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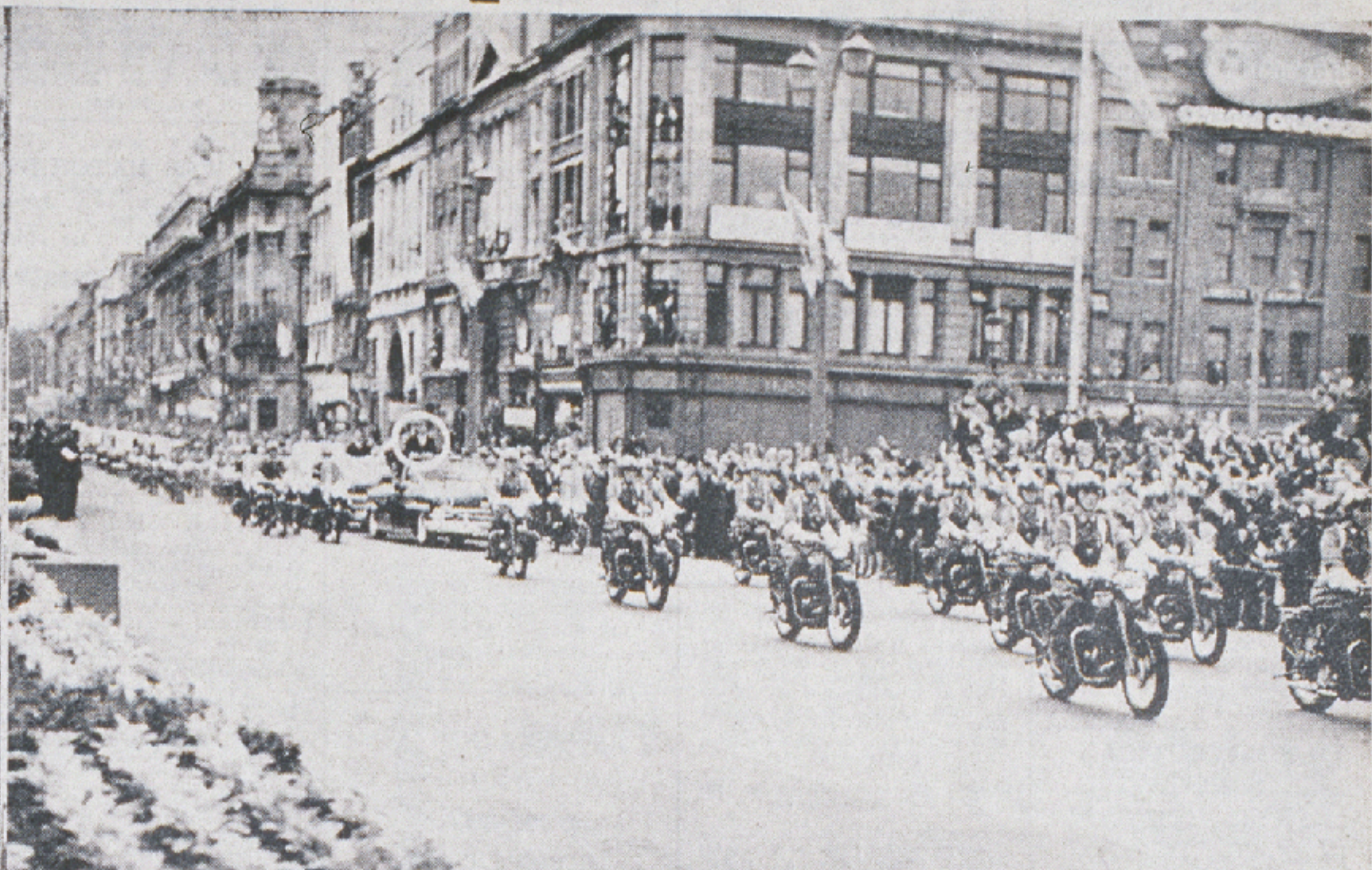
Sunny periods with scattered light showers. Moderate to fresh winds. Rather cool.

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Céad míle fáilte



President Kennedy inspects the Guard of Honour on arriving at Dublin Airport.



The motorcade with the U.S. President crossing O'Connell Bridge on its way to Aras an Uachtaráin.

DUBLIN'S WARM WELCOME

EMIGRATION OF ANCESTORS RECALLED

IRELAND'S sons and daughters, scattered throughout the world, gave this small island a family of millions upon millions who were among the best and most loyal citizens of the countries to which they had gone, President Kennedy said at Dublin Airport last night.

The President, who was giving to a speech of welcome by President de Valera, said there were many reasons why he had accepted President de Valera's generous invitation to come to Ireland.

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Irish people take President Kennedy to their hearts

JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY, President of the United States of America, arrived in Ireland last night to be greeted by hundreds of thousands of rapturously cheering people welcoming him home to the land of his forebears.

From the moment the aircraft bringing him from Germany touched down at Dublin Airport until his arrival later at Aras an Uachtaráin, it was a march of triumph all the way.

The tall, smiling great-grandson of a Co. Wexford emigrant, who has attained the highest position in the strongest country of the free world, was swept into the embrace of a people who had followed with pride his progress to the White House. With spontaneous acclaim they now showed their esteem and admiration.

Thousands had waited for hours at the airport to see the President on his arrival. Then as the blue and white jet aircraft, Air Force 1, gently taxied to a stop at one minute to 8 p.m. cheer upon cheer arose.

