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DILL HOUSE

COLLEGE AND GROUNDS

The College is situated about a mile from the centre of the City. The main building stands in its own ten acre grounds on a hill overlooking the River Foyle. The building which is of Scotch sandstone was erected in the years 1856-1859. It contains the lecture-rooms, the Library with reading room, the common rooms and the main College Hall.

Dill House, named after the distinguished Dill family closely associated with the foundation of the College, is a fine Georgian house which has been converted into a residence for men students. The accommodation consists of study bedrooms designed for one, two and three occupants. The house also contains common rooms for the resident students and For the academic staff, and a refectory where meals are provided for both men and women students and for members of staff. Steps are being taken to provide a women students' residence near to the main College building and it is hoped to open this in the course of the session 1954-55.

The professors and lecturers live in houses in the College grounds or in the immediate neighbourhood. Students live cither in Dill House or in approved lodgings not far from the College.

The College sports grounds consisting of some six acres and situated about a quarter of a mile from the College provide facilities for Rugby, Soccer, Hockey, Cricket and Athletics. Club fixtures are arranged with other Irish universities and university colleges.

THE LIBRARY

The Library contains some 35,000 volumes, the great majority of them relating to Arts subjects. Expansion has been rapid in the last lew years. The sections relating to



Geography and Economics have been built up since the establishment of the new Departments in these subjects. In addition existing sections have been expanded to meet the requirements of other Departments.

There is a special Irish section which contains the nucleus of a collection relating to Londonderry. In the past the Library has attracted many bequests and has thus come to possess some early printed works and a number of manuscripts. Some 18th- and 19th-century Irish newspapers and other periodicals are available, and there is a pamphlet collection relating to Irish affairs in the last century. A recent addition to the Library was made by the late Dr. H. N. Spalding of Oxford who gave £500 for the purchase of books on Eastern Philosophies and Ethics.

During the period of expansion some structural changes were made and a new catalogue is being prepared. There is now a well appointed Reading Room where books in constant demand are displayed on open shelves. On most days during the lecture term the Library is open until 9.30 p.m.

HISTORICAL NOTE

The College was founded in the fifties of the nineteenth century under the will of Mrs. Magee of Dublin. It was opened in 1865 and was the first university society in Ireland to admit men and women students on equal terms. When the Royal University of Ireland was founded in 1879 the College became one of its five "recognised institutions" and one Senior Fellowship was assigned to it. When that University was dissolved in 1908 the College entered into an association with the University of Dublin which has continued since and been strengthened and enlarged, particularly in recent years. Many students have taken advantage of the facilities for graduation thus offered and a large proportion have gained high honours in that University. In 1938 the Parliament of Northern Ireland passed an Act which provided for an annual grant to the Literary and Scientific Department of the College.



LIBRARY - THE READING ROOM

During the war of 1939-45 the greater part of the College buildings, with the professors' residences, was requisitioned by the Admiralty and became an important centre for the conduct of the Battle of the Atlantic. After the war the position of the College was investigated by Government Committees and in 1951 a substantial increase in the annual grant was approved by Parliament. By the Magee University College Londonderry Act, 1953, the University College was reconstituted and relinquished control of the theological foundation.

Since 1951 the University College has been able to proceed with plans of development. Several additional appointments have been made to the academic staff and new Departments of Geography and of Economics have been opened. In 1951 the College became a Recognised College of the Queen's University of Belfast. Thus students of the College may study for a degree in either Dublin University or Queen's University. Details of these arrangements are given below.

UNIVERSITY COURSES

The College is associated with the University of Dublin (Trinity College) and is a Recognised College of the Queen's University of Belfast.

Dublin University

The following courses may be taken at Magee University College:

(a) Honours Courses leading to Moderatorship (Honours B.A. Degree) in Trinity College Dublin in:

| Mathematics | Modern History and | | | |
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| Classics | Political Science | | | |
| Mental and Moral | Ancient History and | | | |
| Science | Political Science | | | |
| Modern Literature | Economics and Politi- | | | |
| Ancient and Modern | cal Science | | | |
| Literature | | | | |

Students in attendance at Magee University College reading for Honours are eligible to take all Term Honour examinations in Trinity College.



Dublin University (continued)

| (h) Ordinary Courses in: | |
|--------------------------|--------------|
| Greek | German |
| Latin | Hebrew |
| Mathematics | Logic |
| Mathematical Physics | Ethics |
| Astronomy | Psychology |
| English | Introductory |
| History | Metaphysics |
| Geography | Economics |
| French | |

Under present arrangements students normally spend the first two years and two terms of the third year in Magee University College. The remainder of the undergraduate course is (except in the case of students attending Magee Theological College) spent in Trinity College Dublin.

Queen's University of Belfast

A student of the College who wishes to graduate in Queen's University with either a Pass or an Honours B.A. Degree must attend classes at Queen's University for at least two academic years after having completed at least one year at Magee University College as a matriculated student of Queen's University. Courses may be taken at Magee University College in the following subjects:

| German |
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| Modern History |
| Philosophy |
| Moral Philosophy |
| Economics |
| Geography |
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Entrance Requirements. Students proceeding to degrees in the University of Dublin must have passed the Magee University College matriculation examination or other examination regarded by the Faculty as equivalent thereto. Students proceeding to degrees in the Queen's University of Belfast must be matriculated students of Queen's University. Open and restricted Scholarships are available and tenable at the College during undergraduate courses. Diploma in Biblical Studies, in connection with Dublin University. This Diploma, which is specially suitable for students who propose to enter the teaching profession, is given on the results of an examination following attendance at a prescribed course of lectures, and the course of instruction may be completed in one year or in two years. Enrolment for the course is not confined to regular students of the College. A pamphlet giving courses and other particulars may be obtained from the Secretary of Faculty.

Non-Degree Courses

Arrangements are made to enable students who do not wish to take a degree course to attend classes in any of the subjects listed above. Evening classes also are held in Elementary and Advanced Russian and in Elementary and Advanced Spanish, and in some other subjects.

FEES AND EXPENSES

| N.B. | The following | figures | must | he | taken | as | approximate | and | |
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| | provisional. | | | | | | | | |

(a) Tuition

| 1st Year (for a student proceeding to a degree either in Dublin Univer- | | | |
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| sity or in Queen's University) | £20 | 4 | 0 |
| 2nd Year (for T.C.D. students) | 28 | 2 | 0 |
| 3rd Year (for T.C.D. students) | 33 | 2 | 0 |
| 4th Year (for T.C.D. students) | 37 | 0 | 0 |

(b) Residence

The cost of residence, in lodgings or in Dill House, varies, but £30 might be reckoned for each of the two winter terms, with £20 for the summer term, making the total for each year approximately £80.

A pamphlet setting out fees and giving particulars of Scholarship and Entrance examinations and other particulars may be obtained on application to the Secretary of Faculty. [Non: University College students who are preparing for the Ministry of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland and who are in the Senior Sophister year (i.e. the fourth year) proceeding to the ordinary B.A. degree of Dublin University take the theological course in Magee Theological College concurrently with the Senior Sophister year and can thus complete the full course for the Ministry in six years. Those reading for an Honours Degree normally spend the whole of the Senior Sophister year in Trinity College, Dublin, before entering on the theological course. Particulars regarding theological courses may be obtained from the Rev. Professor H. A. Irvine, M.A., B.D., Magee Theological College, Londonderry.]