

Meeting of the General Committee held on Saturday, January 13, 1951, Mr. E.J. Clarke, President, in the chair, also present Messrs N. Hayes, P.J. O'Connell, M.D. Hosford, L. Dobbin, J.S. Henderson, F. Murphy, C. Donovan, J.F.D. Good, H.S. Hayes, H. Twomey, J.B. Casey, C. MacDonald, E. Wall, W.W. Nicholson, J.W. Young, D. Cronin, J. Daly, M.R.C.V.S., T.N. Desmond, B.L., R. Good, B.E. Hosford, D. Hurley, J.B. Roberts.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and signed.

A communication was read from the Seanad Returning Officer regarding applications for registration for the Senate as a Nominating Body, and the Secretary asked for a direction as to whether we were to apply for re-admission as a Nominating Body.  
Mr. C. MacDonald expressed the view that we should not apply for re-admission as a Nominating Body, pointing out that the Society gave no help to the Candidate nominated by the Society. After a further discussion on the matter, Mr. T.N. Desmond proposed and Mr. H.S. Hayes seconded, that we re-apply for nomination.

The following new members were elected:-

New Members:

Mrs. Cunningham, Ballyelane, Cobh. ) Proposed by:-  
Paul Barry, Sheepwalk, Fermoy. ) Mr. N. Hayes.  
J.F. McGrath, Main St, Lismore. )  
M.B. Longmore, Kinneigh House, ) Seconded by:-  
Castletown Kinneigh, Enniskeane. ) Mr. M.D. Hosford.  
  
T. Lowney, Templebryan, Clonakilty ) Proposed by:-  
 ) Dr. G.H.M. Crofts.  
 ) Seconded by:  
 ) Mr. M.D. Hosford.

Return of attend-  
ances of this  
Committee for year:

The Secretary then gave the return of the attendance for this Committee for 1950/51, and, in accordance with the rules of the Society, eight members, having the least number of attendances, retire, and where a member had not less than six attendances, he would be eligible for re-election. The following were the members with the least number of attendances:-

who were to retire, after lots had been drawn:-

Messrs J. Daly, M.R.C.V.S., C. V. Good, R. Good,  
H.S. Hayes, Stephen Murphy, T. McGrath,  
S. O'Driscoll & T.J. Spillane.

The rules of the Society also lay down that four members of the Society longest in office should also retire, but were eligible for re-election, but, as seven members had the same period of office, lots were drawn between the following members:-

Messrs M. Corkey, M.D. Hosford, L. Dobbin,  
J.S. Henderson, Sean Murphy, F. Murphy,  
T. O'Driscoll.

The names, having been placed in a hat, it was agreed that the first three names out of the hat would remain on, and these were Messrs M.D. Hosford, S. Murphy & L. Dobbin. The retiring members then, under this heading, were the other four members.

Recommendation from  
Show & Finance  
Committees re office  
of Hon. Secretary:

The next business was to consider a recommendation of the Show & Finance Committees that the office of Honorary Secretary of the Society be abolished, and that the rule, or rules, governing same be altered. The President, having details as to why this recommendation was put forward, it was unanimously agreed, on the motion of Mr. T.N. Desmond, seconded by Mr. N. Hayes, that the recommendation above be adopted, and that same be sent forward to the Annual General Meeting.