Airport workers rushed the gangway up to the plane and as the President emerged, smiling broadly, a mighty roar of welcome went up from the packed balconies.

With hand outstretched, President Kennedy walked down to the ramp. First to greet him was President de Valera, who shook him firmly by the hand. Both Presidents smiled warmly. He was then welcomed by the Taoiseach, Mr. Lemass.

Also in the reception party were the Tanaiste, Mr. MacEntee; the Minister for Finance, Dr. Ryan; the Minister for External Affairs, Mr. Aiken; the Apostolic Nuncio, Most Rev. Dr. Sensi; the U.S. Ambassador, Mr. Matthew McCloskey, an old friend of President Kennedy; the Irish Ambassador in Washington, Dr. T. J. Kiernan and the A.D.C. to President de Valera, Col. S. Brennan.

WARM HANDSHAKE

President Kennedy warmly shook hands with every member of the reception party. With the President were his sister, Mrs. Eunice Shriver, who is acting as his hostess during his European tour; his sister-in-law, Princess Radziwill; the Assistant Secretary of State for European Affairs, Mr. R. J. Manning; the White House Special Counsel, Mr. T. S. Sorensen, and Maj. Gen. Chester V. Clifton, President Kennedy's military aide.

Another sister, Mrs. Jean Smith, who had arrived in Dublin earlier from America, was at the airport to greet President Kennedy. After the Presidential suite had been presented, the American National Anthem was played by the Army No. 1 Band and a 21-gun salute was fired by an artillery battery.

A Captain's Guard of Honour, drawn upon the tarmac, was inspected by President Kennedy. Of the 107 men in the guard, 84 had served with the U.N. Forces in the Congo and one of them was named Kennedy.

President Kennedy was escorted to the Guard of Honour by the Chief of Staff, Lieut.-Gen. S. McKeown; the O.C. Eastern Command, Col. P. J. Hally, and Col. M. J. Heffernan, who has been assigned as special aide to the President during his visit in Ireland.

A hush descended on the crowds as President de

Valera then welcomed the distinguished visitor to Ireland. He welcomed the visiting statesman in the first place as the head and chief executive and first citizen of the "great Republic of the West" upon whose enlightened, wise, and firm leadership hung the hopes of the world.

He welcomed him in the second place as the representative of a great country in which all people sought refuge when driven by tyrannical laws from their motherland. "And finally, Mr. President, we welcome you for yourself," he said. "We trust that under God's inspiration and with His help you will be able to accomplish the aims which you have in mind, the aims of all who love mankind."

In his reply, President Kennedy said that there were many reasons why he was glad to accept the invitation to come to Ireland.

"No country in the world had suffered such a haemorrhage in the loss of its young people over the years. The Irish who had gone abroad had become the best of citizens but they have kept the memories of Ireland alive," he added.

A VALUED FRIEND



President Kennedy pictured with President de Valera before entering Aras an Uachtaráin last night.

The U.S. President said that President de Valera was a valued friend of his father for many years, and he had spoken highly of him.

The Archbishop of Dublin, Most Rev. Dr. McQuaid, was among the distinguished people who greeted President Kennedy at the airport. Also there were the Protestant Archbishop of Dublin, Most Rev. Dr. Simms, leaders of the Oireachtas, the Judiciary, the Garda Síochána.

He had a special word with the Leader of the Opposition, Mr. Dillon, and with the newly elected Lord Mayor of Dublin, Ald. S. Moore.

As President Kennedy and President de Valera took their seats in the Presidential car the cheering began again as the vast concourse of people gathered at the airport burst into thunderous applause.

The motorcade swung into the roadway, preceded by a police car and a photo truck with cine-cameras and photographers. Then came the lead car with Secret Service and Special Branch men.

A military motor cycle escort, with gleaming white helmets and equipment, swept into line immediately in front of the Presidential car from

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Will see Pope on Tuesday

PRESIDENT Kennedy will be received in audience by the Holy Father next Tuesday morning, a Vatican spokesman said last night.

Mr. Kennedy was due in Rome on Sunday evening at about the same time that Pope Paul is being crowned, but an Italian Press report suggested the visit would be put back one day and he would arrive on Monday morning.

34 killed, nine saved in crash

NINE Belgian paratroopers parachuted to safety shortly before noon from their crashing plane yesterday over the Federal German Republic and saved their lives but 34 others and their plane crew of five perished in the wreck at Sennelager.

One of the men who jumped to safety broke his leg. Another is in hospital, suffering from shock.

The troops belonged to the Belgian Airforce's First Parachute Regiment and were on a joint Belgian-German exercise. Three other planes took part.



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Most Rev. Dr. Staunton

DEATH OF BISHOP OF FERNS

THE regret to announce the death of the Bishop of Ferns, Most Rev. Dr. Staunton, which took place at the Ely Nursing Home, Wexford, this morn-

ing Lordship entered the nursing home about a month ago. His golden jubilee was Saturday last.

Last year he attended the Synod of the Council in Rome and was hoping to be at the same time when it convened in September.

Most Rev. Dr. James Staunton, D.D., B.C.L., B.A., was born in Ballyvaughan, Co. Wick, and was a well-known farming family.

He had a distinguished career—the early promise of a student days at St. Mary's College, Kilkenny, was amply fulfilled by his later attainments.

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