be presented for your guidance.

The necessity for our Order, in greater numbers and influence, is as important today as when we were first organized for the protection of Holy Mother Church and religious freedom. With propaganda of all kinds, and from all sources, directed at our most precious heritage as American citizens, we must, as individuals and organized units, be on guard at all times against infringement of life, liberty and happiness. The advice of George Washington, Father of our Country, against foreign entanglements of any kind, is as important today as when addressed to his fellow countrymen.

Saint Patrick Victory Celebration

Every jurisdiction within the order is now called to the colors of Hibernianism. You, as a member, or officer, are enlisted in Campaign No. 1 to end St. Patrick's Day, 1940, to double our membership in honor of our Patron Saint. We having the same faith in you as he did in your ancestors, our success is assured. Class initiations must be arranged; new divisions organized; and incompetent or indifferent officers replaced. Every practical Catholic, who by inheritance through either parent traces his ancestry to the blood of the Gael, should be invited to the honor of membership in our society. Begin with your own family and friends, and extend your operation until it reaches everyone in your parish and the adjoining parishes. Let us honor our generation, as those who preceded us.

National, State, County and Division officers are all at your command. Call upon them frequently. Report your progress in THE NATIONAL HIBERNIAN. State organizers will assist, and where found advantageous, upon your suggestion, a deputy organizer will be appointed by the National Organizer, so that honor may go where it properly belongs. Suitable awards will be made to the most deserving.

Fraternalty yours,
FRANK E. SHAUGHNESSY,
National Organizer.

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1945 Convention Will Be in Syracuse

National Board Decides That Meeting Must Be Held This Year

Edward O'Neill Heads Vigorous Committee on Arrangements

"On to Syracuse" is the slogan most likely to be on Hibernians' lips wherever they assemble from this moment on to that July morning when the gavel of National President Kerrigan will rap the National Convention to order. At the Sixty-second National Convention held in St. Paul Brother Edward O'Neill, President of Onondaga County, New York, invited the A. O. H. to hold its next convention in Syracuse. Although half a dozen other cities—including Baltimore, San Francisco, and Omaha—entered the competition in hospitality, Syracuse won by a large plurality chiefly because of the infectious good nature of Brother O'Neill. After the National President had declared the outcome of the vote, Brother O'Neill said in part:

"You have made a great choice . . . The city of Syracuse will welcome you. I can assure you you will have no better welcome anywhere or at any time than you will have in the city of Syracuse. Her hotels are nice and her weather at this time of the year is very favorable. We never get weather over seventy-five or eighty . . . We will have very many pleasant surprises in store for you . . . And I believe from the very innermost veins of my heart and that we are going to make this organization one million strong."

Obedying the command of the entire membership as expressed in the referendum ordered on 29 January, 1943, the National Boards of the A. O. H. and the Ladies' Auxiliary voted, with deep regret, to postpone the 63rd biennial convention. The National Boards met at that time to consider the request of the late Joseph B. Eastman, Director of Defense Transportation, who wrote:

"In all fairness to you, your membership and the transportation industry, there is only one request we can consistently make, namely, that your meeting originally scheduled for July, 1943, be postponed."

Judge Deery of Indianapolis, national president at the time of the First World War, informed the na-

tional boards that the question of holding the national convention in 1918 was referred to the members, and that their decision postponed it to 1919. Both national boards unanimously voted to follow the precedent of 1918. On March 22 the national secretary reported officially that 184 divisions of the A. O. H. had voted for postponement, 3 divisions against. The New York State Chairman for Irish History reported that the New York State Board passed a resolution approving the action of

the national board, and the Philadelphia County Board recorded its approval of postponement.

In 1944 the national boards of the A. O. H. and the Ladies' Auxiliary took a different view of the question. Other organizations, no more important than ours, had held conventions on schedule without censure. The boards voted unanimously to hold the convention in 1945 regardless of bureaucratic requests for further postponement. And so "On to Syracuse!"

The President's Message



After a number of disappointments and delays, I am happy to be able to greet the members of our Order through the revival of our paper and I sincerely hope that we will be able to continue the publication of this paper.

I wish to express my gratitude for the splendid support that you have given to the officers since the start of the war and to thank you for the hundreds of letters of good wishes and invitations to attend the numerous affairs in the different states, in spite of the many handicaps. It shows your willingness to co-operate in everything that is for the good of the Order.

Our Order has earned a high place in our American Democracy. Its usefulness and its influence has been constantly broadening and today it is meet-

ing every test to which it is put. Many of our members are in the armed forces and many more are engaged in essential industries and civilian defense.

I have personally pledged to lead our Order in all War Loan Drives. I have assured the Treasury Department that the members of this Order realize that we must do everything within our power to win this war as quickly as possible. Do your part. Buy Bonds.

The national convention will be held next July in Syracuse, New York. Let me impress upon you the necessity of getting in your report and paying your per capita and assessments on time to the national, state, and county boards. The prompt payment of your per capita and assessments keeps your division in good standing and helps your officers to conduct the affairs of your Order in a businesslike manner.

We, as Hibernians, believe in the attitude of hopefulness with which everybody is looking forward in 1945. We, as Hibernians, believe in the spirit that prevails in our Order, and we hope that it will prevail all over the world. I wish the officers and members of the Order in the United States and Canada and their families every success and consolation.

Sincerely and fraternally,
Joseph E. Kerrigan,
National President.

He Fell in Normandy

Sergeant Frank Fikslin, of Division 9, Essex County, New Jersey, fell in action in Normandy. Proudly, and yet sadly, his brothers report him to be "the only Essex Hibernian to lose his life as the direct result of enemy action."

National Organizer's Message

Irish Catholic Action—Enlist Now



Our Country, our Church needs you. We Americans of Irish birth and ancestry must assume a leadership in our Country's present difficulty equal to that of those who have preceded us. From Bunker Hill to Bataan, we can point out the heroes by the thousands. But is your name among the present ones, or will it be enrolled among those to whom our fellow citizens will point with pride when the final roll call is recorded in the present conflict?

Our freedom and our liberty has been dearly bought on the field of battle and in the legislative halls of America. Yes, we will win them again on the field of battle, but will we retain them untarnished and free in the future reconstruction under the Bill of Rights, that now engages us in world wide conflict. If we do it is entirely up to you who now reads this printed line.

We Hibernians fully realize our responsibility as an auxiliary of Holy Mother Church, and demand and expect every member to do his, or her, full duty. But perhaps you are not a member, or have, for some personal or perhaps foolish reason, allowed your membership to lapse. If so, now is the time to make amends, as we need you and our Country needs everyone of us.

This applies to every other organization that you, as a descendant of Gael, ever enjoyed membership in. What matters if the whole unit, that you were formerly a member of, has disbanded—start a new one. If you are in some outlying community and it is the Hibernians you are interested in address the writer at 7216 Kelly Street, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He will advise you who to contact or how to proceed in organizing a Division of The Ancient Order of Hibernians.

Our blood is pouring out on the land, in the air and on the water.

Every good American wants the same things we do. But all are not good Americans. A patriot needs no urging, but we all need leadership and unity of action.

Buy war stamps; buy war bonds; organize; enlist and let's clean up this dirty mess in the good old Irish Catholic way. We are Americans.

FRANK E. SHAUGHNESSY,
National Organizer, Ancient Order of Hibernians.

Ireland Independent

Honor to him to whom honor is due! *The National Hibernian* pays tribute to Hon. James M. Curley, Congressman from Massachusetts, formerly governor of that commonwealth, many times Mayor of Boston, old and active Hibernian, who introduced a "joint resolution requesting the President to use his good offices with the prime minister of Great Britain for the purpose of obtaining immediate and complete independence for the Irish Free State."

As those who know him would expect, Congressman Curley accompanied his resolution by a truly beautiful piece of oratorical prose which only limitations of space prevent our publishing in full. His address has been distributed by the Congressman at his own expense, and historians of divisions might be able to obtain a copy by writing the author. It would be a splendid "chapter in Irish history" as it should be written.

New Jersey Director Brennan Elected National Treasurer



When ill health forced John McAdam to relinquish his duties as national treasurer of the A. O. H., the national board sought a temporary successor with these qualifications: (1) a residence not far from New York City, where our funds are on deposit; (2) a name well and favorably known among Hibernians; (3) skill in accounting; (4) unquestionable probity. These exacting requirements were completely met, every member of the national board but one thought, in Joseph M. Brennan of New Jersey, now serving his second term extended as national director. He lives in Orange, New Jersey, and is well known in New York banking circles; for well over quarter of a century he has been a leader among Jersey Hibernians, having filled with distinction almost every office the state had to confer; he is a U. S. postoffice administrator, experienced in accounting and auditing; his character is without a blemish. The one dissenter on the national board when Brother Brennan was proposed for national treasurer was—Brother Brennan. Persisting in his modest refusal, he was finally induced to accept only with the assurance that the national board would accept his services without compensation.

National Vice President Sends Message to Members



It is with pleasure that I welcome the resumption, of the publication of our national organ, *The National Hibernian*.

As National Vice President, I wish to express to the membership, my appreciation of your contributions, in paying the special assessment of fifty cents, to make this resumption of publication possible.

Only through the columns of a national organ can we keep in touch with the activities of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, throughout the United States and Canada. This is the only means to keep the officers and members in touch with each other, and create more interest in the affairs of the Divisions.

Your Editor, Francis J. O'Brien, is anxious to hear from every Division in our order. He solicits news items from you, particularly as to your activities in this perilous time of our history. Send him news of the part that you are taking to help in the sale of bonds and stamps. Tell him of your Civil Defense activities. Let him have information regarding your members in the military and naval service of our country.

Remember the contribution that the Irish Race has made to the upbuilding of this nation. Our forefathers came to this land to find personal and religious freedom, and opportunities denied them at home.

Let the members of the Ancient Order of Hibernians by example and influence help to maintain the free institutions built by those that came from our motherland. As members of the Catholic Church, teach the doctrine that only through prayer and faith in God, can we attain victory in the present struggle, and secure peace that will allow us to retain all of the blessings that we have enjoyed in the past.

Interest all eligible Irishmen in your work. Show them the advantages of joining with you to carry on the work of our order. Build your division now while you have the opportunity.

The National Hibernian is published for the benefit of all of the members. Read it and pass it along to a friend when you are finished with it.

Do not neglect to have your division pay the special assessment, if you have not done so, as only through the finances so obtained can the paper continue to be published.

MICHAEL A. McGRATH,
National Vice President.

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Preparing For Peace

(Reprinted—and abridged—from *THE HIBERNIAN JOURNAL*, October, 1944, the official organ of the A. O. H. in Ireland.)

After the war, perhaps even before the struggle ends, the world will be disturbed as never before by new social gospels, by cure-alls propounded by men convinced of their own infallibility and of their mission to reform the world.

The members of a well-organized body such as the Ancient Order of Hibernians can wield an influence out of all proportion to their numbers, because they know where they stand and what they stand for and because they have the stout anchorage of fundamental Christian principles without which so many others may be tossed about in the days of storm and wrecked on the rocks of an uncharted sea.

Catholics are not opposed to changes, however far-reaching, which are for the common good and are in consonance with Catholic principles. That is point number one. Point number two is that no Catholic can be a communist or a socialist. Point number three is that the Church insists that no State can ignore, exclude or banish religion; the State must recognize religion and do homage to God from Whom all authority is derived. Point number four is that the State is not entitled on any pretext to interfere in what is the domain of the Church. Point number five is that the State's right to interfere in the education of youth is only a strictly limited right, or rather a concession, granted for the good of youth and that the true and primary authority in education is the parent

acting in accordance with the teachings of the Church. Point number six is that no law is permitted to interfere with the sanctity of marriage and of the family institution. Point number seven is that the Church regards the right to private property as a fundamental right which cannot be abrogated though the uses to which private property are put may in certain circumstances be controlled for the common good.

These, very briefly, are some fundamental points which can be applied as tests to new orders and new policies in regard to the main issues on which such orders or policies are most likely to require the Catholic layman to examine his conscience before deciding his attitude towards them. Those of our members who are on the alert and can wield their influence in private conversation, in public debate, in trade unions, factories, workshops and local councils will be in a position to steady their friends, acquaintances and colleagues when such moral issues arise in the realm of social and economic changes. And whenever they are in doubt they can always turn to the collections of the Papal Encyclicals in which they will find an answer to practically every question that can trouble them; for these encyclicals are documents beside which Magna Charta and the Atlantic Charter, the Constitutions of the nations, are both trivial and incomplete.

Voting in Ireland

Because the constitution of Eire goes very far in protecting the rights of minorities, the *National Hibernian* republishes the following article from the Liberal, though English, *MANCHESTER GUARDIAN*. The article shows that the method of voting by proportional representation gives small minority groups a chance to elect a member of the Dail, or house of representatives, such as no other constitution permits.

"Although Mr. De Valera won the Eire general election with a majority of fourteen seats he did not get a majority of the first-preference votes. Some variation occurs in the figures published in the Dublin newspapers, but all agree in showing that on the aggregate of first-preferences for the whole country the government poll was just under half the total.

"The 'Irish Press,' the Fianna Fail organ, gives the party's figure as 595,481, leaving 610,170 for all the other parties combined. The 'Irish Independent,' which calculates the Fianna Fail vote at 595,433, with 621,891 for all the rest, states editorially:

"Fianna Fail, with 49 per cent of the votes, secured 55 per cent of the seats. The opposition groups, with 51 per cent of the votes, obtained only 45 per cent of the seats. Fianna Fail was enabled to obtain one seat for every 7835 votes, while the opposition parties on the average had to have over 10,000 votes for a seat. These facts do not minimize

the government party's victory. It was the only party which increased its total poll.

"The voting was not as slack as had been anticipated. Actually only 88,950 fewer voters went to the poll than last year, which is not unsatisfactory in view of the absence of many more electors from the country and the staleness of the register.

"That Mr. De Valera is not yet fully satisfied by the system is shown in a statement which he has issued on the result of the election. The Fianna Fail leader says:

"The people were appealed to and they have given their decision and it has not been equivocal. Fianna Fail has an over-all majority of 14 in the new Dail. It is extremely difficult with the system of proportional representation obtaining here for a single party to secure more representatives than all the other parties combined, but that has been achieved. The government has been given a workable majority over any possible combination against it. In all but two of the 34 constituencies the number of first preference votes cast for our candidates exceeded those for any other party. Were our system the single-member system obtaining in England it is clear that we would have secured much more than two-thirds of all the seats."

