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Literary and Historical Society
University College Dublin**

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Introduction

Literary and Historical Society

The Literary and Historical Society was founded in 1855-1856 by Cardinal Henry Newman, Rector of the Catholic University of Ireland, 86 St Stephen's Green, Dublin. The Society is first called the 'Historical, Literary and Aesthetical Society' with a 'President' at its head from 1857. In 1862-1863 and 1863-1864 newspaper reports refer to the 'Historical and Literary Society connected with St.Patrick's College' and the 'President' has become the 'Auditor' (St Patrick's College was another of Newman's foundations in 86 St Stephen's Green). Later, in January 1865, reports refer to the 'opening meeting of the revived Literary and Aesthetical Society'. The 'Aesthetical' part of the title was dropped around 1869.

In early years papers and verse compositions were read alternately at meetings by students and professors. (Papers were alternated with debates into the early years of the twentieth century). The first formal debate was held in 1858 on the motion 'Which was the greater man, Julius Caesar or Napoleon?'. Topics were often tame because of a rule forbidding discussion of British politics. From 1886 subjects for debate were submitted to the President of the College in a further effort to control discussions on the sensitive issues of the day. Inaugural meetings and the annual awarding of medals for oratory to individual members of the Society date from the foundation of the Society. The invitation to public personages to address the Society was emphasised in order to provide publicity for the University in seeking a charter, which seemed imminent in the late 1860s. Guests addressed the Society on formal occasions from the late 1860s and included Isaac Butt who gave a lecture on 'The Early History of Venice' in 1869.

Through the Universities Education (Ireland) Act 1879, the Royal University was set up as an examining body. Preparation of Catholic students for these examinations was carried out by the Society of Jesus in St Patrick's House of the Catholic University which was then called University College Dublin or the Jesuit University College. The Society ceases to function from December 1880 and emerges in November 1882 as the 'Union Literary Society' (until 1883) with an Auditor, nine committee members and an annual subscription of five schillings (SOC2/1). From 1882 until the establishment of the National University of Ireland c.1908, Jesuit teachers were to hold office in the Literary and Historical Society with Father Tom Finlay becoming Auditor in 1883-1884 due to the small number of students in the Society.

After the Irish Universities Act 1908, the Jesuit University College joined with existing colleges in Cork and Galway under the NUI. Subsequent growth in numbers of students resulted in increasing pressure to permit female students to become members of the Society (SOC2/3). Inter varsity debates became more frequent in these years developing into standard annual competition debates such as the Observer Mace and USI/Irish Times Trophy debating tournaments. Committee members consisting of a Record Secretary, Correspondence Secretary, Treasurer and at least four ordinary committee members were elected until 1932 and thereafter nominated by the incoming Auditor. Auditorial elections usually occurred at the end of each session and in order to be eligible as a candidate members were obliged to have spoken in debate at least once (from 1933). The number of speeches required has varied over the years. Membership cards were introduced in 1950-1951 by Auditor, Richard Ryan.

In 1944-1945 a fund was established to subsidise Centenary celebrations of the Society with Arthur Cox and James Meenan (ex-Auditors) appointed as trustees (see SOC2/29 and SOC2/31). In 1951 a committee was appointed to collect and house the records of the Society and to examine the project of a Centenary history (SOC2/35, SOC2/38, SOC2/194). James Meenan became the General Editor of the Centenary history published in 1956 (SOC2/194, SOC2/195, SOC2/196).

Many members of the Literary and Historical Society have, in subsequent years, played important roles in public, professional, ecclesiastical, business and judicial life in Ireland. James Joyce (Writer) and Hugh Kennedy (Attorney General and Chief Justice) competed in the auditorial elections for 1900-1901, for example, with Kennedy winning the election (SOC2/2). The records of the Society provide ancillary biographical information of the College life of many individuals while debate topics and resolutions reflect the contemporary interests and opinions of the student population, over the years. The Literary and Historical Society is significant in the context of the development of University College Dublin since it is one of the sole survivors of Newman's Catholic University into the present College.

Records of the Literary and Historical Society

The description of approximately half the documents in this collection, and this introduction, is based on a list produced in January of 1990*. While these descriptions and the introduction have been edited, the initial arrangement of the collection has been maintained and elaborated to accommodate material obtained by the Archives Department since this initial list was completed (extra sessional correspondence files,

photographs, posters, a videocassette of the Irish Times Final in 1984, and material relating to the World Debating Championships in 1987).

This collection starts with the first surviving minute book to date (SOC2/1) and contains the records of the Society up to 1992. There are some gaps due to loss or accident (see SOC2/7) or because material has yet to be deposited.

The collection has been arranged in six broad categories: Organisation and Administration, Photographs, Centenary History Committee, Posters, Video Cassette of the Irish Times final 1984 and World Debating Championships 1987.

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June 1997

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List of Auditors

1855-56	Not recorded	1890-91	Luke Nolan
1856-57	Henry Slingsby Bethell	1897-98	Francis Skeffington
1857-58	Augustus Philip Bethell	1898-99	Thomas M Kettle
1858-59	Hugh Hyacinth MacDermott	1899-1900	Arthur E Clery
1859-60	Richard Fennelly	1900-01	Hugh Kennedy
1860-61	Not Recorded	1901-02	Robert Kinahan
1861-62	Philip Farrelly	1902-03	Willam Dawson
1862-63	John Kean	1903-04	John P Doyle
1863-64	John Butler	1904-05	Richard Sheehy
1864-65	Morgan Butler Kavanagh	1905-06	Thomas F Bacon
1865-66	Robert Wogan MacDonnell	1906-07	Francis Cruise O'Brien
1866-67	Patrick Joseph O'Connor	1907-08	Maurice Healy
1867-68	Charles Dawson	1908-9	Thomas Bodkin
1868-69	N J Gossan	1909-10	Michael McGilligan
1869-70	William Dillon	1910-11	Michael Davitt
1870-71	George Fottrell	1911-12	John A Ronayne/Patrick McGilligan
1871-72	Michael Charles Aughney	1912-13	Arthur Cox
1872-73	Michael Francis Cox	1913-14	Michael J Ryan
1873-74	Michael O'Meara	1914-15	James R MacDonnell
1874-75	John Dillon	1915-16	James G O'Connor
1975-76	Gerald Griffin	1916-17	Joseph Mooney
1876-77	John Francis O'Carroll	1917-18	H Garrett McGrath
1877-78	Michael Duff	1918-19	Thomas F Aird
1878-79	Ignatius O'Brien	1919-20	Daniel A Binchy
1879-80	Not Recorded	1920-21	John Farrell
1880-81	J D McFeeley	1921-22	James Skehan
1882-83	Joseph McGrath	1922-23	David H Travers
1883-84	Rev. Thomas A Finlay SJ	1923-24	John Charles Flood
1884-85	Robert Donovan	1924-25	Bernard J M MacKenna
1885-86	Edmund Young	1925-26	Anthony J Malone/R Boylan
1886-87	Joseph J Farrell	1926-27	Patrick Byrne
1887-88	Patrick Lennox	1927-28	John J Nash
1888-89	William Magennis	1928-29	Thomas W O'Rourke
1889-90	John F W Howley	1929-30	William Binchy/Robert Dudley Edwards

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1930-31	John Kent	1963-64	Anthony W Clare
1931-32	Cearbhall O'Dalaigh	1964-65	Patrick J Cosgrave
1932-33	James Meenan	1965-66	Henry D Crawley
1933-34	Vivion DeValera	1966-67	Anthony Glavin/J Harry Owens
1934-35	Richard Cooke	1967-68	Henry F Kelly
1935-36	Desmond Bell	1968-69	Dermot Gleeson
1936-37	Vincent Grogan	1969-70	Gerald Barry
1937-38	Richard Walsh	1970-71	Mary E Finlay
1938-39	Thomas F O'Higgins	1971-72	Declan O'Donovan
1939-40	Thomas P O Siaghail	1972-73	Adrian Hardiman
1940-41	Patrick Nahor Meenan	1973-74	Kevin Cross
1941-42	T Frank Roe	1974-75	J Gerard Danaher
1942-43	Francis O C Meenan	1975-76	Michael D Maloney
1943-44	R Cremins/Peter R Hogbin	1976-77	Paul O'Higgins
1944-45	Walter J Treanor	1977-78	Francis Callanan
1945-46	Eamonn Walsh	1978-79	Maev-Ann Wren
1946-47	Frank Martin	1979-80	Gerard Stembridge
1947-48	Kevin Burke	1980-81	Charles Meenan
1948-49	Patrick J O'Kelly	1981-82	Laurence Ward
1949-50	Patrick J Connolly	1982-83	Cormac Lucey
1950-51	Richard Ryan	1983-84	Shane Murphy
1951-52	Dermot Ryan	1984-85	Dermot Meagher/Isobel Murray
1952-53	Diarmuid Sheridan	1985-86	Eamon Delaney
1953-54	Gerard Sheehy	1986-87	Richard Humphreys
1954-55	Michael O Riain	1987-88	Denise McDonald
1955-56	Henry Kennedy	1988-89	Oliver O'Brien
1956-57	Desmond P H Windle	1989-90	Jason A Devitt
1957-58	Myles McSwiney	1990-91	Pat O'Keeffe
1958-59	Owen Dudley Edwards	1991-92	Sinead E Canning
1959-60	Brian McSwiney	1992-93	Marcus Dowling
1960-61	Dermot Bouchier Hayes	1993-94	Tabitha Wood
1961-62	Desmond J Green	1994-95	Padraig C Francis/Dara O'Briain
1962-63	Louis B D Courtney	1995-96	Ian L Walsh

A ORGANISATION AND ADMINISTRATION, 1882-1992

i Minutes of Meetings, 1882-1987

1. November 1882-April 1883; Minute book of the Union
November 1885-December 1890; Literary Society containing the
November 1897-January 1898; handwritten minutes of general
March 1906 meetings and committee meetings
of the Literary and Historical
Society. Committee meetings (1885-1890; 1897-1898; one meeting in 1906
towards the back of the volume) are generally held weekly. The minutes give
details of attendance and deal with general administration of the Society
including: amending the rules of the Society (1897-1898, p.95), admission of
members, organising inaugural meetings, and deciding motions for debates at
general meetings on subjects such as the Irish University Question (27
November 1885, p.30) or Home Rule (7 May 1886, p.43). Fewer meetings are
recorded for 1888-1889, only two in 1890 and one in 1906.
General meetings (1882-1883 of the Union Literary Society; one meeting in
1906 towards the back of the volume) are usually held fortnightly. The minutes
record the name of the Chairman, the reading and signing of the previous
minutes, the motion for public debate such as 'That capital punishment should
be abolished' (31 January 1883, p.13) and the names of speakers. Ordinary
business such as nominations for membership, deciding the structure of the
committee, amount of annual subscription, and system of awarding medals for
oratory (January 1883, p.11), or deciding the topic of the next meeting (28
February 1883, p.17) occurs at the end of the meeting when 'strangers or non-
members' have withdrawn.
The minutes are entered in chronological order. The minutes are generally
signed by the Auditor or by the Chairman. A list of members is included at the
back of the volume (no date is given). The volume is paginated to page 100.
110pp

2. February 1884-March 1891; Minute book of the
November 1897-June 1907 Literary and Historical
Society containing the
handwritten minutes of committee meetings, general meetings, extraordinary
general meetings and inaugural meetings. Committee meetings are usually held
within a fortnight of each other. The minutes give details of attendance and deal
with general administration of the Society including: election of officers to the
committee, establishing rules and functioning of the Society (for example
regulations for future general meetings of the Society, 17 November 1899,
pp.189-190), organising the sessional programmes of events including dates
and subjects of general meetings such as a debate on the Intermediate Education
System (3 March 1884, p.5), and arranging debates with other societies such as
the Solicitor's Apprentices' Debating Society (24 November 1900, p.212).
General meetings are usually held weekly. The minutes record the name of the
Chairman, the reading and signing of the previous minutes, the motion for
public debate and the names of speakers. Other business recorded includes
election of the committee and election of members to the Society.
The minutes of extraordinary general meetings name the Chairman/speakers and
state the purpose of the meeting. The meetings are generally held to consider
changes to the rules of the Society (18 December 1903, p.274) or resolutions

on procedure at general meetings such as having the Auditor or gentlemen who were not student members of the Society act as Chairman at general meetings (13 November 1885, p.61).

Inaugural meetings usually take place in November. The minutes generally record the title of the Auditor's address, the names of speakers and sometimes list the winners of annual medals awarded for oratory and the auditorial election poll. The minutes often record a resolution passed at the meeting to have the inaugural address printed and distributed at the expense of the Society.

The minutes are entered in chronological order, apart from committee meetings in 1898 which appear after page 346. The minutes are generally signed by the Auditor or by another member of the committee. The volume is paginated to page 346.

c.363pp

3. May 1906-November 1916

Minute book of the
Literary and Historical

Society containing the handwritten minutes of committee meetings, general meetings, extraordinary general meetings and inaugural meetings. Committee meetings are held frequently (up to twice weekly). The minutes give details of attendance and deal with general administration of the Society including: establishing rules of the Society and procedure at general meetings (reference to use of Palgrave's Chairman's handbook, 12 March 1907, p.25 and reference to enrollment of lady members, 30 January 1908, p.57), co-opting committee members, appointing subcommittees such as that arranging the inaugural meeting (February 1908, report p.60) and commissions such as that investigating inaugural expenses (February 1908, report p.64), organising sessional programmes of events including deciding topic of debates or papers read at general meetings and organising debates with other debating societies such as the Solicitors' Apprentices and Queen's University Belfast, invitation of guest speakers and chairmen to debates, and controlling expenditure.

General meetings are usually held weekly. Private business occurs at the beginning of the meeting. The minutes record the reading and signing of the previous minutes, question time and motions on notice. The election of committee members may also be recorded. Private business is followed by a record of the public debate. The minutes record the name of the Chairman and the motion for public debate such as 'That the sympathetic strike is unsound in principle' (15 November 1913, p.256) or the title of papers read before the Society such as one on Australian poetry (26 January 1907, p.10). The names of speakers are recorded and also the marks that they are awarded. Marks awarded count towards annual medals given for oratory. On occasion the names of good maiden or first time speakers are noted (23 February 1907, p.15).

The minutes of extraordinary general meetings name the Chairman/speakers and state the purpose of the meeting. The meetings are generally held to consider changes to the rules of the Society (16 March 1907, p.27). Meetings are also held to declare the result of auditorial elections, to consider the reports of outgoing officers, and to announce the winners of annual medals awarded for oratory (17 May 1913, p.249).

Inaugural meetings usually take place in November. The minutes generally record the title of the Auditor's address, the names of speakers and sometimes list the winners of annual medals awarded for oratory (7 November 1913, p.253).

The minutes are entered in chronological order. The May to December 1906 minutes are re-entered after March 1907 on pages 19-21 'necessitated by the loss of the Minute book previously in use'. The minutes are generally signed by the Chairman, Auditor or by another member of the committee. There is an

alphabetical index to topics at the beginning of the volume. The volume is paginated to page 374.

c.398pp

4. May 1923-March [1931] Minute book of the
Literary and Historical
Society containing the handwritten minutes of committee meetings. The meetings are held periodically throughout the session. The minutes give details of attendance and deal with general administration of the Society including: appointment of officers to the committee; financial administration; organising sessional programmes of events such as deciding dates and motions for debate at general meetings; arranging inaugural meetings; arranging debates with other debating societies such as the Literary and Scientific Society of Queen's University Belfast, and societies from Trinity College Dublin, University College Cork and University College Galway (14 February 1925); and organising a dance (24 October 1923).
The minutes are entered in chronological order. The minutes are generally signed by the Auditor. From 1925 to 1931 a list of committee members is recorded at the beginning of the minutes for each session.
- c.117pp
5. June 1936-February 1945 Minute book of the
Literary and Historical
Society containing the handwritten minutes of general meetings, extraordinary general meetings, inaugural meetings and annual general meetings.
General meetings are held weekly. Private business occurs at the beginning of the meeting. The minutes record the reading and signing of the previous minutes, the reading of correspondence, question time, and motions on notice (usually of a humorous nature). Private business is followed by a record of the public debate such as 'That this House refuses to take up arms for a United Ireland' (3 May 1941) or 'That Eire will perish if she forgets her traditional policy of the gun' (21 November 1942). The names of speakers are recorded and also the marks that they are awarded. Marks awarded count towards annual medals given for oratory. Minutes are sometimes entered as dramatic dialogue (such as 21 November 1942), in verse (such as 25 November 1939) and partially in Irish (such as 1 May 1937).
The minutes of extraordinary general meetings name the Chairman/speakers and state the purpose of the meeting. The meetings are generally held to consider changes to rules of the Society.
Inaugural meetings usually take place in November or December. The minutes generally record the title of the Auditor's address, the names of speakers and sometimes list the winners of annual medals awarded for oratory.
Annual general meetings usually occur in May. The minutes on occasion, record the reports of the outgoing officers (Auditor, Treasurer, Secretary) as well as the results of auditorial elections and the winners of annual medals awarded for oratory.
The minutes are entered in chronological order. The minutes of the May 1944 annual general meeting appear at the back of the volume. The minutes are generally signed by the Auditor or another officer of the Society. A list of officers and committee members is usually recorded at the beginning of the minutes for each session. The back of the volume contains a roll of members from 1939-1945 consisting of the members signature and their address.
- c. 514pp

6. March 1945-1956

Minute book of the
Literary and Historical

Society containing the handwritten minutes of general meetings, extraordinary general meetings, inaugural meetings and annual general meetings.

General meetings are held weekly. Private business occurs at the beginning of the meeting. The minutes record the reading and signing of the previous minutes, the reading of correspondence, question time and motions on notice (usually of a humorous nature). Private business is followed by a record of the public debate. The minutes record the name of the Chairman and the motion for public debate such as 'That the present regime in Spain was born and continues to exist in crime' (1 December 1945). The names of speakers are recorded and also the marks that they are awarded. Marks awarded count towards annual medals given for oratory. Minutes are sometimes entered as dramatic dialogue (such as 24 April 1948).

The minutes of extraordinary general meetings name the Chairman/speakers and state the purpose of the meeting. The meetings are generally held to consider changes to rules of the Society. Topics for consideration include the election of a Vice-President of the Society, James Dillon, Minister for Agriculture (21 May 1949).

