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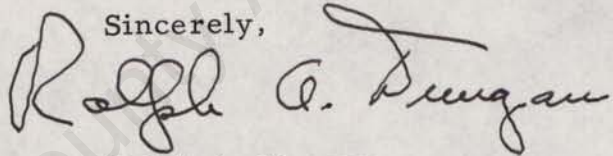
THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

November 12, 1963

Dear Mr. Doherty:

The letter, with enclosures, which you sent to the President has been received. Please be assured that your interest in writing and presenting your opinion is appreciated.

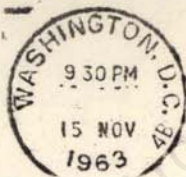
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Ralph A. Dungan  
Special Assistant  
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October 17, 1963

Honorable John F. Kennedy  
President  
White House  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

I am enclosing a clipping from the press in praise of itself by you.

I am sure you still believe in honest difference of opinion, and my opinion,  
for what it is worth, is quite different.

I am enclosing an editorial of the Christian Science Monitor, of  
May 10, 1963 and my own historical documented reply. They are now  
available for your evaluation.

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## Irish Leader Answers Partition Editorial

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Demogal Assn.

ERIN GO BRAGH

Best Wishes

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Admiral Sims  
Sister Mary Stymphly Hall.

Now would you think  
that when the Pres. of the U.S.A.  
decides to go to  
Ireland, as Pres. Kennedy  
and A. J. Ross papers  
write an Editorial  
Challenging his right to go to  
the Republic of Ireland unless  
he also went to Belfast  
and stating that the so-called  
government of Northern Ireland  
is as equally legitimate as  
the Republic of Ireland.

Not one letter so far as I know  
was written in answer, except  
what I personally wrote.  
with the literate people of our  
race, college graduates

Professors, better Teachers, ~~no~~  
and preachers, that ~~and~~  
man or woman except  
my self protested  
and challenged this  
Editorial distortion  
of historical truth.

Why do the Men of Learning  
Always when Ireland is  
Concerned, Always bait  
untill the rank and file  
blaze the trail, before  
the Sheep or Act.

Education is supposed to  
equip people to understand  
the affairs of the day



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professional people  
remained sullen and  
silent. when the very  
not hostile, and for  
the most part they were  
hostile

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And even now  
may I ask is there one  
Historian or Proff. of  
Government who has  
Recognized the true  
facts Relating to Ireland  
While Billions are being  
expended on Education  
does it not seem strange  
that those who love truth  
and Education so dearly

Can Remain so Carefully  
or cowardly silent

In the case of Ireland  
right to unconditional  
freedom.

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Mr Chairman Rev. Father, members  
and friends, I am most grateful  
for this manifestation <sup>of our</sup> of our  
endeavor to accomplish something  
worthwhile.

It has been pleasure to work  
with this organization,  
the cooperative spirit of  
our members has been  
most inspiring.

The individual. With  
with progressive ideas  
is a blessing, such as  
Past Pres. Michael O'Donnell  
has in such abundance  
but the cooperation of people  
makes it possible to  
accomplish the purpose.

And Brother O'Donnell  
symbolizing or personifying  
all of us in a  
manner of speaking I  
mention no more name

and will conclude  
with a sincere  
thank for your  
many kindness to me  
may this this Club and  
its members, and  
friends, Rely on  
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Real overruling  
Ideal and principle  
that has fortified and  
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