Required Reading for Historians

The Story of American Catholicism by Theodore Maynard (Macmillan, 1942) is 700 pages of information and stimulus for every Catholic. When the reviewer began to read, he did not realize that the Catholic Church in America has a history. This ignorance is probably widespread among Americans, Catholic and Protestant. As the great narrative unfolds before his eyes, the reader, Protestant or Catholic, begins to realize that perhaps no single influence has from the beginning been so great as that of the Church. Mr. Maynard might fairly be called the Catholic Parkman. What Francis Parkman did for the French settlements and for the Jesuits, he has done for the Church as a whole and the United States as a whole. Parkman is probably the greatest of American historians. The comparison, however, does not dwarf the distinguished contemporary Catholic. His style, like Parkman's, is vivid; he has the indispensable knack of being interesting. If he suffers at all, it is because he has had to compress into one volume what could be told only in many.

Especially valuable are the concluding chapters. They are utterly frank and frequently provocative. His fine discussion of the social justice and the liturgical movement should be read by every one who wishes to understand his country and whither she is bound. Very valuable to Hibernian orators is the fine compendium of Catholic contributions to the literary, scientific, and artistic life of our country.



Military and Naval Intelligence



Nothing in the *National Hibernian* will be more eagerly read than this department, in which we hope to report the news of members in the services. Patriotic, pugnacious, gregarious, the Gael is always where the battle rages hot. He has played a noble part in every one of our wars; he has already played a noble part in this war. Every member is appointed a contributor to this department—to the end that a complete and accurate record of Hibernian War Service may be obtained.

Be accurate, be detailed, be brief, when you write. Let us have the name—the full name—of our brother in the services, his military rank, his station, the division to which he belongs. When you report a casualty, append a brief biography. Be factual; avoid eloquence. The bare record of a soldier's life and death is more eloquent than all the honeyed words that ever were spread on pages of formal "Resolutions."

Frank Devlin

Essex Hibernians were deeply grieved to hear of the death of Fireman 1st Class Frank Devlin, who was formerly vice-president of Division 8. His ship was docked, and he was sent on an errand by his commanding officer. He was performing this duty when he was involved in an auto accident that resulted in his death. No longer will Frank's red head and roguish smile greet his fellow members at meetings; they will be recalled with tender memories whenever we gaze at his star in our service flag. Requiescat in pace!—Essex Hibernian, Essex County, New Jersey.

Jeremiah J. Cronin, Jr.

In the Pacific, far from his native Lawrence, very far from his father's native land, Jeremiah Cronin went to his Maker. Such is the soldier's fate. In years he was a mere boy when he died, but in steadfastness and nobility of character every inch a man. His brother Hibernians of Division 8 will long remember him. His native city is honoring him and itself by attaching his name to one of the municipal playgrounds, where character is formed. The city that he loved and that loved him mourns him in every street and every home.

Patrick J. Walsh

Ensign Patrick J. Walsh, U.S.N.R., of New York City, one of the most prominent young Hibernians in the Order, lost his life in line of duty in the Caribbean. As New York County President, he had displayed rare capacity for organization. His interest

in the land of his fathers was kindled at the knee of his father, the well-known and distinguished New York Hibernian, John Walsh. His enthusiasm was infectious. No one who listened to his conversation could fail to perceive that Hibernianism was a matter of great urgency and importance. His colleagues at the New York Bar have testified that in his death a most promising trial lawyer has been lost when he could least be spared.

This comrade that we have lost had as white a soul as ever brightened the world of men. His life was illumined by its own radiance. Like a lamp within a vase his spirit shone out through all he said and all he did and all he was. And all men saw its shining, and were themselves touched by something of its pure and steadfast light.

Catholicism Among Negroes

Miraculous as have been the accomplishments of the Catholic Church in the United States in the last century and a half, it is only a beginning. There is no field in which less has been accomplished as yet than in spreading the Faith among Negroes. Only one seminary for the education of colored students for the priesthood exists, that at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi. Any Catholic, who, like the editor, is privileged to read the monthly accounts of this gallant and truly holy work in St. Augustine's Messenger, cannot fail to be moved. "Are colored people religious?" writes a contributor. "Yes, colored people as a group are religious. They have kept their faith in God. That is the reason God loves them and keeps them contented and happy, though, humanly speaking, no people have more reason to be embittered and rebellious for the injuries and injustices sustained for centuries, even today, than they."

Sean O'Faolain Brilliantly Depicts The Great O'Neill

Recommending reading for all who love good writing and for all who want Irish history as it should be written is "The Great O'Neill," by Sean O'Faolain. Educated at the National University of Ireland and at Harvard, Mr. O'Faolain has again and again demonstrated his natural and acquired gifts of expression. Many will recall, with pleasure, his truly brilliant novel, "A Nest of Simple Folk." He has written veraciously and wittily of his recent travels through all the provinces of Eire, including the separated counties. Now he demonstrates his talent in a slightly different field, and demonstrates also that the Earl of Tyrone has been well called great.

No historical writer of this day could surpass—not even Lytton Starchey—the last chapter of "The Great O'Neill." Nor is there lacking that witchery of words by which Irish writers have so often conjured up the beauty of the Irish landscape.



Earning Your Place

By GRENVILLE KLEISER

YOU are largely what you deserve to be. To secure your rightful place in the world you must earn it through developed ability and hard work. Honor and fortune come by right attraction. Men who have attained things worth having in the world have worked while others idled, have persevered when others gave up in despair, have practiced early in life the valuable habits of self-denial, industry, and singleness of purpose. As a result they enjoyed in later life the ease, comfort, and success so often erroneously attributed to good luck. There is no royal road to great achievement and distinction. To be great you must use great means. Life's biggest prizes are awarded to the resolute, valiant, and indomitable.

Catholic Action and the Liturgy

Every Hibernian must be a practicing Catholic, and the active practice of our faith is the sound basis of Catholic Action. In 1940 a liturgical conference was held in Chicago, the theme of which was the revival of interest in active participation by the laity in the supreme act of worship, the Sacrifice of the Mass. Some of the clergy who attended that conference felt that the laymen of the United States fall short of the ideal in spite of their many virtues and their stout adherence to "the faith of our fathers." Our shortcoming, it was pointed out, is to regard religion as the active business of the clergy, while the laity may remain passive. The ideal is, of course, active participation by the laity, especially in hearing Mass. This is surely a project that every division can, under the guidance of its spiritual director, undertake.

There are excellent aids available at low cost. Simple, inexpensive, compact, clear, is My Sunday Missal, edited by the Rev. Joseph F. Stedman and published by the Confraternity of the Precious Blood (5300 Ft. Hamilton Parkway, Brooklyn, N. Y.) at twenty cents a copy. Would that every Hibernian owned a copy! For those Hibernians (and they are many) who manage to get to Mass there is that monument to Benedictine scholarship, the St. Andrew Missal. It is counsel of perfection, but not high-brow, to hope that every division will have at least a group who attempt to follow the noble thought of the Missal in the original Latin. The editor humbly confesses that the best money he ever spent went for the Roman Missal in Latin and English. That investment has never passed a dividend in almost thirty years of use.

Eire's Tricolor

In the year 1848 a group of young Irishmen were sent from Ireland to congratulate the citizens of France on the success of their struggle for the Republic. On their return a vast crowd of enthusiastic men and women gathered to welcome them back.

Thomas Francis Meagher, one of the deputation, an eloquent speaker and a great patriot, brought from France and presented to the people of Ireland the Orange, White and Green Flag, on April 15, 1848. The report of this presentation is contained in the issue of "The United Irishman" of April 22, 1848, and reads as follows:

"Mr. Meagher presented to the Chairman a splendid Flag made of the richest French silk; the colors were Orange, White and Green, surmounted by the Irish pike.—"From Paris," said Meagher, "the gay and gallant city of the Tricolor, this Flag has been proudly borne. I present it to my native land, and I trust that Ireland will not refuse this symbol of a new life from one of her youngest children. I need not explain its meaning. The quick and passionate intellect of the generation now springing into arms will catch it at a glance. The White in the center signifies a lasting truce between the Orange and the Green, and I trust beneath its folds the hands of the Irish Protestant and the Irish Catholic may be clasped in generous and heroic brotherhood."

On April 24, 1916, one of the most memorable days in Ireland's contemporary history, the Tricolor Flag was officially saluted as the Irish National Emblem when the immortal heroes and martyrs of Easter Week, established the Republic of Ireland, proudly raised it over the General Post Office in Dublin—a symbol of Freedom from centuries of oppression.—James P. Corcoran.

Ladies Celebrate Fiftieth Anniversary

Massachusetts Hibernians, male and female, proudly celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of the Ladies' Auxiliary in Massachusetts at one of the best attended banquets ever held in the Statler in Boston. The evening was Saturday, October 21, and the audience had the pleasure of hearing, as their principal speaker, our national chaplain, the Rev. Francis P. Fenton, O.S.A., prior of St. Rita's, Chicago. Miss Mary Curran was chairman of the banquet committee, State President Mary Gleason was the dignified toastmistress, and felicitous remarks were heard from National President Kerrigan and from Rev. Lewis F. Kelleher, D.D., state chaplain.

Father Fenton's wit and eloquence were worth going far to hear. His enunciation was perfect, and he actually needed no electronic assistance to make himself heard in that great hall.

Msgr. Sheen Can be Heard In Annual Series of Broadcasts

Whether you like the radio or rebel at listening, it is your duty as a Hibernian to lend your ear to the series of radio broadcasts now being given by our former National Chaplain, the Right Reverend Fulton J. Sheen. Monsignor Sheen can be heard every Sunday evening on the Catholic Hour. His subject is YOU. Monsignor Sheen is probably the most finished radio speaker in the United States. His manner is perfect; what is more rare among finished speakers, he has a great deal to say to YOU about YOU. He enjoys the inestimable advantage over other speakers of being Professor of Philosophy at the Catholic University of America.

Boyle O'Reilly's Centenary Commemorated

His beloved adopted city, Boston, commemorated in 1944 the hundredth anniversary of that great Irish patriot and American poet, John Boyle O'Reilly. The site of the celebration was the esplanade, overlooking the noble and historic Charles River. Along with Boyle O'Reilly, the grateful city remembered also its first Irish Catholic mayor, P. A. Collins.

Present at the exercises was his daughter, Agnes Boyle O'Reilly Hocking, whose husband is professor of Philosophy at Harvard. Archbishop Cushing gave the invocation, and Hibernians in great numbers were present.

No treason we bring from Erin—nor
bring we shame or guilt;
The sword we hold may be broken, but
we have not dropped the hilt.
The wreath we bear to Columbia is
twisted of thorns, not bays;
And the songs we sing are saddened
by thoughts of desolate days.
But the hearts we bring for freedom
are washed in the surge of tears;
And we claim our rights by a people's
fight, outliving a thousand years.

Legal Victory Won Over Loyal Members?

Hibernians may wonder at the question mark in the heading. And yet are Hibernians loyal to the principles of their Order always? The Hibernian Halls that adorned every community large enough to be called a town were usually valuable pieces of property. When membership dwindles below the minimum laid down by the National Constitution, that document is explicit about the disposal of division property.

"When any Division ceases to affiliate with the County Board or is suspended, its property, books, records and funds shall vest in the County President, who shall take possession thereof and turn the same over to the County Board."—Article XXV, Section 1.

And yet the writer has known at least one division in which new mem-

bers were unwelcome when the number was approaching the minimum. When the charter was given up, the shrewd survivors converted their Hall into cash and declared a dividend among themselves.

Things are done better in the old country. When Division 365, in Beragh, County Tyrone, did just as we described above, the National Secretary went into court, and an order was handed down by Judge Sheil providing:

1. That the defendant members pay to the National Trustees such sums as may be certified as having come into their hands and any other such property or assets belonging to the Division as they or each of them may be found to hold.
2. That the defendants pay to the plaintiff his costs of the legal proceedings."—*Hibernian Journal*, August, 1944.

Thomas F. Woodlock—Financier and Saint

In New York City last spring THOMAS F. WOODLOCK was holding one of our divisions spell-bound after a communion breakfast with that clear, witty, logical flow of ideas and words which is so characteristic of him. A journalist always, even when he is a profound philosopher or theologian, Mr. Woodlock had used for his theme THE SONG OF BERNADETTE, which popular motion-picture was then showing in theatres all over the country. Mr. Woodlock's truly remarkable pronouncement appeared—substantially as he delivered it—in the June issue of COLUMBIA under the title, "The Challenge of 'Bernadette'."

The Catholic Pattern

Only the year before plans had been made to review *The Catholic Pattern*, by Thomas F. Woodlock, and division officers would have been advised to read it with a view to its use in discussion groups, had not the regulations of the WPB prevented publication.

Notre Dame's Laetare Medal

On April 4, 1943, Notre Dame University announced the 60th award of its most distinguished honor, the Laetare Medal to the same Thomas Woodlock. The Medal was presented to the recipient at Manhattanville College of the Sacred Heart. The Most Reverend J. Francis A. McIntyre, D.D., auxiliary Bishop of New York (a member of our Order) presided. The citation was read by the Rev. John J. Cavanaugh, C.S.C., vice-president of Notre Dame.

"Thomas Woodlock, Notre Dame selects you as her Laetare Medalist for this Centenary of her Foundation. You are of a race that has suffered mightily for freedom; that has given a plentiful supply of the treasure of blood to capture and keep it. Your roots, fibrous and deep, are sunk in the earth of Ireland; your branches, leaves, flowering, and fruitage are the rich possession of your adopted land."

WIN THE WAR

By James Patrick McGovern

Mr. McGovern is a distinguished Washington attorney.

Win the war,
There's nothing comes before;
Win, win, win the war.
This vital call rings clarion-clear
To all who have the will to hear,
To all who hold their country dear;
To every woman, child, and man,
To every American—
Win the war.