Inaugural meetings usually take place in April or May. The minutes generally record the title of the Auditor's address, the names of speakers and sometimes list the winners of annual medals awarded for oratory.

Annual general meetings usually occur in May. The minutes, on occasion, record the reports of the outgoing officers (Auditor, Treasurer, Secretary) as well as the result of auditorial elections and the winners of annual medals awarded for oratory.

The minutes are entered in chronological order. The minutes are generally signed by the Auditor. A list of officers and committee members is usually recorded at the beginning of the minutes for each session. The volume contains a roll of members from 1948-1949 to 1951-1952 consisting of the members signature and their address. Included at the back of the volume are a list of Auditors from 1906 to 1956 and a copy of the amended constitution of the Literary and Historical Society (1948-1949).

c.468pp

7. [May] 1953-1980

Minute book of the
Literary and Historical

Society containing the handwritten minutes of general meetings, extraordinary general meetings, inaugural meetings and annual general meetings.

General meetings are held weekly. Private business occurs at the beginning of the meeting. The minutes record the reading and signing of the previous minutes, the reading of correspondence, question time and motions on notice (usually of a humorous nature). Private business is followed by a record of the public debate. The minutes record the name of the Chairman and the motion for public debate such as 'That the theatre has ceased to fulfil a cultural need in Ireland' (6 December 1958). The names of speakers are recorded and also the marks that they are awarded. Marks awarded count towards annual medals given for oratory. Minutes are often entered in verse (such as in 1954 and 1960). Guest speakers recorded at a debate on Irish newspapers on 25 March 1954 include Patrick Kavanagh (Poet) and Brian O'Nolan (Myles na Gopaleen, Writer). The minutes also record the holding of the first annual Scots-Irish debate for the Irish Times Trophy, held on 28 April 1962.

The minutes of extraordinary general meetings name the Chairman/speakers and state the purpose of the meeting. The meetings are generally held to consider changes to the rules of the Society. Topics for consideration include a

nomination for vice-presidency of the Society (5 November 1960) and revision of the constitution (1 February 1963).

Inaugural meetings usually take place in November or in February. The minutes generally record the title of the Auditor's address, the names of speakers and on occasion list the winners of annual medals awarded for oratory as well as giving a general description of proceedings.

Annual general meetings usually occur in May. The minutes, on occasion, record the reports of the outgoing officers (Auditor, Treasurer, Secretary) as well as the result of auditorial elections and the winners of annual medals awarded for oratory.

The minutes are entered in chronological order. Minutes from October 1953 to May 1954 are rewritten due to the loss of a previous minute book 'occasioned by the irresponsibility of a party of engineers who having purloined the Minute Book accidentally dropped it into the Liffey at O'Connell Bridge' (see front of volume). The minutes are generally signed by the Auditor. A list of officers and committee members is usually recorded at the beginning of the minutes for each session. A list of Auditors from 1856-1857 to 1979-1980 appears at the front of the volume.

c.800pp

8. October 1965-May 1969

Minute book of the
Literary and Historical

Society containing the handwritten minutes of general meetings, extraordinary general meetings, inaugural meetings and annual general meetings.

General meetings are held weekly. Private business occurs at the beginning of the meeting. The minutes record the reading and signing of the previous minutes, the reading of correspondence, question time and motions on notice (usually of a humorous nature). Private business is followed by a record of the public debate. The minutes record the name of the Chairman and the motion for public debate such as 'That there is nothing for which we would die' (intervarsity debate, 20 November 1965, p.34) or 'That censorship is the cause of Irish neurosis' (26 November 1966, p.141). The names of speakers are recorded and also the marks that they are awarded. Marks awarded count towards annual medals given for oratory. Minutes are sometimes entered as dramatic dialogue (11 December 1965, p.45) and in verse (30 October 1965, p.12).

The minutes of extraordinary general meetings name the Chairman/speakers and state the purpose of the meeting. The meetings are generally held to consider changes to the rules of the Society.

Inaugural meetings usually take place in November or December. The minutes generally record the title of the Auditor's address, the names of speakers and sometimes list the winners of annual medals awarded for oratory.

Annual general meetings usually take place in May. The minutes, on occasion, record the reports of the outgoing officers (Auditor, Treasurer, Secretary) as well as the result of auditorial elections and the winners of annual medals awarded for oratory.

The minutes are entered in chronological order. The minutes are generally signed by the Auditor and/or another officer of the Society. A list of officers and committee members is recorded at the beginning of the minutes for each session. The volume is paginated to page 546.

560pp

9. May 1969-February 1978

Minute book of the
Literary and Historical

Society containing the handwritten minutes of general meetings, extraordinary general meetings, inaugural meetings and annual general meetings.

General meetings are held weekly. Private business occurs at the beginning of the meeting. The minutes record the reading and signing of the previous minutes, the reading of correspondence, question time and motions on notice (usually of a humorous nature). Private business is followed by a record of the public debate. The minutes record the name of the Chairman and the motion for public debate such as 'That the IRA deserves to be condemned' (30 October 1971) or 'That Newman's University has always overworked and undereducated its student gentlemen' (March 1976). The names of speakers are recorded and also the marks that they are awarded. Marks awarded count towards annual medals given for oratory. Minutes are sometimes entered as dramatic dialogue (2 November 1973) and in verse (27 November 1973).

The minutes of extraordinary general meetings name the Chairman/speakers and state the purpose of the meeting. The meetings are generally held to consider changes to the rules of the Society.

Inaugural meetings usually take place in November, December or January. The minutes generally record the title of the Auditor's address, the names of speakers and sometimes list the winners of annual medals awarded for oratory.

Annual general meetings usually take place in May. The minutes, on occasion, record the reports of the outgoing officers (Auditor, Treasurer, Secretary) as well as the result of auditorial elections and the winners of annual medals awarded for oratory.

The minutes are entered in chronological order. The minutes are generally signed by the Auditor and the Record Secretary. A list of officers and committee members is usually recorded at the beginning of the minutes for each session. The volume is paginated to page 49.

c.880pp

10. (1981/1982-), October 1982-February 1983 Minute book of the
Literary and Historical
Society containing an account of the year of Larry Ward's auditorship (1981-1982) and an account of the year of Cormac Lucey's auditorship (1982-1983). The account is written by Cormac Lucey.
- The account of the year of Larry Ward's auditorship is divided into sections : an introduction, a section on Ward's successes and a section on Ward's failures. The account of the year of Cormac Lucey's auditorship consists of minutes for and records of nine meetings held in October, November and December of the session. The minutes for meetings are, as Cormac Lucey states, a humorous "revue" style as performed for the audience. These comic sketches are generally political in nature. The records of meetings, according to Lucey, are a straight factual account of the meeting. The records note for example the motion for debate such as 'That Christianity represents the World's only hope' (12 November 1982. p.73), names the principal speakers including guest speakers and marks awarded to Society speakers.
- The minute book also contains press cuttings, photographs taken at debates of the audience and speakers, a letter and other items relating to the Literary and Historical Society. Included are press cuttings from the **Evening Herald**, **UCD News**, **Western People**, **Sunday Times**, **Irish Times**, **Evening Press** and **Irish Press** relating to the Literary and Historical Society and the auditorship of Cormac Lucey. Included is Cormac Lucey's membership card for the Literary and Historical Society, 127th session, 1982-1982 (p.20). Included is a cardboard full-length portrait of the Auditor, Cormac Lucey, used in a comic performance at a general meeting (p.43). Included is a typescript letter from Sir John Biggs-Davison MP, House of commons, London to Cormac Lucey apologising for his inability to attend a debate due to a request

for him to 'go to the Falklands with colleagues' (18 October 1982, p.61). Included is Sean Oliver's (graduate in history and history of art) handwritten essay on 'James Joyce and Life' read at a meeting to commemorate the James Joyce centenary (5 November 1982, p.71).

The minutes are entered in chronological order. The records of the meetings are signed by the Auditor, Cormac Lucey. A list of officers and committee members for the 128th session, 1982-1983 appears on page one. A guide to the contents of the volume appears on page 21 and an explanation of the layout of the volume appears on page 24. The volume is paginated to page 93.

c.222pp

11. October 1983-May 1984 Draft minutes of meetings, and associated documentation, of the Literary and Historical Society for the session 1983-1984.

c.167pp

12. 1983-1984 Minute book of the Literary and Historical Society containing the handwritten minutes of general meetings, an extraordinary general meeting, an inaugural meeting and an annual general meeting.
- General meetings are held weekly. The minutes of the general meetings themselves record any private business occurring at the beginning of the meeting. The minutes may record, for example, the signing of the previous minutes, the reading of correspondence, question time and motions on notice. Private business is followed by a record of the public debate. The minutes record the name of the Chairman and the motion for public debate such as 'That Ireland is greatly indebted to its banks' (4 November 1983). The names of speakers are recorded and also the marks that they are awarded. Marks awarded count towards annual medals given for oratory. An extraordinary general meeting was held on 26 January 1984 for the purpose of hosting the Irish Times debating final. The minutes record the name of the Chairman, the motion for debate - 'That Ireland's recent past gives little hope for the future'-, the names of speakers and an account of their respective speeches.
- The inaugural meeting took place on 25 November 1984. The minutes list the winners of annual medals awarded for oratory, record the title of the Auditor's, Shane Murphy's, address - 'Crime and Society' - and the names of speakers to the paper as well as giving a general description of proceedings.
- The annual general meeting took place on 4 May 1984. The minutes record the reading of the Treasurer's and the Secretary's report and record the Auditor's report and the report of the Returning Officer. The result of auditorial elections and the winners of annual medals given for oratory are also recorded.
- The minutes are entered in chronological order. The minutes are signed by the Auditor, Shane Murphy. A list of officers and committee members is recorded at the beginning of the minutes. A programme for the Auditor's dinner held at Newman House, 86 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin on 9 March 1984 is pasted into the front of the volume. Occuring after the end of the minutes is a list of guest speakers for the 129th session 1983-1984, a list of the Society's achievements during the session (including the winning of the Observer Mace), a printed poem entitled 'Morte d'Auditor' and a notice for the final of the Observer Mace Debating Competition. The volume is paginated to page 518.

c.114pp

13. December 1984-May 1985 Minute book of the
Literary and Historical
- Society containing the handwritten minutes of committee meetings. The meetings are held weekly. The minutes give details of attendance and deal with general administration of the Society including: organisation of general meetings; time, venue, speakers and motions for debate; invitation of guest speakers to general meetings; raising sponsorship for competition debates; organising debates (Irish Times, Maiden Speakers, McGilligan Shield, Observer Mace, National Schools, and a marathon debate in conjunction with the Law Society and the Commerce and Economics Society of UCD); and organising the Society's Christmas party and the annual ball. The minutes are entered in chronological order. The minutes are generally signed by the Auditor. A list of persons appointed to the committee by the Auditor is recorded at the beginning of the minutes for the 1984-1985 session.
- 30pp
14. January 1985-April 1985 Minute book of the
Literary and Historical
- Society containing the handwritten minutes of general meetings, extraordinary general meetings, a meeting of the court of the Returning Officer, a meeting of the acting Legal Assessors, and an annual general meeting. General meetings are held weekly. Private business occurs at the beginning of the meeting. The minutes record the reading of the previous minutes, the reading of correspondence, question time and motions on notice (usually of a humorous nature). Private business is generally followed by a record of the public debate. The minutes record the motion for public debate such as 'That Justice is not seen as well as done' (25 January 1985). The names of speakers are recorded and also the marks that they are awarded. Marks awarded count towards annual medals for oratory. The minutes of extraordinary general meetings name the speakers and state the purpose of the meeting. The meetings are generally held to consider changes to rules of the society. The meeting of the court of the Returning Officer and the meeting of the acting Legal Assessors deal with an appeal that had been lodged regarding the validity of some 940 names on the register of voters. The minutes of the annual general meeting, held in April, record the reports of the outgoing officers (Auditor, Treasurer, Secretary) as well as the result of the auditorial elections and the winners of annual medals awarded for oratory. The minutes are entered in chronological order. The minutes are generally signed by the Auditor.
- 80pp
15. 1986-1987 Minute book of the
Literary and Historical
- Society containing the handwritten minutes of general meetings, an inaugural meeting and an annual general meeting. General meetings are held weekly. Private business occurs at the beginning of the meeting and includes motions on notice. Private business is followed by a record of the public debate. The minutes record the name of the Chairman and the motion for public debate such as 'That this house would boycott South Africa'. The names of speakers are recorded and also the marks that they are awarded. Marks awarded count towards annual medals given for oratory.

The inaugural meeting was held on 28 November 1986. The minutes record the title of the Auditor's address 'Liberty and Society', and the names of speakers and the chair.

The annual general meeting was held on 23 April 1986. The minutes record the result of the auditorial elections and the winners of annual medals awarded for oratory.

The minutes are entered in chronological order. The minutes are signed by the Auditor, Richard F. Humphreys. A list of officers and committee members, together with a list of debates and guests for the session is recorded at the beginning of the volume.

56pp

16. 1986-1987

Minute book of the
Literary and Historical

Society containing handwritten minutes of campaign meetings and minutes of committee meetings. The minutes of the five campaign meetings, held between February and April of 1986, record the date, time, venue and attendance for each meeting. Topics for discussion at meetings include how to encourage involvement of members in the Society and tactics for the [auditorial] elections. Thirteen committee meetings are recorded between May 1986 and February 1987. The minutes record the date, time, venue and attendance for each meeting. The minutes deal with general administration of the Society including: arrangements for the Literary and Historical Society ball, a postmortem on the World Debating Championship, and arrangements for the general debates held weekly by the Society. The minutes are signed by the Auditor, Richard F Humphreys. A list of officers and committee members is recorded at the beginning of the minutes.

33pp

ii Registers/Lists of Members, 1884-1991

17. 1884/1885-1888/1889; 1891/1892; Register of the Literary
[one year undated]; 1899/1990-1906/1907 and Historical Society.
The register contains
handwritten information about the members of the Society. Details recorded are
the persons name, position held in the Society (if any), and on occasion the
address of a member, when they were admitted to the Society, when they
ceased to be a member, and when they were readmitted to the Society. From
1885-1886 members are sometimes entered under headings: officers of the
Society (the number of votes received by committee members is sometimes
recorded alongside their name), honorary members, ordinary members and
ceased members (often readmitted). In 1902-1903 only the names of officers of
the Society are entered. The entries run in chronological order.
- 90pp
18. December 1906-1933/1934; Roll book of University
1935/1936; 1937/1938 College Literary and
Historical Society. The
roll book contains handwritten information about members of the Society.
Details recorded are the signature and address of each member entered per
session in chronological order. A list of officers of the Society generally
appears at the beginning of the records of each session. The front of the volume
contains an alphabetical index of names of members, often with the year they
joined the Society, the year they were on the 'College Books' and the type of
membership they held in the Society. The volume is paginated to page 378.
- c.217pp
19. [1943]; 1949 Handwritten list of
members of the Literary
and Historical Society for the session 1947-1948. The list is accompanied by a
'mock' letter from 'Palgrave' to the Honorary Secretary of the Literary and
Historical Society. In the typed letter 'Palgrave' raises the question of the
'disgraceful treatment' of his mortal remains (his skull) at the hands of 'Mr.
Bubbly Edwards' (Robert Dudley Edwards, Professor of Modern Irish
History, University College Dublin).
'Be it now known that I have received an apology from the Auditor, speaking
on behalf of the Society, and I am now prepared to consider the matter closed. I
shall overlook the disgraceful treatment of my mortal remains at the hands of
Mr.Bubbly Edwards. No doubt he is a First Year Member and so I shall be
indulgent to his ignorance.
My very dear friend and mouthpiece, Mr.McBryan, has my instructions to
return my skull to its accustomed place upon the Table, unless circumstances
point to a re-opening of the matter by the Society'.
(This letter was raised at at least two general meetings of the Literary and
Historical Society, on 11 December 1943 and on 30 April 1949. See SOC 2/5
and SOC 2/6).
- 3pp
20. 1952/1953-1961/1962 Roll book of the Literary
and Historical Society.

The roll book contains handwritten information about members of the Society. Details recorded are the signature and address of each member, entered per session in chronological order. The volume includes a list of Auditors from 1857/1858 to 1953/1954 giving degrees obtained and employment where relevant, a list of Auditors from 1952-1953 to 1962-1963 (inside front cover), and an essay on N[atural] L[aw] (2pp at back of volume).