Win the war,
There's nothing comes before;
Win, win, win the war.
This goal transcends all civil strife,
Now that the need is doubly rife,
Now that the millions fight for life;
So let each woman, child, and man,
Let every American—
Win the war.

There's nothing comes before;
Win, win, win the war.
The soldier fights where hell holds sway,
He bleeds through twice 12 hours a day,
He dies with duty his aim and pay;
Then have each woman, child, and man,
Have every American—
Win the war.

Win the war,
There's nothing comes before;
Win, win, win, the war.
The fronts abroad and home are one,
A shot may mean we've lost or won.
What'er your part be sure it's well done;
Then may each woman, child, and man,
May every American—
Win the war.

Win the war,
There's nothing comes before;
Win, win, the war.
The slacker smites at each one's breast,
He serves himself who serves the rest,
The country of all, by all be blessed;
So must each woman, child, and man,
Must every American—
Win the war.



KEEP YOUNG

LAUGH, and do not take yourself or your life too seriously. Keep the spirit of adventure, and keep young inside by giving love, sympathy, and interest to all. Be a giver in life. Such people never grow old.

What the Divisions Are Doing

California . . .

17.3 Per Cent in Armed Forces

San Francisco's Division 4, according to Financial Secretary Leo Reilly, has 18 of its 104 members in good standing, or 17.3 per cent, in the Armed Forces. George Allen, Andrew McCarthy, Robert Magner, Leonard Leahy, Joseph Fallon, Harold Lyman, James Lucey, James O'Donnell, Lloyd Wilson, Edward Dougherty, Edward Dolan, Edward Dunne, Gerald Doyle, Charles McTernan, Gerald Brady, John Casey, Timothy McCarthy Junior, Joseph Sullivan — Hibernians everywhere salute these sons of the Golden Gate, in whose veins the blood of the warlike Gael runs.

Massachusetts . . .

Greater Lawrence

On Sunday, December 10, six of the seven Greater Lawrence Hibernian units joined together at installation ceremonies at the Hibernian hall. The Hon. Joseph Desmond Brennan, Irish consul of Boston, was the guest speaker at the banquet. He prefaced his address with the thought that Irish hearts now turn to St. Patrick in these days when the land which he dedicated to the service of God is confronted with danger to its peace and safety.

"Holding as tenaciously as always to the faith which St. Patrick planted in their land, the people of Ireland and their kindred throughout the world unite in prayer that springs from the spirit, that God will assist them in protecting Ireland from all who bear her ill will," he stated.

Chairman John F. Twomey introduced County Chaplain Joseph F. Gough of St. James church, Salem, who gave the invocation. At the close of the dinner, Chairman Twomey presented Attorney Charles Trombly of Division 8 as toastmaster. Toastmaster Trombly introduced many prominent guests, who spoke to the gathering, among them past National President Hon. John E. Fenton, National President Joseph E. Kerrigan, County President Daniel P. Hourihan, Past National President of the Auxiliary, Mary Kinsella; County Chaplain Rev. Joseph F. Gough of Salem and Rev. Daniel J. O'Mahoney. Mary Gleason, state president of the auxiliary, spoke on the

contributions made by the Hibernians to the War Loan campaigns and the blood plasma banks. She congratulated County President Katherine Fitzpatrick on her work. Miss Fitzpatrick and Miss Helen T. Reilly, president of the Rev. James T. O'Reilly auxiliary were presented with war bonds. Miss Margaret Webb and Miss Monica Collins McComisky sang Irish songs.

The installations of the men's divisions were presided over by County President Daniel P. Hourihan of Salem, assisted by County Director of Public Relations P. J. O'Callaghan and County Treasurer Robert V. O'Sullivan. County President Katherine A. Fitzpatrick, presided over the installation of auxiliary members while County Vice-President Lucy Harward, of Haverhill, was in charge of the installation of members of the Rev. James T. O'Reilly Juniors.

The following officers were inducted during the ceremonies which were followed by a banquet and speaking program: Division 1, Edward Lappen, president; Peter G. McKenna, vice-president; P. J. O'Callaghan, recording secretary; Frank M. Byrne, financial secretary; Thomas Irwin, treasurer; Charles F. Fleming, chairman of standing committee; Patrick E. Connor, sergeant-at-arms; Michael Collins, sentinel.

Division 8, Thomas A. Barry, president; John F. Toomey, vice-president; George Callahan, recording secretary; Edward Danahy, financial secretary; Atty. Robert V. O'Sullivan, treasurer; Patrick Fitzpatrick, chairman of standing committee; Jeremiah J. Cronin, sergeant-at-arms; James McGovern, sentinel.

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Rev. James T. O'Reilly auxiliary, Helen Reilly, president; Loyola Sullivan, vice-president; Marie O'Carroll, recording secretary; Nellie Judge, financial secretary; Mary O'Neill, treasurer; Mary Lonergan, historian; Delia Manning, mistress-at-arms; Elizabeth Moran, sentinel; Elizabeth Walch, chairman of Standing committee; Mary Cavanaugh, Mary Lane, Nellie McCarthy and C. Murphy, Standing committee members.

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New Jersey . . . Essex County

Already in its fifth volume, the *Essex Hibernian* rightly deserves to be called the voice of the A.O.H. in Essex County, New Jersey. It is one of the bright stars in that truly impressive galaxy—the local journals of Hibernian Divisions. Behind every good newspaper there is a good editor. That goes for the *Essex Hibernian* as well as for the *New York Times*. The good editor is Ford J. Weiss of 633 Highland Avenue, Newark. He keeps an admirable running record of Hibernians in the armed services, whose length would certainly seem to attest its completeness. There is always an interesting sheaf of mail from servicemen. They write, everybody knows, because they are written to. Ford Weiss himself is evidently a faithful correspondent. And who wouldn't be happy in the service if only he had a Ciss Dowd to correspond with?

Ohio . . .

Youngstown

Secretary J. P. Burns of Division 7 is another of those indefatigable journalists. He not only emphasizes local angles, as do Ford Weiss and Austin Carew, but also has a keen sense for good editorial topics. His tribute to that good American of Irish descent, William M. Jeffers, was masterly.

New York . . .

The Bronx, Div. 4

Austin V. Carew still gets out DIVISION 4 NEWS, a good looking mineographed monthly, which has long been a source of information and inspiration to the national editor. The News is full of news—news of the division, of course, and the even more valuable news about brothers in arms. There is more than news in the NEWS; there is always a fine editorial every issue, and usually an expression of opinion, straight from the shoulder and direct from the heart, on the partition of Ireland in letter form from A.V.C. to "Dear Mac," the heading being "From one Hibernian to Another." If you'd write Brother Carew (2059 McGraw Avenue, Bronx 61, N.Y.), you might be put on the mailing-list.

At a regular meeting of the Kings County Board, Ancient Order of Hibernians, held at No. 81 Hanson Place, Brooklyn, on Monday evening, October 23, 1944, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, in years past, in our public and private schools, we were taught that Commodore John Barry was the "Father of the American Navy," and WHEREAS, in recent years, there has been developed in our country an apparently planned campaign to cloud the staunch patriotism of the great Irish-American as the organizer and founder of the United States Navy, a task assigned to him by the Continental Congress; and to foster and promote instead the false idea that the "Father of the American Navy" was Commodore John Paul Jones, and WHEREAS, we believe that immediate efforts should be undertaken to correct this injustice and secure to Commodore John Barry proper recognition of his unparalleled contribution to the freedom of our Nation, now therefore be it RESOLVED, that this County Board reaffirm its faith in Commodore John

Barry, the true founder of the American Navy, and be it further

RESOLVED, that efforts be instituted to secure the proper recognition of the patriotism and fame of Commodore John Barry by requesting the Legislature of the State of New York to set aside September 13 as a legal holiday in the State of New York; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Kings County Board, Ancient Order of Hibernians, formulate a plan for the observance of the anniversary of this great Irish-American with suitable ceremonies to his fame and memory; and that the proposed plan for a holiday on September 13 be presented to the New York State Legislature together with the fact that this date is a legal holiday in the States of Massachusetts and Pennsylvania and requesting them to adopt a

resolution designating this date "Commodore John Barry Day" pending its being adopted as a legal holiday. The RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE comprised.

John O'Hagan, Chairman,
William S. Ford,
Patrick Carney,
William J. Kelly.

Pennsylvania . . .

Philadelphia

Philadelphia County Board has sanctioned a vigorous movement to promote week-end retreats which deserves extensive imitation. President John E. McGinniss of Division 51 is the promoter of this activity. He deserves the utmost praise.

Province of Quebec . . .

From time to time news comes down across the international boundary line that shows Canadian Hibernians to be as active as ever in all good works. J. L. Whitty is Provincial President; Joseph Kelly Vice-President; Frank McGilly, Recording Secretary; Joseph A. Lanigan, Treasurer. And there are two past Canadian National Vice-Presidents—Thomas Kierans and John Powell. Brother McKilly attended the last meeting of the National Board.

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JOSEPH McLOUGHLIN AS A.O.H. HISTORIAN WINS MEMBERS' UNANIMOUS APPROVAL

**Sponsor of Feis Appointed by National President to
Succeed Michael Cusick**

Joseph F. McLoughlin of New York has won universal approval as National Chairman of Irish History. It is safe to say that no other member possessed the qualifications needed by the successor of the late Michael Cusick of Massachusetts (an account of whom will be found in this issue).

Joseph F. McLoughlin is the great-grandson of Michael O'Neill, a Civil-War veteran, whose daughter returned to Ireland, was there married, and became the grandmother of our historian. He was born in Ahascragh, County Galway, March 25, 1885. He came to the United States in 1902. His general education he received in the Irish National Schools and at Fordham. He received the degree of Bachelor of Laws from St. John's University. There he held the much sought Delta Theta Phi Scholarship. He was admitted to the bar of the State of New York.

In 1909 Brother McLoughlin's public career began. He was appointed to the Supreme Court from the Civil Service List by Justice John W. Goff, whose stenographer he was for many years. It was a congenial place for the young Irish-American. For was it not Justice Goff who, with John Devoy, despatched the good ship CATALPA, out of New



Joseph McLoughlin

Bedford, Captain Hathaway commanding, to VanDiemen's Land for the famous rescue? Brother McLoughlin was still Justice Goff's legal clerk when
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National President's Letter

We are being reminded each day, and the fact is being impressed upon us, that Ireland, the land of our forefathers, is not a free nation.

Since 1920, when the British Government was compelled to give some semblance of self government to that part of Ireland now known as Eire, the country has been divided by an imaginary line, that separates the northeastern part from the southern part of the island.

The line was drawn to give control of the northeastern part of the country to the bigoted Orange party, who deny to one-third of the population (the Catholic population) all of their rights and privileges as citizens.

Ireland is and always has been geographically a natural entity, so created by God. To achieve this partition of the island, the people of the northeastern section were gerrymandered into what is now known as the Ulster Government, without their consent and with the opposition of all the people in Ireland and their leaders.

To arouse interest in this situation, the Ancient Order of Hibernians in the State of New York, on March 3rd, held a meeting in New York City, where six thousand persons gathered to protest against partition of Ireland, and adopted suitable resolutions of protest.

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"National Hibernian" and "Hibernian Digest" Will Unite

Members of the A.O.H., whose secretaries have taken pains to return complete and accurate mailing lists, have for the past few months been receiving two Hibernian publications. One is the time-honored journal now in hand, first issued February 20, 1901, at which time the learned and patriotic Patrick J. Haltigan was editor. The other the Hibernian Digest, set up for membership promotion by National Organizer George R. Reilly.

At a meeting of the National Board on May 23, 24, and 25, Hibernian high command decided to take the Digest under its patronage and control, and to issue one publication at the expense of the Order. The national editor and National Organizer Reilly were instructed to perfect plans for uniting the two publications. Business arrangements will be largely in Brother Reilly's hands; editorial policy, content, make-up, etc., will be finally determined by the National Editor, according to the provisions of the National Constitution.

Rev. Dr. Curran 25 Years In Catholic Priesthood

Rev. Edward Lodge Curran, Ph.D., celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of his Ordination on June 10. The faithful of his parish, St. Joseph's in Brooklyn, and his associates on the New York State Board tendered him a well-deserved Silver Jubilee Dinner at the Hotel St. George, Brooklyn, on the evening of that day. Hibernians everywhere should send congratulations—and perhaps a check—to State Secretary John F. Geoghan, 2724 Albe-marle Road, Brooklyn 26, New York.

Dr. Curran's fearless and tireless opposition to Communism in all its forms, overt and covert, has won the admiration of the nation. He has been able to play his great part as the defender of our Faith and of true Americanism by reason of his inexhaustible energy and impressive gift for impassioned oratory.

Leader in Boer War Dies

All lovers of liberty were stirred by bitter-sweet memories when Major Michael Enright died in Chicago on March 20. Major Enright was one of the leaders of the Chicago Corps of Volunteers, who went to the Transvaal to fight side by side with the Boers for human freedom.

National Secretary's Message

Our National Secretary, Thomas Rogers, of Brooklyn, New York, has found time, busy as he is with our business, to prepare instructions for his fellow officers in every jurisdiction. Your attention to his words is invited to the end that the necessary routine of administration may be efficiently carried on.

TO STATE, PROVINCIAL, COUNTY AND DIVISION OFFICERS:

The National Constitution provides that reports of Divisions shall be in the hands of the County Secretary not later than February 15th of each year; county reports should be sent to the State Secretary before March 15th; and state reports filed with the National Secretary on or before April 15th.

It is regrettable that many Divisions and County Presidents have failed to perform this duty, and only two States and a few Provinces have filed their reports with the National Secretary. The National Secretary appreciates the cooperation of the Officers who have complied with the provisions of the Constitution, and to the others who have failed to perform this very important duty an appeal is made to file their reports without delay. While the annual per-capita tax should accompany the report, at least fill in the blanks which you have received, and send them to the respective Secretaries.