59pp

21. 1962/1963-1968/1969 Roll book of the Literary and Historical Society.
- The roll book contains mainly handwritten information about members of the Society. Details recorded are the signature and address of each member, entered per session in chronological order. A list of officers and committee members of the Society appears at the beginning of the roll for each session. The volume also records occasional remarks about members such as the death of a member (p.7) or their date of enrollment. From the session 1966-1967 onwards an electoral roll of members for auditorial elections is also kept. The roll consists of an alphabetical list and the signatures of those members who voted in the election along with the names of candidates, the name of the Returning Officer, the number of members who voted, the number of members who did not vote, the percentage of the total poll, and the winner of the election. At the front of the volume L(ouis) Courtney, Auditor of the session 1962-1963, has written the following: 'should this book survive to completion - which is most unlikely - archive it'. The volume is paginated to page 25.
- 170pp
22. 1982/1983-1985/1986 Roll of members of the Literary and Historical Society. The roll book contains handwritten information about members of the Society. Details recorded are the name, faculty and year, and often the telephone number of each member, entered per session in chronological order. A list of officers and committee members of the Society appears at the beginning of the role for each session.
- 116pp
23. 1984-1985 File containing a photocopy of the membership list for the Literary and Historical Society for the session 1984-1985. The names were initially recorded in October of 1984. The list records, in chronological order, the persons name, their year and faculty and their telephone number.
- 25pp
24. 1985-1986 File containing a photocopy of the membership list of the Literary and Historical Society for the session 1985-1986. The list records, in chronological order, the persons name, their year and faculty and on occasion their telephone number.
- 25pp

25. 1986/1987-1990/1991

Roll of members of the
Literary and Historical

Society. The roll book contains handwritten information about members of the Society. Details recorded are the name, year and faculty of each member and in some instances the members address and telephone number. The details are entered per session in chronological order. A list of officers and committee members of the Society appears at the beginning of the roll for each session.

c.232pp

iii Sessional Correspondence Files, 1903-1992

26. 4-9 November 1903 Letters from individuals such as Sir Hugh Bellingham, Bellingham Castle, Castlebellingham; Mr John O'Leary; Sir Horace Plunkett, Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction, Dublin; Colonel Sir John Ross, Rostrevor House, Rostrevor; [Alfred Webb], Shelmaliere, Orwell Park, Rathgar, Dublin; [William Edward Marton], Kildare Street Club, Dublin; and William J. Walsh, Archbishop of Dublin to the Literary and Historical Society accepting or declining an invitation to the Society's inaugural meeting on Wednesday 11 November 1903. 7pp
27. 25 January 1933 File containing a handwritten proclamation signed by a committee of three - John C Flood, DJ O'Sullivan, Sean F Murray - appointed by the Literary and Historical Society at the extraordinary general meeting of 15 December 1932. The proclamation states that pursuant to the powers invested in the three at the meeting they annul the existing constitution or rules of the Society and proclaim that the rules in the schedule attached (missing) shall be the sole constitution or rules governing the Literary and Historical Society. (The proclamation was deposited by Professor Patrick Meenan on 12 May 1993. It was found amongst his brother's papers. His brother was James Meenan, Auditor of the Literary and Historical Society during the session 1932-1933). 2pp
28. March 1948-October 1949 Letters and invitations, from college societies and debating societies in Ireland, to the Literary and Historical Society (and in particular to the Auditor, Patrick J O'Kelly) extending invitations to meetings, debates and dances. Included are letters and invitations from the College Historical Society TCD, Old Collegians Boat Club, College Classical Society, English Literature Society UCD, Commerce Society UCD, Loreto Literary and Debating Society, Architectural Society UCD, Law Students' Debating Society of Ireland, UCD Classical Society, Societe Francaise UCD, Magnificat Society UCD, University Philosophical Society TCD, Solicitors' Apprentices' Debating Society, Literary and Scientific Society QUB, Students' Council UCD, and the Students' Representative Council UCD. Included is a typed letter from Vinton Chapim, Charge d'Affaires and interim, American Legation, Dublin to Patrick J O'Kelly regarding the purported visit to Great Britain of an American University debating team (23 February 1949, 1p). 46pp
29. September 1948-November 1949 Letters to and from members of the Literary and Historical Society (in particular the Auditor, Patrick J O'Kelly) relating to internal matters of the Society. Included are copy letters from Patrick J O'Kelly to the President of the college regarding the inaugural meeting and submitting a list of proposed chairmen for the session, letters regarding the establishment of a fund to subsidise centenary celebrations including replies from ex-Auditors

- such as Arthur Cox (Solicitor), letters regarding medal awards, notices of motions and meetings, and letters regarding resignations from office and election of committee members. Also included is an application for a grant to the college authorities and correspondence regarding the election of James Dillon, Minister of Agriculture, as Vice-President of the Society.
- 82pp
30. 1948-1949 File containing material relevant to resolutions proposed at an extraordinary meeting of the Literary and Historical Society on Saturday 12 June [1948]. The proposed resolutions relate to amendments to the constitution (passed) and life membership (defeated). Included is a draft report of the sub-committee regarding proposed amendments to the constitution [1948,6pp] and draft rules of procedure submitted by the Auditor, Patrick J O'Kelly, for the sub-committee's approval [1948,10pp].
- 35pp
31. 1949-1950 Letters and invitations to and from members of the Literary and Historical Society (in particular the Auditor, Patrick J Connolly). Included are invitations to the Auditor to attend inaugural meetings of other college societies; correspondence regarding intervarsity debates with other societies such as South Wales Debating Union, Cardiff; draft letter and copy letter from Connolly to ex-Auditors of the Society requesting annual contribution towards the funds of the Society in order to build up a library in the reading room of Newman House, and towards centenary celebrations. Included are two typed letters from the Assistant Editor of the Manchester Guardian seeking the date of a letter, headed 'The Language of the Outlaw', which was supposed to have appeared in the Manchester Guardian and which may have been referred to in the minutes of the Society.
- 45pp
32. 1950-1951 Letters from individuals such as Sir Basil Brooke, Stormont Castle, Belfast; Minister for Justice (Sean MacEoin); Portuguese Charge d'Affaires; Minister for Agriculture and Mrs Dillon; Mr M J Keyes, Minister for Local Government; Attorney General (C Lavery); Archbishop of Dublin, John Charles McQuaid; and Paul E Miller, Chief of the Economic Cooperation Administration Mission to Ireland. The letters accept or decline an invitation to the Society's inaugural meeting on Friday 26 January 1951. Also included is a handwritten letter from the Literary and Philosophical Society of University College Cork inviting delegates from the Literary and Historical Society to an intervarsity debate in Cork (14 November 1950,1p). Also included is a notice from the Literary and Historical Society regarding conditions of membership (28 November 1950, 1p).
- 39pp
33. May 1951-March 1952 Correspondence between the Literary and Historical

Society (in particular the Auditor, Dermot J Ryan) and other societies. Included are letters inviting delegates from the Literary and Historical Society to debates held by the Joint Debates Union of the University College of Wales in Aberystwyth, the University Philosophical Society of Trinity College Dublin, the Literary and Philosophical Society of University College Cork and the Literary and Debating Society of University College Galway. Included is a handwritten letter from the Meteorological Society of the Meteorological Office, Shannon Airport regarding their intention to model their constitution on that of the Literary and Historical Society (28 May 1951, 1p). Included is a printed pamphlet on the 'Inter-Universities Parliamentary Debate' (November 1951) from Glasgow University Union (5pp). Included is a copy letter from Dermot J Ryan to the **Sunday Independent** newspaper regarding a mistake in their reporting of a Literary and Historical Society meeting (15 March 1952, 1p).

29pp

34. 1951-1952 Letters to members of the Literary and Historical Society (in particular the Auditor, Dermot Ryan) relating to the running of the Society. Included are letters from individuals invited to speak at, chair or preside at Literary and Historical Society debates. Included are letters from individuals invited to take up office in the Literary and Historical Society during the session 1951-1952, and from individuals invited to speak at, chair or preside at Literary and Historical Society debates. Included are notices of impending general meetings, extraordinary meetings and committee meetings. Included is a notice regarding the limiting of speakers during public debate and a notice asking members to refrain from leaving during the close of a meeting.
- 71pp
35. 9 November 1951-10 April 1952 Material relating to a subcommittee formed by the Literary and Historical Society to investigate the history of the Society. Included is a notice issued by the Literary and Historical Society stating that Mr Maurice O'Sullivan has been appointed Honorary Librarian to the Society (9 November 1951,1p). Included is a notice from the Auditor, Dermot J Ryan, stating that Mr Sean Cooney has been appointed Chairman of the committee for compiling the history of the Society. Included is a handwritten letter from J P Dunning C M, All Hallows College, Dublin to Mr Ryan accepting his invitation to become a member of the subcommittee (1 March 1952,1p). Included are two typescript copy letters addressed to Mr Vincent Grogan B L, and Reverend E F O'Doherty asking them to act on the committee (10 April 1952, 2pp).
- 11pp
36. May 1952 Material relating to an inaugural meeting of the Literary and Historical Society held on Friday 16 May 1952. Included is a printed programme for the meeting and a notice giving details of the date and time of the inaugural meeting and names of the inaugural committee. Included are letters from, for example, the Ceann Comhairle (Patrick Hogan), the Swiss Minister and the Minister for Defence (O Traynor) and Mrs Traynor accepting or declining an invitation to the inaugural meeting. Included are copy letters from the Auditor, Dermot J Ryan, to Dr Noel C Browne TD, Erskine Childers

(Minister for Posts and Telegraphs) Dr John O'Donovan and Cearbhall O Dalaigh (Attorney General), speakers at the meeting.

39pp

37. 1952-1953 Notices and letters issued by the Literary and Historical Society (particularly from the Auditor, Diarmuid Sheridan, and the Honorary Correspondence Secretary, John F Buckley) relating to the running of the Society. Included is a notice announcing that the Society was to have two guests at their next debate from the Villiger Debating Society of St Joseph's College, Philadelphia (19 January 1953, 1p). Included are typed notes on the history of the Villiger Debating Society of St Joseph's College and on two of its speakers Mr Joseph T English and Mr Frederick W Floyd (7pp). Included is a notice suspending two individuals from all rights and privileges as a member of the Society (19 February 1953, 1p). Included is a notice regarding the holding of a university inter-debate and a notice regarding the holding of a dinner for members and past members of the Literary and Historical Society (April 1953, 3pp). 17pp
38. 1953-1954 Notice from the Auditor of the Literary and Historical Society, Gerard Sheehy, listing the advisers and senior members, secretary and members of the history sub-committee and requesting support in the work of tracing Literary and Historical Society records. 1p
39. 15 May 1954 Printed invitation from the University College Dublin Swimming Club for an International-Varsity Dance in the Aula Maxima, Saturday 15 May 1954, dancing 10pm to 1am. 1p
40. 1954-1955 Letters to members and notices from members of the Literary and Historical Society (in particular the Auditor, Micheal O Riain, and the Honorary Correspondence Secretary, Vincent O'Doherty) relating to the running of the Society. Included are letters from individuals and from societies responding to invitations from the Literary and Historical Society to speak at, attend or chair an inaugural meeting and an Inter-Universities debate. Letters are from, for example, the Minister for Lands, Mr J Blowick; James Larkin TD; and Jeremy Isaacs of the Oxford Union Society. Included is an invitation from Walter Goldstein, President of the Debates Society, London School of Economics to attend an inter-varsity debate (10 December 1954, 1p). Included is a list of officers and committee members for the 100th session 1954-1955, a proposed list of chairmen and guest speakers to be invited to meetings of the Society, a list of debates for the Hilary term, a notice to members regarding payment of sessional subscriptions, and handwritten notes for a speech by O Riain. 89pp

41. 1955-1956 Letters and invitations addressed to members of the Literary and Historical Society (in particular the Auditor, Henry Kennedy, and the Honorary Correspondence Secretary, Gregory C Tierney), Included are letters from individuals and societies responding to invitations from the Literary and Historical Society to attend, speak at or chair meetings of the Society including one from the Ambassador of India in London (5 April 1956,1p). Included are invitations from other societies to inaugural meetings and intervarsity debates. Included is a typed letter from the President's Office, University College Dublin authorising additions to the Society's list of speakers from outside the college (13 December 1955, 1p). Included is a printed programme of the Abbey Theatre Company for a play by John McCann entitled 'Blood is thicker than water' (1955, 12pp).
66pp
42. 1956-1957 Letters from individuals and from societies to the Literary and Historical Society. Included are letters from politicians such as the Minister for Finance (G Sweetman) and Sean Lemass TD accepting or declining an invitation to a meeting of the Society. Included is a handwritten letter from C A Chapman, Honorary Secretary of the University Philosophical Society, Trinity College Dublin giving advice on the holding of the Observer debating competition (12 May 1957, 3pp). Included is a typed letter from Eilish Conroy, Lady Secretary of the Literary and Debating Society, University College Galway inviting the Literary and Historical Society to enter a team for the Irish Students' Association Debating Tournament (19 November 1956, 1p). Included is a notice from Desmond P H Windle, Auditor of the Literary and Historical Society, stating that all speakers in public debate must first submit their name to the Auditor.
14pp
43. 1957-1958 Notices, letters and newspaper cuttings relating to internal matters of the Literary and Historical Society. Included are notices of the Literary and Historical Society regarding meetings and changes in the officers and the committee of the Society. Included is a typed letter from Noel C Browne (Politician) stating that he is permitting his name to be put forward for election as a Vice-President of the Literary and Historical Society (7 January 1958, 1p). Included are lists of proposed amendments to the constitution of the Literary and Historical Society (1958, 5pp). Included is a copy of 'regulations in respect of finances of college clubs and societies 1957-58' (1p). Included are press cuttings from the **Sunday Press** in which details of meetings of the Literary and Historical Society are reported (20 October 1957-4 May 1958, 10pp).
39pp
44. 1957-1958 Material relating to an inaugural meeting of the Literary and Historical Society held on 21 February 1958. Included is a printed programme for the meeting (3pp). Included is a typed letter from the manager of the Metropole Hotel, O'Connell Street, Dublin to Mr McSweeney of the Literary and Historical Society enclosing their ballroom hire and supper menu

schedules together with a tax schedule and a list of available dates (24 June 1957, 4pp). Included is a typed letter from L McCabe, Managing Director of the Grand Hotel, Malahide, County Dublin to Mr Cashman, Secretary of the Literary and Historical Society enclosing three specimen menus (16 July 1957, 4pp). Included is a list of the ladies' committee for the inaugural meeting, signed by Maeve Binchy, a committee member of the Literary and Historical Society (1p).

12pp

45. 1957-1958 Letters from individuals and from societies to the Literary and Historical Society. Included are letters from, for example, Eamonn Andrews (Broadcaster); Robert Briscoe TD; College Historical Society of Trinity College Dublin; Senior Students' Council of the Technical Institute, Bolton Street; Leeds University Union; and Lord Wicklow accepting or declining invitations to attend, speak or preside at debates held by the Literary and Historical Society including a preliminary round of the I S A debating tournament (November 1957) and an intervarsity debate (March 1958). Included is a typed letter from the Holy Ghost Club for Boys, Dun Laoighaire seeking funds from the Literary and Historical Society.
- 64pp
46. 1957-1958 Invitations and letters of invitation to the Literary and Historical Society to attend debates, dances and meetings of other societies. Invitations are from, for example, Classical Society UCD, Technical Students' Literary and Debating Society, Agricultural Science Society UCD, An Cumann Gaelach and the Law Students' Debating Society of Ireland. Letters of invitation come, for example, from University Philosophical Society TCD, Philosophical Society UCC, Law Society UCD, Literary and Debating Society UCG, Literary and Scientific Society of Magee University College, Londonderry and Dundalk Tostal Council.
- 47pp
47. 1958-1959 Material relating to the Literary and Historical Society during the session 1958-1959. Included are letters from such people as Lorna Reynolds, J P Dunning CM and Michael Knight, Auditor of the College Historical Society TCD, in response to an invitation from the Literary and Historical Society to speak, attend or preside at a meeting of the Society. Included are letters from other societies inviting members of the Literary and Historical Society to attend debates or meetings such as the I S A Trophy Debate and the Observer Mace Debate. Included is a press cutting from the **Evening Press** containing a picture of the two members of the UCD Literary and Historical Society team, Godfrey Osita Agbim and Owen Dudley Edwards, with the mace they won in the Debating Contest (3 June 1959, 1p). Included are cards signed by the Auditor, Owen Dudley Edwards, or the Acting Correspondence Secretary, Stephanie Meagher, announcing the holding of meetings or the dismissal of an officer of the Society. Included are draft minutes of meetings (15pp) and notices of motions for debate at meetings of the Society. Included is a typed report of the committee of enquiry into the Society's

representation at an I S A Trophy Debate in Cork in December 1958 (8pp). The report was presented at a meeting on 31 January 1959.

c.93pp

48. 1958-1959 Material relating to an inaugural meeting of the Literary and Historical Society held on 27 November 1958. Included is a printed invitation for the meeting (1p). Included is a handwritten letter from the Auditor, Owen Dudley Edwards, thanking those involved in the holding of the inaugural (28 November 1958, 1p). Included are letters from such people as Lord Wicklow, Professor and Mrs T W Moody, Ambassador of Canada and Mrs Rive and Professor Delargy of the Irish Folklore Commission accepting or declining an invitation to the inaugural meeting.
- 16pp
49. 1959-1960 Material relating to the Literary and Historical Society during the session 1959-1960. Included are letters from representatives of the Glasgow University Union, Irish and Transport and General Workers' Union and the Literary and Debating Society UCG accepting or declining an invitation to take part in Society debates. Included are invitations from other societies to the Literary and Historical Society to attend debates and meetings. Invitations come from the Kilkenny Arts Society, Dublin University History Society, Law Society UCD and Glasgow University Union. Included are letters from John Farrell, Vice-President of the Union of Students in Ireland, to the Literary and Historical Society regarding their participation in the Irish Times Trophy (23 November-3 December 1959, 6pp). Included is an incomplete letter purportedly from the Board for the Censorship of Publications, 21 Fitzwilliam Square, Dublin requesting that the Society send their copy of the novel Lolita to the Board for destruction (17 November 1959, 1p).
- 24pp
50. 1959-1960 Material relating to the internal matters of the Literary and historical Society during the session 1959-1960. Included is material relating to the dismissal from college of a member of the Society by the college authorities including letters from ex-Auditor, Michael O Riain, and Vice-President, the Earl of Wicklow. Included is a typed letter from the college authorities withholding permission to hold an inaugural meeting (27 April 1960, 1p). Included are copies of the report of the sub-committee set up to investigate the suspension from the college of a member of the Society (1960, 4pp). Included are lists of proposed motions for debate from members and notices issued by the Auditor, Brian McSwiney, relating to the dismissal of a committee member and the appointment of a deputy Auditor for a meeting of the Society.
- 48pp
51. 1960-1961 Literary and Historical Society file for the session 1960-1961. Included is a marking sheet for a Literary and Historical Society debate, held on 13 May 1961, whose motion was 'That democracy has failed'

(1p). Included are printed invitations to meetings and balls addressed to the Literary and Historical Society from societies such as the History Society UCD, Commerce Society UCD, Classical Society UCD, Queen's University of Belfast Literary and Scientific Society, Solicitors' Apprentices' Debating Society of Ireland and the Dublin Jewish Students' Union. Included are newspaper cuttings reporting on activities of the Literary and Historical Society for the session. Included are letters from debating societies such as the Philosophical Society of University College Cork, University of Manchester Union and the Union Debating Society of the University of Nottingham regarding intervarsity debates. Included are letters from such individuals as Cyril Cusack (Actor) and Brian Lenihan (Politician) accepting or declining an invitation to participate in Literary and Historical Society debates. Included are letters from Irish Ropes Limited, Brown Thomas and Company Limited and the General Electric Company of Ireland Limited in reply to a request to help furnish basement premises in Number 33 Lower Leeson Street (September-October 1960, 4pp). Included are forms of nomination for the auditorial elections for the session 1960-1961. Included are notices from the Literary and Historical Society for the session 1960-1961 generally announcing details of meetings.

c.238pp

52. 1961-1962 Letters and invitations addressed to members of the Literary and Historical Society (in particular the Auditor, Desmond J Greene, and Honorary Correspondence Secretary, Fionnuala Headon). Included are invitations and letters of invitation to attend inaugural meetings, dinners and debates of other societies including an invitation to apply for the United States debate tour arranged by the English Speaking Union of the Commonwealth, London. Included are letters in response to invitations from the Literary and Historical Society to attend, preside, chair and speak at debates such as the Scots-Irish Debate (Irish Times Trophy) on 28 April 1962. Invited guests include government ministers and invited societies include the Nigerian Union of Great Britain.

c.158pp

53. 1961-1962 Material relating to internal matters of the Literary and Historical Society during the session 1961-1962. Included is a list of the officers and committee members for the session (1p). Included is a copy of a letter from the Auditor, Desmond J Green, to Professor Meenan, a Vice-President of the Society, asking to meet to discuss the choice of chairmen for the following term (1961-1962, 1p). Included is a notice from the Auditor seeking suggestions from the members for Society debates (1961-1962, 1p). Included are lists of proposed motions for debate from members (10pp). Included is a copy of the minutes of a meeting of heads of debating societies held in Trinity College Dublin on 12 October 1961 (2pp). Included is a typed letter from P P Kelly, Head of News in Irish television (RTE) requesting that the News Division be placed on the Society's mailing list for press releases, statements and notification of forthcoming events and general activities of the Society (30 December 1961, 1p).