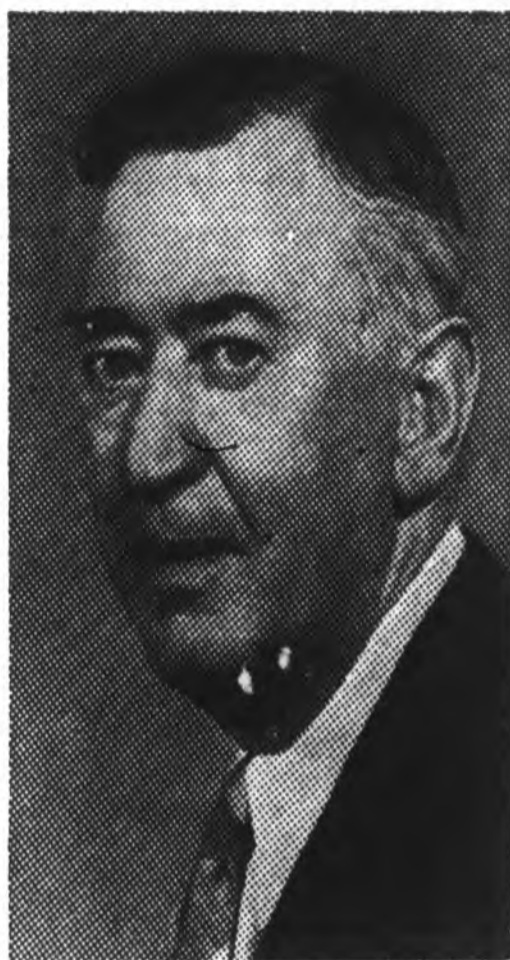
The National Convention held in Syracuse in July, 1946, decreed that the minimum initiation fee shall not be less than three dollars, of which one dollar shall be sent to the National Board for organization purposes, and one dollar to the State Board for the same purpose. This law took effect at the adjournment of the National Convention, and where members have been proposed and initiated since that date, one dollar from each initiation fee should be immediately transmitted to this office, and not held until the annual report of the Division is made.

On account of the war, for many years no emblems of our Order were manufactured. There is now a supply of emblems on hand and every brother should wear the official emblem designed by the National Board. These emblems may be obtained from this office at a cost depending on the number ordered.

Constitutions have been printed and are now available at the office of the National Secretary. At least every Officer of every jurisdiction should possess a copy of the National Constitution for the efficient administration of the duties of his office, and members should be familiar with the laws under which the Society operates.

Only a few supplies are kept by the National Secretary. The great bulk of them is kept in storage at the printer's plant. When requests for supplies are

An Irish Race convention is now proposed, to be held the latter part of this year, to protest the separation of our



MICHAEL A. McGRATH
National President

people into two governments, and to bring public opinion to bear, so that the Government of the United States will assist and use its offices to help

received they are transmitted to the printer, if not on hand, and sometimes delays are experienced in the delivery. This may be due to the mails, and is not the fault of the Officers of the Order. If supplies ordered are not received within a reasonable time, notify the National Secretary, who will inquire into the cause of the delay.

I am happy to report that there has been a great increase in membership for the year 1946. Many new Divisions have been organized, and the older Divisions have shown their loyalty and enthusiasm by the number of initiations reported. The Order has received inspiration for its continuance and prosperity from the happenings of the last few years, and the members have rededicated themselves to the work of propagating the principles of Hibernianism.

The National Organizer has set a goal of at least ten thousand members as the increase to be attained before the next National Convention. If every Division does a little bit more than it has been doing, the estimated increase will be a reality and not a dream. Won't you do your part in securing new members for the Order for the sake of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, the United States of America, and Eire, the homeland of the race?

Sincerely and fraternally yours,
THOMAS ROGERS,
National Secretary.

National President's Letter

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right this wrong, under our declaration that all people are entitled to a government of their own choosing, this being one of the declarations upon entering the war in 1941.

The Preamble of the Constitution of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, in paragraph 3, reads as follows: "To aid and advance by all legitimate means the aspirations and endeavors of the Irish people for complete and absolute independence." This means all of the people of Ireland, not just part of them.

Great Britain, that fast declining empire, has acknowledged its inability to further finance its obligations in Greece and Turkey, and is now transferring its obligations to the tax-payers of the United States, while at the same time continuing to subsidize the Ulster Government and maintain a large military establishment in Ireland. Why this inconsistency?

We as members of the Ancient Order of Hibernians should assist and give encouragement to the efforts to reunite the people of Ireland under their own government and to abolish the border. Our activities in this movement will bring to our ranks men and women who today think, erroneously, that we are neglecting some of the ideals upon which the Ancient Order of Hibernians was founded.

Let us interest ourselves in all things for the benefit of our race in Ireland and for the benefit of our race in America. As the leaders of liberal thought in government, oppose all ideologies that will deny to Ireland and America the right to governments of our own choosing according to the democratic principles in which the members of the Ancient Order believe and have fought and died to preserve.

LET US DO OUR PART TO ABOLISH THE BORDER.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,
MICHAEL A. McGRATH,
National President.

Irish Missionaries In America

What Ireland has done for the American Church every bishop and every priest can tell. Throughout the vast extent of the Union there is scarcely a church, a college, an academy, a school, a religious or charitable organization, an asylum, a hospital or a refuge in which the piety, the learning, the zeal, the self-sacrifice of the Irish, of the priest or professor, of the Sisters of every Order and Congregation, are not to be traced; there is scarcely an ecclesiastical seminary for students in which the great majority of those now preparing for the service of the sanctuary do not belong, if not by birth, at least by blood, to that historic land to which the grateful Church in past ages accorded the proud title—"insula sanctorum."—THE HIBERNIAN JOURNAL, May, 1947 (the official organ of the A.O.H. in Eire).

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War! War! War!

In St. Paul at the National Convention of 1941—1941, mind you—the then National President, Joseph E. Kerrigan, in one of his deeply solemn, scholarly speeches, referred to the “dark clouds lowering in the skies and obscuring the bright sunshine that for more than a quarter of a century has illumined this fair land—the dark clouds of war threatening to descend upon the American continent as upon the rest of the globe.” Before 1941 had become 1942, Brother Kerrigan’s bold poetic flight had been proved to be prophetic. The clouds had descended. We were at war.

We are not at war now. But the dark clouds are lowering just as in 1941. It was Germany then, and Japan; it is Russia now.

If the war should occur now—or ever—we confidently believe that the outcome would be what it has always been when this righteous democracy has taken up arms in its own defense. God would bless our arms with victory.

We have known war, and we have known victory. Is not victory in modern war a delusion? Millions of Russian men and women—and children—would die; millions of American men—and probably women and children—would die. We should then be burdened with the senseless task of policing Moscow and Leningrad, of feeding a conquered people unable and unwilling to feed itself. And out of the ashes of hate would spring a new enemy—Germany, England, China.

We can outwit war only by following Christ’s path. That means turning the other cheek. That means hating

Stalinism while we love the benighted mortal souls of the peoples whom Stalin misleads. That means, in modern terms, carrying on diplomatic, ideological, economic war, but not shooting war.

“Everything will depend upon the strength of the nerves of the two opponents,” says Dr. Waldemar Gurian of the University of Notre Dame. “One cannot deny the possibility that explosives may go off by mistake, but the necessity of reconstruction may force Russia to postpone her political aims and try for an attempt at economic understanding with the U.S.

“We must be more intelligent than the Soviet leaders. To their policy of distrust and isolation we must oppose a policy of patience and responsibility for the world. We must be firm and strong. We must not exclude Russia’s return to the world after she has understood that her policies of delay and aggression are of no use to herself. Only the U.S. is strong enough to teach Russia this lesson.

Denis Ireland and Ulster

Denis Ireland is one of the most encouraging men we have heard of in many a day. His name has charm. But it is not his name that interests most. He stands for that change in the policy of Ulster, which has long seemed inevitable.

A Presbyterian from Belfast (remember Wolfe Tone!), he is now in the United States to ask support for the movement to unite—unite, not divide—Ireland. In Boston he recently said:

“A reunion of the six northern countries controlled by Great Britain with the twenty-six counties of ‘Free Ireland’ is not a religious question, with all the Catholics on one side and all the Protestants on the other. I am president of the Ulster Union—words do change in meaning—Club of Belfast, an association of Protestants working for a united Ireland. I am an Irish man.”

Ulster Protestants, he reported, are coming to their senses: a plebiscite would find a majority for a common country in Tyrone and Fermanagh. The support of separatism is shaky in Derry and Armagh.

Mr. Ireland was a captain in the British Army in the first World War. He is a textile manufacturer, and weaves linens when he is not weaving plans to make his native land one nation.

He points out that industrially Ire-

land must be one. Already the hydroelectric program has leaped over the artificial boundary line. National defense is another enterprise in which all Irishmen can—and must—make common cause: “A divided Ireland imperils all other Atlantic nations by its weakness.”

He added: “There is not even the slightest possibility of communism in Ireland anywhere. In the ideological war now on it would help the democratic nations if Ireland were united.”

Ireland is united. It is time Irishmen recognized this fact.

Work For Irish Unity!

“American public opinion, be it remembered, forced Lloyd George to call off his Black and Tans, to seek an armistice and to make a treaty with Ireland as an equal of Britain in the British Commonwealth of Nations. Can anyone doubt that American public opinion will be equally potent in the cause of Irish unity? Northern Nationalists are the victims of proscription, persecution and petty tyranny. This must be ended. It can be ended through a concerted campaign of education of the American people to the evils of Partition.”—From the *Chicago Truth*.

Holy Name Convention in Boston

For the first time since 1936, and for only the fourth time in over three-quarters of a century, the now more than three million members of the Holy Name Society in the United States have been called to meet in National Convention—both in person and in spirit—at Boston, Massachusetts, from the 1st to the 5th of October, 1947. The Very Reverend Harry C. Graham, O.P., National Director of the Society, announced at a press conference at Holy Name Headquarters in New York this afternoon that plans in preparation for this Convention which have been going forward for some time are being intensified to meet the needs of literally thousands of priests and laymen who will flock to Boston from every State in the Union and from several provinces in Canada to pay homage and show public reverence for the Name and Person of the Son of God.

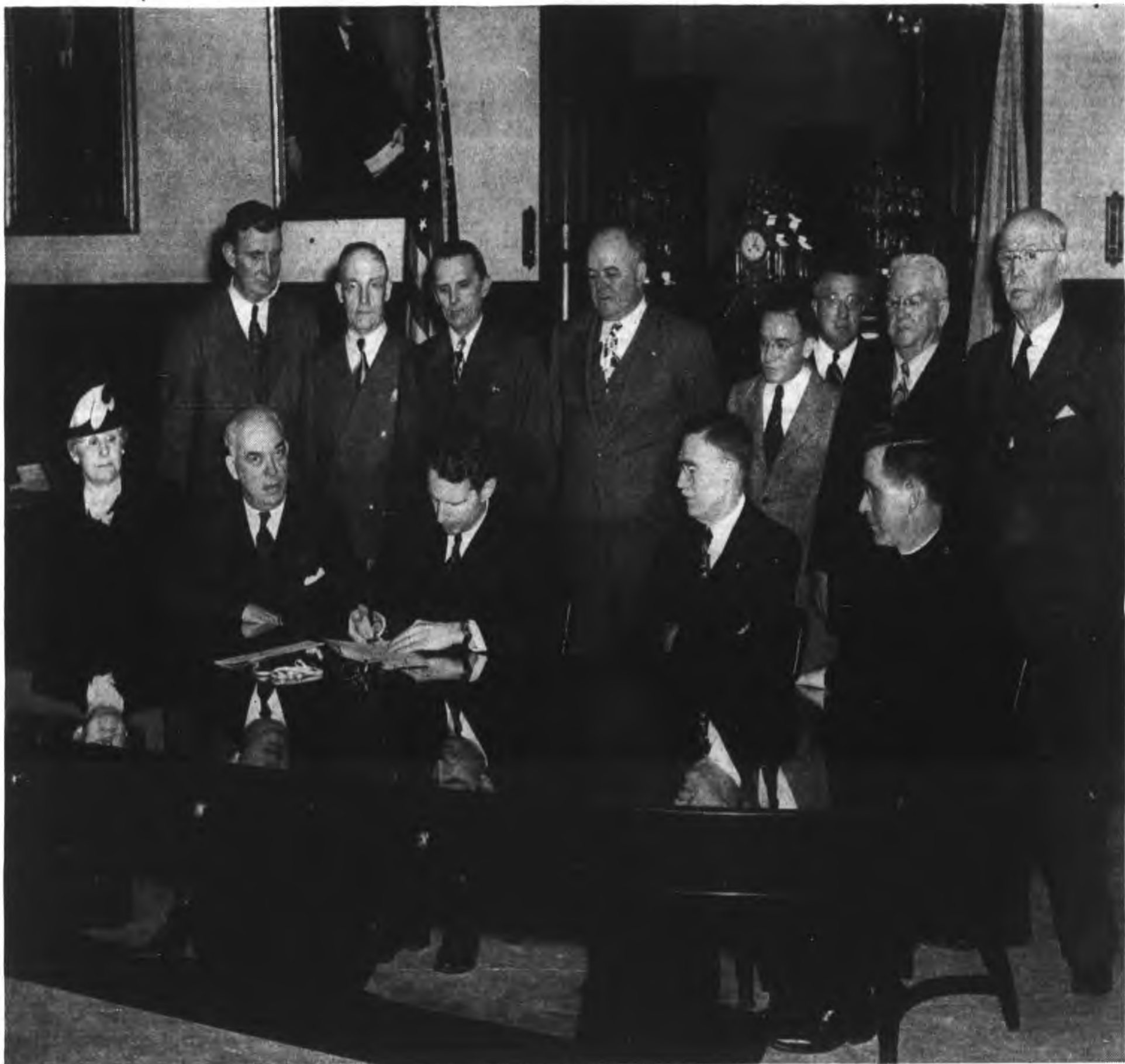
Under the patronage of His Excellency, The Most Reverend Richard J. Cushing, Archbishop of Boston, and with the enthusiastic approval and support of the Roman Catholic Hierarchy all over the country, what has been called on the three previous occasions of national assembly—in Baltimore in 1911, Washington in 1924 and in New York in 1936—“the greatest public demonstration of Faith ever witnessed” will be repeated on a scale not even dreamed of, let alone approached, in the past.