38pp

54. 1961-1962 Material relating to an inaugural meeting of the Literary and Historical Society held on 1 March 1962. Included is a printed programme for the meeting (4pp). Included are letters from such people as Reverend M B Crowe, Lecturer in Philosophy, University College; Ruaidhri Roberts, Joint Secretary of the Irish Congress of Trade Unions; Brother Gerald of Marion college, Ballsbridge, Dublin and the Chief Justice and Mrs O Dalaigh accepting or declining an invitation to the inaugural meeting. Included is a typed letter from Marcus J MacInerney, Agricultural Assistant at the Foreign Agricultural Service of the United States Department of Agriculture to the Auditor, Desmond Greene, seeking a copy of his inaugural address (8 March 1962, 1p).
48pp
55. 1961-1962 Printed matter collected by the Literary and Historical Society. Included are pamphlets from Netherlandish publisher, oriental printer and bookseller Firma E J Brill; an information leaflet from the College of Europe; a pamphlet containing a selection of menus from Fuller's catering company Dublin; and a programme of events for a 'friendly week-end' from Kilkenny Arts Society.
11 items
56. 1962-1963 Material relating to debates held by the Literary and Historical Society during the session and to debates held by other societies to which members of the Literary and Historical Society were invited. Included is correspondence between the Literary and Historical Society and other societies regarding the holding of intervarsity debates. The societies include the University Philosophical Society TCD, Literary and Scientific Society QUB, University of London Union, Philosophical Society UCC, and Glasgow University Union. Included is material relating to an intervarsity debate competition held by the Guild of Undergraduates in the University of Liverpool on 27 February 1963 (8pp). Included are letters from people such as Matthew H McCloskey, American Ambassador to Ireland; Cyril Cusack (Actor); Charles J Haughey, Minister for Justice; and Michael O'Hehir, Head of Sports Division in RTE accepting or declining an invitation to attend, speak or preside at debates held by the Literary and historical Society.
c.164pp
57. 1962-1963 Material relating to the National Student Debating Tournament for the Observer Mace, the Scots-Irish Debating Tournament and the Union of Students in Ireland/Irish Times Debating Tournament. Included is correspondence between the Literary and Historical Society and the National Union of Students, London regarding the participation of the Literary and Historical Society in the National Student Debating Tournament for the Observer Mace. Included is correspondence between the Union of Students in Ireland and the Literary and Historical Society regarding the Society's participation in the National Student Debating Tournament for the Observer Mace, the Scots/Irish Debating Tournament and the USI/Irish Times Debating Tournament. Included are letters mainly addressed to Miriam O'Callaghan, the

Honorary Correspondence Secretary of the Literary and Historical Society, from individuals invited to chair or to be a judge at the semi-final of the Observer Mace competition (16 March 1963) and the semi-final of the USI/Irish Times Debating Trophy (19 January 1963). Included is a typed letter from Frank Curran of the Union of Students in Ireland to Louis B D Courtney, Auditor of the Literary and Historical Society, seeking the return of the ISA shield which Curran says became the legal property of the Union following the break up of the ISA (25 June 1962, 1p).

48pp

58. 1962-1963 Material relating to internal matters of the Literary and Historical Society during the session 1962-1963. Included are the terms of reference and the report of a sub-committee established to investigate Article 34 (c) of the constitution of the Literary and Historical Society. The article relates to the awarding of medals for oratory [November 1962, 6pp]. Included are letters from ex-Auditors, Robert Dudley Edwards and Vincent Grogan, regarding the constitution of the Society (1962-1963, 3pp). Included are notices from the Auditor, Louis B D Courtney, regarding the posting of notices on the Society's notice board, the raising of suspensions, and the resignation and appointment of members to the committee (December 1962-January 1963, 3pp). Included are letters from the Union of Students in Ireland and the College of Commerce, Rathmines extending their condolences on the tragic death of the Society's Correspondence Secretary, Miriam O'Callaghan (29 March 1963).
- 32pp
59. 1962-1963 Material relating to the inaugural meeting of the Literary and Historical Society held on 19 November 1962. Included is a printed programme for the meeting (4pp). Included are letters from people such as Reverend M B Crowe, Lecturer in Philosophy, University College; Professor D K O'Donovan; Mary Barrett of the Irish Aluminium Company Limited and Senator and Mrs John J Nash accepting or declining an invitation to the inaugural meeting. Included is the text of the auditorial address entitled 'A Pharisee in the West' (11pp). Included are press cuttings from **The Guardian** entitled 'The Irish educational system examined' reporting on the paper read by Louis Courtney at the inaugural meeting [1 December 1962, 2pp].
- 53pp
60. 5 May 1963-11 March 1964 Letters from the Union of Students in Ireland to the Literary and Historical Society regarding the USI/Irish Times Debating Competition. The letters contain details of location, speakers and motions for different rounds of the competition including the Scots/Irish debate. Included is a typed letter from Gordon Colleary, President of the Union of Students in Ireland to A Clare, Auditor of the Literary and Historical Society, offering congratulations for winning the Irish Times Trophy (5 March 1964). Also included are letters from the Registrar of UCD, Professor J J Hogan, and the Dean of the Faculty of Science, Professor T E Nevin, responding to invitations to act as Chairman at the final of the Irish Times Trophy Competition in University College Dublin (12 and 15 February 1964, 2pp).
- 15pp

61. 1963-1964 Letters of invitation to the Literary and Historical Society (in particular to the Auditor, Anthony C Clare, and Honorary Correspondence Secretary, Jane C Hogan) to attend debates run by other university debating societies in England and Scotland. These societies include University of Manchester Union; English-Speaking Union of the Commonwealth; University of London Union; University of Liverpool, Guild of Undergraduates; Glasgow University Union; University Debater, Aberdeen; and University Union, Edinburgh. Included are copy replies to some of the letters of invitation.
- 26pp
62. 29 June-28 September 1963 Copy letters sent by the Auditor of the Literary and Historical Society, Anthony Clare, to Dermot Bouchier-Hayes, Solicitor, and to John Farrell, Barrister-at-law, with both their replies, regarding legal ownership of the Irish Students' Association shield.
- 7pp
63. 1963-1964 Correspondence between the Literary and Historical Society (in particular the Auditor, Anthony Clare, and the Honorary Correspondence Secretary, Jane C Hogan) and other debating societies in Ireland with regard to invitations to attend debates issued to and issued by the Literary and Historical Society. These societies include the College Historical Society TCD, Law Society UCD, Law Students' Debating Society of Ireland, Advertising Press Club, Queen's University Literary and Scientific Society, University Philosophical Society TCD and the Kilkenny Arts Society. Included is correspondence between Anthony Clare and Eoghan Fitzsimons, Auditor of the Law Society of University College Dublin, regarding participation in the Irish Times Trophy debate and the position of both societies in relation to each other and to University College Dublin.
- 38pp
64. June 1963-April 1964 Letters to and from the Literary and Historical Society regarding invitations and arrangements for people to speak at or chair meetings of the Literary and Historical Society. Included are letters from, for example, Noel C Browne TD; James Cawley, Solicitor; Secretary to Ian Fleming (Writer); William Anderson, Consul General of Turkish Consulate, London; and the John B Keane (Writer) accepting or declining an invitation to attend a meeting of the Society. Included is correspondence between Jane C Hogan, Honorary Correspondence Secretary of the Literary and Historical Society, and Eric H Lowry, Auditor of the College Historical Society in Trinity College Dublin, regarding co-operation in the invitation of Chairman and speakers (17 July 1963; 6 August 1963, 3pp).
- 31pp
65. 2 May 1963-19 November 1963 Material relating to the first debate of the Literary

and Historical Society for the session 1963-1964 at which there were two guest speakers from McGill University in Montreal, Canada. The motion for the first debate, held on 19 October 1963, was 'That this house would call for the immediate imposition of sanctions against South Africa'. Included are copies of letters of invitation sent to the American Ambassador in Ireland, Matthew H McCloskey (and his reply) and to Brian T Cleeve, Journalist, asking them to act as Chairman for the debate. Included is correspondence between the Literary and Historical Society and the Students' Society of McGill University making arrangements for the debate. Included are black and white head and shoulder portraits of the two McGill speakers, Gordon L Echenberg and Richard N Currie, and their biographical details.

26pp

66. 16 July 1963-11 November 1964 Correspondence between the Literary and Historical Society and individuals invited to attend, speak and preside at the second meeting of the 1963-1964 session held on 26 October 1963. The motion for debate was 'That we would recognise Northern Ireland'. Those invited to the meeting include Ernest Blythe; The Honourable Brian Faulkner MP, Minister for Home Affairs, Stormont; Brendan Corish TD, Leader of the Labour Party; and Major Vivion de Valera TD, Editor of the Irish Press.

22pp

67. 17 June 1963-5 November 1963 Correspondence between the Literary and Historical Society and individuals invited to attend, speak and preside at the third meeting of the 1963-1964 session held on 2 November 1963. The motion for debate was 'That the atmosphere of Irish Catholicism is hostile to genius'. Those invited to the meeting include John J M Ryan, Editor of Irish Catholic; Dr Frank O'Connor of Trinity College; Reverend Jack Kelly SJ; and Desmond Fennell. Included is a typed letter from Dermot A Ryan, ex-Auditor, to the Literary and Historical Society congratulating them on the motion selected (5 November 1963, 1p).

15pp

68. 14 October 1963-16 May 1964 Correspondence relating to an inaugural meeting of the Literary and Historical Society held on 18 November 1963. Included is correspondence between the Literary and Historical Society and those invited to chair, speak and attend the inaugural meeting and the inaugural ball. Those invited include Eva M Philbin, Professor of Organic Chemistry UCD; John A Costello (Barrister and Politician); Lord and Lady Wicklow; and Mr and Mrs Colm Barnes of Glen Abbey Textiles. Included are letters from Colgate Palmolive (Ireland) Limited, John Player and Sons, Roadstone Limited, Saville Cleaners Limited, Gilbeys of Ireland Limited, and Capitol and Allied Theatres Limited in response to a request from the Literary and Historical Society for any gifts they would care to donate, to be given as a spot prize during the ball. Included is a typed letter from the President's Office UCD to Jane C Hogan, Correspondence Secretary of the Literary and Historical Society, granting permission for the Society to hold its inaugural ball in the Shelbourne Hotel on 18 November (21 October 1963, 1p). Included is a handwritten letter from James Meenan to the Auditor (Anthony Clare) on the question of a special grant

for the Society. Meenan also mentions the discovery of a lost minute book (22 April 1964, 1p).

85pp

69. [October] 1963-8 December 1963 Letters and telegrams from University societies, in London, Oxford, Cambridge, Edinburgh, Glasgow, Manchester, Sussex and Cardiff, invited to participate in a Literary and Historical Society intervarsity debate on 30 November 1963 on the motion 'That there is no more room at the top'.
20pp
70. 2 December 1963; 4 December 1963 Two letters relating to the Literary and Historical Society's staff versus student debate on 7 December 1963. Included is a handwritten letter from Professor T P Dunning CM of University College Dublin (to the Correspondence Secretary, Jane C Hogan) accepting the invitation to speak at the meeting (2 December 1963, 1p). Included is a note from Professor C F Humphries of the Zoological Department of UCD to the Correspondence Secretary declining to take part in the debate due to a prior engagement (4 December 1963, 1p).
2pp
71. 1963-1964 Letters to the Auditor of the Literary and Historical Society, Anthony W Clare [from members or former members of the Society]. Included are letters from Louis B Courtney and Charles Edward Lysaght offering congratulations to Clare on his election as Auditor and offering him advice [1963, 7pp]. Included is a handwritten letter from F Patrick O'Connor (who was attending the Fourth European Youth seminar in London) (April 1964, 1p). Included is a printed notice giving thanks for sympathy rendered on the death of Abbot Eugene Boylan from Mount St Joseph Abbey, Roscrea (January 1964, 1p). Included is a handwritten letter from John Hughes SJ of Gonzaga College referring to weekly 'sodality' meetings (6 November 1963, 2pp).
11pp
72. 17 January 1964-5 February 1964 Letters from individuals invited to speak, preside or attend a meeting of the Literary and Historical Society on 15 February 1964. Included are letters from Professor P M Quinlan, Department of Mathematical Physics UCC; Liam O'Hara, Official Film Censor; Des Hickey of the Sunday Independent; Brian Lenihan of the Office of the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Lands; Garret Fitzgerald (Politician); and Declan Costello.
6pp
73. 5 February 1964-23 February 1964 Letters from individuals invited to speak, preside

or attend a Literary and Historical Society intervarsity debate on 22 February 1964. The motion for debate was 'That Ireland cannot hope to be both Christian and affluent'. Included are letters from M J Costello, General Manager of the Irish Sugar Company Limited; C S Andrews, Chairman of Coras Iompair Eireann; and John F Connolly, Auditor of the Philosophical Society of University College Cork.

10pp

74. March 1964 Notices to members of the Literary and Historical Society from the Auditor, Anthony W Clare, and the Correspondence Secretary, Jane C Hogan. Two notices announce the holding of a debate on the Act of Union at which all members were expected to appear in late 18th century apparel. A third notice deals with the payment of membership subscriptions. 4pp
75. 2 April 1964-20 May 1964 Material relating to the National Student Debating Tournament for the Observer Mace. Included is a handwritten letter from [J] Lesley Wilson, Convener of Debates providing details of arrangements for the semi-final in Queen's College, Dundee (2 April 1964, 2pp). Included is an Order Paper for the semi-final round one giving a list of speakers for the proposition and the opposition, the motion, and information regarding time allowed for speeches and how many were to go forward to the final round (1p). Included is a notice from the Literary and Historical Society announcing that the semi-final was won by Patrick Cosgrave and Anthony Clare and also giving details of the Society's participation at the Fourth European Youth Seminar and at a debate at the Oxford Union (9 April 1964, 1p). Included are two letters from Rosemary Sadlier, Debates Organiser of the National Union of Students, offering congratulations to the Society for reaching the final of the Observer Mace Debating Tournament, providing details about the final at Nottingham University, and requesting some material on the speakers, Anthony W Clare and (Patrick) Cosgrave, for publicity purposes (5 May 1964; 20 May 1964). 6pp
76. March 1965; January 1967 Letters written to the Literary and Historical Society. Included is a typed letter from Matthew J McQueen of Glasgow University Union to Ruth Dudley Edwards, Honorary Correspondence Secretary of the Society. McQueen asks that details of the motion for debate on Saturday 13 March be sent to them as their delegate, Mr Coffield, 'would be quite interested to know the topic on which he is supposed to be debating' (8 March 1965, 1p). Included is a typed letter from Judge Conroy, Chairman of the Committee on the Students Facilities Buildings, seeking information on the needs of the Society (30 March 1965, 1p). The letter is accompanied by a copy of the minutes of the eighth meeting of the Committee held on 28 July at which Mr Cawley, Auditor of the Literary and Historical Society, attended to explain the needs of the Society (1p). Included is a typed letter from Michael B White, Honorary Correspondence Secretary of the Students' Representative Council, giving details of motions passed at a USI Congress in Limerick relating to the Irish Times Debating Tournament (18 January 1967, 1p). 4pp

77. 15 November 1965-27 February 1966 Newspaper cuttings from papers such as the **Evening Press, Irish Times and Sunday Independent** reporting on debates held by the Literary and Historical Society during 1965 and 1966 and in particular to the Literary and Historical Society inaugural and ball held on 15 November 1965.
12 items
78. October 1966-May 1967 Material relating to difficulties over University College Dublin representation in the USI/Irish Times Debating Competition. In particular the material relates to the dispute between the Literary and Historical Society and the Law Society in UCD as to eligibility of either or both of these societies to participate in the Irish Times Debating Tournament. Included is a photocopy of a letter from Donal O'Donovan, Assistant Editor of the Irish Times, to Dalgan Kirwan of the Union of Students in Ireland setting out the newspaper's views on the matter (4 January 1967, 2pp). Included is a handwritten letter from Gordon Ledbetter of the University Philosophical Society of Trinity College to the Union of Students in Ireland protesting the exclusion of the Literary and Historical Society from the Irish Times Debating Competition (10 January 1967, 2pp).
c.62pp
79. (1948; 1960; 1963-); 1966-1967 Material relating to difficulties which arose in the Literary and Historical Society because of the wording of Rule 12 of College discipline (entitlement to hold office in a Society) which brought about the resignation of the Auditor for the session 1966-1967, Anthony Glavin. Included is a copy of a letter from the Registrar, Thomas Murphy, to Anthony Glavin seeking his resignation as Auditor immediately following the inaugural meeting (24 November 1966, 1p). Included are booklets containing the constitution and rules of the Agricultural Science Society of University College Dublin, Literary and Historical Society, University of Manchester Union, Manchester University Men's Union, and Leeds University Union Debating Society (5 items). Included is a copy of the provisional constitution of the Auditor's Association of University College Dublin (5pp).
c.149pp
80. 1966-1967 Memorandum from the ex-Auditor of the Literary and Historical Society, Harry (Owens), to the new Auditor, Henry Kelly, setting out his views on the right to College debating, the Society's independence and the Society's future (22 May 1967, 7pp). Also included are mainly photocopies of newspaper articles reporting on meetings and activities of the Literary and Historical Society during the session 1966-1967. Among the articles is a report on the attempted 'kidnapping' of Gay Byrne (television and radio personality), by Literary and Historical Society members (**Sunday Independent**, 12 March 1967).
29pp

81. April-May 1967 Material relating to the 112th session, 1966-1967, of the Literary and Historical Society. Included is a printed programme for the inaugural meeting of the session held on 17 April 1967 (3pp) and a notice signed by the Auditor, J H Owens, announcing the holding of an extraordinary meeting on 5 May 1967 to consider changes to the constitution (1 May 1967, 1p). 5pp
82. May 1967 Material relating to the Literary and Historical Society's position regarding the proposed merger of University College Dublin and Trinity College Dublin. Included is a memo regarding the merger. 'The major debating societies of both Colleges met informally during the past week and decided on a common policy to ensure their due recognition and safeguarded existence, with an independent status regarding the student's expression of opinion' (19 May 1967, 1p). Included are copy letters from J H Owens, Auditor of the Literary and Historical Society, to the Oxford Union, Cambridge Union and the Convener of Debates, Leeds University seeking information as to their finance and rights to the use of buildings (13 May 1967, 3pp). Included is a handwritten memorandum to the Minister for Education from the heads of the major societies in UCD and TCD (10pp). 18pp
83. 8 November 1967 Typed letter from Sean F Lemass, Politician, to Valerie Shine, Correspondence Secretary of the Literary and Historical Society, accepting an invitation to address the Society. 1p
84. 18 November 1967 File containing a telegram addressed to the Literary and Historical Society, Newman House, Stephens Green, Dublin. The text of the message reads: 'Regret unable to accept kind invitation stop National crisis detains me - Cosgrave'. 3pp
85. [1968] Printed pamphlet entitled 'The Constitution and the Judges. How an Irish Citizen was denied his Constitutional Rights by the Supreme Court. The Case of Michael Woods.' 4pp
86. 1968-1969 Material relating to the Literary and Historical Society during the session 1968-1969. Included are notices from the Auditor, Dermot Gleeson, stating, for example, that Niall Sullivan is the Honorary Librarian of the Literary and Historical Society for the session 1968-1969 and

that he is entitled to consult, remove or add to the records of the Society in the library (4pp). Included are lists of speakers for debates and the motion for debate, lists of speakers and the marks awarded to them at the debate, and a list of speakers and the date that they spoke during the 1968-1969 session.

22pp

87. 8 July 1971-22 August 1971 Letters, addressed to members of the Literary and Historical Society for the session 1971-1972, from Justice George D Murnaghan, John B Keane (Writer), Terence O'Neill (Politician), and Maurice Schumann (French Minister for Foreign Affairs), declining invitations to speak at Society meetings. 4pp
88. 1971-1972 Material relating to the Literary and Historical Society during the session 1971-1972. Included is a postcard sent from Greece [by the Auditor, Declan O'Donovan] to the committee of the Literary and Historical Society (13 August 1971). Included is Mr Liam Cosgrave's (TD) script for a talk at the Literary and Historical Society on Saturday 22 January 1972. The talk is entitled 'That a Small Country should know its place in the World' (5pp). Included is a notice issued by the Auditor listing the members of the Auditor's team and the Junior ex-Auditor's team to play in the annual football match. 'Players, cheerleaders, trainers, hawkers etc. should assemble at the bar in Belfield at 11.45 A.M on Saturday next. A suitable referee will be appointed later. Soft shoes should be worn. Offensive weapons, whether concealed or not, will not be tolerated this year'. (25 April 1972, 1p). 10pp
89. 1972-1973 Material relating to the Literary and Historical Society during the session 1972-1973. Included are letters from such persons as David M S Steel MP, the President of UCD Thomas Murphy, Senator Eoin Ryan, and Brian Lenihan TD accepting or declining invitations to preside or speak at meetings of the Literary and Historical Society. Included is a circular from the University of Lancaster, House of Debates setting out details for the first European Debating Festival to be held at Lancaster University on 17 March 1973 (3pp). Included is a typed letter from President Thomas Murphy to the Auditor of the Literary and Historical Society, Adrian Hardiman, thanking Hardiman for the message of congratulations on his appointment as President of University College Dublin (21 July 1972, 1p). Included is a provisional constitution of the Auditor's Association, University College Dublin (5pp). Included is an invitation to the Auditor of the Literary and Historical Society from Cumann Diospoireachta na nDaltai to their inaugural address entitled 'Environmental Change in Ireland' to be held on Friday 1 December 1972 (1p). 30pp
90. 14 June 1973 Typed letter written on behalf of Rt Hon Harold

Wilson MP to Kevin Cross of the College Debating Union of University College Dublin declining an invitation to speak at the Society.

1p

91. 20 May 1975
 Typed letter from
 Cearbhall O Dalaigh,
 President of Ireland, to the Auditor of the Literary and Historical Society,
 Michael Moloney, turning down an invitation to be added to the Society's list of
 Vice-Presidents.

1p

92. 3 July 1978-8 January 1979
 Letters addressed to
 Maev-Ann Wren, the
 Auditor of the Literary and Historical Society for the session 1978-1979.
 Included are letters from individuals such as Senator Mary Robinson, Garret
 Fitzgerald TD, Desmond O'Malley TD, Liam Cosgrave TD, George Colley TD,
 Edna O'Brien (Writer), Clement Freud MP, and Deputy Ruairi Quinn regarding
 invitations to speak at meetings of the Society. Included is a circular from the
 British Isles Debating Committee setting out details for the Observer Mace
 Debating Tournament (October 1978, 2pp). Included is a typed letter from
 Bernadette Parnell of the College Historical Society of University College
 Dublin setting out details for an intervarsity debate (19 October 1978, 1p).

14pp

93. 17 August 1979-13 February 1980
 Letters addressed to
 members of the committee
 of the Literary and Historical Society for the session 1979-1980. Included are
 letters from such individuals as Bishop Cahal B Daly and Hilary Boyle [of the
 Medical Research Council] accepting or declining an invitation to speak at
 meetings of the Society. Included is a circular from Blathna Ruane, Convener
 of the Debating Union of Ireland, to the Auditor of the Literary and Historical
 Society, Gerard Stembridge, outlining details of the twenty-sixth annual
 competition for the Observer Mace [1979, 1p]. Included are letters from British
 Airways regarding payment for a ticket (29 January 1980; 13 February 1980,
 3pp).

14pp

94. 10 April 1980-11 December 1980
 Letters addressed to
 members of the committee
 of the Literary and Historical Society for the session 1980-1981. Included is a
 circular letter from Clark McGinn, Convener of Debates, Glasgow University
 Union regarding arrangements for the World Competition Debate, 1981 (11
 December 1980, 3pp). Included is a typed letter from Carmel Duff, Customer
 Relations Executive of Aer Lingus to the Auditor of the Literary and Historical
 Society, Charles F Meenan, in regard to problems concerning an airline ticket
 (28 July 1980, 1p). Included are letters from such individuals as the American
 Ambassador William V Shannon, Tom Nolan TD, and David Owen MP
 accepting or declining an invitation to speak at or chair a meeting of the Literary
 and Historical Society.

18pp

95. 1980-1981 File containing material relating to the Literary and Historical Society during the session 1980-1981. Included is a printed membership card for the Literary and Historical Society, 126th session, 1980-1981 (1p). Also contained within the file is a typed circular letter from Clark McGinn, Convener of Debates, Glasgow University Union inviting the Literary and Historical Society to the first ever World Competition Debate to be held in Glasgow University Union in the week of Monday, 19th January 1981 (22 October 1980, 1p).
3pp
96. 5 August 1981-6 November 1981 Letters addressed to members of the Literary and Historical Society for the session 1981-1982. Included are letters from individuals such as John Bruton TD, Brian Lenihan TD, T K Whitaker (Economist), Dr Bill Loughnane TD, Professor Brendan Walsh of University College Dublin, and Sile de Valera MEP accepting or declining invitations to take part in Society debates. Included is a handwritten letter from David J Hegarty, pro-Correspondence Secretary of the College Historical Society, to the Auditor of the Literary and Historical Society, Larry Ward, inviting the Society to participate in the College Historical Society's Intervarsities Debating Competition (6 November 1981, 1p). Included is a typed letter from I Foley, of the Department of Foreign Affairs, to Laurence Ward conveying to him the decision of the Cultural Relations Committee not to recommend a grant for the purpose of the Society's participation in competitions to be held the following year in Canada (10 August 1981, 1p).
27pp
97. 9 August 1982-May 1983 Letters addressed to members of the Literary and Historical Society for the Session 1982-1983. Included are letters from individuals such as Garret Fitzgerald TD; Mike Murphy of Radio Telefis Eireann; Sean McBride SC; Cyril Cusack (Actor); Rt Hon J Enoch Powell MP; Attorney General, John L Murray; and the President of University College Dublin, Thomas Murphy, accepting or declining an invitation to preside at or speak at meetings of the Literary and Historical Society. Included is a typed letter from Antoin McGovern, Treasurer of the University Philosophical Society, to the Auditor of the Literary and Historical Society, Cormac Lucey, letting him know the final arrangements for the Irish Intervarsity Debate (3 November 1982, 1p). Included is a notice from Cormac Lucey announcing the holding of an annual general meeting on May 6 (1p).
31pp
98. 1982/1983-1984/1985 File of material relating to meetings planned and held during the sessions 1982-1983, 1983-1984 and 1984-1985. The file mainly consists of lists of motions for debate and names, addresses and/or phone numbers of suggested speakers. Included are two typed letters from Frank Miller, Secretary of the Ulster Unionist Council in Belfast, seeking the payment of an outstanding sum due in respect of expenses for two trips made to

participate in debates in University College Dublin (15 November 1983; 25 April 1984, 2pp).

42pp

99. 6 September 1983-2 November 1983 Photocopies of letters addressed to the Auditor of the Literary and Historical Society, Shane Murphy, from Rt Hon John D Taylor MP, Charles J Haughey TD, Rt Hon Lord Hailsham of St Marylebone and a letter written on behalf of Prime Minister, Margaret Thatcher, regarding invitations to meetings of the Literary and Historical Society. Also included are sketches for a [Students'] Union handbook for 1983-1984.
- 8pp
100. 1983-1984 Literary and Historical Society file for the session 1983-1984. Included are photocopies of articles from such newspapers as **The Observer**, **Irish Times** and **Irish Independent** reporting on activities of the Society (14pp). Included are letters from such persons as Frank Kelly; Richie Ryan MEP; Justice Thomas A Finlay; Charles J Haughey TD; Rt Hon John D Taylor MEP; Adrian Hardiman; An Taoiseach Garret Fitzgerald; Brendan Comiskey, Auxiliary Bishop of Dublin; Ruairi Quinn TD; Alan Shatter TD and Fergal Quinn (Director of Superquinn) accepting or declining an invitation to participate in Society debates.
- c.187pp
101. 1983-1984 Folder of material relating to the inaugural meeting of the Literary and Historical Society for the session 1983-1984, held on 25 November 1983. Included is a photocopy of an article from the **Irish Times** reporting on the inaugural. The piece is entitled 'Sutherland denies Justice Bill repressive' (26 November 1983, 1p). Included is a 'mock up' of a Literary and Historical Society guide for the session 1983-1984. The guide contains a letter from the Auditor, Shane Murphy, and articles on Literary and Historical Society history, competitions and etiquette as well as a guide to undergraduate humour and to other students (11p). Included are drafts of the Auditor's inaugural address entitled 'Crime and Society' and also copies of articles relevant to the topic. Included is an issue of **Magill**, November 1983, containing an article entitled 'Justice being done?' in which Adrian Hardiman assesses the proposed Criminal Justice Bill (pp.21-23). Also included are leaflets seeking the election of Colm O hOisin and the election of Eamon Delaney for Auditor for the [1985-1986] session (7pp).
- c.231pp
102. 1983-1984 File containing material relating to the Literary and Historical Society during the session 1983-1984. Included is a letter from Michael Foot MP to the Auditor of the Literary and Historical Society, Shane Murphy, turning down an invitation to the Literary and Historical Society while he is in Dublin for a Trinity College engagement (15 September 1983, 1p). Included is a photocopy of the text of the inaugural address of the 129th

session of the Literary and Historical Society which was delivered by Shane Murphy on Friday 25 November 1983. The address is entitled 'Crime and Society' and is signed by the Auditor (19pp). Included is an income and expenditure account for the Literary and Historical Society covering the period 21 April 1983 to 4 May 1984 (1p).

22pp

103. August 1983-May 1984 Material of relevance to the Literary and Historical Society during the session 1983-1984. Included are newspaper cuttings and photocopies of newspaper cuttings reporting on meetings of the Literary and Historical Society. Included is a notice for the final of the Observer Mace Debating Competition at the Oxford Union Society at which UCD was represented by Patrick Whyms and Shane Murphy (1p). Included is an issue of **UCD News** containing articles on the Literary and Historical Society and on the students' club (May 1984, 20pp). Included is a programme for the Auditor's dinner at Newman House on 9 March 1984 (4pp). Included is the text of 'Crime and Society' the inaugural address of the 129th session of the Literary and Historical Society, delivered by the Auditor, Shane Murphy, on 25 November 1983 (20pp).
- c.85pp
104. 30 April 1984-3 May 1984 Two notices from the Auditor of the Literary and Historical Society, Shane Murphy. Included is a notice setting out the medal awards for the 129th session (3 May 1984, 1p). Included is a statement signed by the nominated candidates for the auditorial elections in the 129th session assenting to the appointment of Mr Patrick Whyms as Returning Officer in the said election (30 April 1984, 1p).
- 2pp
105. 31 July 1984-31 August 1984 Letters addressed to the Auditor of the Literary and Historical Society, Dermot Meagher, from Anthony W Clare MD and on behalf of Barry Desmond TD and Anne Connolly, Managing Director of Magill Publications Limited regarding invitations to meetings of the Literary and Historical Society.
- 4pp
106. 1984-1985 File containing material relating to the Literary and Historical Society during the session 1984-1985. Included is an invoice from General Woodworking Company Limited for lettering carried out to the Auditor's board for the Literary and Historical Society by their signwriter Mr W Robinson (23 November 1984, 1p). Included is a notice from the Auditor, Dermot Meagher, announcing to the members of the Literary and Historical Society his intention to resign the auditorship of the Society (December 1984, 1p). Included are newspaper cuttings from the **Irish Times** and **The Observer** relating to Irish student debates and to the Observer Mace debate held in UCD on 7 March 1985 which was won by a team from the University

of Glasgow (7-10 March 1985, 1p). Included is a copy of a speech arguing against the motion 'That this house would expel multinationals' (8 February 1985, 11pp). Included are black and white photographs of speakers and the audience at a Literary and Historical Society debate on the motion 'That justice is not seen as well as done' (25 January 1985, 9 items). Included is a typed letter from John T Daly, Convener of Debates, Glasgow to the Auditor of the Literary and Historical Society, Isobel Murray, acknowledging a letter agreeing to participate in the Ancient Universities Debate (4 April 1985, 1p). Included are lists of marks awarded to speakers in public debates during the 1984-1985 session (6pp).

70pp

107. 1984-1985 Material relating to the Literary and Historical Society during the session 1984-1985. Included is a notice from Patrick Whyms, Returning Officer, announcing the result of the auditorial election held on 4 May 1984 at which Dermot Meagher was elected on the first count (1p). Included is a notice from Ronan M Murphy announcing details of the 1984 annual election for the position of first year representative on the committee (31 October 1984, 1p). Included is a personal letter from Cormac [Cormac Lucey, Auditor of the Literary and Historical Society in 1982-1983] to Dermot Meagher asking him to keep four Society ties for him, if the Literary and Historical Society was holding a ball that year and for his phone number (1 November 1984, 1p).
- 8pp
108. 11 March 1985-14 May 1985 File containing correspondence between the Auditor of the Literary and Historical Society, Isobel Murray, and Justice T A Finlay regarding the Society's request to put Finlay's name forward for nomination as a Vice-President of the Society.
- 3pp
109. 11 July 1985-23 December 1985 Letters addressed to members of the committee of the Literary and Historical Society for the session 1985-1986. Included are letters from individuals such as Reverend James Horan PP, Richie Ryan MEP, David Trimble, Lee Dunne, Seamus Deane, Conor Cruise O'Brien, Garret FitzGerald TD and Neil T Blaney TD accepting or rejecting an invitation to preside or speak at a meeting of the Literary and Historical Society. Included is a typed letter from David Orr of TV Gaga, Radio Telefis Eireann asking if a 'few good talkers' from the Society would like to be in their audience to talk about a range of subjects (11 December 1985, 1p).
- 24pp
110. 1985-1986 File containing material relating to the Literary and Historical Society during the session 1985-1986. Included is a typed letter from Eoin M Fowell, Speaker to the House of Debates, University of Liverpool, Guild of Undergraduates inviting the Literary and Historical Society to

participate in the 27th annual Liverpool Intervarsity Debating Competition (28 February 1986, 1p). Included is a photocopy of a letter from the Auditor of the Literary and Historical Society, Eamon Delaney, to the Student Officer of the Bank of Ireland branch in Belfield seeking the continued sponsorship of the College Maiden Speakers final (28 January [1986], 1p). Included is a list of adjudicators, results and commentaries on speakers who participated in the Rag Week Parliamentary Debate, hosted by the Commerce and Economics Society on 12 March 1986 (5pp). Included is a humorous notice from Eamon Delaney congratulating those 'brave members' of the Literary and Historical Athletics Federation for their performance at the College Sports Day on 12 May 1985 (1p). Included is a printed membership card for the Literary and Historical Society for the 131st session, 1985-1986, and also a black and white photograph [of the Auditor, Eamon Delaney]. Included is a typed letter from William L Haynes, Assistant Professor, Speech and Media Studies at the University of Missouri-Rolla stating that they are interested in forming a Debating Society at the University of Missouri-Rolla and asking for advice and for copies of the organizational and procedural documents of the Literary and Historical Society (6 May 1985, 1p).