As a mass appeal to piety, divorced of all considerations, political and otherwise, it has defied and will continue to defy all material precedent. In an age which has seen centuries-old hostility towards the Catholic Church and suspi-

“A Plus” For California

So far the state of California from the point of membership and in the completion of the Division and County reports is 100%, and all obligations paid to the National Board.—From recent letter by National Secretary Thomas Rogers.

Governor Signs Barry Day Bill



Standing, left to right: Ford J. Weiss, Bryan B. McKernan, Frank A. Tracey, Richard Cummings, Patrick Henry, Frank D. Holmes, Matthew J. Smith, James Ward.

Seated: Mrs. Mae Carolan, Raymond V. Ryan, Governor Driscoll, Joseph M. Brennan, Father Allan.

Hibernians should know something—and will surely soon know more—of the one woman and twelve men, pictured in the above photo. The twelve are grouped round Hon. Alfred C. Driscoll, Governor of New Jersey, as he signed into law the bill enacted by the state legislature to recognize Commodore John Barry Day. Felicitously the Governor said, "I do not know whether we are honoring Barry,

or Barry is honoring us."

They are: State President Raymond V. Ryan, State Secretary Frank A. Tracey, National Treasurer Joseph M. Brennan, National Vice-President Mae Carolan of the Ladies' Auxiliary, and a past state president of New Jersey who is now a priest—James Mohan formerly, now Rev. Father Allan. All of these, except energetic Brother

Tracey, are seated around Governor Driscoll. Those who stand: State Directors Ford Weiss, Bryan McKernan, Richard Cummings; Patrick Henry of Mercer County, Mathew J. Smith of Essex; and James Ward of Union. Frank D. Holmes, also standing, is not a Hibernian but a 32nd degree Mason; he is Director of the New Jersey Division of Navigation.

cion of its motives supplanted and surpassed by a tidal wave of Godlessness which has taken political form to engulf a large part of the world, it will stand out above everything else as a living reminder to all peoples that eternal salvation lies, not in Moscow or man-made Utopias, but in the Mind and Heart of God through reverence and respect for His Divine Son.

Contrasted with the date of the Holy Name Movement's origin—1274 in Europe—as an American organization the Holy Name Society is comparatively

young, yet of all the branches of the organization, in point of membership and enthusiasm, it stands first. In it are carried on all the aims and ideals which prompted Pope Gregory X on the 20th of September, 1274, to write one of the most remarkable documents in Church history. Mindful of the atheism and heretical infidelity of the Albigensians, then holding forth, and recognizing how lack of respect for the Holy Name of God had contributed to innumerable wars and civic destruction, he addressed John of Vercelli, ruling Master General

of the Dominican Friars. Emphasizing the spiritual destiny of man, he urged that all the faithful nourish their souls by revering, in a very particular way, "that name which is above all names—the only name under Heaven and Earth by which those who believe in it can be saved—the name of Jesus Christ," and at the sound of which "every knee should bend."

The Holy Father then enjoined the Order of Preachers, by apostolic authority, to lead the people by the most "efficacious discourses" in preaching the

word of God to perform what he had written that the day of eternal remuneration might not too long be delayed.

Down through the centuries the men who lent the talent of their minds and voices to further the movement read like a glossary of some of the greatest names in all Church History. In addition to John of Vercelli there were: the great Aquinas; Peter of Verona, who, robbed of speech by a vicious assault to stop his preaching of the Divinity of Christ, wrote the word "Credo" on stones by the roadside in the crimson ink of his own blood; Ambrose of Sienna; Bernardine of Tuscany and Vincent Ferrer, to name but a few.

On the 13th of April, 1564, Pope Pius IV raised the Holy Name Society to the dignity of a confraternity, attaching to it extraordinary spiritual privileges and indulgences, and his successors ever since have done likewise. During the six hundred and fifty years which have elapsed since the movement's beginning, no less than twenty-seven different Popes have blessed, praised and in-dorsed the Society's work and fostered its growth.

While in America the ideals of the Holy Name were undoubtedly practiced since Colonial times, it wasn't until 1871 that the first Charter for the Society was obtained and that in New York City. By the beginning of the twentieth century the number of its different branches had increased and spread all over the country. A National Headquarters was established in 1909 and, to increase the efficiency of the Society's work, was commenced the task of more soundly uniting the various parish groups in particular territories into Diocesan Unions—some of which had already existed from some 19 years before—under the guidance of Spiritual Directors. Again, in 1940, was begun an additional task, that of re-organizing these Unions to insure a more comprehensive basis of administration and, under Fr. Graham's personal direction, this work has been going on with astonishing success ever since.

San Francisco Honors National Organizer

Hon. George R. Reilly, National Organizer, is one of those truly exceptional men who are not without honor even in their own country. In the city of his birth, San Francisco, his North Beach Friends, mostly of Italian descent, celebrated his birthday for the seventh time at the Club Lido on Thursday evening (Pacific Time), March 20. The master of ceremonies was Victor A. Sbraga, the guest speaker Tobias Bricca, Assistant Public Defender. The committee numbered 210 prominent residents of the City of the Golden Gate. The officers of the committee: John P. Figone, John P. Moscone, Armond DeMartini, John B. Molinari, Jr., John J. Savant, Leo M. Bianco.

His friend, Dr. Edward Peter Genocchio, gives the story of George R. Reilly in these touching words:

On March 21, 1904, an especially bright

Ohio Boasts 2 New Divisions

Huron, Ohio, is the locale of Erie County's Division 1, A.O.H., born in 1947. The officers into whose hands have fallen the fortunes of the youthful organization: P. J. Flaherty, President; J. Price, Vice-President; E. Kinney, Secretary; A. O'Toole, Recording Secretary; James P. Degan, Treasurer; F. Flaherty, Guard; P. Mullaney, J. P. Degan, J. Dabrowski, Trustees. The members now number 85.

Cleveland, also, has a new Division, Cuyahoga County's No. 6. The officers: Charles J. Rooney, President; J. J. P. Corrigan, Vice-President; John J. McMahon, Recording Secretary; Arthur J. Murphy, Financial Secretary; Herbert M. Corcoran, Treasurer; James J. Egan, Standing Committee Chairman.

star shone over an Irish home in San Francisco. On that date George R. Reilly was given to the world, and especially to San Francisco. A man who was born to be a friend; a friend of the people; a friend of the oppressed; a friend of children and a friend to all. He grew as any average, normal boy grows, attended the local schools, sold newspapers, had his share of "scraps" with the other kids, and entered post-graduate status via Sa-

cred Heart College and Christian Brothers, Novitiate.

His original appointment by Mayor Rolph to the election commission started in 1928. The new political career in which he is now serving a third term on the State Board of Equalization, after having set a new election record by carrying EVERY PRECINCT, BOTH DEMOCRATIC AND REPUBLICAN, in his entire district from San Francisco to Santa Barbara.

His work with and for juvenile delinquents is no doubt the project nearest to his heart, perhaps because of his own ideal family, consisting of his wife, Katherine McGlennon Reilly, two daughters and two sons.

WHY are we, the North Beach Friends, celebrating the birthday of this, our Irish friend? Because he is a real American—he knows not the meaning of discrimination in color, race, or creed—because his whole background shows him for what he is—a friend—a friend to all.

August 1 Will Be Air Force Day

General Carl Spaatz, under whose direction the epoch-making bombs were dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki, announces:

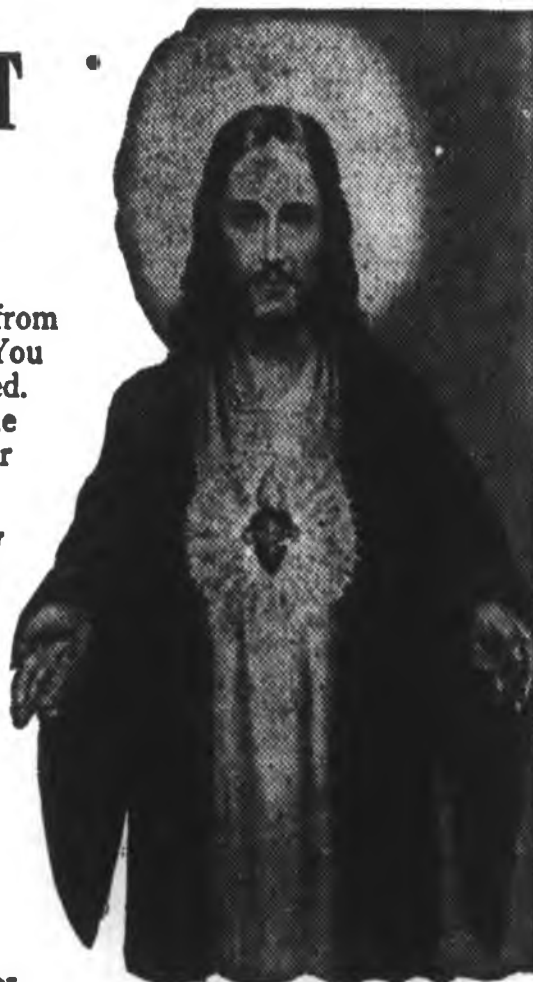
"Air Force Day will be observed August 1. This will mark the Air Forces' fortieth year as the custodian of American land-based air power. The organization which began on August 1, 1907, as the aeronautical division of the Signal Corps, will commemorate the anniversary of its origin as it prepares to take its place beside the Army and Navy in the triumvirate of national defense."

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In Memoriam

Michael Cusick

By P. Frank Kean

P. Frank Kean, State President of the A.O.H. in Massachusetts, has graciously consented to write the tribute of appreciation which the *National Hibernian* is happy to publish in commemoration of the valuable services to our Order rendered during a long and unselfish life by our late National Chairman of Irish History.

Michael Cusick, our beloved National Chairman of Irish History, is dead. To those who knew him intimately the news of his sudden passing on January 15, 1947, came as a great surprise and shock. Born in Kilbaycanty, Galway, Ireland, on July 16, 1872, he came early to America, settling in Brighton, Massachusetts, where he lived the rest of his life, winning for himself the respect of all who knew him.

Michael's great love for the land of his birth, for its culture, and traditions, and above all its faith, was reflected in his every action. For over fifty years his name was identified with every movement for the betterment of Ireland, and the Irish Race.

His great affection for the land of his ancestors and the history of his forbears led him to become so well-versed as to be recognized as an authority on the subject of Ireland. Constantly alert to expose every attempt to caricature, debase, or ridicule the Irish in their persons, principles, and inheritance, he was a stalwart champion of Hibernianism. He was particularly critical of the use of the shamrock in any other than a religious sense. He strove always to explain to others that the shamrock was used by Saint Patrick in the conversion of the Irish people to explain the mystery of the Holy Trinity, and for that reason the shamrock had become an object of reverence for the Irish.

It should be noted to his credit that because of his genial, yet straightforward exposition of his views, his clear manner of explanation of his points, many of other races and creeds became staunch admirers and respecters of his cause, and they themselves helped to bring about the changes requested.

At the Massachusetts State Convention held in Worcester in 1939 I had the great pleasure of presenting his name for the position of Chairman of Irish History, to which position he was appointed by State President Robert C. Donovan. His great zeal for Hibernianism was recognized immediately by the entire membership of the Ancient Order of Hibernians in Massachusetts. So well did he fulfill his duties that he was reappointed by the succeeding State Presidents, Philip H. Breen and Patrick F. Shannon. During his term of office he was instrumental in having the seventeenth of March declared a legal holiday in Suffolk County (Boston, Massachusetts). As chairman of the committee responsible for the presentation of the bill to the Massachusetts State Legislature, he was honored in being presented with the pen used by Governor Leverett Saltonstall in affixing his signature to make the bill law. He annually decorated the grave of Patrick Carr, an Irishman and martyr of the Boston Massacre, now resting in historic Old Granary Burying Ground. Through Brother Cusick's ef-

forts the entrance to the beautiful Fenway in Boston was named John Boyle O'Reilly Circle in honor of the great Irish patriot and poet.

On March 16, 1946, under the sponsorship of the Massachusetts Ancient Order of Hibernians, Brother Cusick, serving as committee chairman, entertained the officers and crew of the gallant U.S.S. *Shamrock Bay*, an escort carrier of the Pacific Fleet, and on behalf of the Ancient Order of Hibernians presented to Captain James Leeper, the Commanding Officers, an Irish shillelagh. To Brother Cusick and all who were present it was pleasing to learn that, though the majority of their numbers were not of Irish extraction, the crew members were extremely proud of their ship's name, and the Irish shamrock which they prominently displayed as their fighting symbol.

Brother Cusick was a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians for 54 years. He served in the various chair positions of Division No. 14 of Brighton, Massachusetts, as President for ten years, and at the time of his death was Recording Secretary. He was Treasurer of the Suffolk County Ancient Order of Hibernians, and was Massachusetts State Chairman of Irish History for seven years. He was appointed National Chairman of Irish History at the National Convention in Syracuse, in July 1946, in which office he served with distinction until his death. He was a contributing member of the Saint Columbkille's Conference of the Saint Vincent de Paul Society, Brighton; Saint Columbkille's Holy Name Society, Brighton; Treasurer of Brighton Council, No. 121, Knights of Columbus, for 12 years; Past President of the County Galway Men's Association of Boston, the Letter Carrier's Association of Boston, and the Brighton Catholic Institute.

Saint Columbkille's Church was thronged by his friends and admirers from all walks of life at a Solemn High Mass of Requiem, which was celebrated by a cousin of Brother Cusick's, the Reverend John P. Haverty, Associate Superintendent of Schools for the Archdiocese of New York, assisted by Reverend John L. Frawley as deacon, and the Reverend Thomas Quinn as sub-deacon. Seated within the sanctuary were the Massachusetts State Chaplain, Reverend Michael J. Houlihan, Pastor of Saint Teresa's Church of Revere, Massachusetts; Reverend Owen McGrath, S.C.M., representing the Saint Columban's Foreign Mission Society of Milton, Massachusetts; Reverend Martin P. Harney, S.J., professor of history at Boston College, and a close personal friend; Reverend John Mattimore, S.J., of the Jesuit Mission Band; Reverend Joseph Maguire; and the Reverend Joseph P. Monahan, Executive Secretary of Confraternity of Christian Doctrine of Boston.

The pall bearers were: National Treasurer Joseph M. Brennan of Orange, New Jersey; State President of Massachusetts, P. Frank Kean of Brighton; Suffolk County President, Massachusetts, Paul E. Tierney of Somerville; President Thomas H. Murray of Division No. 14, Brighton, Massachusetts; Treasurer of Division No. 14, and a cousin, Michael J. Haverty of Brighton, Massachusetts; and Michael Shea of the Letter Carrier's Association, Boston, Massachusetts.

Also present at the requiem mass were National Vice-President John W. Lawless of Dover, New Hampshire; State Treasurer J. Emmet Reidy of East Weymouth, Massachusetts; Past State President Patrick F. Shannon of Malden, Massachusetts;

State Chairman of Irish History, Daniel J. Clifford of Watertown, Massachusetts; former District Attorney of Suffolk County and Past President of Division No. 14, Thomas C. O'Brien of Brighton, Massachusetts; Vice-President Thomas St. George of Division No. 14, Brighton, Massachusetts; Suffolk County Vice-President, Michael J. Cox, of Dorchester, Massachusetts; Suffolk County Recording Secretary, Thomas W. Russell of Milton, Massachusetts; Treasurer Owen McLaughlin of Division No. 72, Boston, Massachusetts; Assistant Corporation Counsel of Boston, Joseph P. Graham of Brighton, Massachusetts; Attorney William F. A. Graham of Division No. 14, Brighton, Massachusetts; Past Vice-President John J. Sheehan of Division No. 14, Brighton, Massachusetts; President William J. Walsh of Division No. 36, South Boston, Massachusetts; Treasurer George Oakes of Division No. 36, South Boston, Massachusetts; President John Dobbins and Treasurer Richard J. O'Brien of Division No. 10, Chelsea, Massachusetts; Past Middlesex County President, Thomas J. Galligan of Watertown, Massachusetts; Past Suffolk County Treasurer, Andrew J. Mullen of Chelsea, Massachusetts; Judge John J. Sullivan of the Brighton Municipal Court, Brighton, Massachusetts; Grand Knight Francis T. Tice of Brighton Council No. 321, Knights of Columbus, Brighton, Massachusetts, and a delegation of members; President Timothy J. Dwyer, Matthew W. Mullen, John J. Brennan, Henry L. Ford, and Joseph J. McManus of the Saint Columbkille's Conference of the Saint Vincent de Paul Society, Brighton, Massachusetts; Frank M. Murray, Peter Mahon, and a delegation of members from the Galway Men's Association, Boston, Massachusetts; State Vice-President Miss Helen Condric of the Ladies' Auxiliary of Massachusetts, of Weymouth, Massachusetts; and County President of the Middlesex Ladies' Auxiliary, Miss Helen Hegarty of Brighton, Massachusetts.

Brother Cusick is survived by his wife, Mrs. Bridget Cusick, and three sons, John, James and Frederick.

Former Chaplain Calls Stalin Liar

Emphasizing that Communism is a grave threat to the welfare of the United States, Monsignor Fulton J. Sheen (Past National Chaplain of A.O.H.), warned here last night (May 22) that the American people should not be lulled into a false sense of security by the relatively small number of Communists in this country.

Monsignor Sheen spoke before more than 3,000 students, faculty members and friends of the University of Notre Dame.

In no country, he asserted, do the Communists number more than seven per cent of the population. He cited Soviet Russia itself as the classic example of how a well-organized minority of Communists controls a disorganized majority of non-Communists. Only three percent or about 6,000,000 people out of Russia's population of 190,000,000 millions belong to the Communist party of the U.S.S.R., he added.

There are about 70,000 professed Communists in the United States, he estimated, of whom about ten per cent

St. Patrick's San Francisco Parade

MARCH 16, 1947



This Traveling Sign Board Was Entered by the Ulster Freedom League—Re the Partition of Ireland, etc.

have stopped paying dues. Nevertheless, today there are more than 1,200 Communist-dominated or so-called "popular front" organizations in this country, mostly in the fields of education and labor, he declared. There are also 3,696 registered Soviet Russian agents, or admitted spies, in America, he said, with no means of telling how many others there may be.

Monsignor Sheen cited evidence to prove that Josef Stalin, leader of international Communism, was "the world's greatest liar" and could not be trusted by those who believe in truth, honor and justice. In 1941, for instance, Stalin disclaimed any territorial ambitions in the war, the monsignor added. Since then, he stated, Soviet Russia has annexed whole countries and other areas totaling 274,000 square miles and including 24,350,000 persons.

Marshal Tito of Yugoslavia was particularly denounced by Monsignor

Sheen for the Communist persecution of religion in that country. The monsignor added that Tito's real name was Joseph Broz, and that the name Tito stood for "Total International Terrorist Organization."

Monsignor Sheen was introduced by the Rev. John H. Murphy, C.S.C., Vice-President of the University of Notre Dame.

10,000 New Members This Year National Organizer's Slogan

Every member whose name is on the mailing lists of the *National Hibernian* received a personal message from our National Organizer, Hon. George R. Reilly of San Francisco. That Brother Reilly thinks and writes with enthusiasm and conviction is attested by the extracts from his message which follow:

Dear Brother Hibernian:

"The greatest membership drive in the history of the Ancient Order of Hibernians is now under way. Every member of the A.O.H. today is helping to carry to a finish the fight of Robert Emmet, and Daniel O'Connell, and of every beloved hero of the saintly isle who gave their lives that Ireland might one day be free and united.

"The cause of Hibernianism in the United States is as great at this moment as it was in the days when the raw courage of earlier Hibernians defeated rampant bigotry and persecution, for those who would destroy our faith and our church are unified as they never have been before. Hibernianism is a bulwark of Christianity. It is a constant peril to those who would make of our world a Godless wilderness. It is a symbol of charity and of the nobility of mankind. And it is the source of a spiritual movement which shall protect the faith of our children, and of our children's children, in the years to come."

From Our National Historian

TO STATE, COUNTY AND DIVISION HISTORIANS, A.O.H.
a cáirde:

Our esteemed National President, Honorable Michael A. McGrath, has asked me to assume the duties of our beloved, departed brother Michael Cusick, National Historian, and pursuant to Section 9 of Article IX of the Constitution, prepare and distribute monthly to each state, county and division historian, a bulletin of at least one page upon some interesting topic on Irish or American-Irish history.

I am therefore enclosing three bulletins to be read and discussed at the meetings to be held in April, May and June, 1947, respectively.

I welcome your constructive criticism, suggestions and advice.

By way of introduction to Bulletins 2 and 3 which will deal with Ireland, I am submitting as my first effort the following article revealing first impressions of Ireland.

An Ireland that has passed from paganism to Christianity, from a pastoral civilization to one in which she led Europe in many of the arts; an Ireland which as a single nation had her great victories and her great defeats but remained one in unity of ideals and race consciousness; an Ireland whose National integrity has been destroyed by the unnatural partition of the country enacted and enforced by coercion from outside but remains today a land of wisdom and peace in a distracted world. Soon, we pray she shall resume her rightful place among the nations of the world.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,
JOSEPH H. McLOUGHLIN.

Bulletin No. 1, April 1947

In addition to the prescribed procedure for local Chairmen of Irish History the following bulletin should be read:

C O B H

"A gray mist covered the enclosing headlands with a mystic silence and changed into flowing silver the narrow entrance to Cobh harbor when, early on a hazy June morning, I received my first view of Ireland. The island was lost in the dreams of past splendor, awaiting the dawn of a new day. And as the swaying tender, to which we had transferred, went in through the shrouded gateway of a new land, the silent mists yielded to that dawn and the rolling emerald hills, perfect in their very simplicity, appeared.

All the stories of Ireland's splendor, all the pictures of her beauty in prose or painting that I had ever heard or seen, could not have expressed my feelings at that moment. Words, bits of songs, poems flashed into my mind, only to be rejected as meaningless to express the emotions that I felt. Perhaps I was so impressed because I had been told so much about the beauty of Ireland that I was eager to appreciate it. Perhaps it was because of that deep passionate native spirit that is always present in the heart of everyone

who can claim a strain of Irish blood. Perhaps—but why seek unnecessary justification for something that has its root in the very nature of man.

And then I saw Cobh. No better words can describe this town, than those of the poet Locke, who wrote:

'. . . . and doesn't old Cove look charming there

Watching the wild waves' motion

Leaning her back up against the hills
And the tips of her toes in the ocean?"

Terrace after terrace of white houses rose one above the other and on the crest of the hill stood the cathedral, its windows reflecting the rosy sun of the early day, its spires still hidden in the rising mists, a glorified and magnificent symbol of the Irish Faith.

The day sped on as I hurried through the neighboring country, having only too short a time to stop and appreciate the beauties I found. Here was old Blarney Castle with its famed stone high in the ancient wall. There, a group of low, white-washed thatched cottages rivaled with their simplicity the ivy-clad splendor of the old castle. And everywhere the country people called welcomes in their soft, vibrant voices, their dark eyes mirroring those rich legends and traditions which play such an important part even in modern Irish life. So it was that with my mind filled with new ideals and fancies, I returned to Cobh in the evening. There, standing in the shadow of the cathedral as the chimes played a soft good-night to the silent countryside, I watched the sun sinking behind the Kerry hills, and as it sank lower and lower, my silver stream of the morning became molten gold and the gray-misted slopes were lighted with fairy fires."

NEXT MONTH—"The Partition of Ireland—How it was accomplished."

JOSEPH F. McLOUGHLIN.

Bulletin No. 2, May 1947

In addition to the prescribed procedure for local Chairmen of Irish History the following bulletin should be read:

THE PARTITION OF IRELAND—HOW IT WAS ACCOMPLISHED

The partition of Ireland has caused the dismemberment of one of the most ancient nations in Europe. Since the dawn of history, Ireland was one nation with indisputable boundaries set in the sea. Before the Christian era, it recognized itself as a unit; a high King of Ireland acknowledged by lesser kingdoms and residing at Tara was the symbol of that unity.

David O'Neill in his splendid booklet (M. H. Gill & Co., Dublin, 1946), informs us:

"In 1920, after the unity of Ireland had once more been demonstrated in the local elections held throughout the nation in that year, this most ancient nation was partitioned by an Act of the British Parliament for which none of the Irishmen in the House of Commons could be got to vote, not even those from 'Northern Ireland.' The dismemberment was the act of a stranger who had no understanding of Irish History or Irish culture or Irish tradition. It is true that the inspiration of the British Tory Party, opposed Home Rule or, indeed, any form of Irish self-government. They desired an Ireland, all

Ireland, inside the British Empire and governed by the British; THE MAJORITY DESIRED AN IRELAND, ALL IRELAND, OUTSIDE THE BRITISH EMPIRE, GOVERNED BY IRISHMEN. Neither the majority nor the minority proposed as a solution of their conflicting views the cutting-up of the motherland that both loved. That a foreign power proposed and carried out.

"... When the Liberals were in office in 1886 Gladstone proposed a Home Rule Bill. The Tories of England saw that on such a measure they could arouse both racial antagonism and religious fears and direct them against the Liberal Party. Their leader Randolph Churchill decided beforehand what the British Tory Party's counter would be.

"I decided some time ago," he wrote on February 16, 1886, 'that if Gladstone went for Home Rule, the Orange card would be the one to play.'"

He played it. He went to Belfast and there so effectively stirred up sectarian passions that his son, Winston Churchill, writes of his "rousing England and inflaming Ulster." Protestants used firearms freely, riots almost amounted to warfare between Orange and Green, houses were sacked and men and women killed, and as a result the Gladstone Government fell. That coupled with the first World War ended the Home Rule enthusiasm.

A rising took place in Easter Week, 1916. It was crushed ruthlessly, all the signatories of the Proclamation were executed. America was deeply shocked at the execution by firing squads. It was thought in London that a gesture towards Ireland might help to undo the harm done by the suppression of the rising. Lloyd George was given the task of finding a "solution to the Irish question."

He promptly revived the proposal to partition Ireland and did actually succeed in persuading the Irish parliamentary leaders that the exclusion of the North East would be purely temporary. While persuading the Nationalist leaders of the temporary nature of the "solution," Lloyd George wrote as follows to Edward Carson, the Orange Leader:

Whitehall, S.W., May 29, 1916.

My dear Carson:

Enclose Greer's draft proposition. We must make it clear that at the end of the provisional period Ulster does not, whether she will it or not, merge in the rest of Ireland.

(Signed) D. Lloyd George.

Under partition not only Ireland but Ulster was torn asunder. The 1920 vote was: Ulster, for self-government, 1,211,516. Against, 315,394.

NEXT MONTH—ORIGIN OF THE ANCIENT ORDER OF HIBERNIANS.

JOSEPH F. McLOUGHLIN.

Bulletin No. 3, June 1947

In addition to the prescribed procedure for local Chairmen of Irish History the following bulletin should be read:

John O'Dea, National Historian, in his article, "Famous Irish Societies" written in 1914 gives the following brief account of the origin of this very ancient Order of ours:

The Ancient Order of Hibernians traces its origin to those orders which flourished in pagan Ireland, and which exercised so potent an influence upon the history of the Celtic race. The Order of Knighthood was the first of these orders to be founded. It existed from the earliest times, and is visible in the annals of the

nation, until the Anglo-Normans invaded the land in the twelfth century. In pagan Ireland the knightly order became provincial standing armies, and there are many glorious pages describing the feats of the Clanna Deagha of Munster, the Clanna Morna of Connacht, the Foni of Leinster, and the Knights of the Red Branch of Ulster. When the island was christianized, these knightly orders were among the staunchest supporters of the missionary priests, and were consecrated to the service of the church in the sixth century, assuming the cross as their distinctive emblem, and becoming the defenders of religion.

Among the names which are upon the rolls of the ancient orders of knighthood are those of most of the kings, bards, saints, and statesmen, and in the long list there was no family of greater renown than that of Roderic the Great, to which belonged Conall Cearnach and Lugaidh, who, according to MacGoshogan and other historians, were the direct ancestors of the O'Mores of Leix.