43pp

111. 1985-1986 Material relating to the Literary and Historical Society during the session 1985-1986. Included is a notice from Eamon Delaney seeking his election as [Auditor] of the Literary and Historical Society [1985, 1p]. Included is a copy of the Literary and Historical Society Magazine for the 131st session, 1985-1986 (12pp).

13pp

112. 1986-1987 Typed papers, texts of speeches and reports delivered by the Auditor, Richard F Humphreys, to the Literary and Historical Society during the 132nd session, 1986-1987. Included is Humphreys' inaugural paper read at the Society on 28 November 1986. The paper is entitled 'Liberty and Society' (13pp). Included is the text of Humphreys' opening speech delivered to the Literary and Historical Society on 3 January 1987 on the occasion of the World Debating Championships final (3pp). Included is the text of Humphreys' speech delivered to the Literary and Historical Society on 23 January 1987 against the motion 'That Science, not Religion will Alleviate Man's Problems' (4pp). Included is the text of Humphreys' speech announcing adjudication results at the Schools National Final, delivered to the Literary and Historical Society on 7 March 1987 (2pp). Included is a report of the Auditor of the Literary and Historical Society, Richard F Humphreys, for the 132nd session, 23 April 1986 to 24 April 1987 (14pp).

36pp

113. 1986-1987 File containing a photocopy of the constitution of the Literary and Historical Society as in force during the session 1986-1987. The constitution is accompanied by a photocopy of a notice from Cormac Lucey (Auditor) and Ronan M Murphy (Treasurer) announcing the convening of an extraordinary general meeting to amend the constitution of the Society on 22 February 1983 (1p). The constitution is also accompanied by the

photocopied minutes of two extraordinary meetings held on 25 February 1985 to amend the constitution of the Society (5pp) and a note announcing the holding of an extraordinary general meeting on 17 April 1986 to amend the constitution of the Society (1p).

26pp

114. 1986-1987 File containing a typed copy of the constitution of the World Debating Council, adopted at Dublin on 3 January 1987. Included is a list of World Debating Council members for 1987 from Australia, France, Ireland (Richard F Humphreys), Canada, Edinburgh, New Zealand, Greece and the United States of America.
- 9pp
115. 1986-1987 File containing a photocopy of a paper delivered at the 16th ordinary meeting of the 132nd session of the Literary and Historical Society on 27 February 1987. The paper, by the Auditor of the Literary and Historical Society, Richard F Humphreys, is entitled 'The existence of God'.
- 12pp
116. 25 April 1986-24 February 1987 Photocopies of letters addressed to the Literary and Historical Society (and in particular to the Auditor, Richard F Humphreys). The letters are generally in reply to invitations from the Literary and Historical Society to speak at a meeting. Included are photocopies of letters from, for example, Hugh Leonard (Writer), Rt Hon J Enoch Powell MP, Mr Justice McCarthy, Charles J Haughey TD, Senator Mary Robinson, Justice William H Reinquist of the Supreme Court of the United States, Ken Livingstone, Rt Hon Norman Tebbit MP, Chairman of the Irish anti-apartheid movement Kader Asmal, Spike Milligan, Rt Hon Michael Heseltine MP, an Taoiseach Garret Fitzgerald, and Michael Foot. Included are photocopies of letters written on behalf of David Irving (Historian), the South African Embassy, National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), Frederick Forsyth (Writer), Bob Geldof of Band Aid Trust and Jeffrey Archer (Writer).
- 32pp
117. 1989-1990 File of material relating to the Literary and Historical Society during the session 1989-1990. Included are letters from such persons as an Taoiseach Charles Haughey, Rt Hon Michael Heseltine MP, Cyril Cusack (Actor), Ruairi Quinn TD, Desmond O'Malley TD, Rt Hon Dr David Owen MP, Maeve Binchy (Writer), Gay Mitchell TD, Earl of Mount Charles, Eamon Gilmore TD, Michael D Higgins TD, Tony Gregory TD, Rt Hon Norman Tebbit MP and John Bruton TD in response to requests from the Literary and Historical Society to participate in debates. Included is an notice calling for an extraordinary meeting of the Society to be held on 7 February 1990 to amend the constitution (1p). Included is an invitation from the Literary and Historical Society to their inaugural meeting on 2 February 1990 (1p). Included is a notice

7. Section A - a report on the Newman Memorial Dinner (including a black and white photograph of ex-Auditors present at the dinner) and a copy of the Literary and Historical Society newsletter.

8. Section B - a report on literary events hosted by the Society during the session, including a copy of the inaugural address 'The Politics of Literature'.

9. A list of the committee of the Literary and Historical Society for the 137th session.

62pp

121.

Constitution of the literary and Historical Society.

Proclamation 1933. Amended on 12 June 1948.

12pp

122.

Typed paper on the subject of the state of action between the arts and the sciences. (Possibly an Auditor's address?).

12pp

123.

Photocopy of a letter from David Stewart of the Literary and Debating Society of University College Galway announcing the details of the western regional final of the Bank of Ireland Secondary Schools debates.

1p

124. 17 October

Handwritten letter from Don Johnston, Auditor of Dealga (a literary and debating society), seeking to arrange a debate.

1p

125.

Greeting card on which is written the following message: 'from Pierce's and Lede's groups many-many thanks'.

1 item

126.

Photocopy of a list of names largely consisting of RTE radio and television personnel and journalists. The list is headed 'Theatre Q's mailing list for the Importance of being Ernest'.

1p

iv Financial Records, 1906-1981

127. December 1906-October 1930;
1932-March 1933 Accounts Book of the
Literary and Historical
Society listing income and
expenditure for each session. Entries give the date, source of income (such as
members' subscriptions, college grant, bank balance, proceeds of dance), and
itemised payments (such as towards stationary, medals, newspaper
advertisements, dinner in the Gresham). Individual accounts are occasionally
entered and give details of expenses incurred by individual Society members.
The accounts are certified by the Treasurer and the Auditor. The volume is
paginated to page 318.
c.270pp
128. 1911; 1931 Receipts from Gerrard
Brothers, printing firm
and manufacturing stationers (2 March 1911); Irish Times Limited (31
December 1931); Browne and Nolan Limited, printers, publishers and
manufacturing stationers (December 1931); and from Independent Newspapers
Limited (31 December 1931). The receipts are for advertisements, stationery
and printing work carried out for the Literary and Historical Society.
6pp
129. May 1948-November 1949 Material relating to the
financial affairs of the
Literary and Historical Society. Included is an itemised income and expenditure
sheet (May-November 1948); a letter from the National Bank Limited (21
October 1948); copy of an application for a grant to the College Finance
Committee (9 December 1948); list of estimates from different printing firms for
printing copies of the Society's constitution; and letters, invoices and statements
from various companies including John Smyth and Company 'Ecclesiastical Art
Manufacturers' Dublin regarding medals, Mc Cullough's Limited for hire of a
piano, the Shelbourne Motor Car Company, McEvoy Press for printing the
Society's constitution and J E Mills, Caterers and Confectioners.
53pp
130. 1949-May 1950 'Receipts and payments
account' for the period
ending 29 May 1950 and a 'revenue account' for the period ending 29 May
1950.
2pp
131. 1950-1951 Material relating to the
financial affairs of the
Literary and Historical Society. Included is a sessional bank balance sheet from
the National Bank Limited (May 1950-June 1951), a 'revenue account' for the
period from 30 May 1950 to 19 May 1951, Literary and Historical Society

cheques, and accounts and receipts from various companies including the Royal Hibernian Hotel and the Kenilworth Bowling Club.

40pp

132. 1951-1952 Material relating to the financial affairs of the Literary and Historical Society. Included is a sessional bank balance sheet from the National Bank Limited (May 1951-February 1952), draft income and expenditure account and balance sheet (30 May 1952), and invoices and receipts from various companies including John Smyth and Sons, 'Ecclesiastical Art Manufacturers', for medals and Gerrard and Hughes Limited, 'Engravers, Stationers and Printers'.
- 30pp
133. 1952-1953 Material relating to the financial affairs of the Literary and Historical Society. Included is a sessional income and expenditure sheet (May 1953) and invoices from R V and W Wilson, 'Dublin Bookbinding and Ruling Company' and from Hotel Lenehan, Harcourt Street, Dublin for accommodation and breakfast (April 1953).
- 4pp
134. 1954-1955 Material relating to the financial affairs of the Literary and Historical Society. Included is a typed letter from J P MacHale, Secretary and Bursar of University College Dublin, regarding the Literary and Historical Society's application for a grant (28 January 1955, 1p). Included are invoices and receipts from the Irish Times Limited and from such companies as John Smyth and Sons Limited 'Ecclesiastical Art Manufacturers' and Mahons Printing Works of Dublin.
- 11pp
135. 1956-1957 Material relating to the financial affairs of the Literary and Historical Society. Included is a sessional bank balance sheet from the National Bank Limited (September 1956-June 1957), a draft sessional income and expenditure account and balance sheet (May 1957), and Literary and Historical Society cheques.
- 40pp
136. 1957-1958 Material relating to the financial affairs of the Literary and Historical Society. Included is a sessional bank balance sheet from the National Bank Limited (September 1957-June 1958), Literary and Historical Society cheques, and receipts and invoices from various companies such as Sign of the Three Candles Limited, Inniu, Mahon's Printing Works, Standard Hotel Company Limited, and John Morgan and Sons Limited, Wine and Cigar Merchants.
- c.67pp

137. 1962-1963 Letters to and from
John F Murphy,
Honorary Treasurer of the Literary and Historical Society. Included is a copy letter to the College Finance Committee requesting a further grant (4 March 1963, 2pp). Included is a copy letter to Glasgow University Union requesting accommodation in Glasgow for Literary and Historical Society delegates to an intervarsity debate, with the reply from the Convener of Debates in Glasgow (6 April 1963; 8 April 1963, 2pp). Included are letters to Murphy from the Shelbourne Hotel regarding arrangements for the Literary and Historical Society Annual Supper Dance (17 October 1962; 12 November 1962, 2pp). Included is Murphy's report of the annual hop held in 86 (St Stephens Green) (1963, 1p).
19pp
138. 26 January 1971 Invoice from the Accounts
Department, University
College Restaurants, to the Honorary Treasurer of the Literary and Historical Society, for the inaugural held at Earlsfort Terrace on 4 December 1970. The bill which comes to £21.11.6 is for thirteen bottles of sherry, two bottles of orange, food and snacks and staff overtime.
1p
139. 1978/1979-1980/1981 Material relating to the
financial affairs of the
Literary and Historical Society during the sessions 1978/1979-1980/1981, including documents relating to the expenses incurred in holding the Literary and Historical Society Ball. Included is a list of projected income and expenditure and the projected bank balance as at 30 June 1981 (4pp). Included is an invoice from Alwright and Marshall Limited for four silver plated medals and engraving (28 November 1980, 1p). Included is a bank statement from the Bank of Ireland branch in Belfield issued to the Treasurer of the Literary and Historical Society, David Nolan (8 May 1981, 1p). Includes a covering letter from D O'Connor and Company, Chartered Accountants, to Brendan Murphy, Treasurer of the Literary and Historical Society enclosing a copy of the accounts of the Society for the year ending 31 May 1979, together with the records he had submitted for audit (7 March 1980, 15pp).
58pp
140. 1980-1981 Projected income and
expenditure accounts for
the Literary and Historical Society for the year ending 1 June 1981.
2pp
141. Handwritten list of the
costs of holding a Literary
and Historical Society Ball.
1p

v **Auditorial Election Records, 1936-1986**

142. May 1936 Records relating to the
Literary and Historical
Society auditorial election held in May 1936. Included is a list of members entitled to vote at the auditorial election of 1936, an election roll, a statement signed by the candidates for the auditorial election appointing a Returning Officer and a Legal Assessor for the conduct of the election, a notice of appeal regarding the 'wrongful exclusion from list of members entitled to vote', notices regarding the holding of and the venue for the auditorial election, and an invoice from the the Foley Typewriter Trading Company, 83 Middle Abbey Street, Dublin for copies of the auditorial election form. 21pp
143. May 1949 Records relating to the
Literary and Historical
Society auditorial election held in May 1949. Included is an alphabetical list of members of the Society for 1948-1949, a report of the Returning Officer for the election of Auditor for the session 1949-1950, and documents relating to an appeal for an individual to be replaced upon the list of voters for the election of Auditor. 18pp
144. May 1950 Records relating to the
Literary and Historical
Society auditorial election held in 1950. Included is a form of nomination for the auditorial election, statements of nomination, lists of members of the Literary and Historical Society entitled to vote in the auditorial election of 1950 and documents relating to appeals regarding the voters list. 50pp
145. May 1951 Records relating to the
Literary and Historical
Society auditorial election held in May 1951. Included is a list of members entitled to vote in the auditorial election of 1951; a report of the Returning Officer, Vincent Grogan (ex-Auditor), with the poll results; and documents relating to an appeal against the inclusion of the Auditor in the electoral list. 9pp
146. May 1952 Records relating to the
Literary and Historical
Society auditorial election held during May 1952. Included are lists of members entitled to vote in the auditorial election of 1952, a list of accepted candidates for the auditorial election, notices regarding the appointment of Legal Assessors and a Returning Officer for the auditorial election, and documents relating to appeals regarding the voters list. 31pp

147. 1953
 Records relating to the
 Literary and Historical
 Society auditorial election held during May 1953. Included is a notice regarding the holding of an extraordinary general meeting for the purpose of amending the Society's constitution; notices regarding the appointment of Legal Assessors and a Returning Officer for the auditorial election; a notice from the Returning Officer regarding the date, time and venue of the auditorial election; and a notice from the Legal Assessors and the Returning Officer declaring the result of the auditorial election.
 7pp
148. November 1953-May 1954
 Records relating to the
 Literary and Historical
 Society auditorial election held in May 1954. Included is a copy of a notice announcing changes to the Society's constitution, a form of nomination for the auditorial election, documents relating to appeals regarding the voters list, a voters register, a list of people eligible to vote in the auditorial election of 1953-1954, and a notice from the Auditor, Gerard Sheehy, to the members of the Literary and Historical Society regarding an attempt to buy votes during the election (May 1954).
 25pp
149. May 1955
 Records relating to the
 Literary and Historical
 Society auditorial election held in May 1955. Included are documents relating to the nomination of candidate, Henry Kennedy, and documents relating to appeals regarding the voters list.
 4pp
150. May 1956-(May 1957)
 Records relating to the
 Literary and Historical
 Society auditorial election held in May 1956. Included is an election roll and a list of voters, a notice regarding the appointment of a Legal Assessor, a notice from Charles Edward Lysaght turning down the office of Auditor 'for family reasons', a statement from the candidates in the auditorial election with regard to that election, a list of officers and committee members appointed for the session 1956-1957, and [minutes of the annual general meeting of May 1956] at which the election results were read.
 8pp
151. [May] 1957
 Records relating to the
 Literary and Historical
 Society auditorial election held in May 1957. Included is a list of those qualified to vote at the auditorial election for the session 1957-1958, a form of nomination for the auditorial election, and a notice regarding the dismissal of an officer of the Society and the appointment of a new officer and a new committee member.
 6pp

152. [May-June] 1958 Records relating to the
Literary and Historical
 Society auditorial election held in May 1958. Included are forms of nomination for the auditorial election; notices regarding the appointment of Legal Assessors, a Returning Officer and assistants to the Returning Officer for the auditorial election; a notice of polling for the auditorial election signed by the Returning Officer, Vincent Grogan; a list of persons entitled to vote in the auditorial election and a roll of voters; statements from a candidate, Owen Dudley Edwards, with regard to the auditorial election; a report from the Returning Officer and the Legal Assessors announcing the result of the election for the office of Auditor; a notice of the date, time, venue and agenda of the annual general meeting of the Society for 1958; and a list of the committee and officers of the Literary and Historical Society for the session 1958-1959. 21pp
153. May 1959 Records relating to the
Literary and Historical
 Society auditorial election held in May 1959. Included are forms of nomination for the auditorial election; notices regarding the appointment of Legal Assessors and a Returning Officer; a notice from the Returning Officer, Vincent Grogan, announcing the date, time and venue for the auditorial election; and a statement from two candidates for the office of Auditor requesting the Returning Officer to proceed to count the votes on the evening of the poll. 11pp
154. May 1960 Records relating to the
Literary and Historical
 Society auditorial election held in May 1960. Included are forms of nomination for the auditorial election; notices regarding the appointment of a Returning Officer, Seamus Sorahan, and Legal Assessors for the auditorial election; a notice of the polling day, the hours of polling and the place of polling for the auditorial elections of May 1960; and a copy of a ballot form. 8pp
155. May 1964 Records relating to the
Literary and Historical
 Society auditorial election held in May 1964. Included are forms of nomination for the auditorial election and minutes of proceedings. The proceedings were held to investigate the eligibility of Mr Fleann Patrick O'Connor to contest the auditorial election in May 1964. 8pp
156. [December 1984]; April 1986 Bound volume containing
the electoral roll of votes
 cast in the Society's auditorial elections of December 1984, April 1985 and April 1986. 35pp

vi Medal Award Records, 1944-1964

157. 1944-1945 Literary and Historical Society marking sheets.
Each sheet records the motion for public debate at a particular meeting of the Literary and Historical Society, the date of that meeting, the names of speakers, the marks awarded to those speakers, and the signature of the Chairman of that public debate. On the marking sheet are also printed extracts from the constitution of the Society.
18pp
158. 1944-1945 Literary and Historical Society marking sheets.
Each sheet records the motion for public debate at a particular meeting of the Literary and Historical Society, the date of that meeting, the names of speakers, the marks awarded to those speakers, and the signature of the Chairman of that public debate. On the marking sheets are also printed extracts from the constitution of the Society.
8pp
159. 1947-1948 Literary and Historical Society marking sheets.
Each sheet records the motion for public debate at a particular meeting of the Literary and Historical Society, the date of that meeting, the names of speakers, the marks awarded to those speakers, and the signature of the Chairman of that public debate. On the marking sheets are also printed extracts from the constitution of the Society.
11pp
160. 1948-1949 Literary and Historical Society marking sheets.
Each sheet records the motion for public debate at a particular meeting of the Literary and Historical Society, the date of that meeting, the names of speakers, the marks awarded to those speakers, and the signature of the Chairman of that public debate. On the marking sheets are also printed extracts from the constitution of the Society. Accompanying the marking sheets is a list of medal awards for the session 1948-1949 and a list of the conditions for the award of the Peter R Hogbin Medal for General Debate.
42pp
161. 1949-1950 Literary and Historical Society marking sheets.
Each sheet records the motion for public debate at a particular meeting of the Literary and Historical Society, the date of that meeting, the names of speakers, the marks awarded to those speakers, and the signature of the Chairman of that public debate. On the marking sheets are also printed extracts from the constitution of the Society. Accompanying the marking sheets are the marks for a public debate in which the members participating in the debate awarded marks to each other [30 April 1949].
24pp