In this family the ancient splendor of the knightly orders was a tradition which survived for centuries, and they were in almost continual rebellion against the English, from the siege of Dublin by Roderick O'Connor until the rebellion against Queen Elizabeth, led by Rory Oge O'More and his son Owen in the latter part of the 16th and the early 17th century. A nephew of Rory Oge O'More, the sagacious and statesmanlike Rory O'More, revived the ancient orders in the Catholic Confederation of Kilkenny in 1642.

(A grandson of Rory O'More, Patrick Sarsfield, Earl of Lucan, was the most distinguished commander of Irish armies who opposed, in Ireland, the forces of William of Orange, Sarsfield, seriously wounded while fighting for France, in Flanders, proclaimed: "Would that this blood could be shed for Ireland.")

There is no stranger story in all history than the intimate connection of the O'More family with the annals of the Ancient Order of Hibernians. The lineage of this family furnishes the lines connecting the ancient orders of Ireland through the centuries with the Ancient Order in Modern times. Under the names of Rapparees, Whiteboys, Defenders, Rib-

bonmen, etc., the Confederation of Kilkenny was carried on through the 17th and 18th centuries until the 19th. At various times the duties of these organizations were subject to local conditions. Thus the defenders were occupied in protecting themselves and their priests against hostility of the Penal Laws, engaging in armed conflict with the Orangemen in the north, while the Whiteboys were waging war against the atrocities of landlordism in the south. Between these two organizations there was a secret code, which operated until they were combined. The contentions of the Whiteboys regarding Irish landlordism have since been acknowledged to be just and have been enacted into statutes.

The Defenders joined with Wolfe Tone in the formation of the United Irishmen.

NEXT MONTH—THE ANCIENT ORDER OF HIBERNIANS IN AMERICA.

JOSEPH F. McLAUGHLIN.

National Historian

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John Devoy brought Patrick Pearse (God rest him!) to his quarters just before the Easter Rising of 1916. Brother McLoughlin says:

"James Reidy and myself are the only persons now living who were at that conference. The others—Pearse, DeVoy, and Justices Goff, Gavegan, Cohalan and Hendrick—are dead."

In 1917 he became secretary to Justice Ford. Not long after, as Jury Clerk, Brother McLoughlin made his first important civic contribution: he established, organized and directed the present jury-pooling system in operation in New York and more than thirty other states.

He is now the Executive and Administrative Head of the Appellate Term of the Supreme Court, First Department. He is a member of the executive council of the American Irish Historical Society, of the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick, of the Catholic Lawyers' Guild, and he is an honorary member of the Galway Men's Association.

He has been a distinguished and active Hibernian. For three years he held the responsible post of Treasurer of the New York County A.O.H. For years he has been Chairman of Irish History in his own division (N. Y. County No. 4); he has been State Historian of New York for five years.

For two terms President of the United Irish Counties' Association, he is now "Chairman of the Board." He was prominent among the Irish Volunteers.

The achievement for which he is most widely known is the great annual Feis of the United Irish Counties' Association, of which he has been Chairman for ten years. In 1940 Brother McLoughlin succeeded in transferring the great festival to the campus of Fordham.

Brother McLoughlin is reticent about himself. In modest note to the editor of the *National Hibernian* he spoke of his wife as "his childhood sweetheart." He alluded tenderly and proudly to his three children—Rita, Sean and Josephine, all of them college graduates.

Miss Rita is following in her distinguished father's footsteps: she is now Chairman of Irish History for the New York County Ladies' Auxiliary.

Ezra Stiles on Irish Culture

Scholarly John Joseph Ryan, who is County President of the A.O.H. of Chicago, recently brought to light a significant statement by Ezra Stiles, of Yale, President (1778-95). Brother Ryan was addressing the Irish Fellowship Club, of which he is also the president. He quoted from a sermon delivered in 1783 (note the year!) by the distinguished eighteenth-century educator and clergyman:

"That great and wise monarch, Olan—Fodla (sic), the Alfred of Ireland, instituted—a thousand years before Christ—an annual review and examination of all the achievements and illustrious characters in the realm, and ordered their names and achievements to be enrolled in a public register of merit. This continued two thousand years to the time of that illustrious chieftain, Brian Boru. . . . This had an amazing effect. The heroic, military, and political virtues, with civilization and science and literature, ascended to an almost unexampled and incredible perfection in Ireland ages before they figure in other parts of Europe, not excepting even Athens and Rome. I have a very great opinion of Hibernian merit—literary, as well as civil and military—even in the ages before St. Patrick."

The Anti-Partition League

In the Philadelphia INQUIRER, on St. Patrick's Day, there appeared an "Open Letter to the Right Honorable Clement R. Attlee, Prime Minister of England." After reviewing the new India policy of the Labor Government, the withdrawal from Greece, and the divided state of Ireland, the letter goes on vigorously to say:

"The many conflicting interests that may be involved in other problems inherited from your Tory predecessors are not involved in the case of Ireland. The justice of the Irish cause is beyond question. The immediate withdrawal of your armed forces from the portion of Ireland they now occupy, together with the dissolution of the Quisling government and the unnatural division of that country, should contribute to the establishment of international confidence and good will to a degree out of proportion to the size of the territory or the number of the inhabitants."

This sound advice is sponsored by the Anti-Partition of Ireland League of Philadelphia. Patrick J. McNelis is President, Captain David R. Roche executive secretary. The Honorary Chairmen are Hon. Clare Gerald Fenerty and Michael Donohoe—names not unknown in Hibernian circles. Reprints of the letter may be obtained from League Headquarters, 609 Morris Building, 1421 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia 2, Pa.

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In recognition of the Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity that constitute the ideal of all Hibernians, ladies no less than men, THE NATIONAL HIBERNIAN dedicates this department to a chronicle of what is going on in the Ladies' Auxiliary. The ladies have always inspired with their devotion and adorned with their graces the private lives of us men. Let the shining record of the Ladies' Auxiliary henceforth adorn our pages and inspire our Divisions to chivalrous emulation.

What The Divisions Are Doing

New York . . .

Annual Communion at Niagara Falls

Division One, Ancient Order of Hibernians, and its Ladies' Auxiliary, attended the 7:30 o'clock Mass at Sacred Heart Church, to receive Holy Communion in a body on Sunday, March 16th, in honor of St. Patrick, Ireland's patron Saint. The affair was well attended. After the Mass, breakfast was served in headquarters, 2010½ Main Street. President John P. Burnett, toastmaster, introduced Rev. Francis J. Fish, Niagara University, who gave an inspiring talk on the life of St. Patrick, mentioning that the beloved Saint is honored every place in the world by the Irish and their descendants. Father Fish also spoke of the devotion of the Irish to the Catholic Church. Other speakers were Councilman Augustine B. Maloney and Superintendent of Police Martin T. Considine.

Breakfast was served by ladies of the Auxiliary, under direction of President Margaret Hull, who was assisted by Mesdames Gleason, Carmody, Brew, O'Leary, Russell, Gaynon, Callahan, Argue, Boland, Koch, J. McNamara, F. McNamara, Fisher, Busher, and by Miss Catherine Hull. The tables were decorated in green, white and gold; small American and Irish flags were on the table.

Later an Irish play was put on by Mesdames J. McNamara, F. McNamara, Callahan, Argue, Tuttle, Fisher and Busher.

Members and guests extended a vote of thanks to the Ladies' Auxiliary for the very excellent breakfast. President Burnett wishes to extend his thanks to the Rev. F. J. Fish and also to Councilman Maloney and Superintendent Considine for their cooperation in making the event a success.

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Enthusiasm at Rochester

St. Patrick's Day, 1947, was a memorable one for the members of the Ancient Order of Hibernians in Rochester, New York, and the success of their dance and entertainment at the Sheraton Hotel on that night has left people here talking about the A.O.H. with an enthusiasm that has not been heard in many years.

The dance was under the chairmanship of Walter Anderson, and attended by a record-breaking crowd. Music was provided by Jim Dennis and his Orchestra, who played for round and square dances, and with Irish airs appropriate to the day.

Intermission was highlighted with an address by County Chaplain Father Mi-

chael O'Brien, who congratulated the members on this wonderful showing on St. Patrick's Day, and for their loyalty to the ideals of the Order. He referred to our increased membership, to the new Division that he himself has done so much to organize, and asked all the members to work for the success of the Building Fund Drive. County President John Crowley and the Ladies' President, Mrs. Paul Shannon, also spoke to the members. A pageant on the life of St. Patrick was presented by 12 children, sons and daughters of members of the Order, and their splendid showing was the subject of much favorable comment. Children taking part: Mary Clifford as Narrator, Eileen Clifford, Maureen Cleeve, Helen Calnan, Mary Jo Byrne, Eileen Coyne, Linda Coyne, Jerry Clifford, Brendan Murphy, John Murray, Kevin Byrne, and Joe Calnan.

Then step-dancing in the grand manner by that veteran Hibernian, Pat O'Hara, and his daughter, Ann.

Also an eight-hand reel by Mrs. T. Clifford, Mrs. Wm. Byrne, Mrs. F. Behan, Mrs. B. Coyne, Wm. Byrne, Mike Calnan, John McHugh and Mickey Flynn to the stirring music of Pat Ryan and his accordion.

Father O'Brien brought as his guests Father Murphy, Father Hayes, Father O'Mally, Father O'Leary, Father Folsater and Father Schifferoli.

Committee assisting Brother Anderson: Bro. John Crowley and Mrs. Paul Shannon, Paul Shannon, Mrs. Wenzil, Pat O'Hara, John Joyce, Mrs. Behan, Mrs. O'Hara, William Byrne, Mrs. Coyne, Mrs. Stephanie Murphy, Miss Vera O'Brien and Mrs. Clifford.

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Sports Program for New York

In a notice attractively typed on green paper, Brother Alphonsus Grant, whose active interest in Hibernianism has caused his name to be mentioned many times in this journal, announces a fine new program of athletics:

"The purpose of this program is to advance Hibernian ideals, which are Catholic and American. In addition to the healthful and friendly competitive spirit that will develop from this program, there is also the desire to attract new members to our Order.

"It is desired that through this program Junior Divisions will be formed throughout the state, and that they will also take an active part in these activities.

"The following activities are suggested—others can be added: baseball, soft ball, Gaelic football, American football, basketball, boxing, wrestling, golf, tennis, handball, hurling, all the track and field sports. Please forward to me any program existing or in plan, and

also the name and address of the chairman in your division.

"I know that you will not let our Order down, especially in these trying days, when there is great need for organizations such as ours, whose aim is twofold—God and Country."—Abridged from circular issued by Brother Alphonsus Grant, whose address is 114-06 133rd Avenue, Ozone Park 16, N. Y.

Massachusetts . . .

Membership Drive in Lawrence

Grand old Division 8, under the leadership of President Bart Galvin, ably assisted by the chairman of the membership committee, Attorney-at-law Donald H. Sullivan (World War II veteran), initiated its drive for new members with a ritualistic initiation of a large group of young men from Lawrence and its suburbs at a special supper meeting on May 22.

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Diamond Jubilee at Holyoke

National President Michael A. McGrath came all the long way from Cleveland, Ohio, to be with his Hibernian brothers at Holyoke, Massachusetts, when they celebrated their diamond jubilee.

The 75th anniversary of Hibernians in Holyoke was marked auspiciously with a day-long St. Patrick's eve program. The day started in the morning with a solemn high mass at the Holy Rosary church, at which Rev. John C. McMahon, pastor, was celebrant; a class initiation in the afternoon followed by a Diamond Jubilee banquet attended by 325 at the Hotel Roger Smith in the evening.

National President Michael A. McGrath took part in all the activities. At the banquet he presented 50-year membership buttons to several members of the order.

It was the 75th anniversary of Div. 1 but Div. 5, along with Div. 2, the latter comprising members of the Ladies' Auxiliary, took active parts in the program. President Martin Leary of Div. 5 was confined to his home for the day, but State Organizer Thomas Barrett, a past president, took his place.

Rev. Florence J. Donohue of St. Mary's church, Willimansett, Hampden County Chaplain, delivered a stirring sermon at the church services. He repeated some of his remarks at the evening banquet and called on the gathering to support President Truman's policy, which calls for aid to smaller nations.

Also called on for short talks at the banquet were Rev. Fr. McMahon and Rev. Thomas Hanrahan of Mt. St. Vincent's, Mayor Henry J. Toepfert, President McGrath, Past State President B. Frank Shannon of Boston, and County Organizer Barrett. General Chairman William P. Sullivan, Hampden county and Div. 1 President, acted as toastmaster.

The principal speaker was Daniel

Moynihan, a member of Div. 36, in Worcester and a history teacher in the school system here. His topic was "Hibernianism and Americanism." In his talk he showed that when St. Patrick arrived in Ireland to teach the Catholic faith he found a highly educated people who had already established a strong culture, social order and government.

NEW JERSEY...

Essex County Reports Activity

The activity of the County Board, and of the various Divisions, in Essex County, New Jersey, within the past six months, is well worth relating. Their progress equals that of any Hibernian group in the country for a similar period. Every Division shows an increase in membership, and Division 3 leads with an increase of almost 100%.

Essex County is particularly proud of the fact that since the National Convention, two new Divisions have been organized. One of these was Division No. 1 in Nutley, the story of which was related in the last issue of the *National Hibernian*. The Harrison Division, now known as Division 2, is further evidence of the fact that the County Board, under the exceptional leadership of County President Robert B. Millea, Jr., is strictly "on the ball." From the interest indicated at the inception of the Harrison Division, all Essex Hibernians anticipate that this Division will be among the leaders for the State of New Jersey, if not in the country. The president of the newly organized Division is Joseph C. Marion, a former Councilman of Harrison, who gives every indication of spearheading a membership drive which will out-do the excellent efforts shown by Division 2, of Union County, and Division 12 of Queens County (New York).

The Essex County group also points with pride to the outstanding social success achieved at its annual Charity Ball, sponsored in conjunction with the Ladies' Auxiliary of the County. Attendance this year far exceeded expectations of the Committee.

The affairs held by the individual Divisions of the organization have been very successful. The most prominent of these was the testimonial dinner tendered to John F. Kelly, upon his completion of twenty-five years as County Financial Secretary. The dinner was attended not only by members of the County Board, and Division 7, Brother Kelly's own division, but also by representatives of the Mayor of the City, City Commissioners, and members of the Board of Education, with which Brother Kelly has been affiliated over a score of years.