162. 1950-1951 Literary and Historical
Society marking sheets.
- Each sheet records the motion for public debate at a particular meeting of the Literary and Historical Society, the date of that meeting, the names of speakers, the marks awarded to those speakers, and the signature of the Chairman of that public debate. On the marking sheets are also printed extracts from the constitution of the Society.
- 21pp
163. 1951-1952 Literary and Historical
Society marking sheets.
- Each sheet records the motion for public debate at a particular meeting of the Literary and Historical Society, the date of that meeting, the names of speakers, the marks awarded to those speakers, and the signature of the Chairman of that public debate. Accompanying the marking sheets is a table summarising the marks awarded during the year 1951-1952 and a handwritten letter from John C O'Sullivan to Vincent Grogan, the Returning Officer. O'Sullivan states that in view of the possibility of missing marking sheets affecting the results of the medal awards in the Society he is confirming that, subject to a similar agreement being made by the other three of the top four place-holders, he is willing to accept any change that the missing sheets may make, if and when they are found (30 May 1952, 2pp). Also included is a list of medal awards for 1951-1952.
- 24pp
164. 1953-1954 Literary and Historical
Society marking sheets.
- Each sheet records the motion for public debate at a particular meeting of the Literary and Historical Society, the date of that meeting, the names of speakers, the marks awarded to those speakers, and the signature of the Chairman of that public debate. Also accompanying the marking sheets is a typed letter from R Dudley Edwards (Professor of Modern Irish History, UCD) to Gerard Sheehey, Auditor of the Literary and Historical Society. Edwards states that he does not think the presentation of a new medal requires anything in the constitution. Edwards congratulates Sheehey on the ex-auditorial board. 'Congratulations on getting the ex-auditorial board up at last. I suppose you have noticed that Aughney is inaccurately spelt Aughnet, and that J.C.Flood appears with a spiritual 'P' which effectively camouflages the well-known initials!' (12 January 1954, 1p).
- 20pp
165. 1954-1955 Literary and Historical
Society marking sheets.
- Each sheet records the motion for public debate at a particular meeting of the Literary and Historical Society, the date of that meeting, the names of speakers, the marks awarded to those speakers, and the signature of the Chairman of that public debate.
- 7pp
166. 1955-1956 Literary and Historical
Society marking sheets.

Each sheet records the motion for public debate at a particular meeting of the Literary and Historical Society, the date of that meeting, the names of speakers, the marks awarded to those speakers, and the signature of the Chairman of that public debate.

19pp

167. 1956-1957

Literary and Historical
Society marking sheets.

Each sheet records the motion for public debate at a particular meeting of the Literary and Historical Society, the date of that meeting, the names of speakers, the marks awarded to those speakers, and the signature of the Chairman of that public debate.

15pp

168. 1957-1958

Literary and Historical
Society marking sheets.

Each sheet records the motion for public debate at a particular meeting of the Literary and Historical Society, the date of that meeting, the names of speakers, the marks awarded to those speakers, and the signature of the Chairman of that public debate. Accompanying the marking sheets is a list of medal awards for the session 1957-1958.

18pp

169. 1958-1959

Literary and Historical
Society marking sheets.

Each sheet records the motion for public debate at a particular meeting of the Literary and Historical Society, the date of that meeting, the names of speakers, the marks awarded to those speakers, and the signature of the Chairman of that public debate. Accompanying the marking sheets is a note containing an extract from the constitution of the Literary and Historical Society (Article 34) regarding medal awards.

18pp

170. 1959-1960

Literary and Historical
Society marking sheets.

Each sheet records the motion for public debate at a particular meeting of the Literary and Historical Society, the date of that meeting, the names of speakers, the marks awarded to those speakers, and the signature of the Chairman of that public debate. Accompanying the marking sheets is a list of medal awards for the session 1959-1960.

20pp

171. 1961-1962

Literary and Historical
Society marking sheets.

Each sheet records the motion for public debate at a particular meeting of the Literary and Historical Society, the date of that meeting, the names of speakers, the marks awarded to those speakers, and the signature of the Chairman of that public debate. Accompanying the marking sheets is a typed letter from Ruaidhri

B PHOTOGRAPHS, [1930-1987]

174. March 1930 Black and white,
mounted, indoor, press
photograph of speakers at the University College Dublin, Literary and Historical Society's Inter-Debate. Seated (from left to right): Mr W Shanks (Vice-President, Queens University Belfast), Mr K V Hatt (President, London University Students' Union), Miss Lilian Edwards BA, (Secretary, Students' Union, Aberstwyth), Dr D Coffey (President, University College Dublin), Miss Margaret M H Murray (Convener of Debates, Glasgow), Mr J A Barber (President-elect, Students' Union, Durham). Standing (from left to right): Mr J Kent (MC of Inter-Debate), Mr W Thornton Birkenshaw (ex-President, Guild of Undergraduates, Birmingham), Mr Alan S Kerr (Treasurer, Undergraduates' Guild, Liverpool), Mr R W Dudley Edwards (Auditor, Literary and Historical Society, University College Dublin), E Heywood (Manchester University Union), Mr H Trevor Lloyd BSc (President, Students' Union, Bristol) and Mr David Edwards (President, Students' Union, Cardiff). The back of the mounted photograph is signed by David Edwards, R W Dudley Edwards, Walter Shanks, H T Lloyd, Alan S Kerr, James E MacColl (Oxford), R V Hatt, Margaret M H Murray, Lilian M Edwards and J A Barber. The photograph measures 14 cm x 20 cm.
- 1 item
175. 1942 Copy of a black and white
group photograph taken at
the Literary and Historical Society inaugural in 1942. Standing in the back row (from left to right) are Walter J Treanor, Dr Morgan Mansfield, Dr John Mowbray, [Kathleen O'Rourke], Peter Hogbin and James De Valera Mansfield. Seated in the front row (from left to right) are James Dillon TD; Sean MacEntee TD; the future president of UCD, Michael Tierney; the Auditor, Frank Roe; and William Norton TD.
- 1 item
176. March 1945 Copy of a black and white
group photograph taken at
the Literary and Historical Society inaugural in 1945. Pictured (from left to right) are the Auditor, Walter J Treanor; Patrick McGilligan TD; Thomas J Campbell KC MP; the President, Arthur W Conway LL D FRS; The Right Hon Sir James Milne-Barbour PC MP; and Dr Patrick McCartan FRCS.
- 1 item
177. [1977/1978] Black and white
photographs of speakers
and the audience at the Literary and Historical Society debate on the motion
'That this house would replace Bunreacht na hÉireann'.
- 14 items
178. [1980/1981] Ten black and white
captioned photographs of

former Auditors, members and speakers at the Literary and Historical Society. Included are photographs of Garret Fitzgerald, Sean MacBride and ex-Auditors Richard Ryan (1950-51), Chief Justice Tom O'Higgins (1938-39), Gerald Barry (1969-70), and Henry Kelly (1967-68). These photographs may have been gathered together for an occasion during the 1980-1981 session.

10 items

179. [1982/1983] Three black and white photographs of the two winners of a debating trophy. One of the gentlemen is possibly Cormac Lucey, Auditor of the Literary and Historical Society during the session 1982-83.
3 items
180. 15 October 1982 Black and white photographs of speakers at the Literary and Historical Society debate on the motion 'That this house supports the Pro-Life Amendment'.
9 items
181. 12 November 1982 Black and white photographs of speakers and committee members at the Literary and Historical Society debate on the motion 'That Christianity is the World's only hope'.
15 items
182. 14 October 1983 Black and white photographs and copies of photographs of speakers and the audience at a Literary and Historical Society debate on the motion 'That Irish neutrality is a policy of self-delusion'.
24 items
183. 11 November 1983-March 1984 Black and white photographs and copies of photographs taken during the Auditorship of Shane Murphy, 1983-1984. Included are photographs of speakers at the Literary and Historical Society debate on the motion 'That Stalin not Hitler was the ogre of the twentieth century', on 11 November 1983. Included are photographs taken at the inaugural meeting of the Literary and Historical Society on 25 November 1983. The inaugural address, on 'Crime and Society', was delivered by the Auditor, Shane Murphy. Included are photographs of Patrick Whymys and Shane Murphy holding the Observer Mace which they won at the Observer Mace Debating Competition on 7 March 1984. Included are photographs taken at the Auditor's dinner at Newman House on 9 March 1984. These photographs include one of the Meenan dynasty at the Auditor's dinner: Charles Meenan (Auditor, 1980-81); Charles Meenan Senior (Auditor 1943); Professor Patrick Meenan, uncle of Charles Meenan Junior, (Auditor 1941), and Professor James Meenan, uncle of Charles Meenan Junior (Auditor 1932).
63 items

184. 24 October 1986
Copies of three black and white photographs taken at a Literary and Historical Society debate on Northern Ireland ('That this house opposes any change in the constitutional status of Northern Ireland'). Included is a photograph of Denis Haughey speaking, with seated (from left to right) Siobhán Ní Bhriain (Committee), Patricia O'Connell (Committee) and Denise MacDonald (Committee). Included is a photograph of David Trimble speaking, with seated (from left to right) Auditor, Richard F Humphreys; Denis Haughey; Siobhán Ní Briain; and Patricia O'Connell. Included is a photograph of the Auditor speaking.
3 items
185. 7 November 1986
Copy of black and white photograph taken at a Literary and Historical Society debate on Political Idealism ('That political idealism is a thing of the past'). The photograph shows Michael Keating TD speaking, with seated (from left to right) Colin Prendergast (Committee), Councillor Sean Loftus, Rachel Deale (Committee), Auditor, Lord Longford, Fionnuala Mac Aodha (Committee), Patricia O'Connell (Committee) and Stephen Brien (Committee).
1 item
186. 9 January 1987
Copies of three black and white photographs taken at a Literary and Historical Society debate on the motion 'That Fine Gael have failed to build a just society'. Included is a photograph of Tomas Mac Giolla speaking, with seated (from left to right) Fionnuala Mac Aodha (Committee), Auditor, Councillor Frank Buckley, Chris O'Malley MEP, Dr Fionnula Kennedy, Graham Hanlon (Committee) and Mark Humphreys (Committee). Included is a photograph of Denise Mac Donald (Committee) speaking. Tomas Mac Giolla is seated between Councillor Frank Buckley and Chris O'Malley MEP. Included is a photograph of Michael O'Leary, seated after Graham Hanlon, and Stephen Brien (Committee) and Maurice O'Connell (FG).
3 items
187. 23 January 1987
Copy of a black and white photograph taken at a Literary and Historical Society debate on Science and Religion ('That Science not religion will alleviate man's problem'). Pictured (from left to right) are Colin Prendergast (Committee), Auditor, [Ronan] Murphy, Fionnuala Mac Aodha (Committee), Patricia O'Connell (Committee) and Clare Lucey (Committee).
1 item
188. 27 February 1987
Copies of black and white photographs taken at a Literary and Historical Society debate on 'The existence of God'. Pictured (from left to right) are the Auditor, Richard F Humphreys; Professor James Brady, Law; Dr Werner Jeanrond, School of Theology, Trinity College Dublin;

Dr Gerard Hanratty of University College Dublin; and a speaker. Also included are two black and white photographs taken at the post-debate reception.

3 items

189. [1980s]
members of the Literary and Historical Society. One black and white photograph of committee
1 item
190. [1980s]
meeting of the Literary and Historical Society. One of the photographs is of speaker Sean McBride. Two black and white photographs taken at a
2 items
191. [1980s]
members at a Literary and Historical Society meeting. Two black and white photographs of committee
2 items
192. April []
Taoiseach's (Garret Fitzgerald) address to the Literary and Historical Society on the subject ['That Ireland has a future']. Five black and white photographs taken at the
5 items
193. [Mid to late 1980s]
President of University College Dublin, and two members of the Literary and Historical Society at Dublin Airport. The Society representing the college at a debating tournament abroad. Seven colour photographs of Patrick Masterson,
7 items

C CENTENARY HISTORY COMMITTEE, 1951-1956

194. April 1952-1954 Minute Book containing
the handwritten minutes of
monthly meetings of the History Committee of the Literary and Historical
Society. The minutes give details of attendance and the aims and procedures of
the History Committee in preserving the records of the Literary and Historical
Society, such as 'using a wire recorder' to supplement written reports of
interviews with ex-Auditors (March 1952) and discussion of sources and
information available on the early years of the Society (p.4). Includes a list of
articles in the National Student giving issue number, entry reference and page
number (pp.181-182); list of known committee members and/or Auditors from
the year 1883 to 1941 (from p.183); list of ex-Auditors from 1857 to 1954
giving name, designation and contact address where applicable; and typed
agenda and decisions taken at meetings to be presented to the Society. The
volume is paginated to page 199. There are approximately 33 pages of entries.
- c.212pp
195. [1951-1956] Eight notebooks and loose
pages containing notes on
sources, notes on proof corrections and some text for the History of the Literary
and Historical Society being undertaken by James Meenan (ex-Auditor of the
Literary and Historical Society and editor of the 'History of the Literary and
Historical Society'). Included is a printed leaflet concerning the Literary and
Historical Society publication fund.
- c.322pp
196. (190[8]-); [1951-1956] Material relating to the
book 'History of the
Literary and Historical Society, University College Dublin', edited by James
Meenan. Included are cards containing notes written [by Meenan] on James
Joyce (53pp). Included is a copy of 'Memories of University College, Dublin.
The Jesuit tenure. 1883-190[8]' by C P Curran (11pp). Included is a list of ex-
Auditors of the Literary and Historical Society from 1857-1858 to 1953-1954
(3pp). Included is correspondence between Felix Hackett and Vincent Clarke
and from James Meenan to Professor Hackett regarding the drafting of chapters
for the History (1955, 11pp). Included are typed and handwritten drafts of
chapters by Meenan and by Hackett. Included are notes on Literary and
Historical Society events and characters by (James) Fitzgerald Kenny with
reference to appropriate minute books [1955, 4pp]. Included is a Dublin Horse
Show pamphlet from 1955 (1p).
- c.200pp

D POSTERS, [1971-1991]

197. Black and white poster advertising nominations night at the Literary and Historical Society, on the motion 'Women don't need liberation'. Those to be present on Saturday, 7.30 at Earlsfort Terrace, were Chair: Mary Finlay (junior ex-Auditor) and speaker: Nell McCafferty.
57 cm x 38 $\frac{1}{2}$ cm
198. 1 May 1971 Drafting film on which is drawn the original version of a poster advertising a debate of the Literary and Historical Society on the motion 'That this house would limit the right to strike'. Those to be present on Saturday, 7.30 at G32 Earlsfort Terrace, were Charles Cuffe (FOE) and Chair: Fr McKenna.
75 cm x 45 cm
199. 24 October 1971 Dyline poster advertising a debate of the Literary and Historical Society on the motion 'That parliamentary democracy is the opium of the west'. Guest speaker at the meeting, on Saturday 24 October at 7.30 pm in Physics Theatre (G32), was to be James Dillon. Chairman at the meeting to be John N Maguire MA, Lecturer in Politics UCD.
77 cm x 53 cm
200. 13 November 1971 Dyline poster advertising a debate of the Literary and Historical Society on the motion 'That no murderer is responsible'. Those to be present on Saturday, 7.30 at G32 Earlsfort Terrace were Justice Kenny in the Chair and Seamus Sarahan and Dr Liam Daly (Dundrum). A drawing of a hand clutching a bloody knife occurs at the top right hand side of the poster.
77 cm x 50 cm
201. [15 October 1982] Black and white poster advertising a Literary and Historical Society debate on the motion that 'This House Supports the Pro-Life Amendment'. Those to be present on Friday, 7.30, Theatre M were Eamonn Dunphy, Loretta Brown (SPUC), Professor John Bonnar, Anne Connolly (Wellwomans' Centre) and Fr Simon O'Byrne. A drawing of the cover of Bunreacht na hÉireann with a rosary beads laid on top provides the background for the poster. On the bottom left hand side of the poster are the words 'Poster by M. Price' and a telephone number.
84 $\frac{1}{2}$ cm x 59 $\frac{1}{2}$ cm
202. [22 October 1982] Black and white poster advertising the Literary

and Historical Society's Myles na gCopaleen debate on the motion that 'The Irish are the Master Race'. Those to be present on Friday, 7.30, Theatre M were Dermot Morgan (Fr Trendy), Ulick O'Connor (Writer, Boxer), John Feeney (Journalist), Brendan Cauldwell and Peter Leo Gibson. A drawing of Charles Haughey and members of the Fianna Fail party with right arms raised in salute occurs at the bottom two-thirds of the poster. At the bottom right hand corner of the poster are the words 'Posters by Mark Price' and a telephone number.

84¹/₂ cm x 59¹/₂ cm

203. 29 October 1982 Black and white poster advertising a debate of the Literary and Historical Society at which Conor Cruise O'Brien was billed to speak on the motion that 'The North is, and should remain, British'. Those to be present on Friday, 7.30, Theatre M were Charles McCreevy TD (FF), Frank Millar (DUP), Seamus Mallon (SDLP), and Dr Liam de Paor. A drawing of Northern Ireland with the Union Jack occurs at the centre of the poster.

84¹/₂ cm x 59¹/₂ cm

204. [12 November 1982] Black and white poster advertising a Literary and Historical Society Ball to take place Friday, in Sachs Hotel. The bottom of the poster features drawings of men and women dancing and playing musical instruments.

84¹/₂ cm x 59¹/₂ cm

205. [19 November 1982] Black and white poster advertising a Literary and Historical Society election debate to be held on Friday, 7.30, Theatre M. At the centre of the poster are the jack-in-the-box heads of Garret Fitzgerald and Charles Haughey accompanied by the words 'here they come again...'. On the bottom right hand side of the poster is the work 'Mark' accompanied by a telephone number.

84¹/₂ cm x 59¹/₂ cm

206. 26 November 1982 Drafting film on which is drawn the original black and white version of a poster advertising the Literary and Historical Society disco and gala debate on the motion 'That women have done nothing to justify their emancipation'. The debate to take place on Friday at 7.30. A drawing of a womans head occurs at the centre right of the poster.

84 cm x 59 cm

207. 26 November 1982 Black and white poster advertising the Literary

and Historical Society disco and gala debate on the motion 'That women have done nothing to justify their emancipation'. The debate to take place on Friday at 7.30. A drawing of a womans head occurs at the centre right of the poster.

84¹/₂ cm x 59¹/₂ cm

208. [May 1983] Black and white poster advertising a Literary and Historical Society nominations night, Friday, 8 pm, Theatre M. At the centre of the poster is a drawing of a James Bond type figure and is accompanied by such text as 'Cormac Lucey stars as James Bond in "Muckracker".'

84¹/₂ cm x 59¹/₂ cm

209. 14 October 1983 Black and white poster advertising a debate of the Literary and Historical Society on the motion 'Irish Neutrality ... is a policy of self-delusion'. Those to be present at 7.30, Friday, Theatre M, were John Kelly, Prionsias de Rossa, Padraig Flynn, Oliver J Flanagan, Senator Shane Ross and Anthony Coghlan. A cartoon accompanies the written text on the poster.

84¹/₂ cm x 59¹/₂ cm

210. 21 October 1983 Black and white poster advertising a Literary and Historical Society debate on the motion 'That R.T.E. will never come of age'. Those to be present on Friday, Theatre M, at 7.30 were Eamonn Dunphy, John Feeney, Dermot Morgan, Derek Davis, and Peter Leo Gibson. A drawing of an RTE. studio occurs at the centre of the poster.

84¹/₂ cm x 59¹/₂ cm

211. 28 October 1983 Black and white poster advertising a Literary and Historical Society debate on the motion 'That a united Ireland is the only solution to the Anglo-Irish problem'. There to be present at Theatre M, 7.15, Friday were Bernadette McAlliskey, Frank Millar (DUP), Desmond Fennell, Henry Kelly, Brid Rodgers, Sir John Biggs Davison and John A Murphy. A drawing of Northern Ireland torn between the Republic of Ireland and Britain occurs at the centre of the poster.

84¹/₂ cm x 59¹/₂ cm

212. 4 November 1983 Three black and white posters advertising a debate of the Literary and Historical Society on the motion 'That Ireland is greatly indebted to its banks'. Those to be present on Friday 4th, 7.30, Theatre M were Matt Merrigan, Joe MacCartin, Des Norton, T J Maher, Richard Ryan, Don Carroll and Fergus Rowan. A drawing, of two bankers outside a bank while bank robbers run amok on the roof, occurs in the centre of the poster. The

society debate of the Literary and Historical Society on the motion 'That this house would canonize Martin Luther'. The debate to take place at 7.30, Friday, Theatre M. A drawing of Martin Luther sporting wings occurs at the centre left of the poster.

84¹/₂ cm x 59¹/₂ cm

218. 20 January 1984

Three Dytline posters
advertising a maiden

speakers final of the Literary and Historical Society on the motion 'That this house would not fight for Ireland'. The debate to take place Friday 7.30 Theatre M. A drawing of a disinterested crowd and a woman symbolising Ireland occurs in the centre of the poster. The bottom right hand side of the drawing is signed H. Montag.

84¹/₂ cm x 59¹/₂ cm

219. 3 February 1984

Drafting film on which is
drawn the original black

and white version of a poster advertising the Tom Kettle Memorial debate of the Literary and Historical Society on the motion 'The Easter Rising was a grave mistake'. Those to be present at 7.30 Friday, Theatre M, were Charles Lysaght, Monk Gibbon and Gerard Danagher BL. A drawing of men standing outside the GPO, which is in flames, occurs in the centre of the poster. The bottom right hand corner of the drawing is signed Montag.

84 cm x 59 cm

220. 10 February 1984

Drafting film on which is
drawn the original black

and white poster advertising a debate of the Literary and Historical Society on the motion 'That this house would not remove the constitutional ban on divorce'. Those to be present at 7.30, Friday, Theatre M were Ulick O'Connor, William Binchy, John O'Connor (DAG), and Adrian Hardiman. A drawing of a husband and wife shackled together and their four children occurs at the top half of the poster.

84 cm x 59 cm

221. 10 February 1984

Black and white poster
advertising a debate of the

Literary and Historical Society on the motion 'That this house would not remove the constitutional ban on divorce'. Those to be present at 7.30, Friday, Theatre M were Ulick O'Connor, William Binchy, John O'Connor (DAG) and Adrian Hardiman. A drawing of a husband and wife shackled together and their four children occurs at the top half of the poster.

84¹/₂ cm x 59¹/₂ cm

222. 17 February 1984

Drafting film on which is
drawn the original, black,

white and red version of a poster advertising a schools final of the Literary and Historical Society on the motion 'That Orwell's 1984 is now upon us'. The debate to take place at 7.30, Friday, Theatre M. A drawing of a crowd cowering before a large uniformed man 'BIG BROTHER' occurs at the centre of the poster.

84 cm x 59 cm

223. 17 February 1984 Black and white poster advertising a schools final of the Literary and Historical Society on the motion 'That Orwell's 1984 is now upon us'. The debate to take place at 7.30, Friday, Theatre M. A drawing of a crowd cowering before a large uniformed man 'BIG BROTHER' occurs at the centre of the poster.
- 84 $\frac{1}{2}$ cm x 59 $\frac{1}{2}$ cm
224. 2 March 1984 Black and white poster advertising the Literary and Historical Society's Newman Memorial Meeting on the motion 'That UCD is a soulless institution'. The debate to take place at 7.30, Friday, Theatre M. A drawing of the upper torso of Cardinal Newman and of UCD buildings occurs at the centre of the poster.
- 84 $\frac{1}{2}$ cm x 59 $\frac{1}{2}$ cm
225. 7 March 1984 Four printed posters advertising the Observer Mace Debating Tournament finals at Oxford Union Society, Oxford on Wednesday, 7 March 1984, at 8.15 pm. A picture of two owls, each on a pedestal, accompanies the text on the posters.
- 58 $\frac{1}{2}$ cm x 38 cm
226. 12 October 1990 Drafting film on which is drawn the original black and white version of a poster advertising a Literary and Historical Society debate on the motion 'That this house would invade Iraq'. Guests to be at the meeting on Friday October 12 in Theatre M at 7.30 pm were Sean Ryan (PLO), Eoghan Harris, a US Embassy representative, and Joe O'Toole (INTO). A drawing of a soldier accompanies the text. The initials 'D.A.G. 9.0.' occurs at the bottom centre of the drawing.
- 84 cm x 59 cm
227. [26 October 1990] Drafting film on which is drawn the original black and white version of a poster advertising a Literary and Historical Society debate on the motion 'That this house regrets the Anglo-Irish Agreement'. Those to be present at the debate on Friday 27th at 7.30 pm in Theatre M were Séamus Mallon MP (SDLP) and Sammy Wilson (DUP). A drawing of a soldier with a

balaclava and a figure similar to that in the picture 'The Scream' accompanies the text.

84 cm x 59 cm

228. 2 November 1990 Drafting film on which is drawn the original black and white version of a poster advertising the semi-final of the Procter and Gamble International Dudley Edwards debate on the motion 'That rock and roll saves more souls than the Roman Catholic Church'. The debate to take place on Friday, November 2nd, at 1 pm in Theatre K and A109. The text is accompanied by a drawing of a naked long haired man carrying a cross on which Christ lies crucified. The signature of Kevin Maher 90 occurs on the bottom lower right hand side of the drawing.
- 84 cm x 59 cm
229. 2 November 1990 Drafting film on which is drawn the original black and white version of a poster advertising the final of the Procter and Gamble International Dudley Edwards debate on the motion 'That terrorists are evil, and should be killed'. The debate to take place on Friday, November 2nd, at 7.30 pm in Theatre M of the Arts Block. A drawing of a terrorist being shot through the head accompanies the text. The signature of Kevin Maher occurs at the bottom centre of the drawing.
- 84 cm x 59 cm
230. 16 November 1990 Drafting film on which is drawn the original black and white version of a poster advertising the Literary and Historical Society Newman Shield semi-final on the motion that 'Extradition is a crime'. The semi-final to take place on Friday 16th in Theatre M at 7.30. The text is accompanied by a drawing of two men, one against the backdrop of Ireland and the other against the backdrop of England. The man in Ireland is being hauled over to England while a judge presides over the event. The signature of Kevin Maher occurs at the bottom centre of the drawing. The poster is accompanied by a flyer for the debate (1 item).
- 83¹/₂ cm x 59 cm
231. [23 November 1990] Drafting film on which is drawn the original black and white version of a poster advertising the World Debating Championships 1991 play-offs hosted by the Literary and Historical Society. The play-offs on Friday 23rd in Theatre M at 7.30 pm were to be chaired by Julian Clare. A drawing of the earth accompanies the text. The signature of Kevin Maher occurs at the bottom of the drawing.
- 84 cm x 59 cm
232. [30 November 1990] Drafting film on which is drawn the original black

and white version of a poster advertising the Literary and Historical Society Newman Shield semi-final on the motion 'That the end of the world is nigh'. The debate to take place is Theatre M at 7.30 pm on Friday 30th. The text is accompanied by a drawing of an alien head with an open fanged mouth and large eyes in which are reflected an image of the earth. The signature of Kevin Maher 90 occurs at the bottom of the drawing.

84 cm x 59 cm

233. 7 December 1990

Drafting film on which is drawn the original black

and white version of a poster advertising a Literary and Historical Society maiden speakers semi-final on the motion that 'U.C.D. students deserve to be bored'. The debate to take place on 7th December in Theatre M at 7.30 pm. A drawing of a student hunched over a book with liquid pouring from his mouth onto the book accompanies the text. The signature of Kevin Maher 90 occurs at the bottom of the drawing.

84 cm x 59 cm

234. 12 December 1990

Drafting film on which is drawn the original black

and white version of a poster advertising the Newman Shield final on the motion that 'The Arts are a luxury we cannot afford'. The chair of the meeting, on Wednesday 12th at Theatre M at 7.30 pm, to be taken by Mike Murphy. A drawing of symbols representing the Arts with a line struck through them accompanies the text.

84 cm x 59 cm

235. [1991]

Drafting film on which is drawn the original black

and white version of a poster advertising the Literary and Historical Society Irish Times semi-final debate on the motion 'That Irish Society puts women not on a pedestal, but in a cage'. The debate to take place on Friday 11th in Theatre M at 7.30 pm. The text is accompanied by a drawing of a woman, on her knees, in a cage with the sign 'Please do not feed the animal thank you'. She is flanked on the left side by a farmer wearing a cap and on the right by a businessman wearing a suit and sunglasses and carrying a mobile phone. The signature of Kevin Maher 91 occurs at the bottom centre of the drawing.

84 cm x 59 cm

236. [1990/1991]

Drafting film on which is drawn the original black

and white version of a poster advertising the Colours Debate between Trinity and UCD on the motion that 'Saddam Hussein must be a graduate of Trinity'. The debate to be held in Theatre M at 7.30 pm on Friday 1st. A drawing of Saddam Hussein, wearing a mortar board and gown and with Trinity in the background, accompanies the text.

84 cm x 59 cm

237. [1991] Drafting film on which is drawn the original black and white version of a poster advertising a debate between the Literary and Historical Society and the Engineering Forum on the motion 'To B.E. or not to B.E.'. The debate to take place on Friday 1st in Theatre P at 1 pm. A drawing of two men doing battle, accompanies the text. The signature of Kevin Maher 91 occurs on the bottom right hand side of the drawing.
84 cm x 59 cm
238. [1991] Drafting film on which is drawn the original black and white version of a poster advertising the Literary and Historical Society Choice Leinster Schools Final debate on the motion 'That Ireland should become an atheist state'. The debate to take place in Theatre M at 7.30 pm on Friday 8th . A drawing of a creature clutching a cross accompanies the text.
84 cm x 59 cm
239. [1990/1991] Drafting film on which is drawn the original black and white version of a poster advertising a Literary and Historical Society impromptu debate, the McGilligan Shield, to take place at 1 pm on Friday 15th in Theatre M. A drawing of a shield forms the background for much of the text. The signature of Kevin Maher occurs at the bottom right hand corner of the drawing.
84 cm x 59 cm
240. [1991] Drafting film on which is drawn the original black and white version of a poster advertising the final of the Coopers and Lybrand Irish Masters on the motion 'That this house would comply with its Granny's wishes to die'. The debate to take place on Friday 22nd in Theatre M at 7.30 pm. A drawing of a smoking gun, an upturned wheelchair and a dead woman accompanies the text. The signature of Kevin Maher 91 occurs at the bottom right of the drawing.
84 cm x 59 cm
241. Dyline poster advertising an extraordinary meeting of the Literary and Historical Society on the motion 'That the trade unions are sacrificing everyone's future for their past'. The chair at the meeting on Wednesday, 7.30 at Theatre P of the Arts Block Belfield was to be taken by Eoin Gahan.
70 cm x 53 cm
242. Black and white poster advertising a Literary and

SOC2/

Historical Society Annual General Meeting, 7.30, Friday Theatre M. At the bottom half of the poster is a drawing of the Auditor's chair and a row of question marks.

84¹/₂ cm x 59¹/₂ cm

E VIDEOCASSETTE OF THE IRISH TIMES FINAL, 1984

243. 1984 Videocassette of the Irish Times final, 1984, at the Literary and Historical Society. 1 item

F WORLD DEBATING CHAMPIONSHIPS 1987

244. 1986-1987 Folder of material relating to the World Debating Championships, 1987. Included is a typed letter from Kevin D Sneader, Convener of Debates, Glasgow University Union to Jonathan Barton, Championships Director of the Literary and Historical Society confirming that the Union would be sending one team to the World Debating Championships (8 December 1986, 1p). Included are lists of possible adjudicators for the World Debating Championships. Included is a list of entertainment events for the Championships, running from Sunday 28 December 1996 to Saturday 3 January 1997. Events include an Irish Ceili, a New Years Eve Ball and a trip to Fairyhouse racecourse (1p). Included are computer printouts for the various teams giving the name of the debaters, their scores for each of the nine rounds, their total score and final ranking. Included is a schedule of events, a timetable for competition, and a list of instructions for adjudicators (6pp). Included is a list of 106 teams confirmed for the Championships and the names of their debaters (5pp). Included are photocopies of letters and also articles relating to Dialogue-a television debate series with participants from the United States, Canada and Europe (1986, 11pp). Included is a photocopy of a letter from an American freelance journalist, Christopher Kenneally, to Simon O'Hanlon of the Irish Tourist Board in New York concerning the possibility of him (Kenneally) covering the World Debating Championships (31 October 1986, 3pp). c.102pp
245. December 1986-January 1987 Envelope containing details of the budget of the World Debating Championships, 1987. 10pp
246. December 1986-January 1987 Informational document about the World Debating Championships, 1987, seeking advertisers for a commemorative brochure being published for distribution to sponsors and the competitors. 6pp
247. December 1986-January 1987 File containing master copies of documents

- computer printouts of
team rankings at the end of each of the nine rounds in the World Debating
Championships, 1987. 14pp
253. December 1986-January 1987 Envelope containing
computer printout result
sheets for round one of the World Debating Championships, 1987. 29pp
254. December 1986-January 1987 Envelope containing
computer printout result
sheets for round two of the World Debating Championships, 1987. 30pp
255. December 1986-January 1987 Envelope containing
computer printout result
sheets for round three of the World Debating Championships, 1987. 33pp
256. December 1986-January 1987 Envelope containing
computer printout result
sheets for round four of the World Debating Championships, 1987. 34pp
257. December 1986-January 1987 Envelope containing
computer printout result
sheets for round five of the World Debating Championships, 1987. 30pp
258. December 1986-January 1987 Envelope containing
computer printout result
sheets for round six of the World Debating Championships, 1987. 30pp
259. December 1986-January 1987 Envelope containing
computer printout result
sheets for round seven of the World Debating Championships, 1987. 30pp
260. December 1986-January 1987 Envelope containing
computer printout result

- sheets for round eight of the World Debating Championships, 1987. 34pp
261. December 1986-January 1987 Envelope containing
computer printout result
sheets for round nine of the World Debating Championships, 1987. 41pp
262. December 1986-January 1987 Comment sheets for round
one of the World Debating
Championships, 1987. The motion for round one being 'That human
exploitation is the price of progress'. 70pp
263. December 1986-January 1987 Comment sheets for round
two of the World Debating
Championships, 1987. The motion for round two being 'That this house would
support the use of the death penalty'. 90pp
264. December 1986-January 1987 Comment sheets for round
three of the World
Debating Championships, 1987. The motion for round three being 'That this
house would die for its country'. 88pp
265. December 1986-January 1987 Comment sheets for round
four of the World
Debating Championships, 1987. The motion for round four being 'That the
Soviet Union is the greatest threat to world peace'. 86pp
266. December 1986-January 1987 Comment sheets for round
five of the World Debating
Championships, 1987. The motion for round five being 'That it is a sad house
where the hen crows louder than the rooster'. 88pp
267. December 1986-January 1987 Comment sheets for round
six of the World Debating
Championships, 1987. The motion for round six being 'That this house would
take the law into its own hands'. 93pp

268. December 1986-January 1987
Debating Championships, 1987. The motion for round seven being 'That the welfare state is a sure guarantee of poverty'.
Comment sheets for round seven of the World
88pp
269. December 1986-January 1987
Debating Championships, 1987. The motion for round eight being 'That this house denounces the policy of unilateral disarmament'.
Comment sheets for round eight of the World
90pp
270. December 1986-January 1987
Debating Championships, 1987. The motion for round nine being 'That this house would have sunk the Mayflower'.
Comment sheets for round nine of the World
88pp
271. January 1987
sheets for the quarter-finals and semi-finals of the World Debating Championships, 1987.
Envelope containing order papers and comment
16pp