The outstanding event of recent months for Division 3 was the series of lectures on the Eastern Rites of the Church, which were delivered by Rev. George M. Kandra, who, as a Catholic priest under Rome, was tendered life-membership by the Division. At the close of the lecture series, the group attended Mass according to the Eastern

Testimonial to John F. Kelly



Left to right: Augustus J. Kelly, Toastmaster; John A. Daly, Financial Secretary, Presenting A.O.H. Ring to John F. Kelly; Guest of Honor; Retiring Fin. Secy. 30 Years Robert E. Bogle, Div. President and General Chairman.

Thirty years is a long time in the life of any man. Thirty years of honest and diligent service deserves recognition. So thought the friends of Financial Secretary John F. Kelly. Almost three hundred of them gave him a testimonial dinner at the Clipper Ship, Newark, New Jersey. The speakers: Rev. John T. Lawlor, County Chaplain; Rev. Thomas A. Fitzpatrick, Division-7 Chaplain; Rev. Walter Hennessy, City Commissioners John A. Brady and John B. Keenan, City Comptroller Bernard A. Reilly, representing Mayor Murphy;

Assistant Superintendent of Schools Shotland, Mrs. Elizabeth Fitzpatrick, William Ricligano, and Leo P. Carlin, of the Board of Education; National Treasurer Joseph M. Brennan, State President Raymond V. Ryan, County President R. B. Millea, National President Anna Carey of the Ladies' Auxiliary, and Financial Secretary John A. Daly. The toastmaster was Augustus J. Kelly. To the beloved John F., the gathering gave a Hibernian ring. National President Michael A. McGrath of Ohio telegraphed his congratulations.

Rite at the parish of Father Kandra, and were extremely edified by the piety and antiquity of the Rite in which the Holy Sacrifice was offered.

Affairs planned in the near future include a mass rally sponsored jointly by Union and Essex Counties, in cooperation with National Organizer George Reilly, who will shortly make a visit to this State. It is the hope of the Essex County group that following the leadership of Brother Reilly, our own County Organizer, Brother John A. Brady, who is also Director of Public Affairs in the City of Newark, will lead the Divisions of this county in the most successful membership drive that has yet been undertaken. It is interesting to note that in Newark, where we have the commission form of government, three of the five commissioners are members of the Hibernians. In addition to Brother Brady, Brother John B. Keenan, Director of Public Safety, and Mayor Vincent J. Murphy, Director of Revenue and Finance, have most enthusiastically indicated their intention to sponsor Hibernian classes.

Divisions 3 and 13 are busy making

plans. The latter Division, which is showing great signs of resurgence, under the leadership of its President, Jeremiah J. Curren, has arranged a special meeting at which members of the New York State Board have been invited to speak. Division 3, the largest Division in Essex County, not only continues its efforts to increase membership, but is planning a great many social affairs, which include in the very near future a dance in conjunction with Division 14, its affiliated Auxiliary. At this dance the Divisions hope that they may be honored with the presence of all members of the National Board.

Minstrel Show Praised by Clergy

The annual minstrel show of Division No. 1, A.O.H., Phillipsburg, N. J., was given in Parochial Auditorium, Thursday and Friday evenings, April 24 and 25. This year's production was outstanding, and was directed by Brother William J. Shaneberger, who is known for his ability to produce minstrel shows of distinction.

Praise for the Director and the cast was given by Father William J. Lannary, Chaplain of the Division, and by

several visiting Priests. One of the visiting Clergy in particular wrote a letter to the Division Members, which was read at a recent meeting, and is as follows:

"My dear Committee Members:

"Father Smith and I enjoyed your hospitality Friday evening. The performance was superb. Your vocalists showed real talent. Your end-men were quite funny. The supporting chorus, worthy of commendation, gave good background. 'Al Jolson' intrigued me. I was afraid your 'Station-ghost' would give me wakefulness through the night. Congratulations to the producer and all of you.

Gratefully yours,

James A. Quinn."

Father Quinn is administrator at St. Jane Frances De Chantel Church in Easton, Pa., and was accompanied to the show by one of his curates, Father Smith.

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How To Kill Your Division

President of New Jersey Ryan thought so well of the following, he had it forwarded to each Division with a request it be read at their meeting:

1. Don't attend a meeting, but if you do, arrive late.
2. Be sure to leave before the meeting is over.
3. Never have anything to say at the meeting. Wait until you get outside.
4. When at a meeting, vote to do, then do nothing.
5. Next day find fault with your officers and brothers.
6. Take no part in the organization's affairs.
7. Be sure to sit in the back so you can talk to the brothers.
8. Get all the organization can give you, but don't give it anything.
9. Never ask anyone to join the organization.
10. Talk cooperation, but do not cooperate.
11. At every opportunity threaten to resign and try to get others to do the same.
12. If asked to HELP, always say you have no time.
13. Never read anything pertaining to the organization; you may be enlightened.
14. If appointed to a committee, never give any time or service to it.
15. Never accept any office. It is easier to criticize than to do things.
16. If your attendance makes you eligible for expulsion, promise to do better, then forget it.
17. Don't do any more than you have to, and when the others willingly and unselfishly use their ability to help the good cause along, then howl because the organization is run by a clique.

AIN'T IT THE TRUTH?

—Frank A. Tracey, State Secretary.

Pennsylvania . . .

Leo Kelly Reports

Seldom does any journal publish an article of interest in which the interest

is as great in the contributor as in the article. It was so with what Ernie Pyle wrote; it is of the news sent by our former National Secretary Leo Kelly.

Over 1400 members of the Ancient Order of Hibernians and the Ladies' Auxiliary received Holy Communion on Sunday, March 16th, at the 8:00 o'clock mass in St. Paul's Cathedral. The following excerpt appeared on the Cathedral Bulletin, Passion Sunday, March 23rd.

HURRAH FOR THE IRISH

Four priests distributed Holy Communion to the A.O.H. for twenty-two minutes at the eight o'clock mass last Sunday. It was a remarkable demonstration of faith in and devotion to Saint Patrick."

The celebrant of the eight o'clock mass on Sunday, March 16th, was our County Chaplain, Father Vincent S. Burke, and one of the four priests who assisted in giving Holy Communion was Father Reilly, Chaplain of Division 30 of Turtle Creek. It is the hope of the County Officers to increase this attendance in 1948.

Following the mass, a communion breakfast was served in the Memorial Hall and was addressed by Mayor David L. Lawrence, Commissioner John J. Kane, County President Patrick J. Fallon and National Treasurer Lenora Shea. Patrick O'Connor was the chairman, Stephen Laffey acted as the Toastmaster.

Nova Scotia . . .

Divisions 1 and 4 Face Future

Two Divisions—No. 4 of Halifax (the Sarsfield division) and No. 1 of Dartmouth (the Emmet division)—face the future hopefully under their newly-elected and installed officers.

Division 1.—Monsignor Cole, Chaplain; John Mullins, President; E. W. Powers, Vice-President; Bernard McGinnis, Recording Secretary; J. F. Day, Financial Secretary; J. P. Smith, Marshal; W. J. Silloway, Sentinel.

Division 4—Father Smith, Chaplain; Val Cox, President; John Gully, Vice-President; A. McDonald, Recording Secretary; A. Houlihan, Financial Secretary; T. Jackson, Treasurer; T. Currie, Marshal; Harold Brown, Sentinel; Leo Grady, Sergeant-at-arms.

MARYLAND . . .

Baltimore Celebrates Our Day

In the genial Free State that Lord Calvert set upon the shore of Chesapeake Bay, Hibernianism thrives, like all other rare and delicate products of civilization. The celebration of St. Patrick's Day combined Gaelic exuberance with southern prodigality, thanks to a committee comprising William J. Guerin (chairman), Miss Mary A. Lanahan (assistant chairman), Mrs. George F. Finke (secretary), and Edward P. McDonough (treasurer). (Brother McDonough is pleasantly remembered by every Hibernian east of

the Mississippi as Past National Director.)

The souvenir program contains, among other interesting articles, this notable introduction to the occasion:

St. Patrick's Day

Today we celebrate the life of an ancient race and the illustrious St. Patrick.

We weave the shamrock into a garland of glory for Emerald Isle, the home of scholars, the abode of poetry, the nursery of patriots and the isle of the saint.

We recall the history of the Irish people, whose courage is without limit and whose honor is without blemish.

We rededicate ourselves to the philosophy of St. Patrick, who found his strength in reason, his success in tolerance and his faith in God.

For more than 1,400 years the Irish have held aloft the torch of human and spiritual freedom lighted by St. Patrick.

The battlefields of our Republic have been crimsoned with Irish blood.

They have fought under Washington in the war for independence and under General Meagher at Fredericksburg, for the preservation of the Union.

They were at the Alamo in Texas and at Custer's last stand at Little Big Horn in Montana.

Indeed, the "fighting Irish" have bared their breasts to shot and shell in the first World War and are now adding new glory to "Old Glory" as fighters for freedom in the far-flung fighting fronts of the earth.

It was John Rutledge who was the first to raise his eloquent voice in the Continental Congress.

It was Robert Morris who financed the Revolution.

Eleven of Washington's generals and twelve signers of the Declaration of Independence were of Irish lineage.

The password adopted by Washington was "Saint Patrick."

In 1776 John Barry, first commodore of the United States Navy, was appointed to command the Lexington.

The Lexington today is a glorious name in our American history.

It is noteworthy to observe that the ancestors of Gen. Douglas MacArthur dwelt in the same region of Dumbartonshire which gave birth to St. Patrick.

On land, on the sea and in the air the gallant men and women of Irish blood have written their names on the inextinguishable pages of American history.

They have been honored with the Presidency of the United States.

Let us call the roll of honor:

James Buchanan, James K. Polk, Andrew Jackson, Chester A. Arthur, William McKinley and Woodrow Wilson.

Irish blood flowed in their veins.

Glamorous as have been the exploits of the Irish in war, in statesmanship, in commerce, in the arts and literature, none has been more glorious than the accomplishments of Irish women in the gentler virtues of mercy, love and motherhood.

May the Irish mother ever remain enthroned in the hearts of her children, and may she ever enjoy the smile of God!

So long as history shall record the story of St. Patrick's mission;

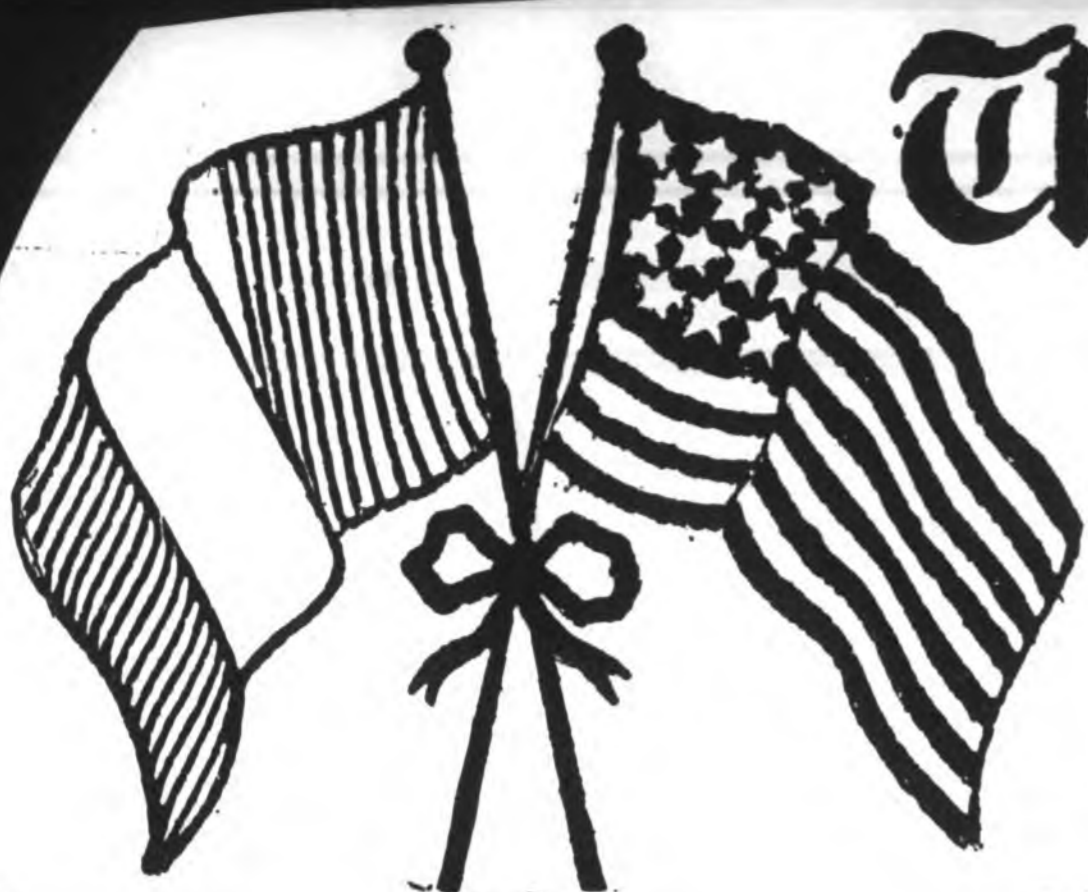
So long as the waters of the lovely Shannon shall gently flow to the sea;

So long as the beautiful lakes of Killarney shall reflect upon their bosoms the blue vault of the Heaven—

So long will the men and women of Irish race love their Emerald Isle, revere their saint, cherish the shamrock and uphold the principles of national freedom and individual liberty!

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Note: In September 1993, the Ancient Order of Hibernians in America, under the leadership of National President, George Clough Jr., and National Historian, John J. Concannon, initiated a long-range and continuing program of gathering, preparing, publishing and microfilming specially-selected Ancient Order of Hibernian and Irish-in-America historical and research material. The AOH will package and distribute this not-readily-available-elsewhere historical material to universities, colleges, libraries and educational institutions. It is the fond hope of the AOH that the increased and wider availability of this "grass-roots" Ancient Order or Hibernians and American Irish historical material will promote the knowledge of and the study of the prominent role and the outstanding accomplishments of the Irish in America.

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